

Schrödinger functional boundary conditions and improvement of the $SU(N)$ pure gauge action for $N > 3$

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- Schrödinger functional boundary fields known only for $N = 2, 3, 4$
 - More general analysis needed
- Boundary improvement for the gauge fields known for $N = 2, 3$
 - Needed for reliable coupling constant measurements on the lattice
- Applications in beyond the standard model physics and large N limit

$\mathcal{O}(a)$ improved $SU(N)$ gauge action in the Schrödinger functional scheme

$$S = S_G + \delta S_{G,b} + S_{gf} + S_{FP},$$

$$S_G = \frac{1}{g_0^2} \sum_p \text{Tr}[1 - U(p)],$$

$$\delta S_{G,b} = \frac{1}{g_0^2} (c_t - 1) \sum_{p_t} \text{Tr}[1 - U(p_t)],$$

$$c_t = 1 + \left(c_t^{(1,0)} + N_F c_t^{(1,1)} \right) g_0^2 + \mathcal{O}(g_0^4)$$

- For the specific form of S_{gf} and S_{FP} , see¹

¹M. Lüscher, R. Narayanan, P. Weisz, U. Wolff, hep-lat/9207009v1

Theory: Schrödinger functional

Schrödinger functional boundary conditions

$$U_k(t=0, \vec{x}) = \exp[aC_k], \quad U_k(t=L, \vec{x}) = \exp[aC'_k]$$

$$C_k = \frac{i}{L} \text{diag}(\phi_1(\eta), \dots, \phi_n(\eta)), \quad C'_k = \frac{i}{L} \text{diag}(\phi'_1(\eta), \dots, \phi'_n(\eta))$$

- These boundary conditions induce a constant chromo-electric field

Effective action

$$\Gamma = -\ln \left\{ \int D[\psi] D[\bar{\psi}] D[U] D[c] D[\bar{c}] e^{-S} \right\} = g_0^{-2} \Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1 + \mathcal{O}(g_0^2)$$

Theory: Step scaling

Running coupling

$$g^2 = \frac{\partial \Gamma_0}{\partial \eta} / \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \eta} = g_0^2 - g_0^4 \frac{\partial \Gamma_1}{\partial \eta} / \frac{\partial \Gamma_0}{\partial \eta} + \mathcal{O}(g_0^6)$$

Lattice step scaling function and its perturbative expansion

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma(u, s, L/a) &= g^2(g_0, sL/a) |_{g^2(g_0, L/a)=u} \\ &= u + [\Sigma_{1,0}(s, L/a) + \Sigma_{1,1}(s, L/a) N_F] u^2,\end{aligned}$$

Definition of δ_i

$$\delta_i = \frac{\Sigma_{1,i}(2, L/a)}{\sigma_{1,i}(2)} = \frac{\Sigma_{1,i}(2, L/a)}{2b_{0,i} \ln 2}, \quad i = 0, 1.$$

$$b_{0,0} = 11N_c/(48\pi^2), \quad b_{0,1} = N_f T_R/(12\pi^2).$$

Fundamental domain

Boundary fields ϕ and ϕ' are within the fundamental domain if

$$\phi_1 < \phi_2 < \dots < \phi_n, \quad |\phi_i - \phi_j| < 2\pi, \quad \sum_{i=1}^N \phi_i = 0.$$

Vectors ϕ form a $N - 1$ simplex with vertices

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_1 &= \frac{2\pi}{N} (-N + 1, 1, 1, \dots, 1) \\ \mathbf{x}_2 &= \frac{2\pi}{N} (-N + 2, -N + 2, 2, \dots, 2) \\ \mathbf{x}_3 &= \frac{2\pi}{N} (-N + 3, -N + 3, -N + 3, 3, \dots, 3,) \\ &\quad \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{N-1} &= \frac{2\pi}{N} (-1, -1, \dots, -1, N - 1) \\ \mathbf{x}_N &= (0, 0, \dots, 0). \end{aligned}$$

Fundamental domain $N = 4$

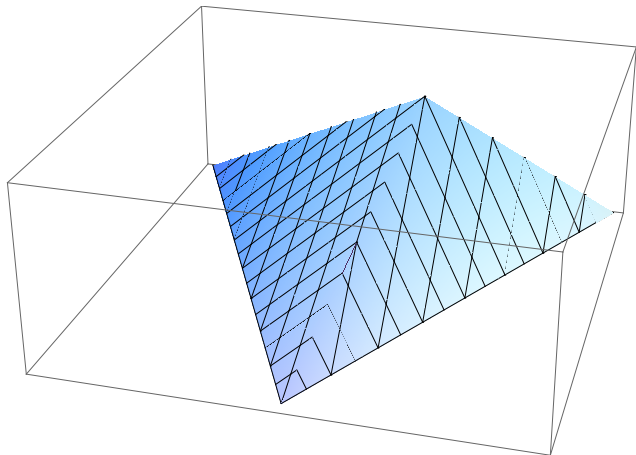


Figure : Fundamental domain of $SU(4)$

Fundamental domain $N > 3$

- Define a mapping² $R_{i,j}(\phi)$ s.t. it reflects points in FD w.r.t. $(N - 2)$ d hyperplane
 - Goes through vertices \mathbf{X}_k , $k \neq i, j$
 - Intersects line connecting \mathbf{X}_i and \mathbf{X}_j at the middle


Composite mapping from FD to itself

$$M(\phi) = (R_{1,N-1} \circ R_{2,N-2} \circ \cdots \circ R_{[N/2],N-[N/2]})(\phi)$$

- ϕ' derived using above mapping

Transformation rule for components of ϕ' and ϕ

$$\phi'_i = \phi_{N-i+1}$$

² $R_{i,j}(\phi)$ is the identity mapping and $[x]$ means the integer part of x 

Fundamental domain $N = 4$

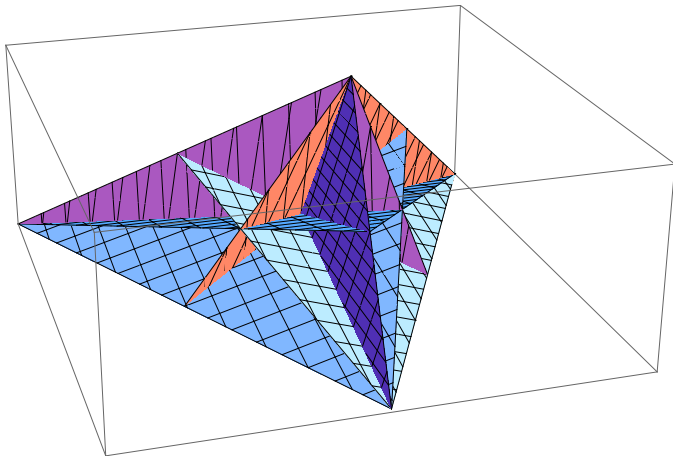


Figure : All possible $R_{i,j}(\phi)$ hyperplanes on FD of $SU(4)$

Fundamental domain $N > 3$

Conjecture: Signal to noise maximized if ϕ and ϕ' chosen s.t.

- they are as far from the edges and each other as possible
- ϕ and ϕ' transformed to each other using the previous transformation
- We choose ϕ to be in the middle of a line connecting \mathbf{X}_1 and the centroid of FD
- We associate flow³ $t(\eta)$ to direction which is mirrored by $R_{1,N-1}(\phi)$ and points outside from FD

$$\begin{aligned}t(\eta) &= \frac{\eta N}{2\pi(N-2)} (\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_{N-1}) \\ &= \left(-\eta, \frac{2\eta}{N-2}, \dots, \frac{2\eta}{N-2}, -\eta \right)\end{aligned}$$

³The normalization is chosen to match the standard case of $SU(3)$ 

Fundamental domain $N > 3$

Example of the boundary fields

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{SU(4)} \\ \text{SU(5)} \\ \text{SU(6)} \end{array} \quad \phi = \begin{cases} \begin{array}{l} -\eta - 9\pi/8 \\ \eta + \pi/8 \\ \eta + 3\pi/8 \\ -\eta + 5\pi/8 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} -\eta - 6\pi/5 \\ 2\eta/3 \\ 2\eta/3 + \pi/5 \\ 2\eta/3 + 2\pi/5 \\ -\eta + 3\pi/5 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} -\eta - 5\pi/4 \\ \eta/2 - \pi/12 \\ \eta/2 + \pi/12 \\ \eta/2 + \pi/4 \\ \eta/2 + 5\pi/12 \\ -\eta + 7\pi/12 \end{array} \end{cases} \quad \phi' = \begin{cases} \begin{array}{l} \eta - 5\pi/8 \\ -\eta - 3\pi/8 \\ -\eta - \pi/8 \\ \eta + 9\pi/8 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \eta - 3\pi/5 \\ -2\eta/3 - 2\pi/5 \\ -2\eta/3 - \pi/5 \\ -2\eta/3 \\ \eta + 6\pi/5 \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{l} \eta - 7\pi/12 \\ -\eta/2 - 5\pi/12 \\ -\eta/2 - \pi/4 \\ -\eta/2 - \pi/12 \\ -\eta/2 + \pi/12 \\ \eta + 5\pi/4 \end{array} \end{cases}$$

Comparison to literature

- First approximation of signal strength is $\partial_\eta \Gamma_0 = \partial_\eta g_0^2 S[V]$
- In⁴ Lucini et.al. used boundary condition

$$\phi = \begin{cases} -\eta/2 - \sqrt{2}\pi/4 \\ -\eta/2 - (2 - \sqrt{2})\pi/4 \\ \eta/2 + (2 - \sqrt{2})\pi/4 \\ \eta/2 + \sqrt{2}\pi/4 \end{cases} \quad \phi' = \begin{cases} \eta/2 - (2 + \sqrt{2})\pi/4 \\ \eta/2 - (4 - \sqrt{2})\pi/4 \\ -\eta/2 + (4 - \sqrt{2})\pi/4 \\ -\eta/2 + (2 + \sqrt{2})\pi/4 \end{cases}$$

- $\partial_\eta \Gamma_0[\text{Us}] = 48L^2 \sin((2\eta + \pi/2)/L^2)$ vs.
 $\partial_\eta \Gamma_0[\text{Lucini}] = 24L^2 \sin((\eta - \pi/2)/L^2)$
- Enhancement by a factor of 2

⁴B. Lucini and G. Moraitis, hep-lat/0805.2913

Boundary improvement with $N > 3$

- Improvement coefficient $c_t^{(1,0)}$ previously known to one loop only for $N = 2, 3$
 - $c_t^{(1,0)}(\text{SU}(2)) = -0.0543(5)$, $c_t^{(1,0)}(\text{SU}(3)) = -0.08900(5)$
- Can similarly⁵ be calculated for $N > 3$
- Preliminary results

N	$c_t^{(1,0)}$	$\delta c_t^{(1,0)}$
2	-0.0543	0.0002
3	-0.088	0.005
4	-0.1220	0.0002
5	-0.154	0.004
6	-0.1859	0.0008
7	-0.218	0.004
8	-0.249	0.004

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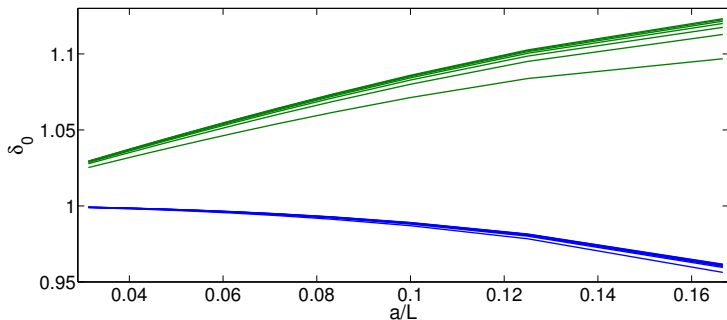


Figure : The unimproved (green) and improved (blue) one loop lattice step scaling function normalized to the continuum limit as a function of a/L for $SU(N)$ pure gauge with $2 \leq N \leq 8$

Boundary improvement with $N > 3$

- We expect

$$c_t^{(1,0)} = AC_2(R) + BC_2(G) = (A/2 + B)N - A/(2N)$$

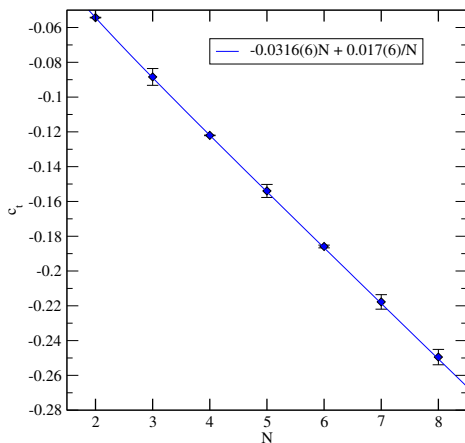


Figure : $c_t^{(1,0)}$ as a function of N and $C_1N + C_2/N$ fit to the data

Thank you!