

Light Baryon Resonances from Lattice QCD

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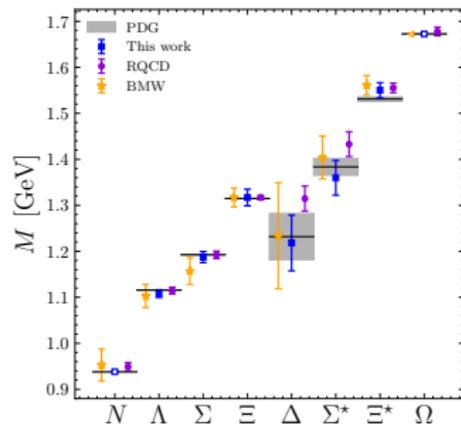
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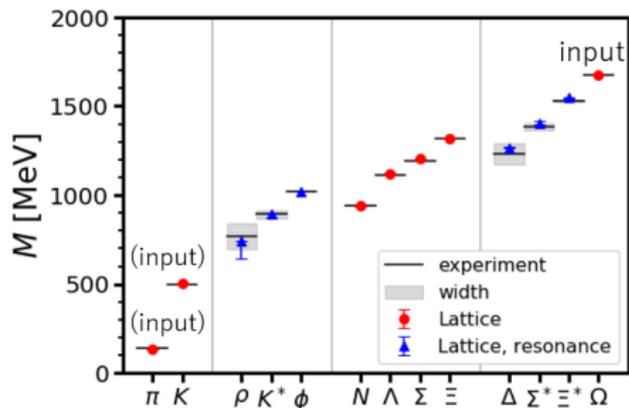
Outline

- how to obtain hadron resonance properties from lattice QCD
 - finite-volume energies \Rightarrow scattering phase shifts
- our recent results for Δ , $\Lambda(1405)$ resonances
- other recent baryon-meson scattering studies in lattice QCD
- baryon-baryon scattering
 - NN in $SU(3)$ flavor limit: controversy status
 - $\Lambda\Lambda$ and other systems (see Green talk)
- focus on u, d, s baryons (apologies to charmed baryons)
- no discussion of HAL QCD method (see Aoki talk)
- outlook

Recent strongly stable baryons at physical point



Alexandrou et al: PRD **108**, 094510 (2023)



HAL QCD Collaboration: arXiv: 2406.16665

Masses/widths of resonances from lattice QCD

- evaluate finite-volume energies of stationary states corresponding to decay products of resonance for variety of total momenta
- such energies obtained from Markov-chain Monte Carlo estimates of appropriate temporal correlation functions
- parametrize either the K -matrix or its inverse for the relevant scattering processes
- Lüscher quantization condition determines finite-volume spectrum from the K matrix
- determine best fit values of the parameters in the K -matrix by matching the spectrum from quantization condition to spectrum obtained from lattice QCD

Temporal correlations from path integrals

- stationary-state energies from $N \times N$ Hermitian correlation matrix

$$C_{ij}(t) = \langle 0 | O_i(t+t_0) \bar{O}_j(t_0) | 0 \rangle$$

- judiciously designed operators \bar{O}_j create states of interest

$$O_j(t) = O_j[\bar{\psi}(t), \psi(t), U(t)]$$

- correlators from path integrals over quark $\psi, \bar{\psi}$ and gluon U fields

$$C_{ij}(t) = \frac{\int \mathcal{D}(\bar{\psi}, \psi, U) O_i(t+t_0) \bar{O}_j(t_0) \exp(-S[\bar{\psi}, \psi, U])}{\int \mathcal{D}(\bar{\psi}, \psi, U) \exp(-S[\bar{\psi}, \psi, U])}$$

- involves the **action** in imaginary time

$$S[\bar{\psi}, \psi, U] = \bar{\psi} K[U] \psi + S_G[U]$$

- $K[U]$ is fermion Dirac matrix
- $S_G[U]$ is gluon action

Integrating the quark fields

- integrals over Grassmann-valued quark fields done exactly
- meson-to-meson example:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \mathcal{D}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) \psi_a \psi_b \bar{\psi}_c \bar{\psi}_d \exp(-\bar{\psi} K \psi) \\ &= (K_{ad}^{-1} K_{bc}^{-1} - K_{ac}^{-1} K_{bd}^{-1}) \det K. \end{aligned}$$

- baryon-to-baryon example:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \mathcal{D}(\bar{\psi}, \psi) \psi_{a_1} \psi_{a_2} \psi_{a_3} \bar{\psi}_{b_1} \bar{\psi}_{b_2} \bar{\psi}_{b_3} \exp(-\bar{\psi} K \psi) \\ &= \left(-K_{a_1 b_1}^{-1} K_{a_2 b_2}^{-1} K_{a_3 b_3}^{-1} + K_{a_1 b_1}^{-1} K_{a_2 b_3}^{-1} K_{a_3 b_2}^{-1} + K_{a_1 b_2}^{-1} K_{a_2 b_1}^{-1} K_{a_3 b_3}^{-1} \right. \\ & \quad \left. - K_{a_1 b_2}^{-1} K_{a_2 b_3}^{-1} K_{a_3 b_1}^{-1} - K_{a_1 b_3}^{-1} K_{a_2 b_1}^{-1} K_{a_3 b_2}^{-1} + K_{a_1 b_3}^{-1} K_{a_2 b_2}^{-1} K_{a_3 b_1}^{-1} \right) \det K \end{aligned}$$

Monte Carlo integration

- correlators have form

$$C_{ij}(t) = \frac{\int \mathcal{D}U \det K[U] K^{-1}[U] \cdots K^{-1}[U] \exp(-S_G[U])}{\int \mathcal{D}U \det K[U] \exp(-S_G[U])}$$

- resort to **Monte Carlo method** to integrate over gluon fields
- use Markov chain to generate sequence of gauge-field configurations

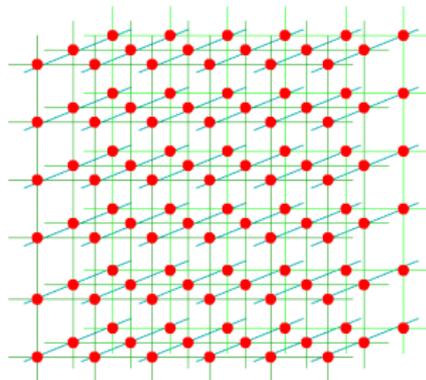
$$U_1, U_2, \dots, U_N$$

- most computationally demanding parts:
 - including $\det K$ in updating
 - evaluating K^{-1} in numerator

Lattice QCD

- Monte Carlo method using computers requires formulating integral on space-time lattice (usually hypercubic)
- **quarks** reside on sites, **gluons** reside on links between sites
- integrate over gluon fields on each link

- Metropolis method with global updating proposal
 - RHMC: solve Hamilton equations with Gaussian momenta
- $\det K$ estimates with integral over pseudo-fermion fields
- systematic errors
 - discretization
 - finite volume
 - unphysical quark masses



Building blocks for single-hadron operators

- building blocks: covariantly-displaced LapH-smearred quark fields
- stout links $\tilde{U}_j(x)$
- Laplacian-Heaviside (LapH) smeared quark fields

$$\tilde{\psi}_{a\alpha}(x) = \mathcal{S}_{ab}(x, y) \psi_{b\alpha}(y), \quad \mathcal{S} = \Theta \left(\sigma_s^2 + \tilde{\Delta} \right)$$

- 3d gauge-covariant Laplacian $\tilde{\Delta}$ in terms of \tilde{U}
- displaced quark fields:

$$q_{a\alpha j}^A = D^{(j)} \tilde{\psi}_{a\alpha}^{(A)}, \quad \bar{q}_{a\alpha j}^A = \tilde{\psi}_{a\alpha}^{(A)} \gamma_4 D^{(j)\dagger}$$

- displacement $D^{(j)}$ is product of smeared links:

$$D^{(j)}(x, x') = \tilde{U}_{j_1}(x) \tilde{U}_{j_2}(x+d_2) \tilde{U}_{j_3}(x+d_3) \dots \tilde{U}_{j_p}(x+d_p) \delta_{x', x+d_{p+1}}$$

- to good approximation, LapH smearing operator is

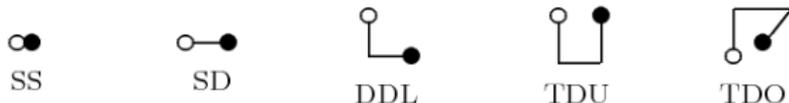
$$\mathcal{S} = V_s V_s^\dagger$$

- columns of matrix V_s are eigenvectors of $\tilde{\Delta}$

Extended operators for single hadrons

- quark displacements build up orbital, radial structure

Meson configurations



Baryon configurations



$$\bar{\Phi}_{\alpha\beta}^{AB}(\mathbf{p}, t) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot(\mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{d}_\alpha + \mathbf{d}_\beta))} \delta_{ab} \bar{q}_{b\beta}^B(\mathbf{x}, t) q_{a\alpha}^A(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

$$\bar{\Phi}_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{ABC}(\mathbf{p}, t) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \varepsilon_{abc} \bar{q}_{c\gamma}^C(\mathbf{x}, t) \bar{q}_{b\beta}^B(\mathbf{x}, t) \bar{q}_{a\alpha}^A(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

- group-theory projections onto irreps of lattice symmetry group

$$\bar{M}_l(t) = c_{\alpha\beta}^{(l)*} \bar{\Phi}_{\alpha\beta}^{AB}(t) \quad \bar{B}_l(t) = c_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{(l)*} \bar{\Phi}_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^{ABC}(t)$$

- definite momentum \mathbf{p} , irreps of little group of \mathbf{p}

Excited states from correlation matrices

- energies from temporal correlations $C_{ij}(t) = \langle 0 | \bar{O}_i(t) O_j(0) | 0 \rangle$
- in finite volume, energies are discrete (neglect wrap-around)

$$C_{ij}(t) = \sum_n Z_i^{(n)} Z_j^{(n)*} e^{-E_n t}, \quad Z_j^{(n)} = \langle 0 | O_j | n \rangle$$

- not practical to do fits using above form
- define new correlation matrix $\tilde{C}(t)$ using a single rotation

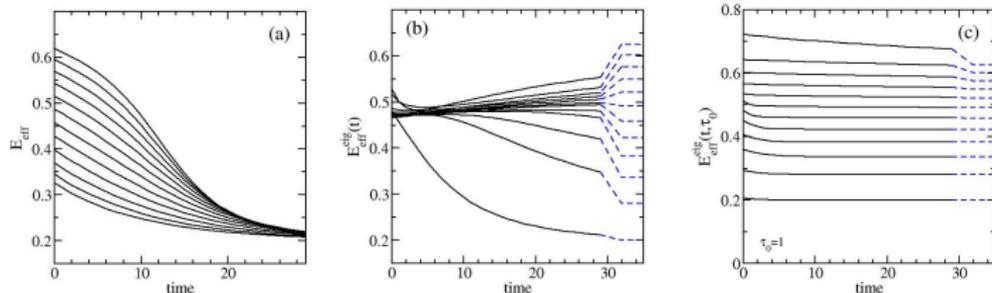
$$\tilde{C}(t) = U^\dagger C(\tau_0)^{-1/2} C(t) C(\tau_0)^{-1/2} U$$

- columns of U are eigenvectors of $C(\tau_0)^{-1/2} C(\tau_D) C(\tau_0)^{-1/2}$
- choose τ_0 and τ_D large enough so $\tilde{C}(t)$ diagonal for $t > \tau_D$
- 2-exponential fits to $\tilde{C}_{\alpha\alpha}(t)$ yield energies E_α and overlaps $Z_j^{(n)}$
- energy shifts from non-interacting using 1-exp fits to **ratio** of correlators (caution!)
- given small shifts, fits must be done very carefully

Correlator matrix toy model

- Example: 12×12 correlator matrix with $N_e = 200$ eigenstates

$$E_0 = 0.20, \quad E_n = E_{n-1} + \frac{0.08}{\sqrt{n}}, \quad Z_j^{(n)} = \frac{(-1)^{j+n}}{1 + 0.05(j-n)^2}.$$



- left: effective energies of diagonal elements of correlator matrix
- middle: effective energies of eigenvalues of $C(t)$
- right: effective energies of eigenvalues of $C(\tau_0)^{-1/2} C(t) C(\tau_0)^{-1/2}$ for $\tau_0 = 1$

Two-hadron operators

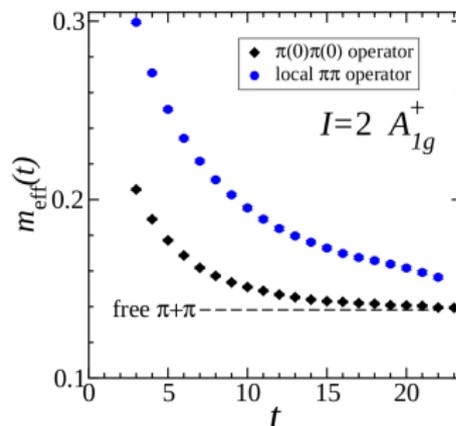
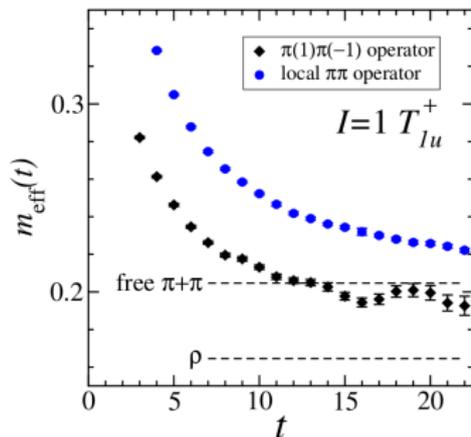
- our approach: superposition of products of single-hadron operators of definite momenta

$$C_{\mathbf{p}_a \lambda_a; \mathbf{p}_b \lambda_b}^{I_{3a} I_{3b}} B_{\mathbf{p}_a \Lambda_a \lambda_a i_a}^{I_a I_{3a} S_a} B_{\mathbf{p}_b \Lambda_b \lambda_b i_b}^{I_b I_{3b} S_b}$$

- fixed total momentum $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}_a + \mathbf{p}_b$, fixed $\Lambda_a, i_a, \Lambda_b, i_b$
- group-theory projections onto little group of \mathbf{p} and isospin irreps
- crucial to know and fix all phases of single-hadron operators for all momenta
 - each class, choose **reference** direction \mathbf{p}_{ref}
 - each \mathbf{p} , select one **reference** rotation $R_{\text{ref}}^{\mathbf{p}}$ that transforms \mathbf{p}_{ref} into \mathbf{p}
- efficient creating large numbers of two-hadron operators
- generalizes to three, four, ... hadron operators

Local multi-hadron operators

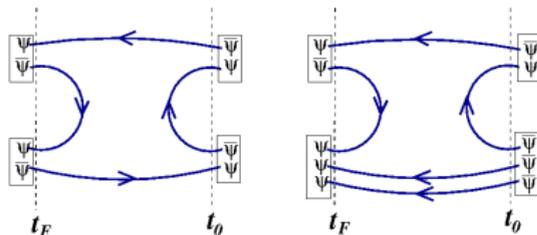
- comparison of $\pi(\mathbf{k})\pi(-\mathbf{k})$ and localized $\sum_x \pi(x)\pi(x)$ operators



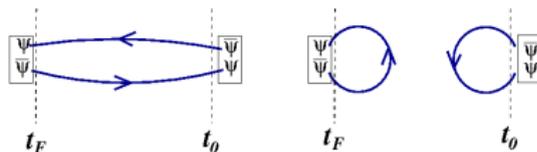
- much more contamination from higher states with local multi-hadron operators

Quark line diagrams

- temporal correlations involving our two-hadron operators need
 - slice-to-slice quark lines (from all spatial sites on a time slice to all spatial sites on another time slice)
 - sink-to-sink quark lines



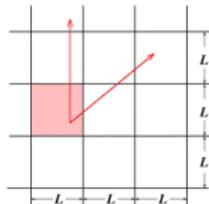
- isoscalar mesons also require sink-to-sink quark lines



- solution: the stochastic LapH method! [CM et al., PRD83, 114505 (2011)]

Quantum numbers in toroidal box

- periodic boundary conditions in cubic box
 - not all directions equivalent \Rightarrow using J^{PC} is wrong!!



- label stationary states of QCD in a periodic box using irreps of cubic space group **even in continuum limit**

- zero momentum states: little group O_h

$$A_{1a}, A_{2ga}, E_a, T_{1a}, T_{2a}, \quad G_{1a}, G_{2a}, H_a, \quad a = g, u$$

- on-axis momenta: little group C_{4v}

$$A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2, E, \quad G_1, G_2$$

- planar-diagonal momenta: little group C_{2v}

$$A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2, \quad G_1, G_2$$

- cubic-diagonal momenta: little group C_{3v}

$$A_1, A_2, E, \quad F_1, F_2, G$$

- include G parity in some meson sectors (superscript $+$ or $-$)

Spin content of cubic box irreps

- numbers of occurrences of Λ irreps in J subduced

J	A_1	A_2	E	T_1	T_2
0	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0
2	0	0	1	0	1
3	0	1	0	1	1
4	1	0	1	1	1
5	0	0	1	2	1
6	1	1	1	1	2
7	0	1	1	2	2

J	G_1	G_2	H	J	G_1	G_2	H
$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	0	$\frac{9}{2}$	1	0	2
$\frac{3}{2}$	0	0	1	$\frac{11}{2}$	1	1	2
$\frac{5}{2}$	0	1	1	$\frac{13}{2}$	1	2	2
$\frac{7}{2}$	1	1	1	$\frac{15}{2}$	1	1	3

Common hadrons

- irreps of commonly-known hadrons at rest

Hadron	Irrep	Hadron	Irrep	Hadron	Irrep
π	A_{1u}^-	K	A_{1u}	η, η'	A_{1u}^+
ρ	T_{1u}^+	ω, ϕ	T_{1u}^-	K^*	T_{1u}
a_0	A_{1g}^+	f_0	A_{1g}^+	h_1	T_{1g}^-
b_1	T_{1g}^+	K_1	T_{1g}	π_1	T_{1u}^-
N, Σ	G_{1g}	Λ, Ξ	G_{1g}	Δ, Ω	H_g

Scattering phase shifts from finite-volume energies

- each finite-volume energy E related to S matrix (and phase shifts) by the **quantization condition**

$$\det[1 + F^{(\mathbf{P})}(S - 1)] = 0$$

- F matrix in $JLSa$ basis states given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle J' m_{J'} L' S' a' | F^{(\mathbf{P})} | J m_J L S a \rangle = & \delta_{a'a} \delta_{S'S} \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \delta_{J'J} \delta_{m_{J'} m_J} \delta_{L'L} \right. \\ & \left. + \langle J' m_{J'} | L' m_{L'} S m_S \rangle \langle L m_L S m_S | J m_J \rangle W_{L' m_{L'}; L m_L}^{(\mathbf{P}a)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- total ang mom J, J' , orbital L, L' , spin S, S' , channels a, a'
- W given by

$$\begin{aligned} -i W_{L' m_{L'}; L m_L}^{(\mathbf{P}a)} = & \sum_{l=|L'-L|}^{L'+L} \sum_{m=-l}^l \frac{\mathcal{Z}_{lm}(\mathbf{s}_a, \gamma, u_a^2)}{\pi^{3/2} \gamma u_a^{l+1}} \sqrt{\frac{(2L'+1)(2l+1)}{(2L+1)}} \\ & \times \langle L' 0, l 0 | L 0 \rangle \langle L' m_{L'}, l m | L m_L \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

- compute Rummukainen-Gottlieb-Lüscher (RGL) shifted zeta functions \mathcal{Z}_{lm}

- work in spatial L^3 volume with periodic b.c.
- total momentum $\mathbf{P} = (2\pi/L)\mathbf{d}$, where \mathbf{d} vector of integers
- calculate lab-frame energy E of two-particle interacting state in lattice QCD
- boost to center-of-mass frame by defining:

$$E_{\text{cm}} = \sqrt{E^2 - \mathbf{P}^2}, \quad \gamma = \frac{E}{E_{\text{cm}}},$$

- assume N_d channels
- particle masses m_{1a}, m_{2a} and spins s_{1a}, s_{2a} of particle 1 and 2
- for each channel, can calculate

$$\mathbf{q}_{\text{cm},a}^2 = \frac{1}{4}E_{\text{cm}}^2 - \frac{1}{2}(m_{1a}^2 + m_{2a}^2) + \frac{(m_{1a}^2 - m_{2a}^2)^2}{4E_{\text{cm}}^2},$$
$$u_a^2 = \frac{L^2 \mathbf{q}_{\text{cm},a}^2}{(2\pi)^2}, \quad \mathbf{s}_a = \left(1 + \frac{(m_{1a}^2 - m_{2a}^2)}{E_{\text{cm}}^2} \right) \mathbf{d}$$

K matrix

- quantization condition relates single energy E to entire S -matrix
- cannot solve for S -matrix (except single channel, single wave)
- approximate S -matrix with functions depending on handful of fit parameters
- obtain estimates of fit parameters using many energies
- easier to parametrize Hermitian matrix than unitary matrix
- introduce K -matrix (Wigner 1946)

$$S = (1 + iK)(1 - iK)^{-1} = (1 - iK)^{-1}(1 + iK)$$

- Hermiticity of K -matrix ensures unitarity of S -matrix
- with time reversal invariance, K -matrix must be real and symmetric
- multichannel effective range expansion (Ross 1961)

$$K_{L'S'a'; LSa}^{-1}(E) = q_{a'}^{-L'-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{K}_{L'S'a'; LSa}^{-1}(E_{\text{cm}}) q_a^{-L-\frac{1}{2}},$$

Quantization condition

- quantization condition can be written

$$\det(1 - B^{(P)} \tilde{K}) = \det(1 - \tilde{K} B^{(P)}) = 0$$

- we define the **box matrix** by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle J' m_{J'} L' S' a' | B^{(P)} | J m_J L S a \rangle &= -i \delta_{a'a} \delta_{S'S} u_a^{L'+L+1} W_{L' m_{L'}; L m_L}^{(Pa)} \\ &\times \langle J' m_{J'} | L' m_{L'}, S m_S \rangle \langle L m_L, S m_S | J m_J \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- box matrix is **Hermitian** for u_a^2 real
- quantization condition can also be expressed as

$$\det(\tilde{K}^{-1} - B^{(P)}) = 0$$

- these determinants are **real**

Block diagonalization

- quantization condition involves determinant of infinite matrix
- make practical by (a) transforming to a block-diagonal basis and (b) truncating in orbital angular momentum
- block-diagonal basis

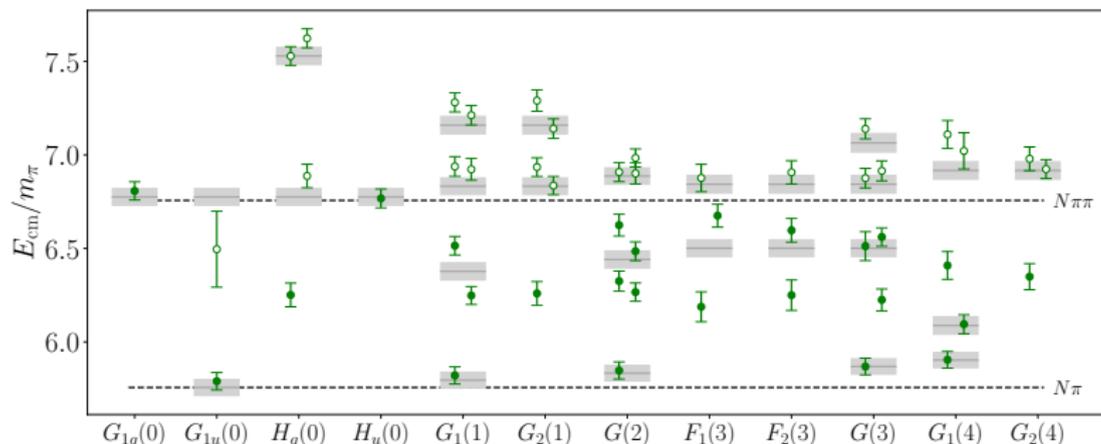
$$|\Lambda\lambda n J L S a\rangle = \sum_{m_J} c_{m_J}^{J(-1)^L; \Lambda\lambda n} |J m_J L S a\rangle$$

- little group irrep Λ , irrep row λ , occurrence index n
- transformation coefficients depend on J and $(-1)^L$, not on S, a
- replaces m_J by (Λ, λ, n)
- group theoretical projections with Gram-Schmidt used to obtain coefficients
- use notation and irrep matrices from PRD 88, 014511 (2013)
- box matrix elements computed using C++ software available on github: [TwoHadronsInBox](#)
- reference: NPB924, 477 (2017)

Our recent Δ resonance study

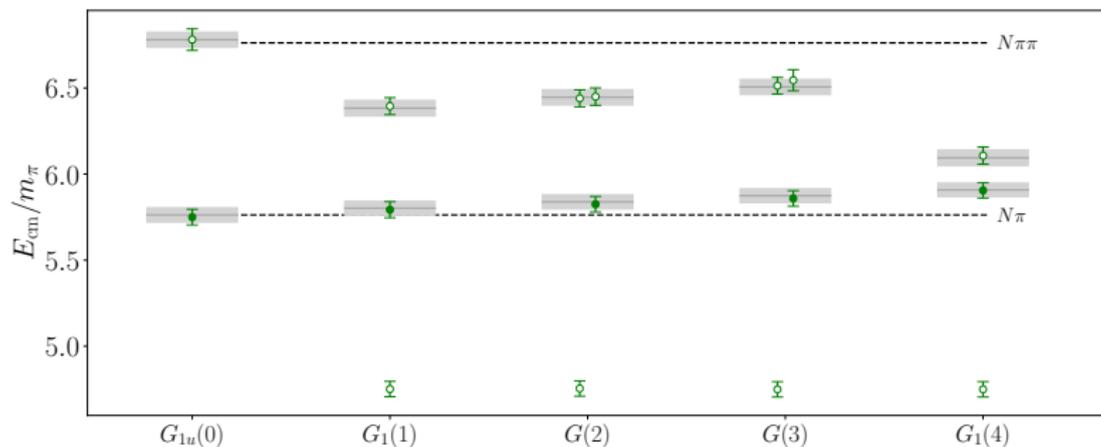
- recent Δ -resonance study in Nucl. Phys. B987, 116105 (2023)
- this work done in collaboration with
 - John Bulava (DESY, Zeuthen, Germany)
 - Andrew Hanlon (Kent State U.)
 - Ben Hörz (Intel Germany)
 - Daniel Mohler (GSI Helmholtz Centre, Darmstadt, Germany)
 - Bárbara Mora (GSI Helmholtz Centre, Darmstadt, Germany)
 - Joseph Moscoso (U. North Carolina)
 - Amy Nicholson (U. North Carolina)
 - Fernando Romero-López (Bern U.)
 - Sarah Skinner (Carnegie Mellon University)
 - Pavlos Vranas (Lawrence Livermore Lab)
 - André Walker-Loud (Lawrence Berkeley Lab)
- CLS D200 ensemble $64^3 \times 128$ lattice, $a \sim 0.066$ fm
- number of configs = 2000
- quark masses: $m_\pi \sim 200$ MeV, $m_K \sim 480$ MeV
- smearing: $N_{ev} = 448$

$I = 3/2$ $N\pi$ spectrum determination



- irreps with leading $(2J, L) = (3, 1)$ wave: $H_g(0)$, $G_2(1)$, $F_1(3)$, $G_2(4)$.
- irrep with leading $(1, 0)$ wave: $G_{1u}(0)$.
- irrep with leading $(1, 1)$ wave: $G_{1g}(0)$ not included because ground state is inelastic.
- irreps with s - and p -wave mixing: $G_1(1)$, $G(2)$, $G_1(4)$.

$I = 1/2$ spectrum determination



- isodoublet $N\pi$ spectrum

Parametrization of K -matrix

- each partial wave parametrized using effective range expansion
- remember $\sqrt{s} = E_{\text{cm}} = \sqrt{m_\pi^2 + q_{\text{cm}}^2} + \sqrt{m_N^2 + q_{\text{cm}}^2}$
- for $I = 3/2$, $J^P = 3/2^+$ wave

$$\frac{q_{\text{cm}}^3}{m_\pi^3} \cot \delta_{3/2^+} = \frac{6\pi\sqrt{s}}{m_\pi^3 g_{\Delta, \text{BW}}^2} (m_\Delta^2 - s),$$

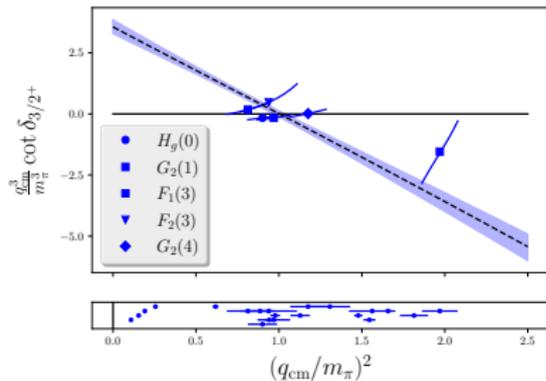
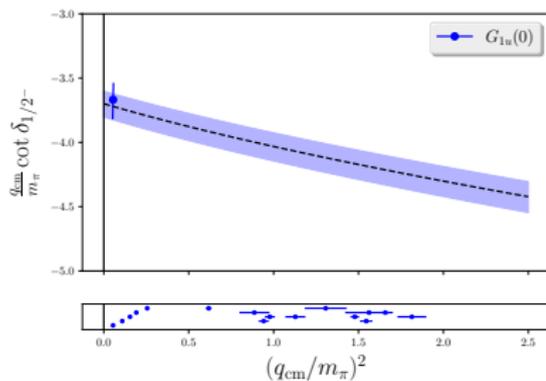
- other waves, used

$$\frac{q_{\text{cm}}^{2\ell+1}}{m_\pi^{2\ell+1}} \cot \delta_{J^P}^I = \frac{\sqrt{s}}{m_\pi A_{J^P}^I},$$

- fit parameter $A_{J^P}^I$ related to scattering length by

$$m_\pi^{2\ell+1} a_{J^P}^I = \frac{m_\pi}{m_\pi + m_N} A_{J^P}^I.$$

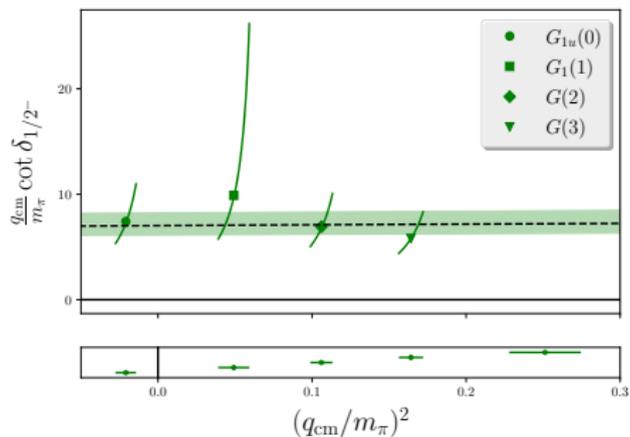
Isoquartet scattering amplitudes



- $I = 3/2$ s - and p -wave scattering amplitudes
- mass and width parameter of Δ -resonance

$$\frac{m_{\Delta}}{m_{\pi}} = 6.257(35), \quad g_{\Delta, \text{BW}} = 14.41(53),$$

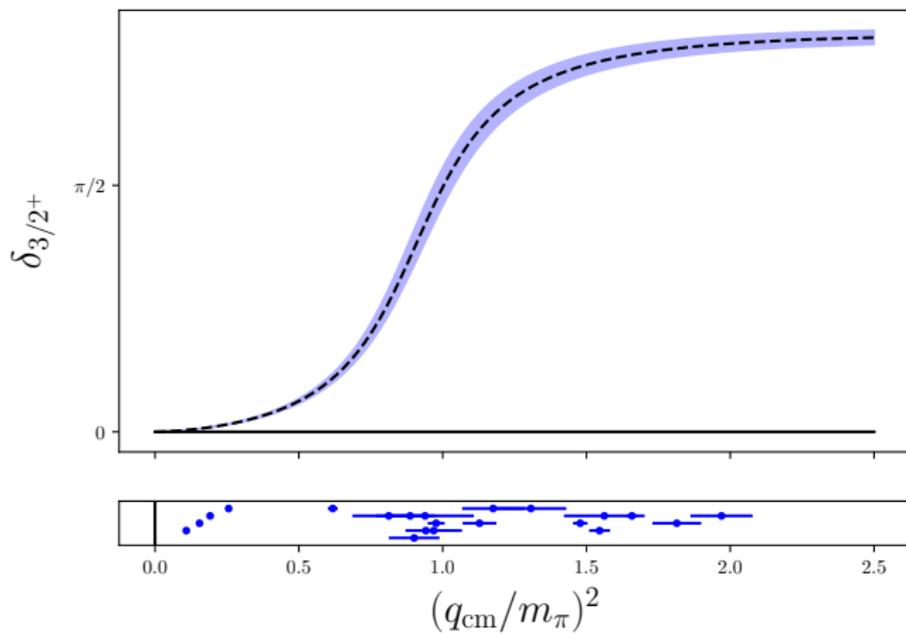
$I = 1/2$ scattering amplitudes



- scattering lengths

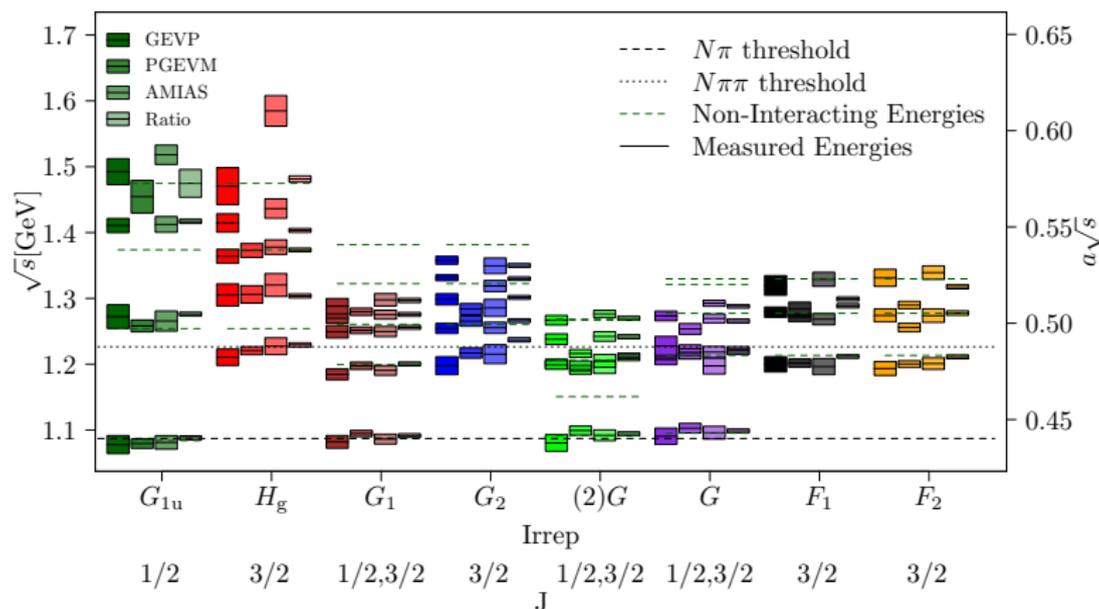
$$m_\pi a_0^{3/2} = -0.2735(81), \quad m_\pi a_0^{1/2} = 0.142(22),$$

Δ resonance



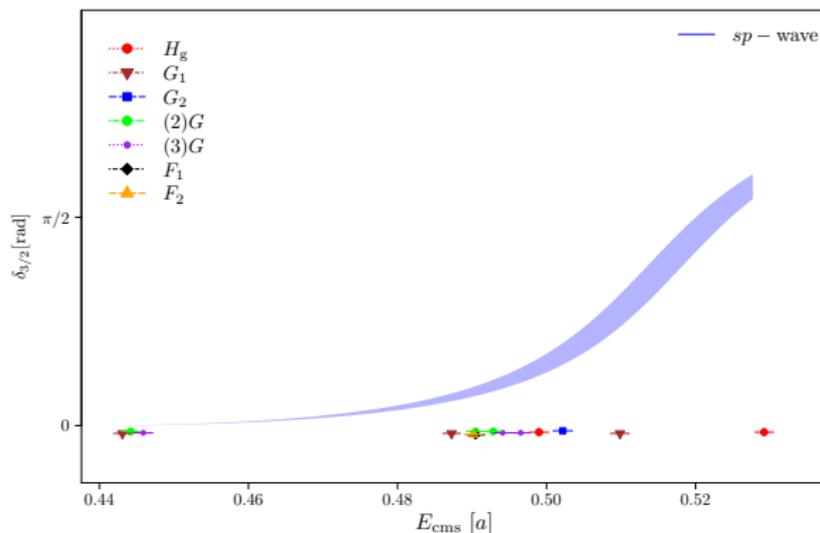
Δ resonance at physical point

- Δ resonance studied at physical pion mass, $a = 0.08$ fm: Alexandrou et al. PRD **109**, 034509 (2024)
- finite-volume spectrum shown
- physical point problem: low 3-particle threshold



Δ resonance at physical point

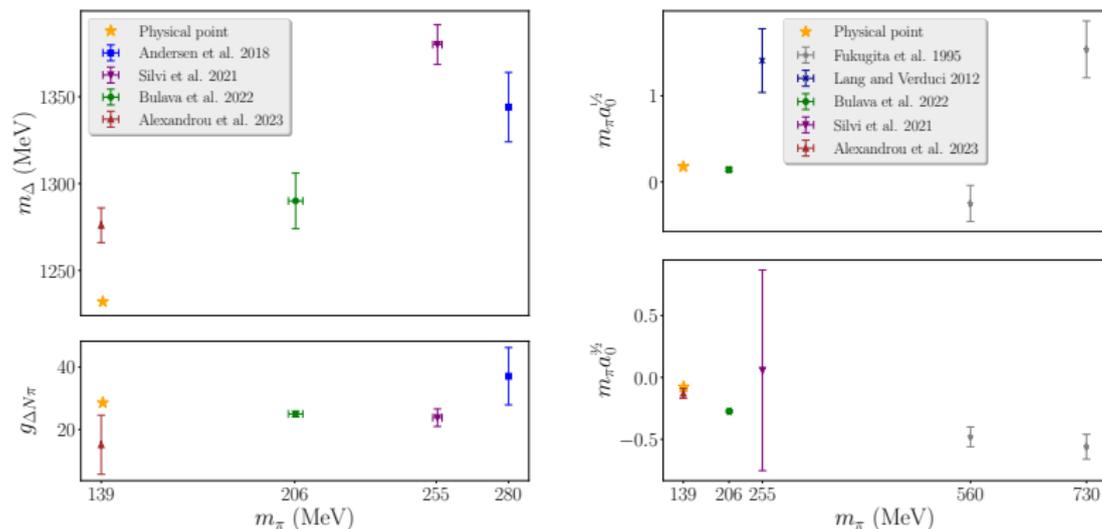
- phase shift for Δ resonance



$$M_R = 1269 (39)_{\text{Stat.}} (45)_{\text{Total}} \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_R = 144 (169)_{\text{Stat.}} (181)_{\text{Total}} \text{ MeV}$$

Comparison to previous works



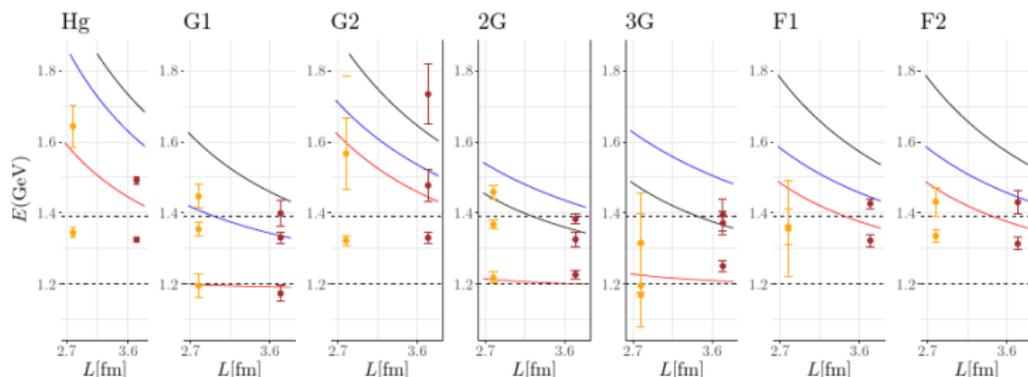
- above, $g_{\Delta N \pi}$ is defined in terms of the decay width in leading-order chiral effective theory

$$\Gamma_{\text{EFT}}^{\text{LO}} = \frac{g_{\Delta N \pi}^2}{48\pi} \frac{E_N + m_N}{E_N + E_\pi} \frac{q^3}{m_N^2}$$

Another Δ resonance

- Δ resonance study: Srijit Paul et al. Lattice 2024
- lattice spacing $a = 0.116$ fm
- quark masses $m_\pi = 137, 199, 199, 247, 249$ MeV
- box sizes $m_\pi L = 4.0, 4.7, 3.6, 3.6, 4.7$

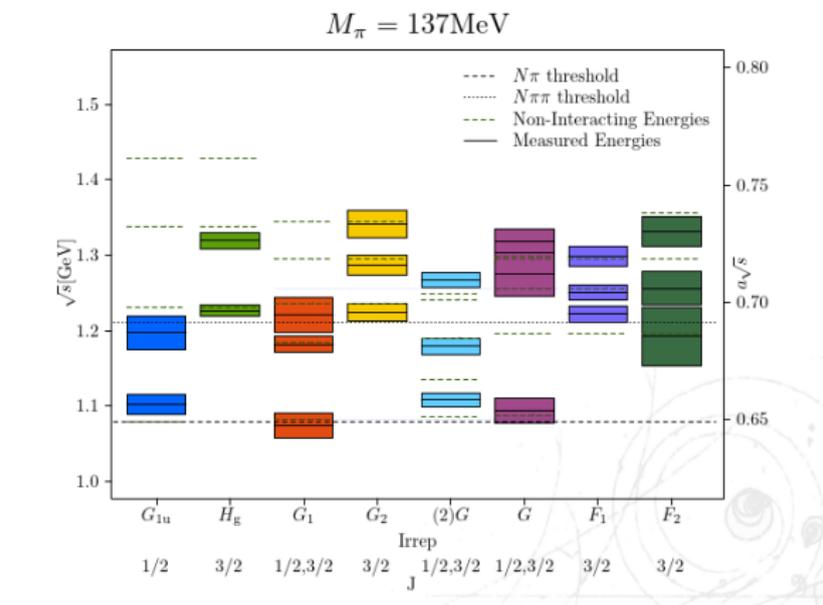
$N\pi$ spectrum $m_\pi \approx 199$ MeV.



Red, Blue, Black continuous lines: Non-Interacting $N\pi$ states.
Dashed lines are $N\pi$ and $N\pi\pi$ thresholds.

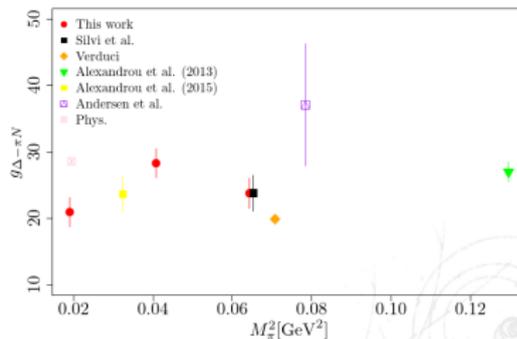
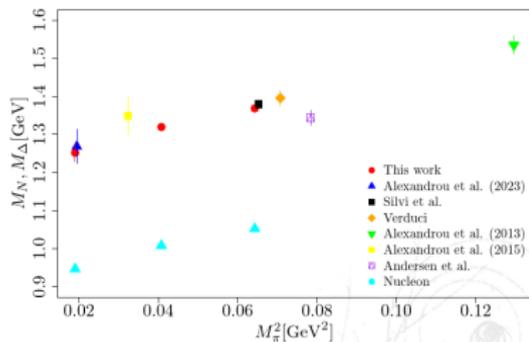
Another Δ resonance

- Δ resonance study: Srijit Paul et al. Lattice 2024



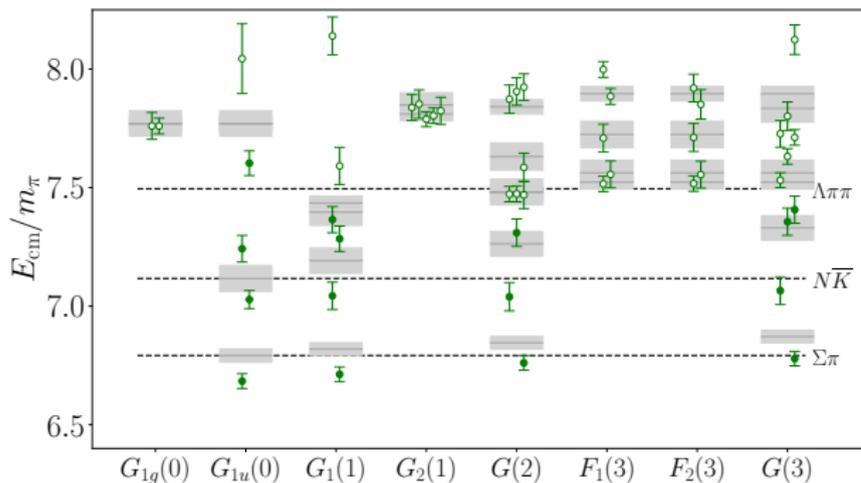
Comparison to previous works

- our results NPB987, 116105 (2023) not shown!



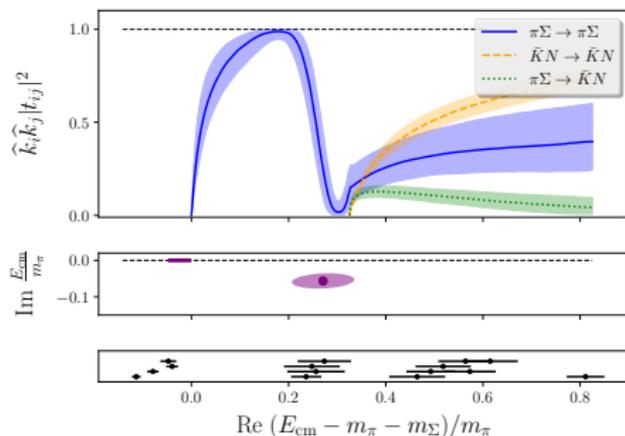
Our $\Lambda(1405)$ resonance study

- PRL **132**, 051901 (2024) and PRD**109**, 014511 (2024)
- CLS D200 ensemble with $m_\pi \approx 200$ MeV
- Finite volume spectrum of $\Sigma\pi$ and $N\bar{K}$ states below



Study of $\Lambda(1405)$ resonance

- PDG lists $\Lambda(1405)$ as single $I = 0$, $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$ resonance strangeness -1
- Recent models based on chiral effective theory and unitarity suggest two nearby overlapping poles
- Our study supports two-pole structure
- Virtual bound state below $\Sigma\pi$ threshold, resonance pole below $N\bar{K}$ threshold
- First lattice QCD study of this coupled-channel system using full operator set



K matrix parametrization

- For best parametrization, used $\ell_{\max} = 0$ in ERE

$$\frac{E_{\text{cm}}}{M_{\pi}} \tilde{K}_{ij} = A_{ij} + B_{ij} \Delta_{\pi\Sigma}$$

- where A_{ij} and B_{ij} are symmetric and real coefficients with i and j denoting either of the two scattering channels, and

$$\Delta_{\pi\Sigma} = (E_{\text{cm}}^2 - (M_{\pi} + M_{\Sigma})^2)/(M_{\pi} + M_{\Sigma})^2$$

- pole locations

$$E_1 = 1395(9)_{\text{stat}}(2)_{\text{model}}(16)_a \text{ MeV},$$

$$E_2 = 1456(14)_{\text{stat}}(2)_{\text{model}}(16)_a$$

$$-i \times 11.7(4.3)_{\text{stat}}(4)_{\text{model}}(0.1)_a \text{ MeV}.$$

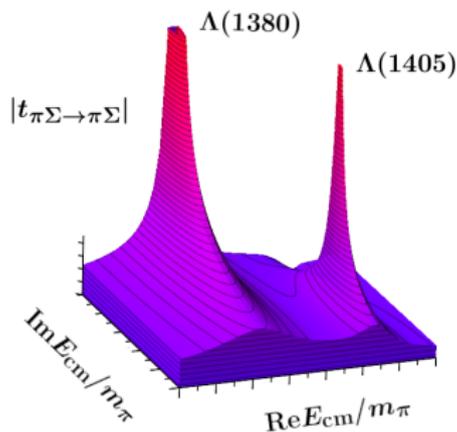
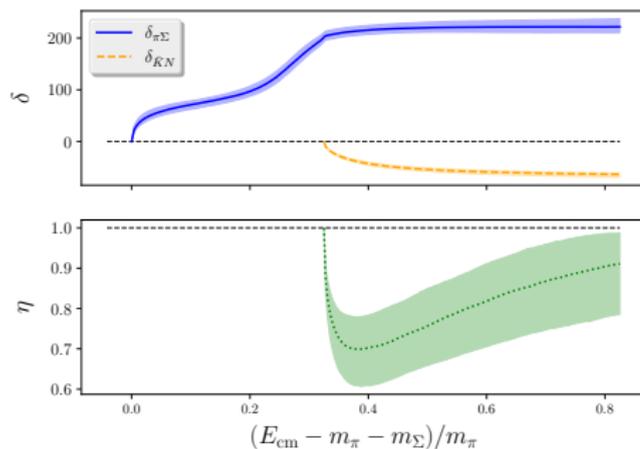
- several other parametrizations also used:

- an ERE for \tilde{K}^{-1}
- removing factor of E_{cm} above
- Blatt-Biedenharn form

- forms with one pole strongly disfavored

Λ scattering amplitude poles

- (left) scattering phase shifts and inelasticities
- (right) transition amplitude showing poles

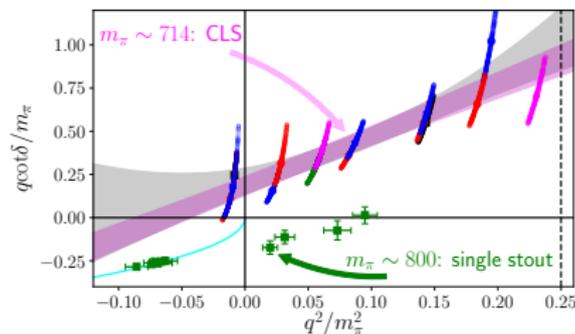


NN scattering at $SU(3)$ flavor symmetric point

- starting point to explore NN scattering in lattice QCD: $SU(3)$ flavor symmetric
- inauspicious beginning! discrepancy between different groups
- HALQCD and our group (in PRC **103**, 014003 (2021)) find no bound states in either $I = 0$ or $I = 1$ NN systems
- NPLQCD finds shallow bound states (PRD **87**, 034506 (2013))
- CalLat also found bound state (PLB **765**, 285 (2017))
- possible sources of discrepancy:
 - first NPLQCD study and CalLat used only an off-diagonal correlator \rightarrow plateaux misidentification from negative weights
 - need for local hexaquark operator(s)

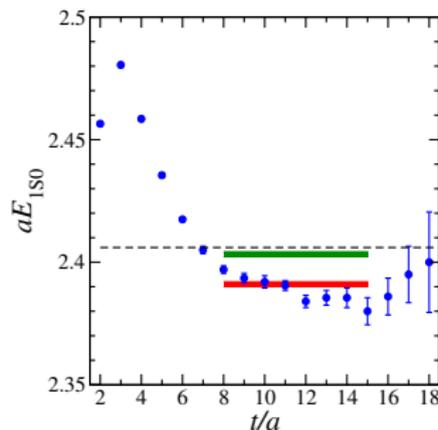
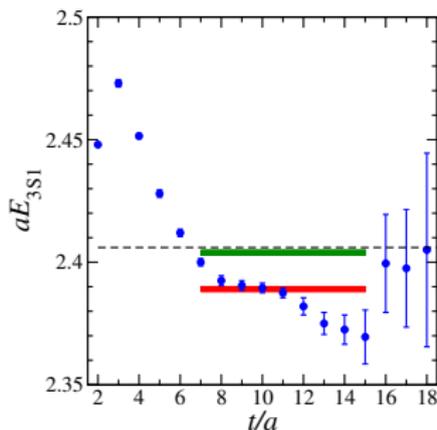
Summary of Discrepancy

- Comparison of NPLQCD deuteron $\cot \delta$ with our PRC
- Different actions: NPLQCD stout-smear tadpole-improved action, this work uses CLS clover Wilson action
- Different lattice spacing: NPLQCD 0.145 fm, this work 0.086 fm



Crux of the Matter?

- Most likely key source of discrepancy is different energy extractions
- Effective energies from off-diagonal correlator with hexaquark source, NN at-rest sink from Fig. 2 arXiv:1705.09239 [hep-lat] (NPLQCD) for 48^3 lattice shown below
- **Red** boxes: NPLQCD energy extractions from Fig. 4 of PRD**87**, 034506 (2013)
- **Green** boxes: energies equivalent to our extractions



Off-Diagonal Correlator vs Correlator Matrix

- Spectral representation of correlators

$$C_{ij}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Z_i^{(n)} Z_j^{(n)*} e^{-E_n t}$$

- For diagonal $i = j$, amplitudes of exponentials all **positive**

$$C_{ii}(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |Z_i^{(n)}|^2 e^{-E_n t}$$

- Off-diagonal can have **negative** weights
- Excited-state contamination in simple off-diagonal correlator decays slowly as $e^{-(E_1-E_0)t}$
- Contamination in rotated diagonal correlator decays much more quickly as $e^{-(E_N-E_0)t}$ for $N \times N$ correlator matrix

Plateau Misidentification

- Given negative weights and slow decay of excited-state contamination in off-diagonal correlator, likelihood of plateau misidentification is uncomfortably high
- For 48^3 lattice and rest energy ~ 2.4 , total zero-momentum gap ~ 0.015
- For illustrative purposes, use five-exponential form

$$C(t) = e^{-E_0 t} \left(1 + A_1 e^{-\Delta_1 t} + A_2 e^{-\Delta_2 t} + A_3 e^{-\Delta_3 t} + A_4 e^{-\Delta_4 t} \right)$$

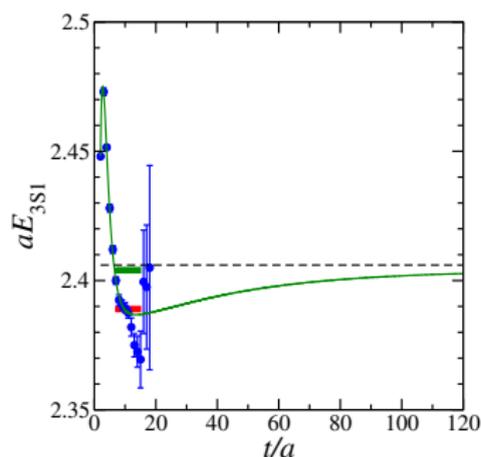
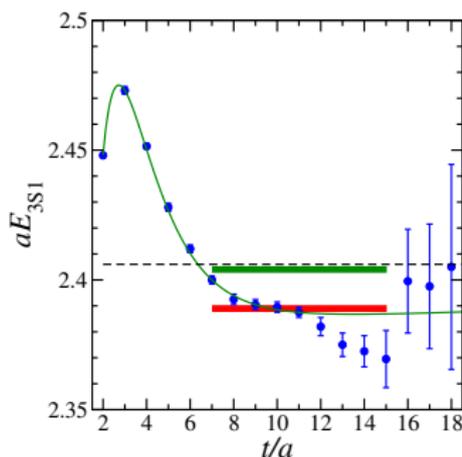
- Take lowest 2 gaps of expected size, other 2 gaps to handle observed short-time behavior
- $$\Delta_1 = 0.025, \quad \Delta_2 = \Delta_1 + 0.025, \quad \Delta_3 = \Delta_2 + 0.5, \quad \Delta_4 = \Delta_3 + 1.0$$
- Use our equivalent E_0 values, then solve for A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 using correlations at times $t = 2, 3, 7, 11$

Plateau Misidentification

- For deuteron ($I = 0, {}^3S_1$), find

$$A_1 = -1.0483, A_2 = 0.4133, A_3 = 0.6495, A_4 = -1.7750.$$

- Presence of negative weights can easily lead to false plateau

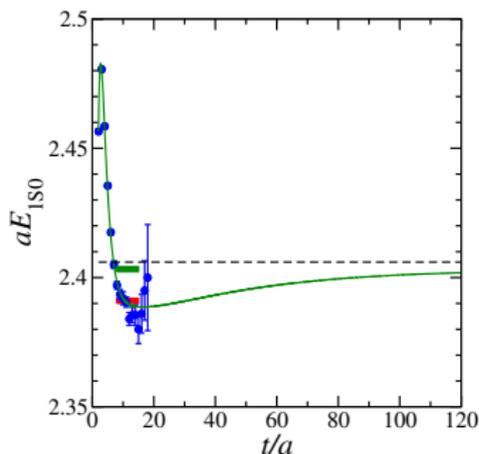
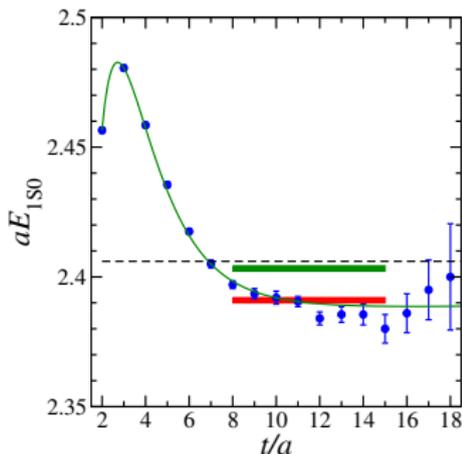


Plateau Misidentification

- For dineutron ($I = 1, ^1S_0$), find

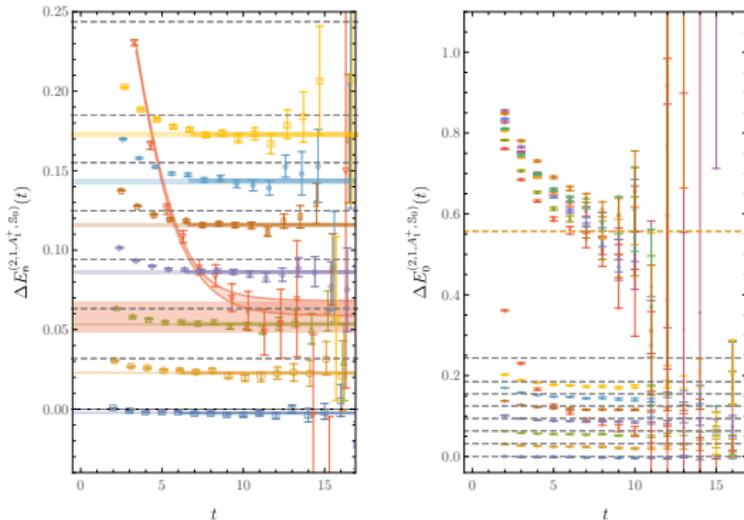
$$A_1 = -1.0986, A_2 = 0.4993, A_3 = 0.7127, A_4 = -1.9065$$

- Presence of negative weights can easily lead to false plateau



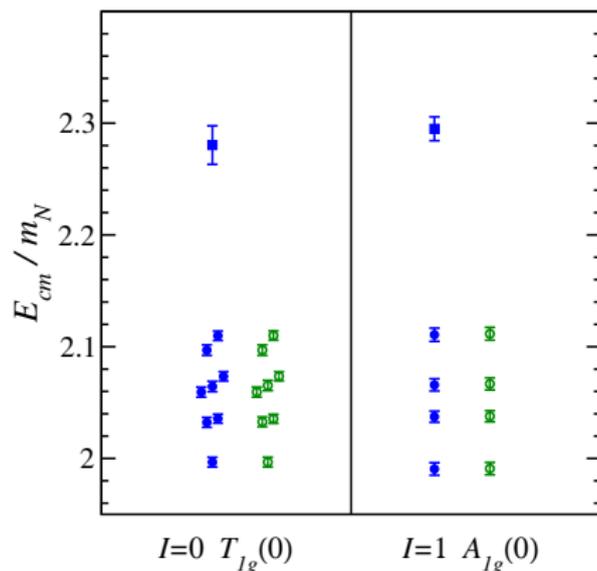
Recent NPLQCD Isotriplet A_{1g} Spectrum

- Figure 9 of Phys.Rev.D**107**, 094508 (2023) shown below
- Energy gaps above $2m_N$ shown in lattice units
- None of their diagonal correlators find the low energy needed for the bound state!
- Behavior of one level (hexaquark dominated) very peculiar



Role of Hexaquark Operator in NN Spectrum

- Results from our hexaquark study on the C103 ensemble
- Blue points: energies obtained using all operators
- Green points: energies obtained excluding hexaquark operators
- Blue squares: hexaquark-dominated levels

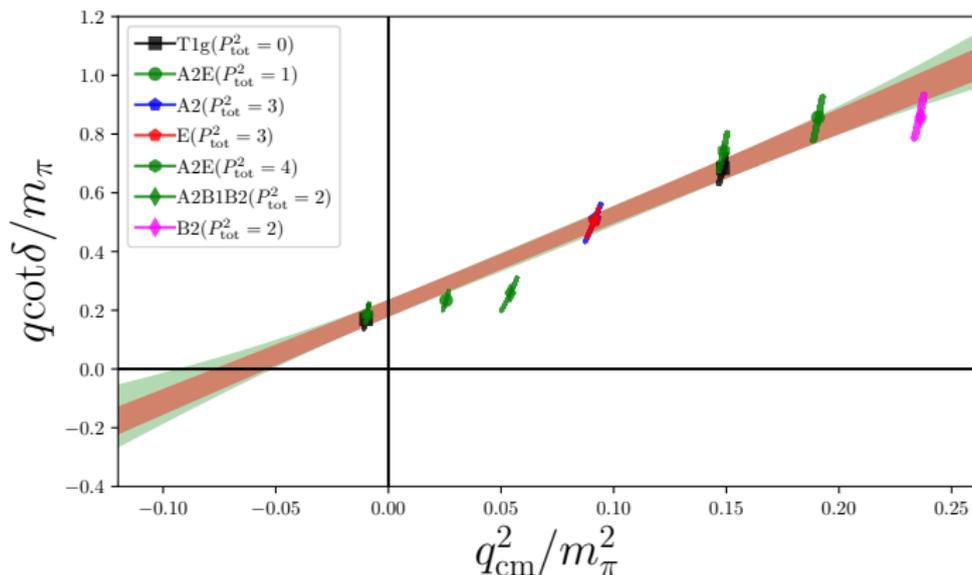


Conclusions about Hexaquark Operator

- No additional low-lying state is found by including hexaquark operator
- Features of state created by hexaquark operator:
 - very small overlap with lowest-lying eigenstate
 - overlaps which initially increase with eigenstate number
 - largest overlap with eigenstates high above those studied here
- Hexaquark operator introduces more noise
- Conclusion: hexaquark operator **not** needed!
- We do not observe the NPLQCD mystery state: explanation in private communication at Lattice 2024

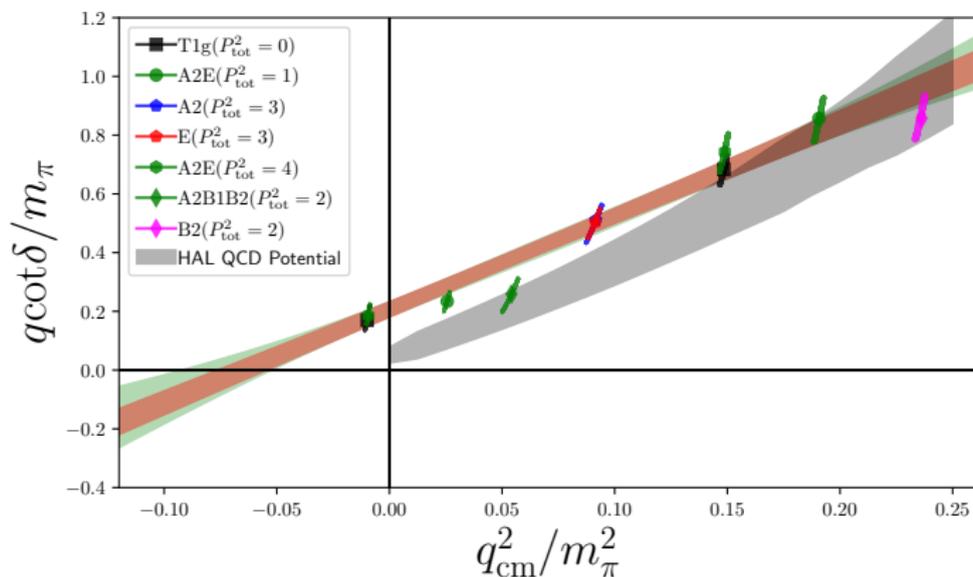
Our latest NN results

- Latest results for NN isosinglet (deuteron) scattering phase shift on the C103 ensemble



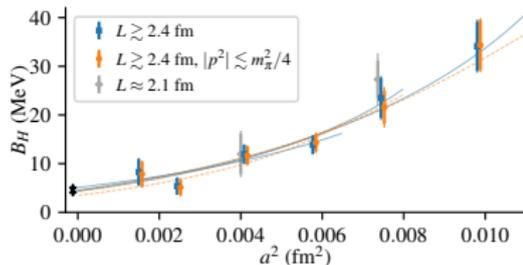
Our latest NN results with HAL QCD

- latest results for NN isosinglet (deuteron) scattering phase shift on the C103 ensemble
- comparison to result from HAL QCD method (preliminary)



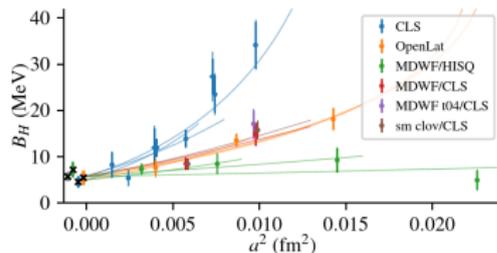
H -dibaryon at $SU(3)_F$ symmetric point

- H -dibaryon binding energy at $SU(3)_F$ symmetric point
 $m_\pi = m_K \approx 420$ MeV
- sensitivity to lattice discretization
- see Green plenary later this week



Green et al: PRL **127**, 242003 (2021)

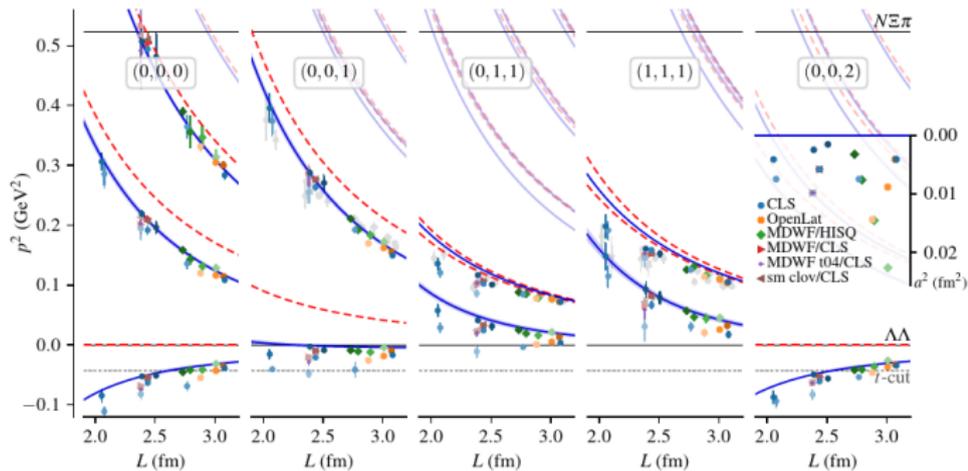
$$B_H^{SU(3)_F} = 4.56 \pm 1.13_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.63_{\text{syst}} \text{ MeV}$$



Green: Lattice 2024

H -dibaryon at $SU(3)_F$ spectra symmetric point

- H -dibaryon binding energy at $SU(3)_F$ symmetric point
 $m_\pi = m_K \approx 420$ MeV
- finite-volume spectra (Green Lattice 2024)



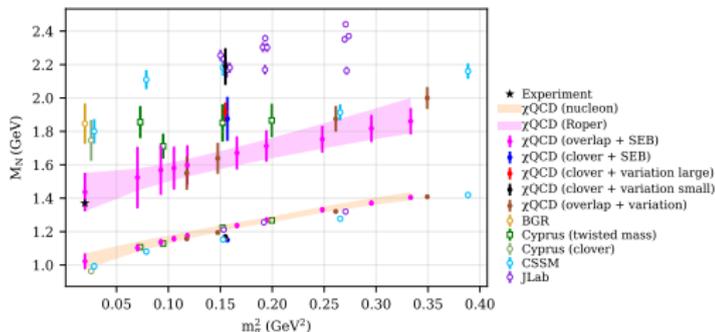
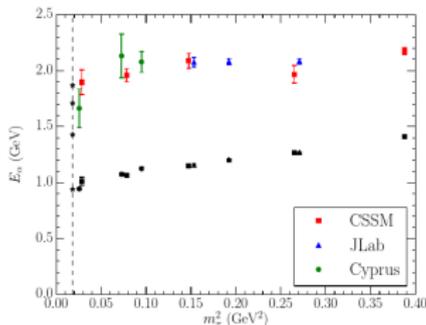
Points: lattice levels.

Red dashed: noninteracting levels.

Blue: continuum (published).

Roper resonance

- Important resonance: Roper, first excitation of proton
- experiment: 4-star, $N(1440)$ with $I(J^P) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}^+)$
- experiment: width 250 – 450 MeV
- lattice QCD: three-quark operators have difficulty capturing
- χ QCD: studied using only variety of 3-quark operators
- sequential empirical Bayesian (SEB) method, DWF sea with overlap valence
- large $3q$ basis with different smearings needed



Lienweber NSTAR 2024

χ QCD (Sun et al). PRD **101**, 054511 (2020)

Roper resonance outlook

- definitive study of Roper needs multi-hadron operators
- $N\pi$, $N\sigma$, $\Delta\pi$ operators
- $N\pi\pi$ operators
- large volume
- three-particle amplitude analysis
- several groups working on this

Summary

- methods such as stochastic LapH, distillation
 - allow reliable determinations of energies involving multi-hadron states
- large numbers of excited-state energy levels can be estimated
- scattering phase shifts can be computed
- hadron resonance properties: masses, decay widths
- presented recent results for Δ , $\Lambda(1405)$ resonances
- NN discrepancy resolved?
- Roper resonance (need for three-particle states)
- 3-particle formalism developing