

# Rho Mass and Leptonic Decay Constant at the Physical Point

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# I. Introduction

- Rho resonance

$$M_{\rho^\pm} = 775.26(25)MeV, \quad \Gamma_\rho \approx 149MeV$$

- Rho resonance are investigated in lattice QCD through  $\pi\pi(I = 1)$  scattering (see talks in this session).
- Rho is also involved in leptonic processes,

$$\rho^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-;$$

$$\tau \rightarrow \rho^- \nu_\tau$$

So the leptonic decay constant  $f_\rho$  is also an important characteristic quantity of Rho.

- On the other hand, the chiral behavior of Rho mass is interesting for ChTP study of rho.
- This talk is based on the paper [arXiv:1507.02541](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.02541) (hep-ph)

## II. Lattice formulation

- We use a mixed action formalism in the calculation

Overlap valence on domain wall sea

- Gauge configurations

Gauge configurations with  $N_f=2+1$  domain wall fermions (DWF) generated by the RBC&UKQCD Collaboration

(T. Blum et al., arXiv:1411.7017(hep-lat))

Ensemble	$a^{-1}$ (GeV)	$L^3 \times T$	$m_\pi^{(sea)}$ (MeV)	$La$ (fm)
48I	1.730(4)	$48^3 \times 96$	139.2(4)	$\sim 5.5$

- Overlap (OL) fermions as valence quarks

a) Also chiral fermions;

b) **Multi-mass algorithm** can be used in the calculation of quark propagators;

c) **Very small**  $\Delta_{mix}$ , which measures the mass mismatch of pions made up of DWF sea quark or OL valence quarks (M. Lujan et al., PRD86(2012)014501)

$am_q^{(val)}$	0.00170	0.00240	0.00300	0.00455	0.00600	0.02030
$m_\pi$ (MeV)	114(2)	135(2)	149(2)	182(2)	208(2)	371(1)

- The exact chiral symmetry of OL facilitates us to extract the decay constant of pion through the PCAC (we use 45 configurations of 48I in this study), since  $Z_m Z_P = 1$  for OL

$$m_\pi^2 f_\pi = (m_u + m_d) \langle 0 | \bar{u} \gamma_5 d | \pi \rangle$$

$$m_u = m_d = m_q^{(\text{val})}$$

Ensemble	$a^{-1}$ (GeV)	$m_\pi^{(\text{sea})}$ (MeV)	$f_\pi$ (MeV) (RBC)	$f_\pi$ (MeV) (ours)
48I	1.730(4)	139.2(4)	131.1(3)	131.3(6)
64I	2.359(7)	139.2(5)	130.9(4)	
Prediction			130.2(9)	

- This comparison can be taken as a calibration of our formalism.

### III. The energy levels in the rho channel

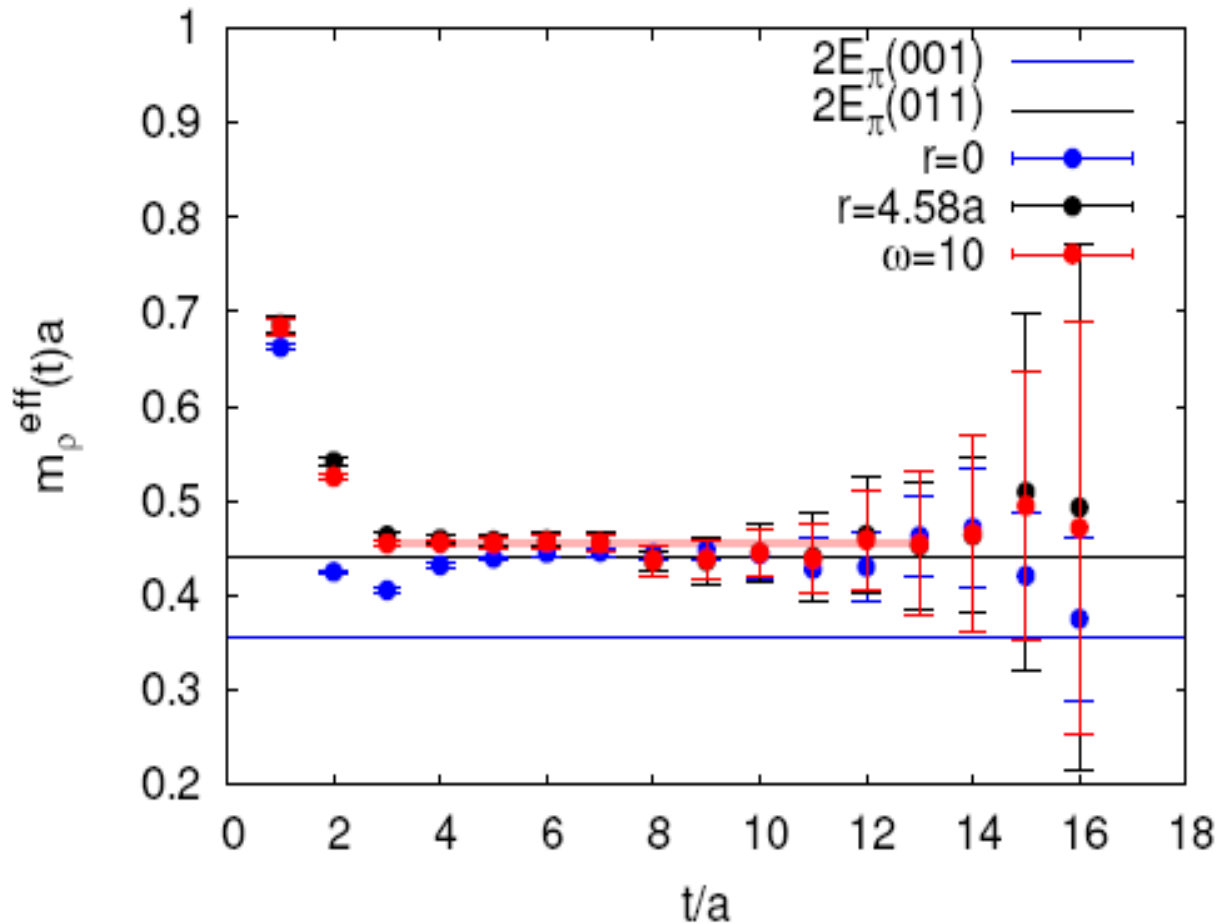
1. We use the Coulomb gauge fixed wall source to calculate two-point functions

$$O_{V,i}^{(w)}(t) = \sum_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{z}} \bar{u}(\mathbf{y}, t) \gamma_i d(\mathbf{z}, t)$$

$$O_{V,i}(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{r}) = \bar{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) \gamma_i d(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}, t)$$

$$C(r, t) = \frac{1}{3N_r} \sum_{\mathbf{x}, i, |\mathbf{r}|=r} \langle 0 | O_{V,i}(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{r}) O_{V,i}^{(w)\dagger}(0) | 0 \rangle$$

2. The correlation functions with different  $r$  can be properly linearly combined to obtain better signals for the ground state (this can be seen in the following)



- This plot shows the effective plateaus in the rho channel at  $m_\pi = 208\text{MeV}$
- The blue line:  $\pi\pi$  threshold  $2E_\pi(001) = 614\text{MeV}$
- The black line:  $\pi\pi$  threshold  $2E_\pi(011) = 761\text{MeV}$
- The blue points and black points are the effective energy from  $C(0,t)$  and  $C(4.58a,t)$
- The red points are for  $C_{\text{mix}}(t) = C(0,t) + \omega C(4.58a,t)$

### 3. There are several questions:

- where is the lowest pion-pion scattering state?
- what is the relation between the second lowest state and the measured plateau?
- how can one extract useful information about rho from the measured data?

- Coulomb gauge fixed wall source operator may **strongly suppress** the p-wave non-interacting  $\pi\pi$  scattering states

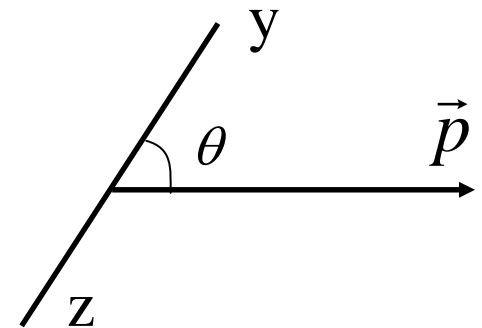
$$O_{V,i}^{(w)}(t) = \sum_{\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}} \bar{u}(\mathbf{y}, t) \gamma_i d(\mathbf{z}, t)$$

Qualitatively,

$$\langle 0 | \bar{u}(\mathbf{y}) \gamma_i d(\mathbf{z}) | \pi(\mathbf{p}) \pi(-\mathbf{p}) (L=1) \rangle \sim Z_i(|\mathbf{p}|, r) \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}}{|\mathbf{r}| |\mathbf{p}|}, \quad \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z}$$

$$\langle 0 | O_{V,i}^{(w)} | \pi(\mathbf{p}) \pi(-\mathbf{p}) (L=1) \rangle = 0$$





- 2) Through large  $N_c$  analysis, it is suggested by Jaffe that  $\rho$  is an **ordinary meson** like a Feshbach resonance which exists as a  $q\bar{q}$  confined state in the continuum with zero width in the large  $N_c$  limit. (R.L. Jaffe, AIP Conf. Proc. 964, 1 (2007); Prog. Theor. Phys. Suppl. 168, 127 (2007) [arXiv:hep-ph/0701038] ).
- 3) The eigenstates of **the lattice Hamiltonian** in the rho channel can be taken as linear superpositions of non-interacting  $\pi\pi$  states and would be  $q\bar{q}$  confined states.

**A complete state set:**

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\pi(p)\pi(-p)\rangle, p = 2\pi n / L, n = (001), (011), \dots \\ |\rho_i\rangle \end{array} \right.$$

- 4) In the resonant energy region  $E_{\pi\pi} \sim m_\rho$  the lattice energy levels should show **avoiding level crossings**, which can be taken as the mixing effects of the would-be confined state and the nearest scattering state. (for references, see for example K. Rummukianen and S. Gottlieb, Nucl. Phys. B450 (1995) 397.)

Considering the mixing of a two-state system,

$$H_0|\pi\pi\rangle = E_1|\pi\pi\rangle, \quad H_0|\rho\rangle = E_2|\rho\rangle,$$

$|\pi\pi\rangle$ : non-interacting  $\pi\pi$  state  
 $|\rho\rangle$  would-be  $q\bar{q}$  confined state

When the coupling of  $|\pi\pi\rangle$  and  $|\rho\rangle$  is considered, the Hamiltonian is

$$H = H_0 + H_1 = \begin{pmatrix} E_1 & x \\ x & E_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

whose eigen values are

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\pm} &= \frac{1}{2} \left( E_1 + E_2 \pm \sqrt{(E_2 - E_1)^2 + 4x^2} \right) \\ &\equiv M \pm \frac{1}{2} \Delta\delta, \end{aligned}$$

$$M = \frac{1}{2}(E_1 + E_2)$$

$$\Delta = E_2 - E_1$$

$$\delta = \sqrt{1 + 4x^2/\Delta^2}$$

and the corresponding eigenstates are

$$\begin{aligned} |\alpha\rangle &= a_- |\pi\pi\rangle + b_- |\rho\rangle, \\ |\beta\rangle &= a_+ |\pi\pi\rangle + b_+ |\rho\rangle \end{aligned} \quad H|\alpha\rangle = E_- |\alpha\rangle, \quad H|\beta\rangle = E_+ |\beta\rangle,$$

with the combination coefficients,

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_- & b_- \\ a_+ & b_+ \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\delta}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\delta+1} & -\sqrt{\delta-1} \\ \sqrt{\delta-1} & \sqrt{\delta+1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

These states contribute to the correlation function as

$$\begin{aligned} C(t) &= \langle O_P(t) O_W^+(0) \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | O_P | \alpha \rangle \langle \alpha | O_W^+ | 0 \rangle e^{-E_- t} + \langle 0 | O_P | \beta \rangle \langle \beta | O_W^+ | 0 \rangle e^{-E_+ t} \end{aligned}$$

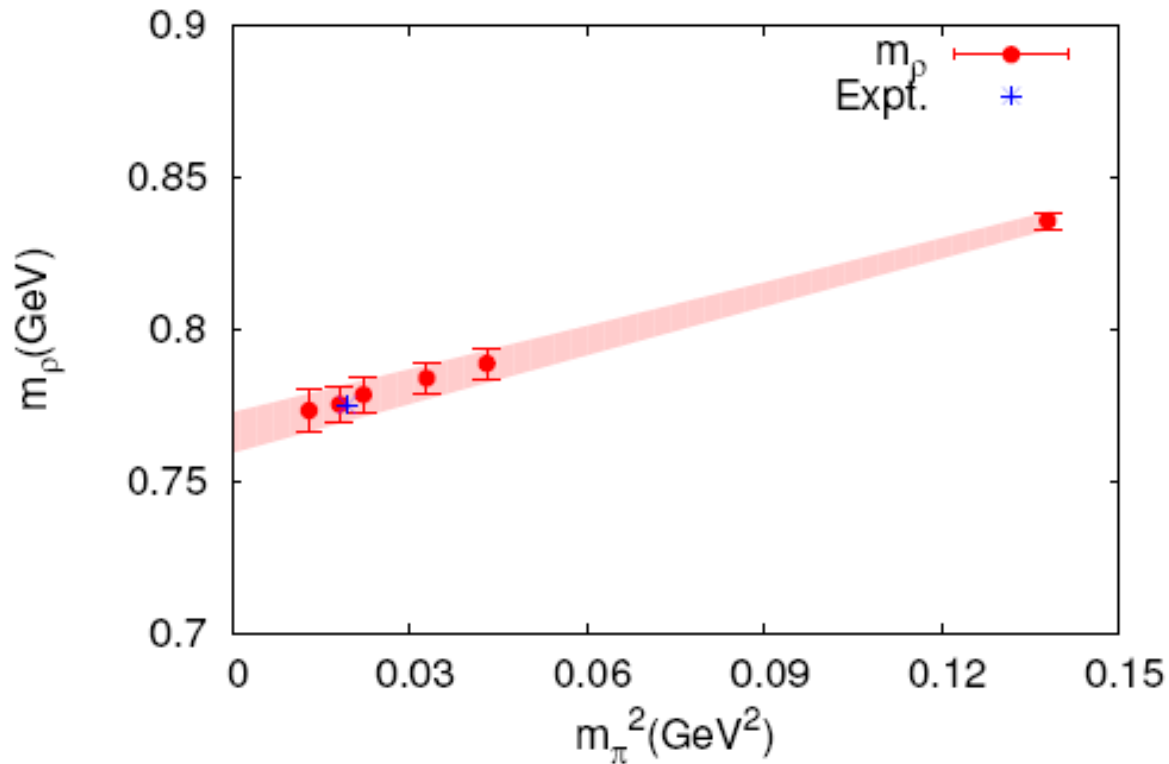
According to our previous discussion, if  $\langle 0|O_W|\pi\pi\rangle = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} C(t) &= \langle 0|O_P|\rho\rangle\langle\rho|O_W^+|0\rangle(b_-^2 e^{-E-t} + b_+^2 e^{-E+t}) \\ &= \langle 0|O_P|\rho\rangle\langle\rho|O_W^+|0\rangle\frac{1}{2\delta}\left((\delta-1)e^{-(M-\frac{1}{2}\Delta\delta)t} + (\delta+1)e^{-(M+\frac{1}{2}\Delta\delta)t}\right) \\ &= \langle 0|O_P|\rho\rangle\langle\rho|O_W^+|0\rangle e^{-E_2 t}\left(1 + \frac{1}{8}((\Delta\delta)t/2)^2 + \dots\right) \end{aligned}$$

Even though we cannot resolve the two states numerically in this study, when we use **one exponential to fit** the correlatio function we actually obtain the mass of the would-be  $q\bar{q}$  confined state  $|\rho\rangle$ , which we **take as an approximation to the mass of rho meson**.

4. We carry out similar analysis at all the pion masses and get the result,

$m_\pi$ (MeV)	114(2)	135(2)	149(2)	182(2)	208(2)	371(1)
$m_\rho$ (MeV)	773(7)	775(6)	779(6)	784(5)	789(5)	836(3)



$$m_\rho(m_\pi) = m_\rho(0) + c_1 m_\pi^2$$

The ChPT study gives the chiral behavior of rho mass like

(P.C. Bruns and U.-G. Meissner, Eur. Phys. J. C 40, 97 (2005) )

$$m_\rho(m_\pi) = m_\rho(0) + c_1 m_\pi^2 + c_2 m_\pi^3 + c_3 m_\pi^4 \ln \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2}$$

But the linear form in terms of  $m_\pi^2$  can well describe our data ,

$$m_\rho(m_\pi) = m_\rho(0) + c_1 m_\pi^2.$$

with the best-fit parameters

$$m_\rho(0) = 766(7) \text{ MeV}, \quad c_1 = 0.505(3) \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

and the rho mass at the physical pion mass

$$m_\rho = 775.9 \pm 6.0 \pm 1.8 \text{ MeV}$$

It should be noted that since we do the chiral interpolation, the precise slope parameter  $c_1$  is reliable and can potentially serve as a constraint to the ChPT study of rho.

Furthermore, the (valence) pion-rho sigma term can be obtained directly from the Feynman-Hellman theorem,

$$\sigma_{\pi\rho}^{(\text{val})} = m_\pi^2 \frac{dm_\rho}{dm_\pi^2} = c_1 m_\pi^2 = 9.82(6) \text{ MeV}$$

### III. The leptonic decay constant of rho $f_{\rho^-}$

$$\langle 0 | J_{\mu}^{(-)}(0) | \rho^{-}(\vec{p}, \zeta) \rangle = m_{\rho} f_{\rho^{-}} \epsilon_{\mu}(\vec{p}, \zeta)$$

$$J_{\mu}^{(-)}(x) = (\bar{u} \gamma_{\mu} d)(x)$$

Recalling the definition

$$O_{V,i}(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{r}) = \bar{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) \gamma_i d(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}, t)$$

It is easily seen that the decay constant can be extracted through the joint fit of

$$C(0, t) = \sum_n 2m_n L^3 f_n Z_n^{(w)} e^{-m_n t}$$

$$C^{(w)}(t) \approx \sum_n 2m_n L^3 (Z_n^{(w)})^2 e^{-m_n t}$$

Bare decay constant

However,  $C^{(w)}(t)$  is notoriously noisy. So we propose a technique to improve the quality of it signal, .....

1. Why  $C^{(w)}(t)$  so noisy?

Actually,

$$\begin{aligned} C^{(w)}(t) &\equiv \frac{1}{3} \sum_i \langle 0 | O_{V,i}^{(w)}(t) O_{V,i}^{(w),\dagger}(0) | 0 \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{r}, i} \langle 0 | O_{V,i}(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{r}) O_{V,i}^{(w),\dagger}(0) | 0 \rangle \\ &= \sum_r N_r C(r, t) \\ C(r, t) &= \sum_n \Phi_n(r) e^{-E_n t} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\Phi_n(r)$  damps exponentially with  $r$ , a  $C(r, t)$  with large  $r$  only contributes noise.



## 2 An approximate $C^{(w)}(t)$ with a cutoff of $r$

$$C^{(w)}(r_c, t) = \sum_{r \leq r_c} N_r C(r, t)$$

and the approximation quality is measured by the ratio,

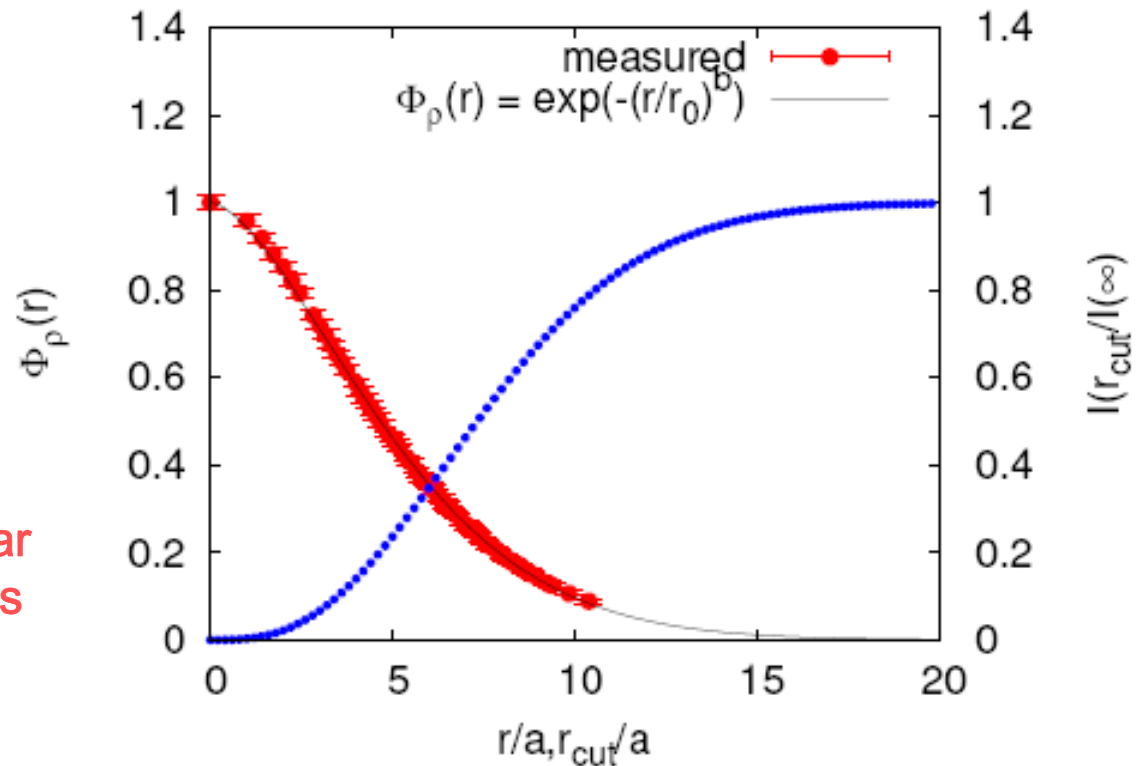
$$\frac{C^{(w)}(r_c, t)}{C^{(w)}(t)} \approx \frac{\int_0^{r_c} dr r^2 \Phi_1(r)}{\int_0^{\infty} dr r^2 \Phi_1(r)} \equiv \frac{I_1(r_c)}{I_1(\infty)}$$

$$\Phi_1(r) = \Phi_1(0) e^{-\left(\frac{r}{r_0}\right)^\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = 1.60 \text{ and } r_0 = 5.88a.$$

$$\frac{I_1(20a)}{I_1(\infty)} \approx 0.995$$

The situations are similar for different pion masses in this work.



### c) The non-perturbative renormalization of the vector current

This can be easily done for overlap fermions. Since

$$Z_m = Z_P^{-1} \quad Z_V = Z_A$$

The  $Z_V$  can be derived directly from  $Z_A = \frac{2m_q \langle 0|P|\pi \rangle}{m_\pi \langle 0|A_4|\pi \rangle}$   $A_\mu = \bar{u}\gamma_5\gamma_\mu d$

$m_\pi$ (MeV)	114(2)	135(2)	149(2)	182(2)	208(2)	371(1)
$Z_A$	1.103(4)	1.103(3)	1.104(2)	1.104(2)	1.105(1)	1.105(1)
$f_\rho$ (MeV)	206(7)	208(7)	211(6)	215(5)	217(5)	223(3)

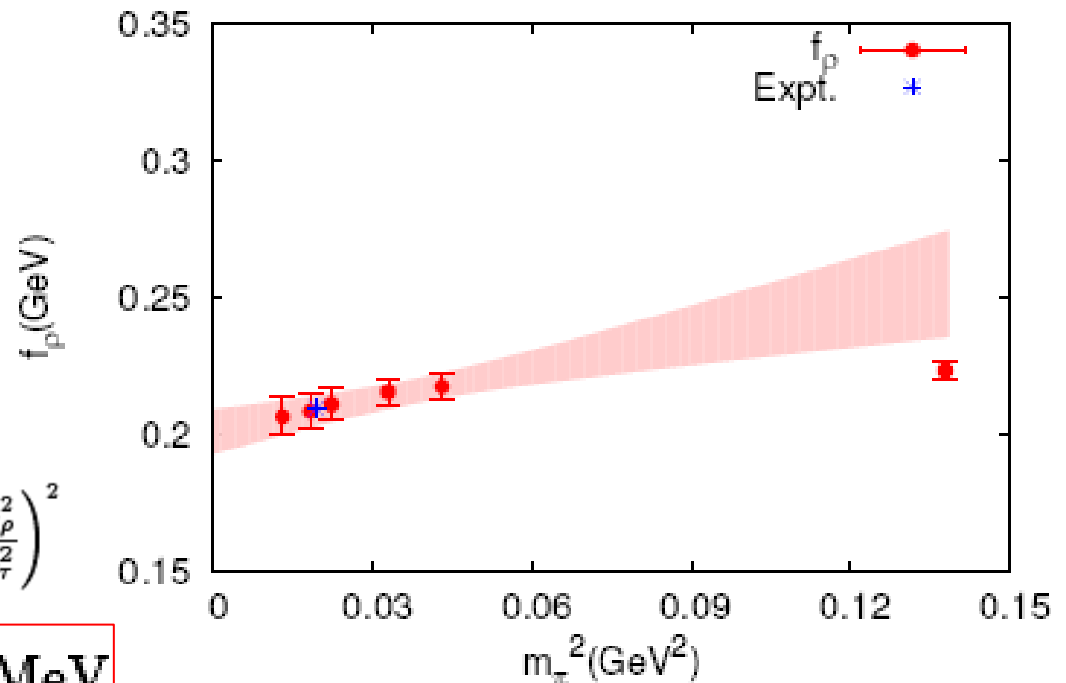
The linear interpolation  
To the physical point,

$$f_{\rho^\pm} = 208.5 \pm 5.5 \pm 0.9 \text{ MeV}$$

Experimentally, from

$$\text{Br}(\tau \rightarrow \rho^- \nu_\tau) = \frac{G_F^2 m_\tau |V_{ud}|^2 \tau_\tau m_\rho^2 f_{\rho^-}^2}{8\pi} \times \left(1 + \frac{m_\tau^2}{2m_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_\tau^2}\right)^2$$

$$f_{\rho^\pm}^{\pm, \text{exp}} = 209.4 \pm 1.5 \text{ MeV}$$



## V. Summary

- By using chiral fermions for both sea and valence quark, we can study at the physical point.

- The mass of rho meson is derived at the physical point

$$m_\rho = 775.9 \pm 6.0 \pm 1.8 \text{ MeV}$$

- . The chiral behavior of the rho mass is very clear seen.

- . We obtain the leptonic decay constant of the charge rho,

$$f_{\rho^\pm} = 208.5 \pm 5.5 \pm 0.9 \text{ MeV}$$

which is in very good agreement with the experimental value

$$f_{\rho^\pm}^{\text{exp}} = 209.4 \pm 1.5 \text{ MeV}$$

**Thanks!**

We check this using the new gauge configurations with 2+1 flavor domain-wall sea quarks on a large lattice.

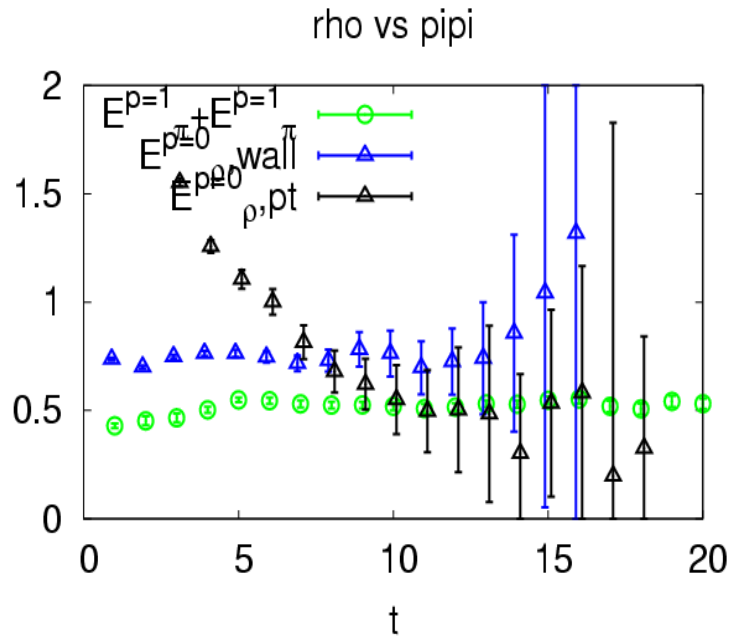
$1/a(\text{GeV})$	label	$am^{(s)}$	$L^3 \times T$	$N_{\text{conf}}$
1.76(1)	48I	0.00078/0.0362	$48^3 \times 96$	45

$$m_{\pi}^{(ss)} \approx 140 \text{MeV}, \quad m_{\pi}^{(vv)} \approx 117, 140, 150, 170, 210 \text{MeV}$$

$$La = 5.5 \text{fm} \quad p_{\text{min}} \approx 230 \text{MeV}$$

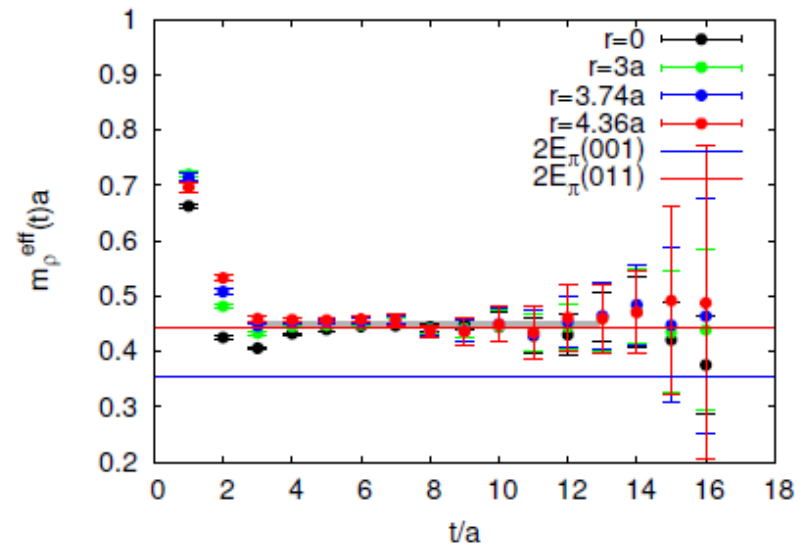
We take the the rho-channel for example, because

$$m_{\rho} > 2E_{\pi}(p_{\text{min}}) = 2\sqrt{m_{\pi}^2 + p_{\text{min}}^2}$$



### Left panel-Point source

- green points:  $2E_{\pi}(p_{\min}) = 540\text{MeV}$
- blue triangle:  $m_{\rho} = 780\text{MeV}$
- black triangle: effective masses of the point-source correlation functions.



### Right panel-Coulomb wall source

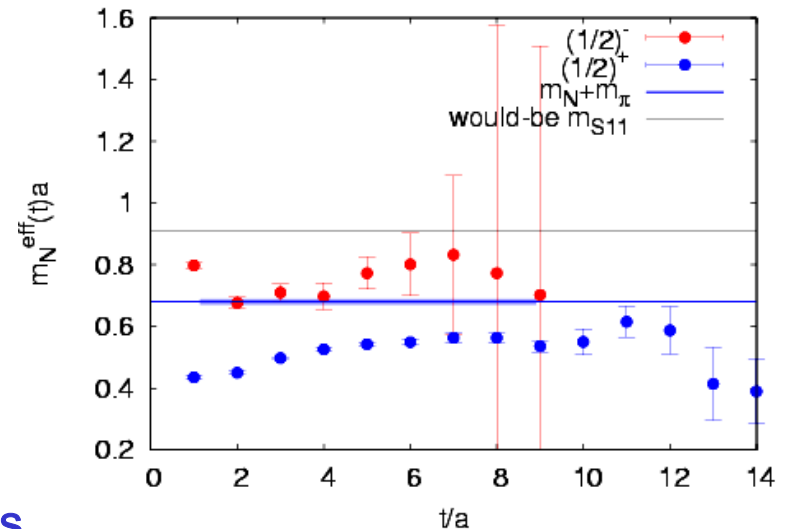
- points: effective masses of wall-source correlation functions.  $m_{\rho} \approx 780\text{MeV}$
- blue line:  $2E_{\pi}(p_{\min})$
- red line : two-pion threshold with the next smallest lattice momentum.

## 2. Pion-N scattering states in S11 channel

- Pion-N S-wave scattering states.
- The energy of the lowest pion-N state is

$$E_{\pi N}^{\min}(L=0) \approx m_{\pi} + m_N$$

- we observe it, but with large errorbars.
- No hope for the S11 resonance with this kind of correlators.



The measure branching ratio (PDG2014) ,

$$Br(\tau \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau) = 25.52(9)\%$$

$$Br(\tau \rightarrow (\pi^- \pi^0)(non - \rho)\nu_\tau) = 0.30(32)\%$$

So we estimate the branching ratio ,

$$Br(\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu_\tau) = 25.22(33)\%$$

For the neutral rho meson (PDG2014),

$$\Gamma(\rho^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-) = \frac{4\pi}{3} \alpha_{QED}^2 \bar{Q}_\rho^2 \frac{f_\rho^2}{m_\rho^0} = 7.04(6)keV$$

Using  $\bar{Q}_\rho^2 = 1/2$  from the valence approximation,  $|\rho^0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|u\bar{u}\rangle + |d\bar{d}\rangle)$

$$f_{\rho^0} = 221(1)MeV$$