

# $\mathcal{N} = 1$ Supersymmetric $SU(3)$ Gauge Theory - Towards simulations of Super-QCD

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## Supersymmetric QCD . . .

- describes the strong interaction in the MSSM.
- models the interaction of gluons and quarks with their superpartners, the gluinos and squarks.
- reduces to  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SYM theory for infinitely heavy quarks and squarks.

## Interesting non-perturbative aspects are . . .

- the mass spectrum and the formation of supermultiplets.
- the phase diagram at finite temperature.
- the  $(N_c, N_f)$  phase diagram of the massless theory.

Supersymmetry is broken by the lattice regularization

⇒ Fine-tune set of operators to restore susy in the continuum limit

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# Supersymmetric QCD in the continuum

$$\mathcal{N} = 1 \text{ } SU(N) \text{ SQCD}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \text{tr} \left( -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{i}{2} \bar{\lambda} \gamma^\mu D_\mu \lambda \right) + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu + m) \psi \\ - D_\mu \phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi - m^2 \phi^\dagger \phi - \frac{1}{2} g^2 (\phi^\dagger T \sigma_3 \phi)^2 - i\sqrt{2}g (\phi^\dagger \bar{\lambda} P \psi - \bar{\psi} \bar{P} \lambda \phi)$$

with  $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_+ \\ \phi_- \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $P = \begin{pmatrix} P_+ \\ P_- \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\bar{P} = \gamma_0 P \gamma_0$  and  $SU(N)$  generators  $T$

- **Gluons**, real vector field  $A_\mu$  in the adjoint representation (A)
- **Gluinos**, Majorana fermions  $\lambda$  in (A)
- $N_f$  **Quarks**, Dirac fermions  $\psi$  in the fundamental representation (F)
- $2N_f$  **Squarks**, complex scalars  $\phi$  in the (F)
- **Quark-Squark-Gluino Yukawa interaction**

$$\text{SQCD} = \text{SYM} + \text{QCD} + \text{Scalars} + \text{interaction}$$

## Preserved symmetries on the lattice

- Gauge symmetry
- Parity:  $x = (t, \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow x' = (t, -\mathbf{x})$

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \gamma_0 \psi(x'), \quad \lambda(x) \rightarrow \gamma_0 \lambda(x') \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_{\pm}(x) \rightarrow -\phi_{\mp}(x).$$

- Baryon number conservation:

$$U(1)_B : \quad \psi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \psi, \quad \phi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \phi$$

- $\pm$  - exchange symmetry

- Restrict number of operators that need to be fine-tuned

## Explicitly broken on the lattice

- Chiral symmetry:

$$\psi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha\gamma_5}\psi, \quad \phi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha\sigma_3}\phi$$

$$U(1)_A \xrightarrow{\text{anomaly}} \mathbb{Z}_{2N_f} \xrightarrow{\text{spont.}} \mathbb{Z}_2$$

- R symmetry (also in  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SYM):

$$\psi \rightarrow e^{-i\alpha\gamma_5}\psi, \quad \lambda \rightarrow e^{i\alpha\gamma_5}\lambda$$

$$U(1)_R \xrightarrow{\text{anomaly}} \mathbb{Z}_{2(N_c - N_f)} \xrightarrow{\text{spont.}} \mathbb{Z}_2$$

anomaly free subgroup

$$U(1)_A \otimes U(1)_R \xrightarrow{\text{anomaly}} U(1)_{AF}$$

- Supersymmetry ( $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SYM):

$$\delta_\epsilon \phi_+ = -\sqrt{2}\bar{\epsilon}P\psi, \quad \delta_\epsilon \psi = i\sqrt{2}(D_\mu\phi)P\gamma^\mu\epsilon - \sqrt{2}mP\sigma_1\phi\epsilon,$$

$$\delta_\epsilon A_\mu^\alpha = -i\bar{\epsilon}\gamma^\mu\lambda^\alpha, \quad \delta_\epsilon \lambda^\alpha = -i\sigma^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}^\alpha\epsilon - 2ig\gamma_5\epsilon\phi^\dagger T^\alpha\sigma_3\phi$$

Supersymmetric Ward identities  $0 = \langle \bar{Q}\mathcal{O} \rangle + \langle \mathcal{O}\bar{Q}\mathcal{S} \rangle$

$$\left\langle -\frac{1}{4} \text{tr} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right\rangle = \frac{3}{8} \left\langle \frac{i}{2} \text{tr} \bar{\lambda} \gamma_\mu D^\mu \lambda \right\rangle \stackrel{\text{SYM}}{=} \frac{3}{2} (N_c^2 - 1)$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \left\langle -\frac{1}{4} \text{tr} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right\rangle + \langle D_\mu \phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi + m^2 \phi^\dagger \phi \rangle = N_c^2 - 1 + 2N_c N_f$$

Konishi anomaly

$$\langle \bar{\lambda} \lambda \rangle = 32\pi^2 m \langle \phi^\dagger \sigma_3 \phi \rangle.$$



## Fine-tuning

- need to fine-tune a set of operators  $\mathcal{O}$  to restore susy in the continuum limit
- $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SYM: only gluino mass  $\bar{\lambda}\lambda$
- SQCD: all relevant (marginal) operators  $\mathcal{O}$  with

$$[\mathcal{O}] \leq d = 4$$

- Mass dimension of constituent fields:

$$[A] = [\phi] = 1, \quad [\psi] = [\lambda] = \frac{3}{2}$$



quadratic, cubic, and quartic interactions

## quadratic interactions

- $SU(N)$  gauge invariance and baryon number conservation:

$$\bar{F} \otimes F \text{ and } A \otimes A$$

### Quark and gluino masses

$$\bar{\psi} \Gamma \psi \text{ and } \bar{\lambda} \Gamma \lambda \quad \text{with } \Gamma = \{\mathbb{1}, \gamma_5\}$$

### 2 squark masses

$$M_1 = \text{tr } \Phi \text{ and } M_2 = \text{tr } (\Phi \sigma_1) \quad \text{with } \Phi_{rs} = \phi_r^\dagger \phi_s$$

- $\bar{\lambda} \gamma_5 \lambda$  breaks parity:  
Twist can be used to improve the extrapolation to the chiral limit  
 $\Rightarrow$  next talk by Marc Steinhauser

## cubic interactions

- $SU(N)$  gauge invariance and baryon number conservation:

$$\bar{F} \otimes A \otimes F$$

- only operator compatible with all symmetries is

$$i(\phi^\dagger \bar{\lambda} P \psi - \bar{\psi} \bar{P} \lambda \phi).$$

- appears already in the Lagrange function
- coupling can be absorbed in a rescaling of the scalar field

## quartic interactions

- only scalar fields possible
- $SU(N)$  gauge invariance and baryon number conservation:

$$1 \otimes 1, \quad A \otimes A, \quad F \otimes \bar{F}, \quad R \otimes \bar{R}$$

- use  $SU(N)$  Fierz identities to reduce this 4 types to  $1 \otimes 1$
- 5 independent operators for  $N_f = 1$

$$V_1 = \Phi_{++}^2 + \Phi_{--}^2, \quad V_2 = \Phi_{+-}^2 + \Phi_{-+}^2, \quad V_3 = \Phi_{++}\Phi_{--}, \\ V_4 = \Phi_{+-}\Phi_{-+}, \quad V_5 = (\Phi_{+-} + \Phi_{-+})(\Phi_{++} + \Phi_{--}).$$

- $V_2$  and  $V_5$  break chiral symmetry

## General Euclidean Lagrange function

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{g^2} \left( \frac{1}{4} \text{tr} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + Z_\phi D_\mu \phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi + Z_\phi m_i^2 M_i + Z_\phi^2 \lambda_i V_i \right) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \bar{\lambda} (\gamma_\mu D_\mu - m_g) \lambda + \bar{\psi} (\gamma_\mu D_\mu - m_q) \psi + i\sqrt{2} (\phi^\dagger \bar{\lambda} P \psi - \bar{\psi} \bar{P} \lambda \phi)$$

9 fine-tuning parameters for  $N_f = 1$  and fixed quark mass  $m_q$

- bare gluino mass  $m_g$
- 2 squark masses  $m_i$
- squark wave function renormalization  $Z_\phi$  (Yukawa interaction)
- 5 squark quartic couplings  $\lambda_i$

Supersymmetric continuum action:

$\bar{\lambda}\lambda$	$\bar{\psi}\psi$	$Z_\phi$	$M_1$	$M_2$	$V_1$	$V_2$	$V_3$	$V_4$	$V_5$
0	$m$	1	$m^2$	0	$(N_c - 1)/N_c$	0	$1/N_c$	-1	0

# One-loop effective potential

## Fine-tuning of squark potential guided by lattice perturbation theory

- Integration over fermions

$$S = S_{\text{Gauge}} + S_{\text{Squark}} - \text{tr} \ln (\not{D}_{\psi} - m) - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \ln \not{D}_{\lambda} - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \ln (\mathbb{1} - \Delta_{\lambda} Y \Delta_{\xi} \bar{Y}^{\dagger})$$

- Calculate 1-loop effective squark potential

$$V_{\text{eff}}^{1\text{-loop}}(\phi) = V(\phi) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \ln \left( \frac{\delta^2 S[\varphi]}{\delta\varphi(x)\delta\varphi(y)} \Big|_{\varphi=\phi} \right)}_{\text{Bosonic contribution}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \ln \left( \frac{\delta^2 S[\phi]}{\delta\Psi(x)\delta\Psi(y)} \right)}_{\text{Fermionic contribution}}$$

## Continuum

$$V_B(p) = C_F (2\Delta_\phi + 6\Delta_G) M_1 \\ + b_1(\Delta_\phi^2, \Delta_G^2, N_c) V_1 + b_3(\Delta_\phi^2, \Delta_G^2, N_c) V_3 + b_4(\Delta_\phi^2, \Delta_G^2, N_c) V_4$$

$$V_F(p) = -8C_F \Delta_\phi M_1 \\ + f_1(\Delta_\phi^2, \Delta_G^2, m, N_c) V_1 + f_3(\Delta_\phi^2, \Delta_G^2, m, N_c) V_3 + f_4(\Delta_\phi^2, \Delta_G^2, m, N_c) V_4$$

$$\text{Propagators } \Delta_G = \frac{1}{p^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta_\phi = \frac{1}{p^2 + m^2}$$

- Only operators of the tree-level potential appear at 1-loop:

$$M_1, \quad V_1, \quad V_3, \quad V_4$$

- Quadratic divergences cancel as expected
- Quartic couplings  $b_i$  and  $f_i$  contain logarithmic divergences



## Lattice

- Wilson mass and discrete lattice momenta break supersymmetry
- Replace continuum propagators by lattice propagators
- All operators are generated at 1-loop

$$V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{continuum}} = \sum_k \lambda_i(k) \mathcal{O}_i \quad \text{and} \quad V_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lattice}} = \sum_k \hat{\lambda}_i(k) \mathcal{O}_i$$

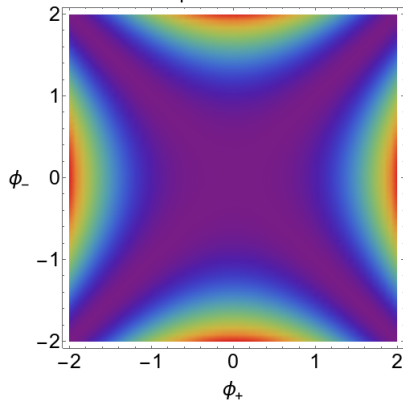
### Improved lattice action

$$S_{\text{Improved}}(m, g) = S(m, g | m_q, m_g, Z_\phi) + V_{\text{counter}}(m)$$

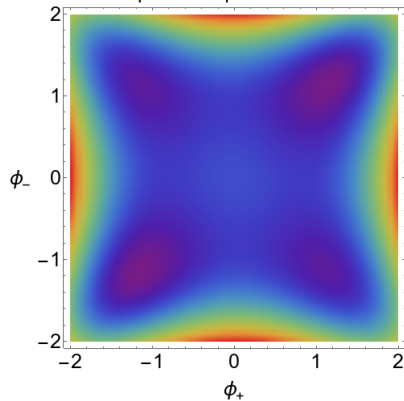
$$V_{\text{counter}}(m) = \sum_{i=1}^7 \Delta\lambda_i(m, V, N_c) \mathcal{O}_i \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta\lambda_i = \sum_k (\lambda_i(k) - \hat{\lambda}_i(k))$$

$L$	$M_1$	$M_2$	$V_1$	$V_2$	$V_3$	$V_4$	$V_5$
8	-1.3793	-0.63618	0.30573	-0.05689	0.25293	0.21088	0.07710
16	-1.3785	-0.63665	0.31012	-0.05722	0.25888	0.22181	0.08316
32	-1.3784	-0.63666	0.31081	-0.05723	0.25983	0.22434	0.08436
64	-1.3784	-0.63666	0.31095	-0.05723	0.26003	0.22495	0.08464
128	-1.3784	-0.63666	0.31099	-0.05723	0.26008	0.22510	0.08471
256	-1.3784	-0.63666	0.31100	-0.05723	0.26009	0.22514	0.08473

Squark Potential



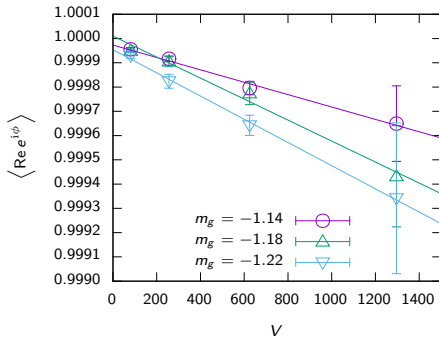
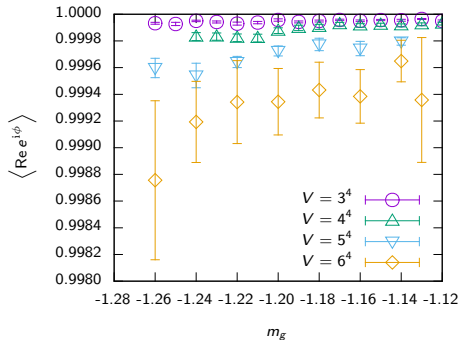
Improved Squark Potential



# (Preliminary) Lattice results

## Lattice setup and phase of the Pfaffian

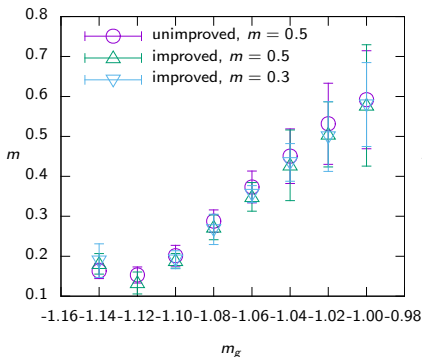
- Wilson gauge action with  $\beta = 6.3 \dots 9.9$ ,  $m = 0.5$ ,  $m_q = -0.4$  and volume  $V = 8^3 \times 16$
- Wilson fermions / rational-HMC algorithm



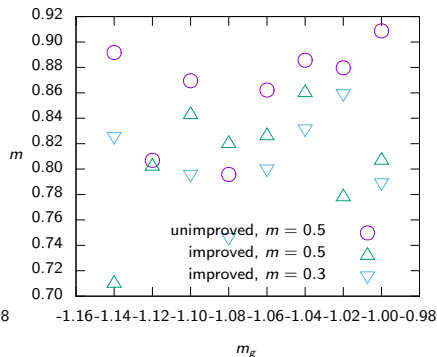
- Extrapolation:  $0.996 \dots 0.998$  @  $8^3 \times 16$  and  $0.94 \dots 0.97$  @  $16^3 \times 32$

Fine-tuning of  $m_g$ 

adjoint pion

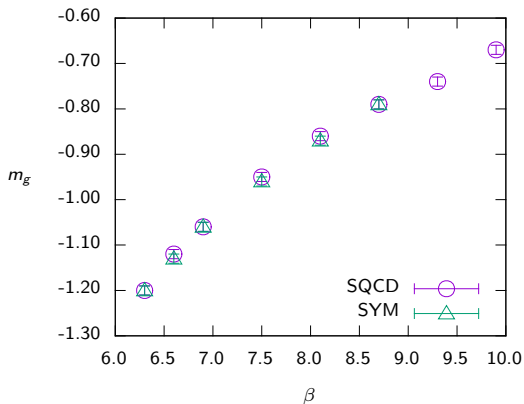


fundamental pion



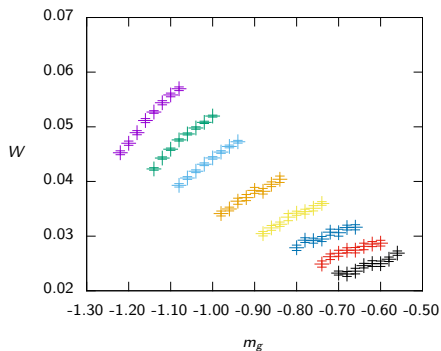
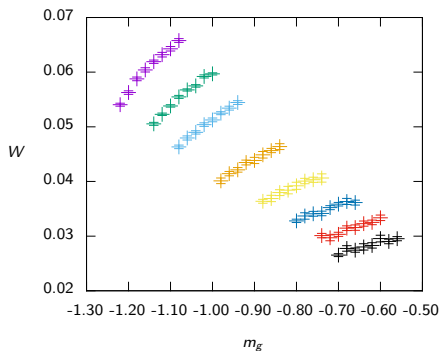
- we use the adjoint pion mass to fine-tune  $m_g$
- fundamental pion mass almost independent of gluino mass and squark mass

## SQCD compared to SYM



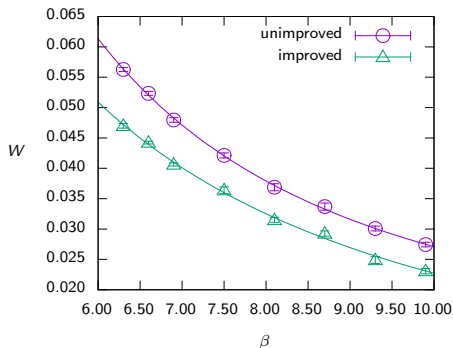
- massless gluino critical lines of SQCD and SYM coincide
- almost independent of squark / quark mass and scalar potential

## Unimproved vs improved Ward identity



$$\frac{2}{3} \langle S_W \rangle + \langle D_\mu \phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi + m^2 \phi^\dagger \phi \rangle = N_c^2 - 1 + 2N_c N_f = 14$$

## Unimproved vs improved Ward identity



- Fit to  $W(\beta) = W_\infty + a\beta^b$

$$W_\infty^{\text{unimproved}} = 0.008(3) \quad \text{and} \quad W_\infty^{\text{improved}} = -0.003(11)$$



## Conclusions and Outlook

- No severe sign problem in lattice simulations
- One-loop improved lattice action
- Preliminary lattice results for Ward identities, the chiral critical line, fundamental / adjoint pion mass
- Fine-tuning of the Yukawa interaction
- Gluino-gluon and Quark-Squark bound states

## Literature

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Ian Affleck, Michael Dine, and Nathan Seiberg: *Dynamical Supersymmetry Breaking in Supersymmetric QCD*

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M. Costa and H. Panagopoulos: *Supersymmetric QCD on the Lattice: An Exploratory Study*

- Coupling between Dirac- and Majorana fermions
- Rewrite fermion Lagrange function

$$\mathcal{L}_f = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\Psi} \begin{pmatrix} \not{D} & iY \\ -i\bar{Y}^\dagger & \not{D}_\xi - m \end{pmatrix} \Psi = \frac{1}{2} \Psi^T \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} C\not{D} & iCY \\ -i(CY)^T & C(\not{D}_\xi - m) \end{pmatrix}}_M \Psi$$

$$Y = \hat{\phi}^\dagger P e^T - \hat{\phi}^T \bar{P} e^\dagger, \quad \bar{Y}^\dagger = e^* \bar{P} \hat{\phi} - e P \hat{\phi}^*$$

- Majorana spinor  $\Psi$  and  $M = -M^T \Rightarrow$  Pfaffian

## Bosonic effective action

$$S_{\text{eff}} = S_{\text{Gauge}} + S_{\text{Squark}} - \text{tr} \ln (\not{D}_\psi - m) - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \ln \not{D}_\lambda - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \ln (\mathbb{1} - \Delta_\lambda Y \Delta_\xi \bar{Y}^\dagger)$$