

# The hadron spectrum on the lattice

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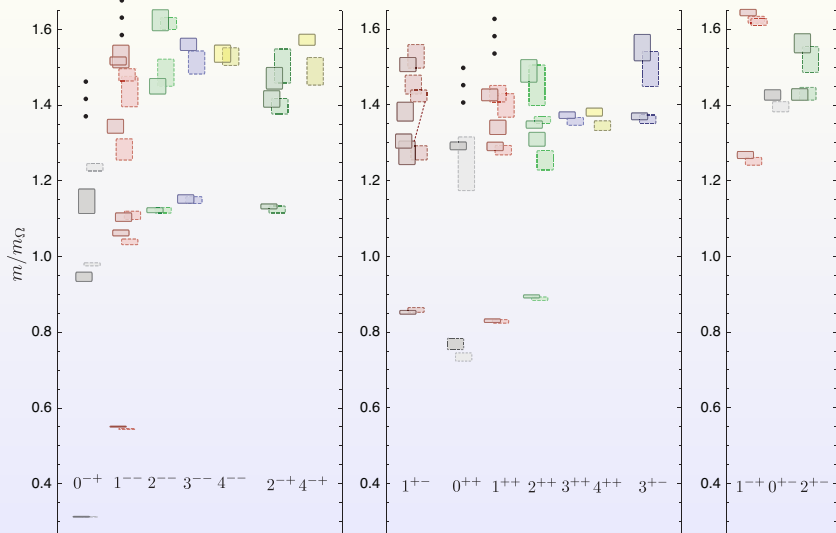
### LIGHT UNFLAVORED MESONS ( $S = C = B = 0$ )

For  $A=1$  ( $u, d, s, c, b, \bar{u}, \bar{d}, \bar{s}, \bar{c}, \bar{b}$ ) or  $A=0$  ( $\bar{u}\bar{u}, \bar{d}\bar{d}, \bar{s}\bar{s}, \bar{c}\bar{c}, \bar{b}\bar{b}$ )  
 for  $A=0$  ( $\eta, \eta', \eta_1, \eta_2, \omega, \phi, f_0$ ):  $c_1(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) + c_2(s\bar{s})$

$\pi^\pm$	$1^-(0^-)$	$\eta(1475)$	$0^+(0^{++})$	$f_0(1910)$	$0^+(2^{++})$
$\pi^0$	$1^-(0^{+-})$	$f_0(1500)$	$0^+(0^{++})$	$f_0(1950)$	$0^+(2^{++})$
$\eta$	$0^+(0^{+-})$	$f_1(1510)$	$0^+(1^{++})$	$\rho_3(1990)$	$1^-(3^-)$
$f_0(600)$ or $\sigma$	$0^+(0^{++})$	$f_2'(1525)$	$0^+(2^{++})$	$f_2(2010)$	$0^+(2^{++})$
$\rho(770)$	$1^-(1^{--})$	$f_2'(1565)$	$0^+(2^{++})$	$f_0(2020)$	$0^+(0^{++})$
$\omega(782)$	$0^+(1^{--})$	$\rho(1570)$	$1^-(1^{--})$	$a_0(2040)$	$1^-(4^{+-})$
$\eta(958)$	$0^+(0^{+-})$	$\eta_1(1595)$	$0^-(1^{--})$	$f_2(2050)$	$0^-(4^{+-})$
$f_0(980)$	$0^+(0^{++})$	$\pi_1(1600)$	$1^-(1^{--})$	$\pi_2(2100)$	$1^-(2^-)$
$a_0(980)$	$1^-(0^{+-})$	$a_1(1640)$	$1^-(1^{+-})$	$f_0(2100)$	$0^+(0^{++})$
$\phi(1020)$	$0^-(1^{--})$	$f_2'(1640)$	$0^+(2^{++})$	$f_2(2150)$	$0^+(2^{++})$
$h_1(1170)$	$0^-(1^{+-})$	$\eta_2(1645)$	$0^-(2^{--})$	$\rho(2150)$	$1^-(1^-)$
$b_1(1235)$	$1^-(1^{+-})$	$\omega(1650)$	$0^-(1^{--})$	$\phi(2170)$	$0^-(1^-)$
$a_1(1260)$	$1^-(1^{+-})$	$\omega_3(1670)$	$0^-(3^-)$	$f_0(2200)$	$0^+(0^{++})$
$f_2(1270)$	$0^-(2^{+-})$	$\pi_2(1670)$	$1^-(2^{--})$	$f_2(2220)$	$0^-(2^{+-})$ or $4^+$
$f_1(1285)$	$0^-(1^{+-})$	$\phi(1680)$	$0^-(1^{--})$	$\eta(2225)$	$0^-(0^{+-})$
$\eta(1295)$	$0^+(0^{+-})$	$\rho_3(1690)$	$1^-(3^-)$	$\rho_3(2250)$	$1^-(3^-)$
$\pi(1300)$	$1^-(0^{+-})$	$\rho(1700)$	$1^-(1^{--})$	$f_2(2300)$	$0^-(2^{+-})$
$a_2(1320)$	$1^-(2^{+-})$	$a_0(1700)$	$1^-(2^{+-})$	$f_2(2300)$	$0^-(4^{+-})$
$f_0(1370)$	$0^+(0^{++})$	$f_0(1710)$	$0^+(0^{++})$	$f_0(2330)$	$0^-(0^{+-})$
$h_1(1380)$	$2^-(1^{+-})$	$\eta(1760)$	$0^+(0^{+-})$	$f_0(2340)$	$0^-(2^{+-})$
$\pi_1(1400)$	$1^-(1^{--})$	$\pi(1800)$	$1^-(0^{+-})$	$\rho_3(2350)$	$1^-(5^-)$
$\eta(1405)$	$0^+(0^{+-})$	$f_0(1810)$	$0^+(2^{++})$	$X(1835)$	$2^-(7^+)$
$f_1(1420)$	$0^-(1^{+-})$	$X(1835)$	$2^-(7^+)$	$a_0(2450)$	$1^-(6^{+-})$
$\omega(1420)$	$0^-(1^{--})$	$\phi_3(1850)$	$0^-(3^-)$	$f_2(2510)$	$0^-(6^{+-})$
$f_2(1430)$	$0^-(2^{+-})$	$\eta_2(1870)$	$0^-(2^{--})$	— OMITTED FROM SUMMARY TABLE	
$a_0(1450)$	$1^-(0^{+-})$	$\pi_2(1880)$	$1^-(2^{--})$		
$\rho(1450)$	$1^-(1^{--})$	$\rho(1900)$	$1^-(1^{--})$		

What are these states?  $\bar{q}q$  mesons?

# Isoscalar meson spectrum



- $16^3, 20^3$  lattice (about 2-2.5 fm),  $m_\pi \approx 440$  MeV

[arXiv:0909.0200, arXiv:1004.4930]

## Particle(s) in a box

- Spatial lattice of extent  $L$  with periodic boundary conditions
- Allowed momenta are quantized:  $p = \frac{2\pi}{L}(n_x, n_y, n_z)$  with  $n_i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, L-1\}$
- Energy spectrum is a set of **discrete** levels, classified by  $p$ : Allowed energies of a particle of mass  $m$

$$E = \sqrt{m^2 + \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 N^2} \quad \text{with } N^2 = n_x^2 + n_y^2 + n_z^2$$

- Can make states with **zero total momentum** from pairs of hadrons with momenta  $p, -p$ .
- “Density of states” **increases** with energy since there are more ways to make a particular value of  $N^2$  e.g.  $\{3, 0, 0\}$  and  $\{2, 2, 1\} \rightarrow N^2 = 9$

# Avoided level crossings

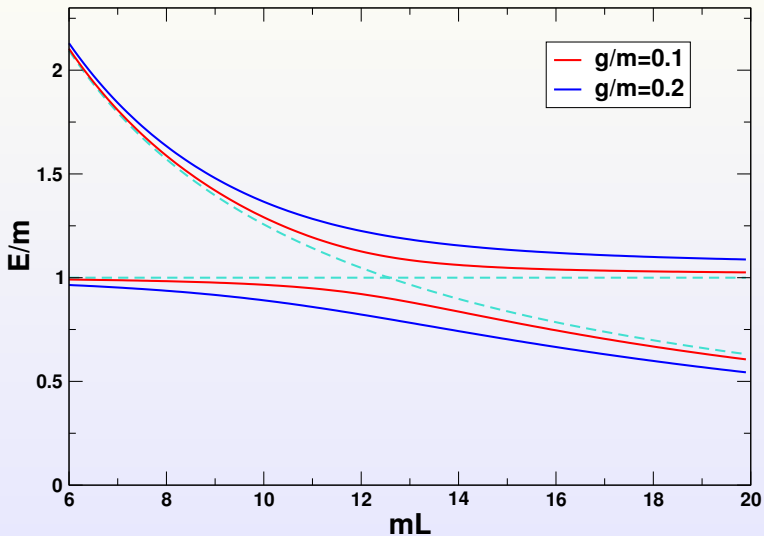
- Consider a toy model with two states (a resonance and a two-particle decay mode) in a box of side-length  $L$
- Write a mixing hamiltonian:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} m & g \\ g & \frac{4\pi}{L} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Now the energy eigenvalues of this hamiltonian are given by

$$E_{\pm} = \frac{(m + \frac{4\pi}{L}) \pm \sqrt{(m - \frac{4\pi}{L})^2 + 4g^2}}{2}$$

# Avoided level crossings



# Avoided level crossings

- **Ground-state** smoothly changes from resonance to two-particle state
- Need a large box. This example, levels cross at  $mL = 4\pi \approx 12.6$
- Example:  $m = 1$  GeV state, decaying to two massless pions - avoided level crossing is at  $L = 2.5\text{fm}$ .
- If the decay product pions have  $m_\pi = 300$  MeV, this increases to  $L = 3.1\text{fm}$



- Relates the spectrum in a finite box to the scattering phase shift (and so resonance properties)

## Lüscher's formula

$$\delta(p) = -\phi(\kappa) + \pi n$$

$$\tan \phi(\kappa) = \frac{\pi^{3/2} \kappa}{Z_{00}(1; \kappa^2)}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{pL}{2\pi}$$

- $p_n$  is defined for level  $n$  with energy  $E_n$  from the dispersion relation:

$$E_n = 2\sqrt{m^2 + p_n^2}$$

- $Z_{00}$  is a generalised Zeta function:

$$Z_{js}(1, q^2) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}^3} \frac{r^j Y_{js}(\theta, \phi)}{(n^2 - q^2)^s}$$

[Commun.Math.Phys.105:153-188,1986.]

- With the phase shift, and for a well-defined resonance, can fit a Breit-Wigner to extract the **resonance width** and **mass**.

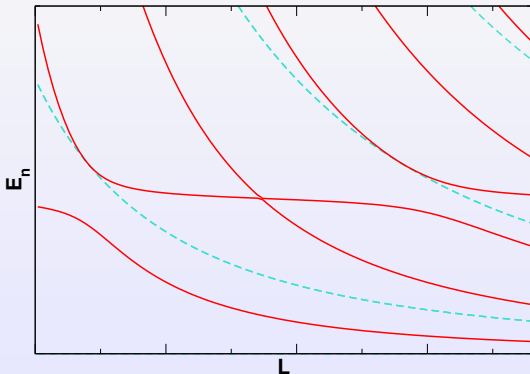
$$\delta(p) \approx \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{4p^2 + 4m_\pi^2 - m_\sigma^2}{m_\sigma \Gamma \sigma} \right)$$

# Schrödinger equation

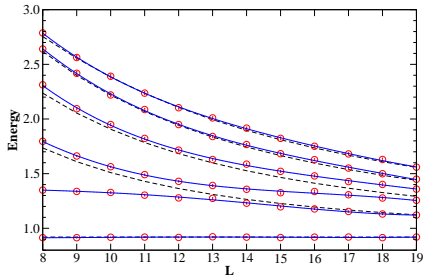
Exercise: find the phase shift for a 1-d potential

$$V(x) = V_0\delta(x - a) + V_0\delta(x + a)$$

- Now compute the spectrum in a finite box and use Lüscher's method to compare the two

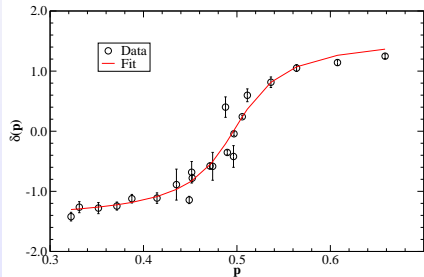


# Test: O(4) Sigma model

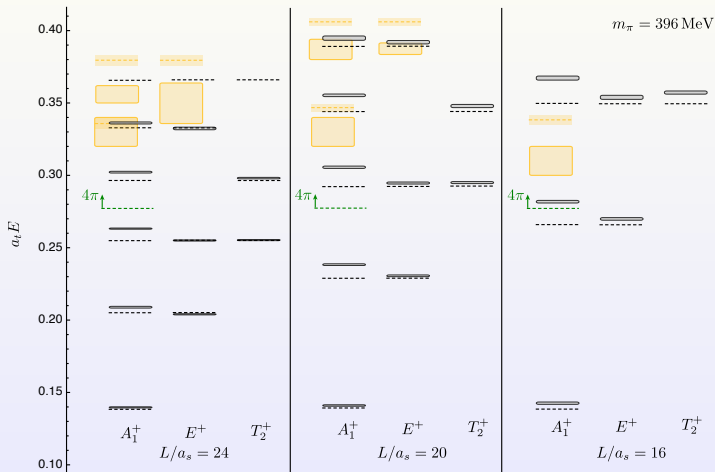


Spectrum of  $O(4)$  model in broken phase

Phase shift inferred from Lüscher's method

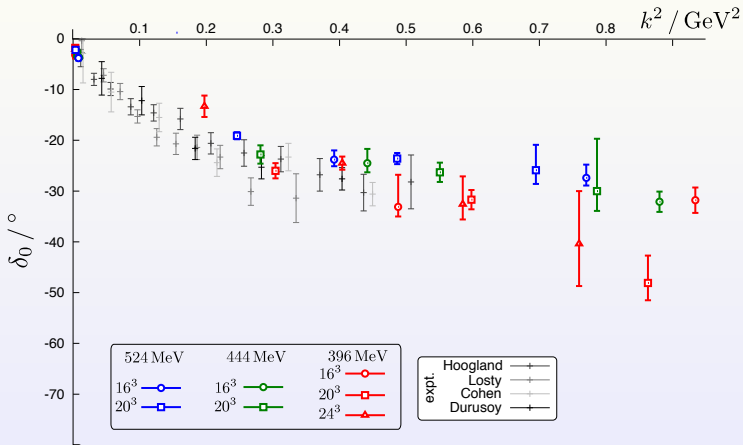


# $I=2$ $\pi\pi$ scattering



Resolve shifts in masses away from non-interacting values

# $I=2 \pi\pi$ scattering



- Non-resonant scattering in S-wave - compares well with experimental data

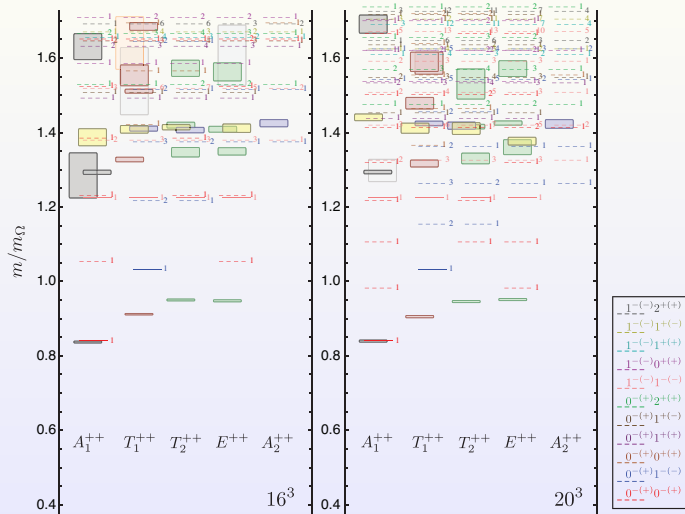
# Group theory of two particles in a box

- Consider two identical particles, with momentum  $p$  and  $-p$  (so zero total momentum).
- $\Omega(p)$ , set of all momentum directions related by rotations in  $O_h$
- Can make a set of operators,  $\{\phi(p)\}$  from  $\Omega$  and these form a (reducible) representation of  $O_h$ .
- Example:  $\Phi = \{\phi(1, 0, 0), \phi(0, 1, 0), \phi(0, 0, 1)\}$  contains the  $A_1$  and  $E$  irreps
- Different particles:  $+p$  and  $-p$  are not equivalent

$p$	irreducible content
(0,0,0)	$A_1^g$
(1,0,0)	$A_1^g \oplus E^g$
(1,1,0)	$A_1^g \oplus E^g \oplus T_2^g$
(1,1,1)	$A_1^g \oplus T_2^g$

- More complicated if mesons have internal spin

# Multi-meson states in QCD



- Multi-hadron states not seen in this calculation



# The inelastic threshold

- Lüscher's method is based on **elastic** scattering.
- Since  $m_\pi$  is small, most resonances are above this threshold
- Not clear how to proceed - perhaps a histogram approach will help us gain some expertise
- It will be crucial to ensure we have a comprehensive **basis of operators that create multi-hadron states**.

- The lattice provides a robust framework for investigating the hadron spectrum. New methods to improve precision continue to develop.
- Computations of the hadron masses is an important check for many aspects of lattice QCD. Universality seems to work!
- Are we near the  $m_q \rightarrow 0, V \rightarrow \infty, a \rightarrow 0$  limit?
- Many open questions in hadron spectroscopy:
  - Are there **intrinsic excitations** of gluons inside light hadrons?
  - What are the states above the **open-charm threshold**?
  - Can precision spectroscopy help us to understand **what degrees of freedom are important** in confined systems?
- We need a lot more expertise in **scattering measurements**