

# Symanzik Flow on HISQ Ensembles

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# Wilson/Symanzik Flow

- Wilson flow is a smoothing of the original gauge fields  $U$  towards stationary points of the Wilson action  $S$ . [Lüscher, JHEP 1008 (2010) 071]
- Successive links  $V(t)$  are updated in flowtime according to the diffusion equation,

$$\frac{d}{dt} V(t)_{i,\mu} = -V_{i,\mu} \frac{\partial S(V)}{\partial V_{i,\mu}}, \quad V(t)_{i,\mu}(0) = U_{i,\mu} \quad \left[ \frac{dA_\mu}{dt} = D_\nu F_{\nu\mu} \right]$$

- Cuts out high momenta noise, thereby suppressing statistical fluctuations and discretization effects at minimal computational cost
- Used the Symanzik improved action ( $\approx 2x$  cost) to further reduce discretization errors.

# Scale Setting

- The scale can be extracted through the flowtime  $t[a^2]$ .
- Define an improved, dimensionless quantity through the energy density  $\langle E(t) \rangle$ . [BMW (S. Borsanyi et al.), JHEP 1209 (2012) 010]

$$W(t) = t \frac{d}{dt} (t^2 \langle E(t) \rangle)$$

- In the continuum, the energy density  $\langle E(t) \rangle$  is finite (at least to one loop order) when expressed in terms of renormalized quantities. [Lüscher, JHEP 1008 (2010) 071]
- Empirically, the combination  $t^2 \langle E(t) \rangle$  varies linearly with  $t$  for large flow times.
- The  $w_0[a]$  scale is defined from the cutoff at 0.3.

$$w_0 = \sqrt{t_c}, \quad W(t_c) = 0.3$$

- The value of the cutoff is chosen to minimize discretization and finite volume effects.

# Ensembles with $m_s \approx m_s^{physical}$

$a(\text{fm})$	$m_l/m_s$	$nx^3nt$	$N_{run}$	$w_0/a$ (stat) [%]
0.15	1/5	$16^3 48$	1021	1.1221 (06) [0.06%]
0.15	1/10	$24^3 48$	1000	1.1381 (04) [0.04%]
0.15	1/27	$32^3 48$	999	1.1468 (03) [0.03%]
0.12	1/5	$24^3 64$	1040	1.3835 (07) [0.05%]
0.12	1/10	$24^3 64$	1020	1.4020 (10) [0.07%]
0.12	1/10	$32^3 64$	999	1.4047 (06) [0.05%]
0.12	1/10	$40^3 64$	1001	1.4041 (04) [0.03%]
0.12	1/27	$48^3 64$	34	1.4168 (10) [0.07%]
0.09	1/5	$32^3 96$	102	1.8957 (16) [0.08%]
0.09	1/10	$48^3 96$	151	1.9296 (09) [0.05%]
0.09	1/27	$64^3 96$	53	1.9473 (11) [0.06%]
0.06	1/5	$48^3 144$	127	2.8956 (26) [0.09%]
0.06	1/10	$64^3 144$	46	2.9486 (31) [0.11%]
0.06	1/27	$96^3 192$	49	3.0119 (18) [0.06%]

# Non-Physical Strange Mass Ensembles

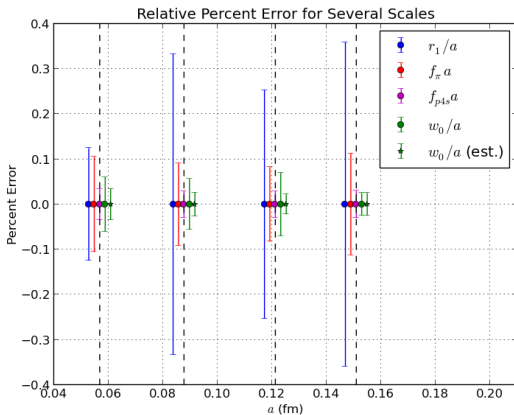
- $m'_s$  and  $m_l$  are the sea quark masses
- $m_s$  is the physical strange quark mass

$a(\text{fm})$	$m_l/m_s$	$m'_s/m_s$	$n \times^3 t$	$N_{run}$	$w_0/a$ (stat) [%]
0.12	0.10	0.10	$32^3 64$	102	1.4833 (13) [0.09%]
0.12	0.10	0.25	$32^3 64$	204	1.4676 (11) [0.07%]
0.12	0.10	0.45	$32^3 64$	205	1.4470 (11) [0.08%]
0.12	0.10	0.60	$32^3 64$	107	1.4351 (20) [0.14%]
0.12	0.175	0.45	$32^3 64$	134	1.4349 (13) [0.09%]
0.12	0.20	0.60	$24^3 64$	255	1.4170 (10) [0.07%]
0.12	0.25	0.25	$24^3 64$	255	1.4336 (16) [0.11%]

- Most ensembles have  $\approx 1000$  configurations, so  $N_{run}$  can still be increased considerably to improve statistics.

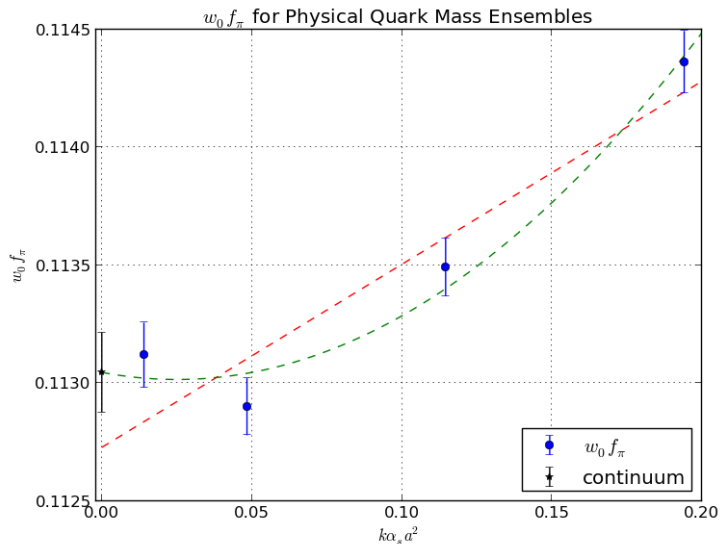
# Error Comparison to Other Scales

## Physical Quark Mass Ensembles



- 'est' stands for estimate for full ensemble run using conservative estimates of the autocorrelation length
- dashed vertical lines denote the lattice spacing for each ensemble; all scales are at these lattice spacings but data points are separated horizontally to make the comparison easier

# Naive Continuum Extrapolation

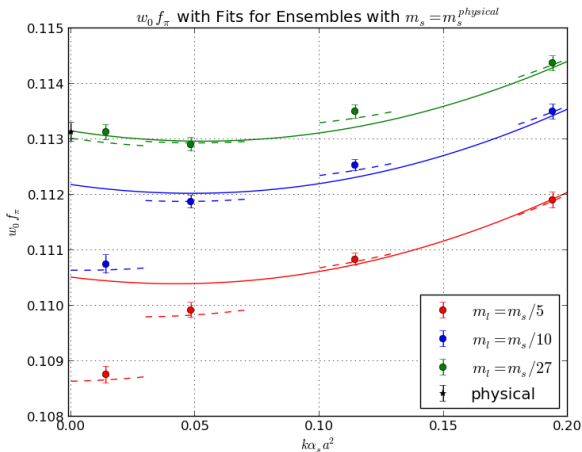




# Fit Forms

- Including quark mass dependence allows us to include ensembles with  $m_s \neq m_s^{physical}$  and correct for fine-tuning errors.
- Using  $M_\pi^2$  and  $2M_K^2 - M_\pi^2$  as proxies for  $m_l$  and  $m_s$ , included up to cubic powers in the quark mass.
- To extrapolate to the continuum, included  $k\alpha_s a^2$  and higher orders of  $a^2$ , up to  $a^6$  ( $k$  is a constant).
- Due to the large range of  $m_s$  covered by the full set of ensembles, some fits drop various ensembles with low values of  $m_s$ .

# Continuum, Physical Quark Mass Extrapolation

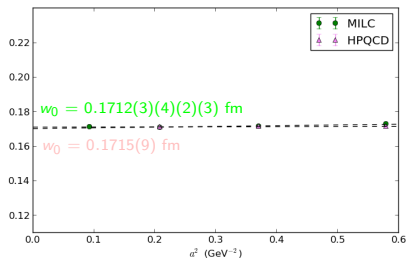
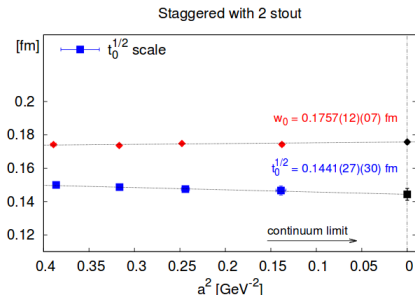


- Only  $m_s = m_s^{\text{physical}}$  ensembles are plotted, but fit includes all  $m_s \leq m_s^{\text{physical}}$  ensembles
- Dotted lines are for actual masses run; solid lines are for re-tuned masses per legend

## Current Results for $w_0$

- Central fit has  $\chi^2/dof = 7.5/10$ ,  $p = 0.68$
- Found 78 different fits with  $p > 0.01$ ; used the standard deviation of the fits' extrapolated values to estimate the systematic uncertainty at  $4e^{-4}$  fm
- There is also residual finite volume error in  $f_\pi$  that cannot be corrected for, adding another systematic error of  $2e^{-4}$  fm.
- **Preliminary Result:**  $w_0 = 0.1712(3)(4)(2)(3)$  fm  
First is the statistical error, then systematic error from the continuum extrapolation, residual finite volume effects, and experimental value of  $f_\pi$ , respectively.
- As a sanity check, the naive fit through the four physical quark mass ensembles found  $0.1711(3)(3)(2)$  fm. The naive fit is in good agreement with the improved fit.

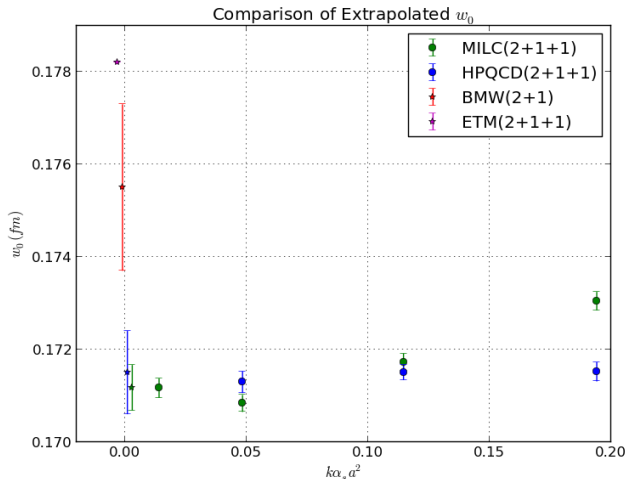
# Comparison (HPQCD, BMW)



BMW: [BMW (S. Borsanyi et al.), JHEP 1209 (2012) 010]

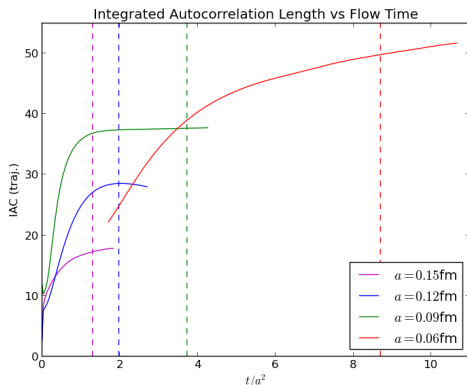
HPQCD: [HPQCD (R. J. Dowdall et al.), arXiv:1303.1670]

# Comparison cont...



- ETM and MILC values are preliminary
- ETM did not provide an error estimate for  $w_0$ .
- The BMW point is for their final, quoted value on the HEX smeared Wilson ensembles.

# Integrated AutoCorrelation Length of $\langle E(t) \rangle$



- Each solid line corresponds to the ensemble at the ratio  $m_l/m_s = 1/10$  and specified  $a$
- Dashed lines correspond to the value of  $w_0$  for each ensemble
- The  $a = 0.06\text{fm}$  ensemble ran with a larger separation between configurations; the low resolution yields noise at low autocorrelation lengths.

# Summary / Discussion

- Our preliminary value of

$$w_0 = 0.1712(3)(4)(2)(3) \text{ fm}$$

agrees with HPQCD within  $1\sigma$ , but deviates from BMW by  $2.2\sigma$  compared to their final, HEX smeared Wilson result

$$w_0 = 0.1755(18)(04) \text{ fm}$$

- This deviation may be due to the difference in  $N_f$ . However, ETM also used  $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  ensembles and found a central value even higher than that of BMW. But without an error estimate, the significance of this result is unclear.
- Statistical errors are still being improved.
- We found integrated autocorrelation lengths that are fairly large: up to 55 trajectories on the  $a = 0.06$  fm ensemble. These are comparable to but generally smaller than those found for twisted mass ensembles [ETM (A. Deuzeman, U. Wenger), PoS (Lattice 2012) 162].