

Coupled channel scattering on the lattice: the $\Xi(1620)$ & $\Xi(1690)$

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- Work in progress on the $\Xi(1/2^-)$ channel on the lattice

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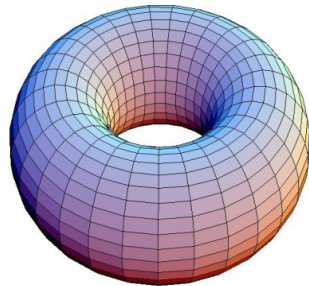
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- Meson-baryon scattering

- First way to study baryon excitations (since $\Delta(1232)$ in the '50s)
- Approachable from first principles on the lattice with Lüscher method
- We present preliminary results on $\pi\Xi - \bar{K}\Lambda - \bar{K}\Sigma$ channels and the $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$ resonances in the lattice

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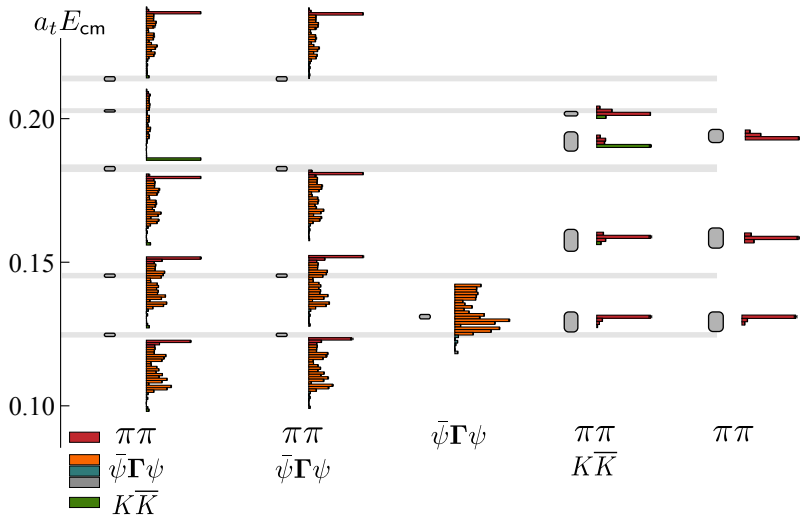
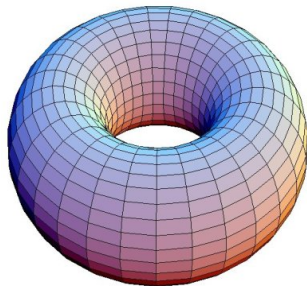


Figure 1: Spectrum with meson($\vec{p}$)meson($\vec{p}'$) ops ($I(J^P) = 1(1)^-$, $M_\pi \simeq 236$ MeV)[Wilson et al PRD 92 094502 (2015)].

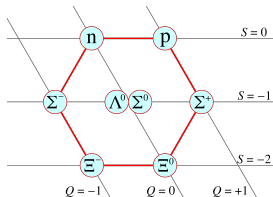
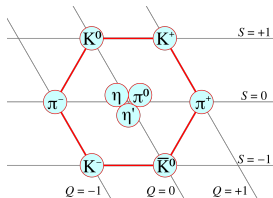
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- $H(\vec{p})H(\vec{p}') \Rightarrow$ no translation invariance $\Rightarrow$ one computes at all $\vec{x}$
- Laplacian-Heaviside smearing:
 - smearing increases overlap with lower lying states
 - LapH reduces the size of the problem by considering only lower eigenstates of the Laplacian (quark perambulators can be stored) [Peardon et al PRD 80 (2009)]
 - Optimised tensor contractions [PRL 123 (2019) 14, 142002]
- Pioneering meson-baryon works on πN
 - $N(1535)$ [Lang & Verduci PRD 87 (2013)]
 - $N(1440)$ [Lang et al PRD 95(2017)]
 - $\Delta(1232)$ [Alexandrou et al PRD 96 (2017), Bulava et al NPB 987 (2023)]



Negative parity hyperons from coupled channel scattering



Meson-baryon scattering

- Meson-baryon scattering in s-wave $\Rightarrow J^P = 1/2^-$:

N^* , Λ^* , Σ^* , Ξ^*

- strangeness improves the signal

- $\Lambda(1405)$

- Past works have studied the $\Lambda(1405)$ only with single-hadron operators

[Nemoto PRD 68 (2003) 094505, Burch PRD 74 (2006) 014504, Takahashi PRD 81 (2010) 034505, Menadue PRL 108 (2012) 112001, Engel PRD 87(2013), 034502 & 034504, Hall PRL 114 (2015), Gubler PRD 94 (2016) 114518]

- The $\Lambda(1405)$ study of BaSc employs two-hadron operators [Bulava et al PRL

132 (2024), Bulava et al PRD 109 (2024)]

- Ξ^* channel (preliminary results)

$\pi\Sigma - \bar{K}N$ and the $\Lambda(1405)$ resonance

Lüscher method

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

Amplitude analysis

- five $\tilde{K}_{ij}$ parametrisations, $t^{-1} = \tilde{K}^{-1} - i\hat{k}$

Two poles extracted

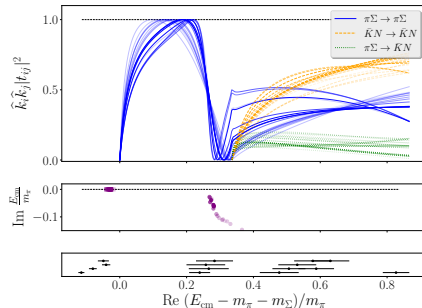
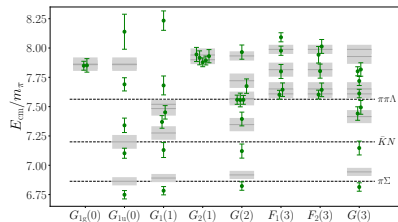
(at $a \simeq 0.064$ fm, $m_\pi \simeq 200$ MeV, $m_K \simeq 480$ MeV)

1. virtual state:

$$E_1 = 1392(9)_{\text{st}}(2)_{\text{md}}(16)_{\text{sc}} \text{ MeV}$$

2. resonance pole:

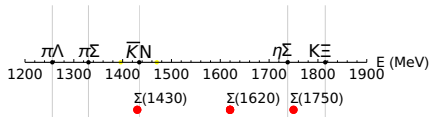
$$E_2 = [1455(13)_{\text{st}}(2)_{\text{md}}(17)_{\text{sc}} - i 11.5(4.4)_{\text{st}}(4)_{\text{md}}(0.1)_{\text{sc}}] \text{ MeV}$$



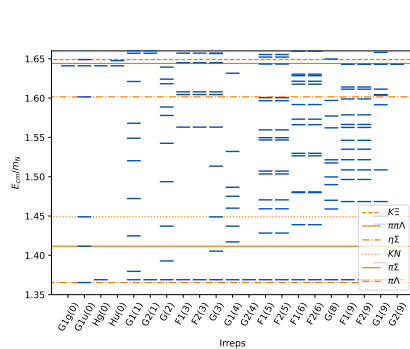
Σ flavour channel

lattice results in this sector are highly desired [Pittler et al PRD 112 (2025)]

- $\Sigma(1430)$ is getting a lot of attention
 - A structure compatible with $\Sigma(1430)$ was recently observed by Belle in $\Lambda_c^+ \rightarrow \Lambda \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^-$ [PRL 130, 151903 (2023)]
 - predicted by $\sim$ UChPT, [Kaiser et al NPA 594 (1995) 325], [Oset, Ramos, NPA 635 (1998) 99], [Jido et al NPA 725 (2003) 181] [Oller & Meissner PLB 500 (2001)]
 - Wei-Hong Liang studied it with correlation fcn's on Monday: [PRD 110 (2024) 114018] [EPJC 85 (2025) 1086]
 - Low support for qqq [Lin et al PRD 112 (2025) 1, 014044]



- $\Sigma(1430)$
 - We have set up the calculation to study $\pi\Lambda$, $\pi\Sigma$, $\bar{K}N$
 - Chosen ensemble: X451, $M_\pi \simeq 287$ MeV



$\pi\Xi - \bar{K}\Lambda - \bar{K}\Sigma$ channels

and the $\Xi(1620)$ and $\Xi(1690)$ resonances

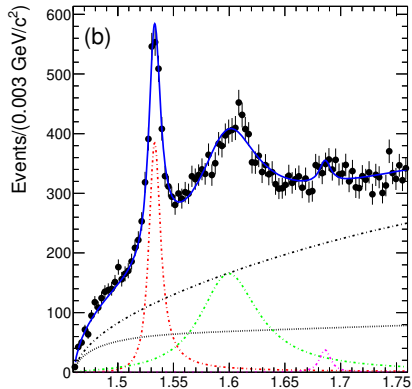


Figure 2: Events vs $M_{\Xi-\pi^+}$ (GeV/c²)
 ($\Xi(1530) + \Xi(1620) + \Xi(1690)$) from Belle $\Xi_c \rightarrow \Xi\pi\pi$
 [Sumihama et al PRL (2019)].

$\Xi(1620)$ & $\Xi(1690)$, a *stranger counterpart of the $\Lambda(1405)$*

(**) & (***) on PDG

- Recent experimental results support both states

- Belle $\Xi_c \rightarrow \Xi\pi\pi$

$$m = 1610.4 \pm 6.0^{+5.9}_{-3.5} \text{ MeV}, \Gamma = 59.9 \pm 4.8^{+2.8}_{-3.0} \text{ MeV}$$

[Sumihama PRL (2019)]

- LHCb $\Xi_b \rightarrow J/\Psi\Lambda K$

$$m = 1692.0 \pm 1.3^{+1.2}_{-0.4}, \Gamma = 25.9 \pm 9.5^{+14.0}_{-13.5}$$

[Aaij, Sci. Bull. (2021)]

- ALICE $\pi\Xi$ femtoscopy

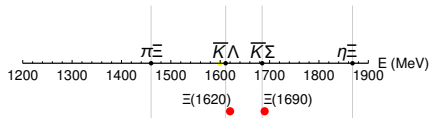
$$m^0 = 1608.16 \pm 1.5 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma^0 = 47.12 \pm 5.63 \text{ MeV};$$

$$m^0 = 1680.72 \pm 3.27 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma^0 = 26.41 \pm 13.86 \text{ MeV}$$

[Abualrob, PLB (2026)]

Ξ flavour channel

- $\Xi(1620)$ & $\Xi(1690)$
 - UChPT (Weinberg-Tomozawa) model, e.g. [Ramos, Oset & Bennhold, PRL 89 (2002)] & [García-Recio, Lutz & Nieves, PLB 582 (2004)]
 - ▶ [Li et al EPJC 83 (2023) 10, 95] see two poles in $\Xi_c \rightarrow \Xi \pi \pi$
 - ▶ NLO UChPT model [Feijoo et al PLB 841 (2023)]
 - modelling CF in femtoscopy
 - ▶ [Mantovani et al PRD 110 (2024)] argues that it is mostly $\eta \Xi$ in contrast with previous literature
 - ▶ Consistency problem when comparing processes [Feijoo et al PRD 111 (2025) 1, 014022] [Veloso, Khemchandani et al., arXiv:2608.27736]
- Different approaches do not lead to a clear agreement, different $m_R, \Gamma_R, |g_{ij}|$ and number of poles.



Lattice setup: a pathway through CLS ensembles

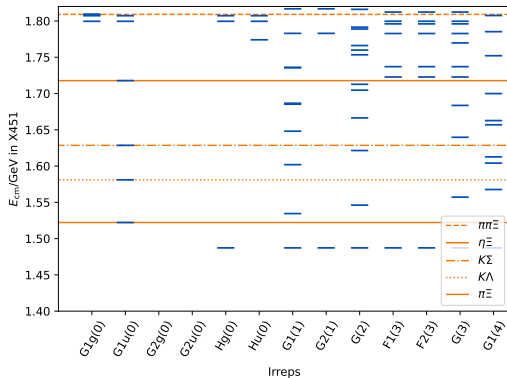
joint effort of the **BaSc** collaboration

(= tree-level improved Lüscher-Weisz gluons and nonperturbatively $\mathcal{O}(a)$ improved Wilson fermions)

ensembles	boundary	a	$T \times L^3$	m_π	m_K	$m_\pi L$	N_{cnfg}
D200	open	0.064 fm	128×64^3	200 MeV	480 MeV	4.3	2000
X451	periodic (better sampling)	0.075 fm	$" \times 40^3$	287 MeV	464 MeV	4.4	2000
N451	"	"	$" \times 48^3$	"	"	5.3	1000
E250	"	0.064 fm	192×96^3	131 MeV	493 MeV	4.1	1000

- We have computed the $\Xi(1/2^-)$ correlators on X451 (up to few remaining configs)
- We will also calculate them on N451: X451 & N451 only differ in volume $\Rightarrow$ constrain more E_{cm}

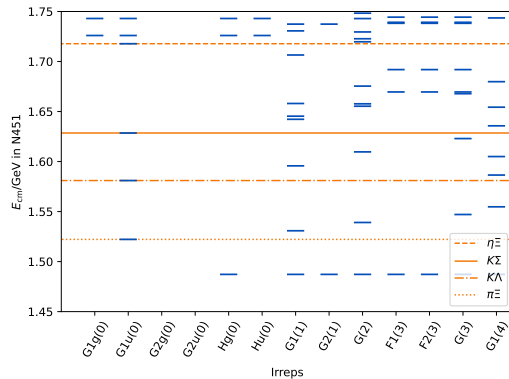
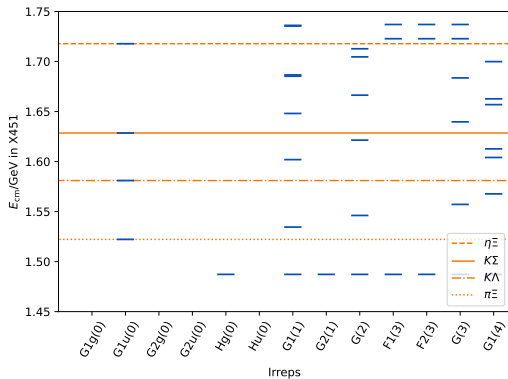
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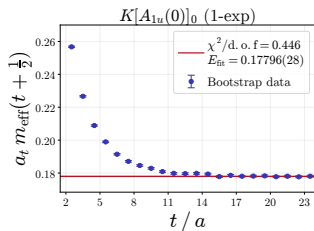
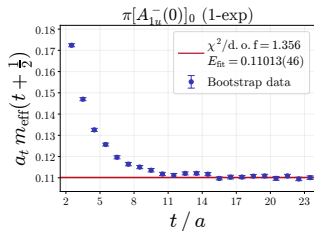


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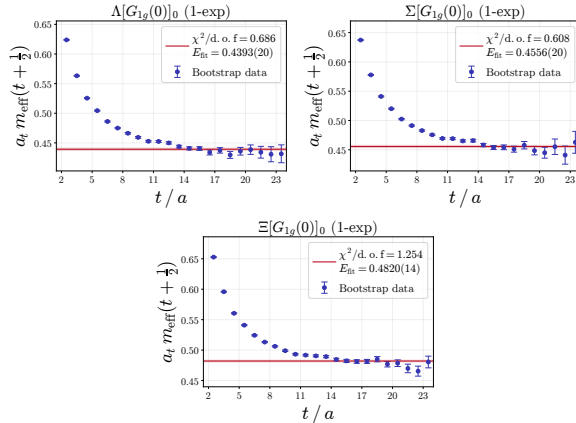
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- periodic boundary conditions and source time varied randomly: reduce baryon noise
- double strangeness should improve signal with respect to Λ channel
 - absence of nucleons reduces the baryon noise further
- consistency with expectations and $\sim$ ideal scaling
- $m_\pi \simeq 286$ MeV, $m_K \simeq 462$ MeV, $m_\Lambda \simeq 1141$ MeV, $m_\Sigma \simeq 1183$ MeV, $m_\Xi \simeq 1255$ MeV

- 3161(/8000) meas. in 1592(/2026) cfg.
- $\pi\Xi - \bar{K}\Lambda - \bar{K}\Sigma$ operators + all local 3-quarks operators
- GEVP with 9/8 operators

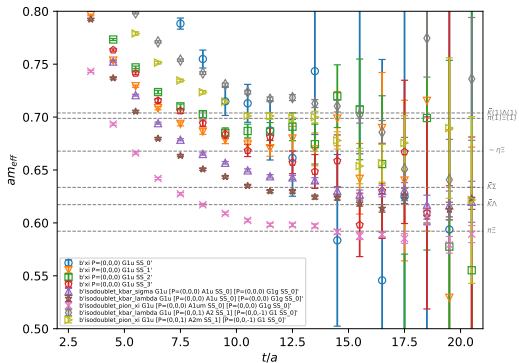


Figure 3: Effective masses of the 9 G1u ops.

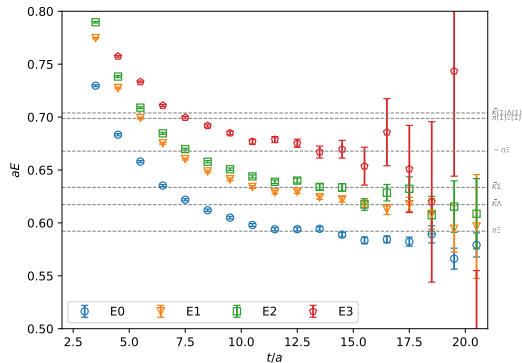
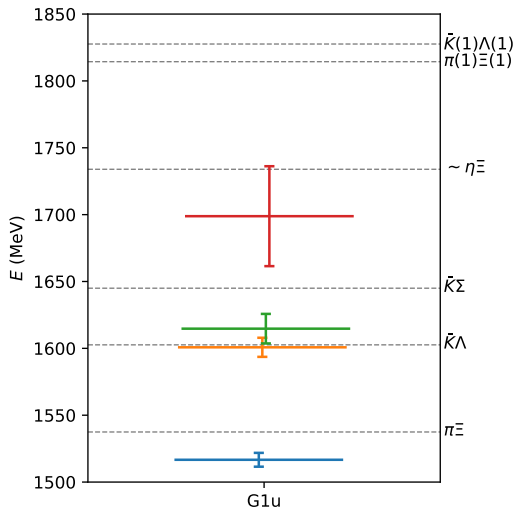


Figure 4: GEVP E_{0-4} .



- Fits with $\chi^2_i/\text{dof} \simeq 1$
- In the physical world $\eta\Xi$ opens ~ 1870 MeV, significantly higher than $\Xi(1620)$, $\Xi(1690)$.
- moderate $\pi\Xi$ attraction, $\Delta E_{\pi\Xi} = 21 \pm 6$ MeV
 - consistent with expectations from the continuum

Displaced Operators

- We are studying displaced operators in order to improve the description of hadrons in general

$$\text{SS: } \epsilon_{abc} \tilde{\psi}_{a\alpha}^A \tilde{\psi}_{b\beta}^B \tilde{\psi}_{c\gamma}^C \quad \text{Diagram: A circle containing three dots arranged in a triangle.}$$

$$\text{SD: } \epsilon_{abc} \tilde{\psi}_{a\alpha}^A \tilde{\psi}_{b\beta}^B \left(\tilde{D}_j^{(p)} \tilde{\psi} \right)_{c\gamma}^C \quad \text{Diagram: A circle containing two dots, with a line extending from the right side to a single dot outside the circle.}$$

- We have started studying Λ ops. on X451
 - ▶ displaced ops. should help to disentangle states
 - ▶ drawback: noisier than local ones
- theoretical input is beneficial: $\Lambda(1520)$ case

- **Displaced operators:** $\Lambda(1520)$, a $J^P = \frac{3}{2}^-$ state
 - $\sim$ UChPT meson-decuplet scatt. [Kolomeitsev & Lutz PLB 585 (2004)]
 - quark model: $L = 1$, $S = 1/2$, flav. singlet [Gromes ZPC 18 (1983)]

$$(O_{\Lambda^*})_{j\gamma} = \epsilon^{abc} (C\gamma_5)_{\alpha\beta} \left(\frac{1+\gamma_0}{2} \right)_{\gamma\delta} [\tilde{s}_\alpha^a \tilde{d}_\beta^b (\tilde{\nabla}_j \tilde{u})_\delta^c - \tilde{s}_\alpha^a \tilde{u}_\beta^b (\tilde{\nabla}_j \tilde{d})_\delta^c + \tilde{u}_\alpha^a (\tilde{\nabla}_j \tilde{d})_\beta^b \tilde{s}_\delta^c - \tilde{d}_\alpha^a (\tilde{\nabla}_j \tilde{u})_\beta^b \tilde{s}_\delta^c]$$

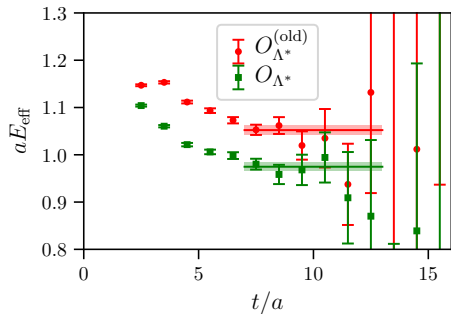


Figure 5: $\Lambda(1520)$ from [Meinel et al. PRD 103 (2021) 074505]

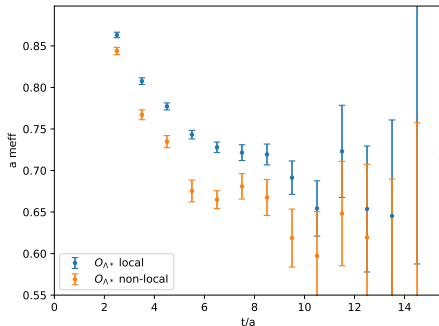


Figure 6: $\Lambda(1520)$ on X451

Conclusions and Outlook:

- A comprehensive set of single- and multi-hadron operators is indispensable to study scattering
- $\Xi(1620)$ & $\Xi(1690)$ constitute a challenging $\pi\Xi - \bar{K}\Lambda - \bar{K}\Sigma$ coupled channel problem
- S-wave and double strangeness make it a good target for LQCD, we attack it first on X451
- This and other ensembles are expected to provide a robust amplitude parametrization and extrapolation to the physical world
- preliminary results show moderate $\pi\Xi$ attraction from first principles
- Displaced operators are expected to be beneficial in several analyses

Using the above definition, it is straightforward to show that the unitarity of S implies the Hermiticity of K. Time reversal invariance of the S-matrix implies that the K-matrix must be symmetric. Given its Hermiticity, this means that K is real and symmetric. Rotational invariance implies that the K-matrix must have the form

- $t^{-1} = \tilde{K}^{-1} - i\hat{k}$, with $m_\pi \hat{k} = \text{diag}(k_{\pi\Sigma}, k_{\bar{K}N})$ and $\tilde{K}$ hermitic due to unitarity
- $\det[\tilde{K}^{-1}(E_{\text{cm}}) - B^P(E_{\text{cm}})] + O(e^{-ML}) = 0$
- $\langle J'm'_J\ell'S'a' | K | Jm_J\ell Sa \rangle = \delta_{J'J} \delta_{m'_J m_J} K_{\ell'S'a';\ell Sa}^{(J)}(E_{\text{cm}})$
- all models with $\text{AIC} - \text{AIC}_{\min} < 1$, and taking half the difference in the maximal spread of values as the model uncertainty. In future work, when a full extrapolation to the physical point is performed, a more thorough determination of the model-average and systematic uncertainty will be performed.
- $\text{AIC}_{\min}$ for ERE (and $\chi^2/\text{dof} = 10.52/11$), values
 - ERE: $\tilde{K}_{ij} = \frac{m_\pi}{E_{cm}}(A_{ij} + B_{ij}\Delta(E_{cm}))$, with $\Delta(E_{cm}) = (E_c m^2 - (m_\pi + m_\Sigma)^2)/(m_\pi + m_\Sigma)^2$

Appendix II

- link variables are stout smeared, $\rho = 0.1$, $n_\rho = 36$
- An advantage feature of LapH is source-sink factorization of the correlators which greatly facilitates the evaluation of large Hermitian correlation matrices via optimized tensor contractions
- Low-lying eigenvalues of the Dirac matrix of either the light quark doublet or the strange quark can cause instabilities in the HMC an issue which is sufficiently ameliorated by light- and strange-quark reweighting.
- relative quark lines only at the sink

D200

- $N_{\text{ev}} = 448$
- $N_{\text{bin}} = 10$, jackknife and bootstrap ($N_B = 800$)
- single-pivot with $t_0 = 4a$ and $t_{\text{diag}} = 16a$
 - $t^{-1} = \tilde{K}^{-1} - i\hat{k}$
 - $\det[\tilde{K}^{-1}(E_{\text{cm}}) - B^P(E_{\text{cm}})] + O(e^{-ML}) = 0$
 - several $\tilde{K}_{ij}$ parametrisations (ERE, ERE of $\tilde{K}_{ij}^{-1}$, Blatt-Biedreharn, W-T inspired, lin. around $\pi\Sigma_{\text{thr}}$)
- sixteen energies are used, which include the fifteen energies from the s-wave fits and one $G1g(0)$ level, and we incorporate a $1/2+$ wave in the K -matrix parametrization. In the second additional fit, seventeen energies are used, which include the fifteen energies from the s-wave fits and one level each in the $F1(2)$, $F2(3)$ irreps, and we add a $3/2+$ wave in the K -matrix parametrization.
- coupling from residues of poles 1 and 2:

$$\left| \frac{c_{\pi\Sigma}^{(1)}}{c_{\tilde{K}N}^{(1)}} \right| = 1.9(4)_{\text{st}(6)_{\text{md}}}, \quad \left| \frac{c_{\pi\Sigma}^{(2)}}{c_{\tilde{K}N}^{(2)}} \right| = 0.53(9)_{\text{st}(10)_{\text{md}}}$$

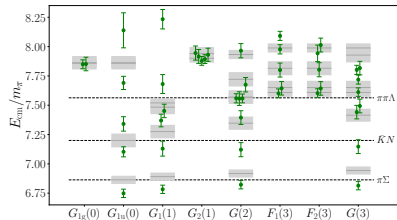
X451

- $N_{\text{ev}} = 180$
- 3 coupled ch $\sim$ 6 functions in general

Appendix IV

Single- & two-hadron ops. are necessary to extract levels:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\Lambda[G_{1u}(0)]_0 \\
 &\Lambda[G_{1u}(0)]_1 \\
 &\Lambda[G_{1u}(0)]_2 \\
 &\Lambda[G_{1u}(0)]_3 \\
 &\bar{K}[A_{1u}(0)]_0 \quad N[G_{1g}(0)]_0 \\
 &\pi[A_{1u}^-(0)]_0 \quad \Sigma[G_{1g}(0)]_0 \\
 &\bar{K}[A_2(1)]_1 \quad N[G_1(1)]_0 \\
 &\pi[A_2^-(1)]_1 \quad \Sigma[G_1(1)]_0
 \end{aligned}$$



D200 extracted E levels

Rest Frame Irreps					
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$1/2^+$	G_{1g}	G_1	G	G	$\Lambda, \Lambda(1600)$
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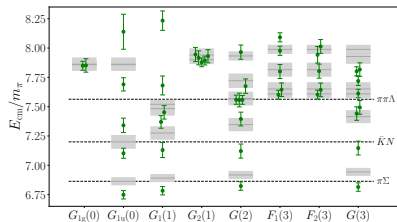
- $G_{1u} \simeq 1/2^-$ (only contaminated by $\ell = 4$)
- moving frames: mixing of quantum numbers (more operators)
 - $J^P = 1/2^+, 3/2^+$ contamination seems negligible close to lowest threshold, but more data will improve analysis

- Correlation matrix

- $C_{ij}(t) = \langle \mathcal{O}_i(t) \bar{\mathcal{O}}_j(0) \rangle = \sum_k A_k^{(ij)} e^{-tE_k}$
- Stochastic Laplacian Heaviside distillation** [Peardon et al PRD 80 (2009)], [Morningstar et al PRD 83 (2011)]
 - source-sink factorization allows to use optimised tensor contractions to evaluate correlation matrices containing large sets of multi-hadron ops
 - only low modes of the Laplacian are kept (smearing) (quark perambulators can be stored)

- GEVP (increases ΔE_{eff}) and ratio fits to extract lowest lying E_k from earlier plateaus

- $C(t) \vec{v} = \lambda(t) C(t_0) \vec{v}$

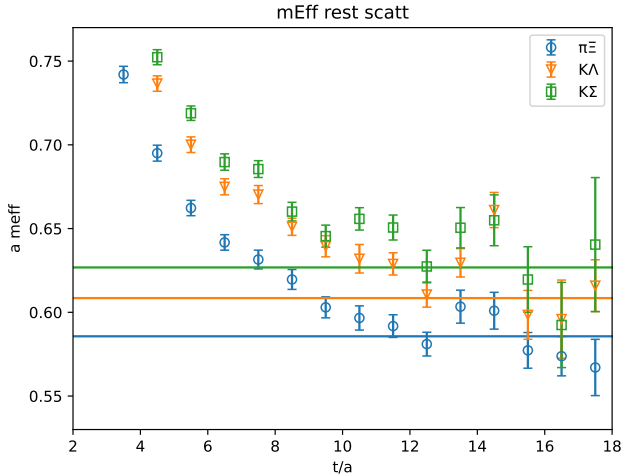


D200 extracted E levels

Appendix VI

Production on X451:

- three coupled channels
 $\mathcal{O}(50\text{MeV})$ separation
- 135 cnfgs on one source and direction ($\sim 1\%$ data)
 - consistent with noninteracting thresholds



Appendix VII

- Single hadron operators in the $J^P = 1/2^-$ channel

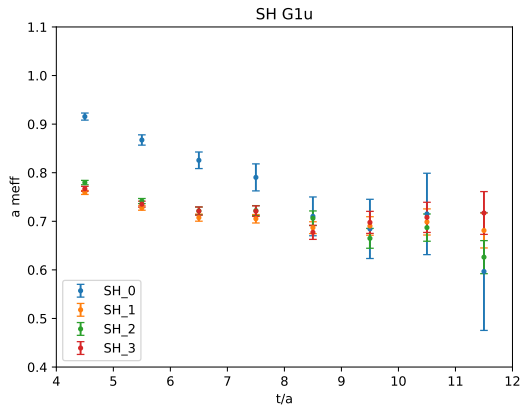


Figure 7: before GEVP

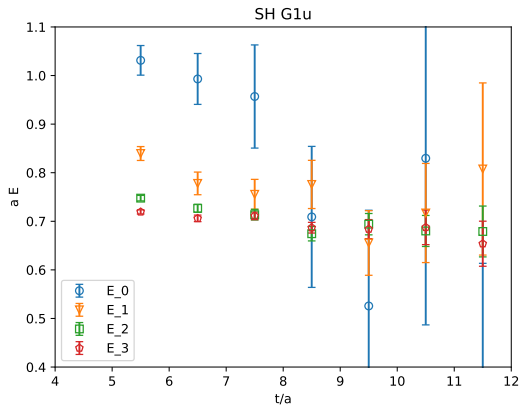
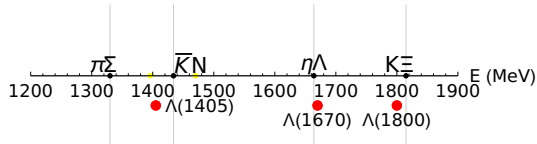


Figure 8: after GEVP

$\Lambda(1405)$ channel

- '60s-'80s bubble chamber exps. K^-p [Alston et al PRL 6 (1961) 698]
- $J^P = 1/2^-$ confirmed in $\gamma p \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda(1405)$ polarisation by CLAS [Moriya et al., PRC 87 035206 (2013)]
- $\Lambda(1405)$ (****) & $\Lambda(1380)$ (**)?



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[Oller & Meissner PLB 500 (2001); Jido, Oller, Oset, Ramos, Meissner NPA 725

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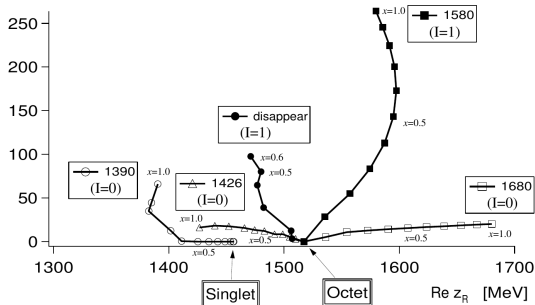


Fig. from [Jido, Oller, Oset, Ramos, Meissner NPA 725 (2003)]

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- $\Rightarrow$ Motivates current analysis on **X451**: $\neq m_q, a, L$ (and next N451)

- m_q^{phys} on E250 is on the horizon

- We also study Ξ channel on **X451** (N451 next)

ensembles	boundary	a	$T \times L^3$	m_π	m_K	$m_\pi L$	N_{cnfg}
D200	open	0.064 fm	128×64^3	200 MeV	480 MeV	4.3	2000
X451	periodic (better sampling)	0.075 fm	$" \times 40^3$	287 MeV	464 MeV	4.4	2000
N451	"	"	$" \times 48^3$	"	"	5.3	1000
E250	"	0.064 fm	192×96^3	131 MeV	493 MeV	4.1	1000