## Hadron Interactions from Lattice QCD

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## Outline

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- Baryon-Baryon and nuclei
- H-dibaryon
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How do we extract S-wave scattering information (phase shifts and binding energies) from a lattice calculation?

#### Recall NR scattering

$$\mathcal{A}_{2}(p) = \frac{4\pi}{M} \frac{1}{p \cot \delta(p) - (ip)} = 4\pi \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$
sum of poles in a Finite Volume!

$$\mathcal{A}_2^{-1}(p) = 0$$

eigenvalue equation



#### Weak coupling expansion:

$$\Delta E_{0}(2,L) = \frac{4\pi a_{\pi\pi}}{m_{\pi} L^{3}} \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{a_{\pi\pi}}{\pi L}\right) \mathcal{I} + \left(\frac{a_{\pi\pi}}{\pi L}\right)^{2} \left[\mathcal{I}^{2} - \mathcal{J}\right] + \left(\frac{a_{\pi\pi}}{\pi L}\right)^{3} \left[ -\mathcal{I}^{3} + 3\mathcal{I}\mathcal{J} - \mathcal{K}\right] \right\} + \frac{8\pi^{2}a_{\pi\pi}^{3}}{m_{\pi} L^{6}} r_{\pi\pi} + \mathcal{O}\left(L^{-7}\right)$$

$$\mathcal{I} = \lim_{\Lambda_{j} \to \infty} \sum_{i \neq 0}^{|\mathbf{i}| \leq \Lambda_{j}} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{i}|^{2}} - 4\pi\Lambda_{j} = -8.91363291781$$

$$\mathcal{J} = \sum_{\mathbf{i} \neq 0} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{i}|^{4}} = 16.532315959$$

Calculated on the lattice!

phase shift

$$\mathcal{K} = \sum_{\mathbf{i} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{i}|^6} = 8.401923974433$$

#### $\pi\pi$ scattering in lattice QCD



$$\mathcal{O}_{\pi^+}(t,\vec{x}) = \overline{u}(t,\vec{x})\gamma_5 d(t,\vec{x})$$

$$C_{\pi^{+}\pi^{+}}(p,t) = \langle 0| \sum_{|\mathbf{p}|=p} \sum_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} \mathcal{O}_{\pi^{-}}(t,\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{O}_{\pi^{-}}(t,\mathbf{y}) \mathcal{O}_{\pi^{+}}(0,\mathbf{0}) \mathcal{O}_{\pi^{+}}(0,\mathbf{0}) |0\rangle$$

$$\frac{C_{\pi^+\pi^+}(p,t)}{C_{\pi^+}(t)C_{\pi^+}(t)} \longrightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{A}_n \ e^{-\Delta E_n(2,L)} \ t$$

$$\Delta E_n(2,L) ~\equiv~ 2~\sqrt{~ec{p}\,_n^2}~+~m_\pi^2~-~2m_\pi$$







 $k^2 / \text{GeV}^2$ 

#### What about higher partial waves?

Angular Momentum, l	Irreps of the Cubic Group, $\Gamma^{(i)}$
0	$A_1^+$
1	$T_1^-$
2	$E^+ \oplus T_2^+$
3	$A_2^- \oplus T_1^- \oplus T_2^-$
4	$A_1^+ \oplus E^+ \oplus T_1^+ \oplus T_2^+$
5	$E^{-} \oplus T_{1}^{-(1)} \oplus T_{1}^{-(2)} \oplus T_{2}^{-}$
6	$A_1^+ \oplus A_2^+ \oplus E^+ \oplus T_1^+ \oplus T_2^{+(1)} \oplus T_2^{+(2)}$
7	$A_2^- \oplus E^- \oplus T_1^{-(1)} \oplus T_1^{-(2)} \oplus T_2^{-(1)} \oplus T_2^{-(2)}$
8	$A_1^+ \oplus E^{+(1)} \oplus E^{+(2)} \oplus T_1^{+(1)} \oplus T_1^{+(2)} \oplus T_2^{+(1)} \oplus T_2^{+(2)}$
9	$A_1^- \oplus A_2^- \oplus E^- \oplus T_1^{-(1)} \oplus T_1^{-(2)} \oplus T_1^{-(3)} \oplus T_2^{-(1)} \oplus T_2^{-(2)}$

#### D-wave at Finite Volume

$$q^{5} \cot \delta_{2} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^{5} \frac{1}{\pi^{3/2}} \mathcal{X}_{E}^{+} \left(\tilde{q}^{2}\right)$$







#### Why is nuclear physics near this UV fixed point??



Lattice QCD will answer this question!

#### Lattice QCD: NN



#### **YN** interactions



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## Contraction bottleneck for $A \gg 2$ ? Naive factorial growth! **np**: 36 2880 nnp: npnp: 518400 р (A,Z): (A+Z)! (2A-Z)!Recursion relations for mesons $\rightarrow A$ growth!

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#### Lattice QCD: Baryon-Baryon



#### What about bound states?

$$\int \mathcal{A}_2(p) = \frac{8\pi}{M} \frac{1}{p \cot \delta(p) - ip} \longrightarrow \cot \delta(i\gamma) = i$$

Finite-V: 
$$\cot \delta(i\kappa) = i - i \sum_{\mathbf{m} \neq 0} \frac{e^{-|\mathbf{m}|\kappa L}}{|\mathbf{m}|\kappa L}$$

$$\kappa = \gamma + \frac{6}{L} \frac{e^{-\gamma L}}{1 - \gamma r_3} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\sqrt{2}\gamma L})$$

Need several volumes!

Is there an H-dibaryon? Need other volumes!

$$\begin{bmatrix}
16^{3} \times 128 \\
20^{3} \times 128 \\
24^{3} \times 128 \\
32^{3} \times 128
\end{bmatrix}
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 $m_{\pi} \sim 389 \text{ MeV}$   $b_s \sim 0.1227(8) \text{ fm}$   $b_s/b_t = 3.500(32)$ 



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#### **Energy-Momentum Relation**



Special relativity satisfied!

The bottom line:  
FV EM  

$$B_{\infty}^{\mathrm{H}} = 16.6 \pm 2.1 \pm 4.5 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.6 \text{ MeV}$$

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#### Need smaller lattice spacing and lighter quarks!





# Conclusion

- Stretched Meson-Meson systems are now a precision science.
- Work is beginning on obtaining hadron-hadron phase shifts.
- Two-baryon systems are currently under intense investigation.
   Calculation of the deuteron is a major outstanding benchmark.
- The H-dibaryon is bound at unphysical quark masses!
- Lattice QCD requires:
  - $\star$  the resources to move beyond the benchmarking stage.
  - ★ a strong collaborative effort among physicists, computer scientists and applied mathematicians.