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## Error Scaling of Sea Quark Isospin-Breaking Effects

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Sea-quark isospin-breaking effects (IBE) are difficult to compute since they require the evaluation of all-to-all propagators. However, the quest for high-precision calculations motivates a detailed study of these contributions. There are theoretical arguments that the stochastic error associated with these quantities should diverge in the continuum and infinite-volume limit, resulting in a possible bottleneck for the method. In this talk, we present the study of the error scaling for these quantities using  $N_f = 3$  O(a) improved Wilson fermions QCD with C-periodic boundary conditions in space, a pion mass  $M_\pi \approx 415$  MeV, a range of lattice spacings  $a \approx 0.05, 0.075, 0.1$  fm, and spacial extensions  $L \approx 1.6, 2.4, 3.2$  fm. This work is part of the program of the RC\* collaboration. The analysis of the error as a function of the number of stochastic sources shows that we reach the gauge error for the dominant contributions. The errors do not show the leading order divergence  $1/a$  for strong-IBE and  $1/a^2$  for electromagnetic IBE, in the considered range of lattice spacings. On the other hand, our error data are consistent with the predicted leading divergence  $\sqrt{V}$ .

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