# Excited States from the Stochastic LapH Method

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#### Outline

- goals
  - comprehensive survey of energy spectrum of QCD stationary states in a finite volume
  - hadron scattering phase shifts, decay widths, matrix elements
- extracting excited-state energies
- single-hadron operators
- multi-hadron operators
- the stochastic LapH method
- first results in  $\rho$ -channel: I = 1, S = 0,  $T_{1\mu}^+$ 
  - used  $56 \times 56$  matrix of correlators
  - 12 single-hadron operators
  - 17 "ππ" operators
  - 14 " $\eta\pi$ " operators, 3 " $\phi\pi$ " operators
  - 10 "KK" operators
- preliminary results using 59 × 59 matrix of correlators in the bosonic  $I = \frac{1}{2}$ , S = 1,  $T_{1u}$

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#### Excited states from correlation matrices

- extract excited energies from matrices of temporal correlations
- $N \times N$  Hermitian correlation matrix  $C_{ij}(t_F t_0) = \langle 0 | O_i(t_F) \overline{O}_j(t_0) | 0 \rangle$
- *N* principal correlators  $\lambda_{\alpha}(t, \tau_0)$  are eigenvalues of

 $C(\tau_0)^{-1/2} C(t) C(\tau_0)^{-1/2}$ 

- large time separation:  $\lim_{t\to\infty} \lambda_{\alpha}(t,\tau_0) = e^{-(t-\tau_0)E_{\alpha}}$
- N principal effective masses

$$m_{\alpha}^{\text{eff}}(t) = \ln\left(rac{\lambda_{\alpha}(t,\tau_0)}{\lambda_{\alpha}(t+1,\tau_0)}
ight)$$

tend to N lowest-lying stationary state energies in a channel

- extracting energy of level  $\alpha$  requires careful consideration of all lower-lying and nearby levels
  - multi-hadron states below most resonances

### Quantum numbers in toroidal box

- periodic boundary conditions in cubic box
  - not all directions equivalent ⇒ using J<sup>PC</sup> 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 Oh

 $A_{1a}, A_{2ga}, E_a, T_{1a}, T_{2a}, G_{1a}, G_{2a}, H_a, a = g, h$ • on-axis momenta: little group  $C_{4\nu}$ 

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

• planar-diagonal momenta: little group  $C_{2\nu}$ 

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

• cubic-diagonal momenta: little group  $C_{3\nu}$ 

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

● include G parity in some meson sectors (superscript + or −)

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#### Building blocks for single-hadron operators

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

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

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

$$q^A_{a\alpha j} = D^{(j)} \widetilde{\psi}^{(A)}_{a\alpha}, \qquad \overline{q}^A_{a\alpha j} = \overline{\widetilde{\psi}}^{(A)}_{a\alpha} \gamma_4 D^{(j)}$$

• displacement D<sup>(j)</sup> is product of smeared links:

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

to good approximation, LapH smearing operator is

 $S = V_s V_s^{\dagger}$ 

• columns of matrix  $V_s$  are eigenvectors of  $\widetilde{\Delta}$ 

#### Extended operators for single hadrons

• quark displacements build up orbital, radial structure



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#### Ensembles and run parameters

- plan to use three Monte Carlo ensembles
  - $(32^3|240)$ : 412 configs  $32^3 \times 256$ ,  $m_\pi \approx 240$  MeV,  $m_\pi L \sim 4.4$
  - $(24^3|240)$ : 584 configs  $24^3 \times 128$ ,  $m_\pi \approx 240$  MeV,  $m_\pi L \sim 3.3$
  - $(24^3|390)$ : 551 configs  $24^3 \times 128$ ,  $m_\pi \approx 390$  MeV,  $m_\pi L \sim 5.7$
- anisotropic improved gluon action, clover quarks (stout links)
- QCD coupling  $\beta = 1.5$  such that  $a_s \sim 0.12$  fm,  $a_t \sim 0.035$  fm
- strange quark mass  $m_s = -0.0743$  nearly physical (using kaon)
- work in  $m_u = m_d$  limit so SU(2) isospin exact
- generated using RHMC, configs separated by 20 trajectories
- stout-link smearing in operators  $\xi = 0.10$  and  $n_{\xi} = 10$
- LapH smearing cutoff  $\sigma_s^2 = 0.33$  such that
  - $N_{\nu} = 112$  for  $24^3$  lattices
  - $N_{\nu} = 264$  for  $32^3$  lattices
- source times:
  - 4 widely-separated t<sub>0</sub> values on 24<sup>3</sup>
  - 8 t<sub>0</sub> values used on 32<sup>3</sup> lattice

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### Testing single-hadron operators

#### • meson effective masses on (24<sup>3</sup>|390) ensemble



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### Testing single-hadron operators (con't)

- (left and center) pion energies on (32<sup>3</sup>|240) ensemble
- (right) nucleon and  $\Delta$  baryons



#### Isovector meson spectrum: a first glance

- first glance at isovector meson spectrum
- single-hadron operators only, 170 configs of (24<sup>3</sup>|390) ensemble
- shaded region shows where multi-hadron states possible



• multi-hadron operators could be crucial!!

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#### Two-hadron operators

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

 $c_{p_a\lambda_a; p_b\lambda_b}^{I_3I_{3a}S_a} B_{p_a\Lambda_a\lambda_ai_a}^{I_bI_{3b}S_b} B_{p_b\Lambda_b\lambda_bi_b}^{I_aI_{3a}S_a}$ 

- fixed total momentum  $\boldsymbol{p} = \boldsymbol{p}_a + \boldsymbol{p}_b$ , fixed  $\Lambda_a, i_a, \Lambda_b, i_b$
- group-theory projections onto little group of p and isospin irreps
- restrict attention to certain classes of momentum directions
  - on axis  $\pm \hat{x}$ ,  $\pm \hat{y}$ ,  $\pm \hat{z}$
  - planar diagonal  $\pm \widehat{x} \pm \widehat{y}, \ \pm \widehat{x} \pm \widehat{z}, \ \pm \widehat{y} \pm \widehat{z}$
  - cubic diagonal  $\pm \widehat{x} \pm \widehat{y} \pm \widehat{z}$
- crucial to know and fix all phases of single-hadron operators for all momenta
  - each class, choose reference direction p<sub>ref</sub>
  - each p, select one reference rotation  $R_{ref}^{p}$  that transforms  $p_{ref}$  into p
- efficient creating large numbers of two-hadron operators
- generalizes to three, four, ... hadron operators

#### Testing our two-meson operators

- (left)  $K\pi$  operator in  $T_{1u} I = \frac{1}{2}$  channels
- (center and right) comparison with localized  $\pi\pi$  operators

 $\begin{aligned} &(\pi\pi)^{A_{1g}^+}(t) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \pi^+(\mathbf{x},t) \ \pi^+(\mathbf{x},t), \\ &(\pi\pi)^{T_{1u}^+}(t) &= \sum_{\mathbf{x},k=1,2,3} \Big\{ \pi^+(\mathbf{x},t) \ \Delta_k \pi^0(\mathbf{x},t) - \pi^0(\mathbf{x},t) \ \Delta_k \pi^+(\mathbf{x},t) \Big\} \end{aligned}$ 



• less contamination from higher states in our  $\pi\pi$  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!

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#### Stochastic estimation of quark propagators

- do not need exact inverse of Dirac matrix *K*[*U*]
- use noise vectors  $\eta$  satisfying  $E(\eta_i) = 0$  and  $E(\eta_i \eta_i^*) = \delta_{ij}$
- $Z_4$  noise is used  $\{1, i, -1, -i\}$
- solve  $K[U]X^{(r)} = \eta^{(r)}$  for each of  $N_R$  noise vectors  $\eta^{(r)}$ , then obtain a Monte Carlo estimate of all elements of  $K^{-1}$

$$K_{ij}^{-1} \approx \frac{1}{N_R} \sum_{r=1}^{N_R} X_i^{(r)} \eta_j^{(r)*}$$

- variance reduction using noise dilution
- dilution introduces projectors

$$\begin{split} P^{(a)}P^{(b)} &= \delta^{ab}P^{(a)}, \qquad \sum_{a}P^{(a)} = 1, \qquad P^{(a)\dagger} = P^{(a)} \\ \bullet \mbox{ define } & \eta^{[a]} = P^{(a)}\eta, \qquad X^{[a]} = K^{-1}\eta^{[a]} \end{split}$$

to obtain Monte Carlo estimate with drastically reduced variance

$$K_{ij}^{-1} \approx \frac{1}{N_R} \sum_{r=1}^{N_R} \sum_{a} X_i^{(r)[a]} \eta_j^{(r)[a]*}$$

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#### Stochastic LapH method

• introduce  $Z_N$  noise in the LapH subspace

 $\rho_{\alpha k}(t), \quad t = time, \ \alpha = spin, \ k = eigenvector number$ 

four dilution schemes:

 $\begin{array}{ll} P_{ij}^{(a)} = \delta_{ij} & a = 0 & (\text{none}) \\ P_{ij}^{(a)} = \delta_{ij}\delta_{ai} & a = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 & (\text{full}) \\ P_{ij}^{(a)} = \delta_{ij}\delta_{a,Ki/N} & a = 0, 1, \dots, K-1 & (\text{interlace-}K) \\ P_{ij}^{(a)} = \delta_{ij}\delta_{a,i \mod k} & a = 0, 1, \dots, K-1 & (\text{block-}K) \end{array}$ 



- apply dilutions to
  - time indices (full for fixed src, interlace-16 for relative src)
  - spin indices (full)
  - LapH eigenvector indices (interlace-8 mesons, interlace-4 baryons)

#### Quark line estimates in stochastic LapH

each of our quark lines is the product of matrices

 $\mathcal{Q} = D^{(j)} \mathcal{S} K^{-1} \gamma_4 \mathcal{S} D^{(k)\dagger}$ 

• displaced-smeared-diluted quark source and quark sink vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} \varrho^{[b]}(\rho) &= D^{(j)} V_s P^{(b)} \rho \\ \varphi^{[b]}(\rho) &= D^{(j)} \mathcal{S} K^{-1} \gamma_4 V_s P^{(b)} \rho \end{aligned}$$

 estimate in stochastic LapH by (A, B flavor, u, v compound: space, time, color, spin, displacement type)

$$\mathcal{Q}_{uv}^{(AB)} \approx \frac{1}{N_R} \delta_{AB} \sum_{r=1}^{N_R} \sum_b \varphi_u^{[b]}(\rho^r) \ \varrho_v^{[b]}(\rho^r)^*$$

• occasionally use  $\gamma_5$ -Hermiticity to switch source and sink

$$\mathcal{Q}_{uv}^{(AB)} \approx \frac{1}{N_R} \delta_{AB} \sum_{r=1}^{N_R} \sum_{b} \overline{\varrho}_u^{[b]}(\rho^r) \ \overline{\varphi}_v^{[b]}(\rho^r)^*$$

defining  $\overline{\varrho}(\rho) = -\gamma_5 \gamma_4 \varrho(\rho)$  and  $\overline{\varphi}(\rho) = \gamma_5 \gamma_4 \varphi(\rho)$ 

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#### Source-sink factorization in stochastic LapH

baryon correlator has form

$$C_{l\bar{l}} = c_{ijk}^{(l)} c_{\bar{i}\bar{j}\bar{k}}^{(\bar{l})*} \mathcal{Q}_{l\bar{i}}^{A} \mathcal{Q}_{j\bar{j}}^{B} \mathcal{Q}_{k\bar{k}}^{C}$$

stochastic estimate with dilution

$$C_{l\bar{l}} \approx \frac{1}{N_R} \sum_{r} \sum_{d_A d_B d_C} c_{ijk}^{(l)} c_{\bar{i}\bar{j}\bar{k}}^{(\bar{l})*} \left(\varphi_i^{(Ar)[d_A]} \varrho_{\bar{l}}^{(Ar)[d_A]*}\right) \\ \times \left(\varphi_j^{(Br)[d_B]} \varrho_{\bar{j}}^{(Br)[d_B]*}\right) \left(\varphi_k^{(Cr)[d_C]} \varrho_{\bar{k}}^{(Cr)[d_C]*}\right)$$

• define baryon source and sink

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathcal{B}_{l}^{(r)[d_{A}d_{B}d_{C}]}(\varphi^{A},\varphi^{B},\varphi^{C}) & = & c_{ijk}^{(l)} \; \varphi_{i}^{(Ar)[d_{A}]} \varphi_{j}^{(Br)[d_{B}]} \varphi_{k}^{(Cr)[d_{C}]} \\ \mathcal{B}_{l}^{(r)[d_{A}d_{B}d_{C}]}(\varrho^{A},\varrho^{B},\varrho^{C}) & = & c_{ijk}^{(l)} \; \varrho_{i}^{(Ar)[d_{A}]} \varrho_{j}^{(Br)[d_{B}]} \varrho_{k}^{(Cr)[d_{C}]} \\ \end{array}$$

correlator is dot product of source vector with sink vector

$$C_{l\bar{l}} \approx \frac{1}{N_R} \sum_{r} \sum_{d_A d_B d_C} \mathcal{B}_l^{(r)[d_A d_B d_C]}(\varphi^A, \varphi^B, \varphi^C) \mathcal{B}_{\bar{l}}^{(r)[d_A d_B d_C]}(\varrho^A, \varrho^B, \varrho^C)^*$$

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#### Correlators and quark line diagrams

baryon correlator

$$\begin{split} C_{l\bar{l}} &\approx \frac{1}{N_R} \sum_{r} \sum_{\substack{d_A d_B d_C \\ d_A d_B d_C}} \mathcal{B}_l^{(r)[d_A d_B d_C]}(\varphi^A, \varphi^B, \varphi^C) \mathcal{B}_{\bar{l}}^{(r)[d_A d_B d_C]}(\varrho^A, \varrho^B, \varrho^C)^* \\ \bullet \text{ express diagrammatically} \end{split}$$



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#### More complicated correlators

• two-meson to two-meson correlators (non isoscalar mesons)



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#### First results

- first part of summer spent testing last\_laph software
  - testing of all flavor channels for single and two-mesons completed
  - comparison of results from last\_laph with independent code
  - myriad of orthgonality tests
- first focus on the resonance-rich  $\rho$ -channel:  $I = 1, S = 0, T_{1\mu}^+$
- experiment:  $\rho(770)$ ,  $\rho(1450)$ ,  $\rho(1570)$ ,  $\rho_3(1690)$ ,  $\rho(1700)$ 
  - interpretation of these states still controversial
- first results:  $56 \times 56$  matrix of correlators ( $24^3$ |390) ensemble
  - 12 single-hadron (quark-antiquark) operators
  - 17 "ππ" operators
  - 14 " $\eta\pi$ " operators, 3 " $\phi\pi$ " operators
  - 10 "KK" operators
- our results are only weeks old!
- good condition number, diagonalization using  $\tau_0 = 4$
- still finalizing analysis code

"principal" effective masses

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more "principal" effective masses

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even more "principal" effective masses

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• spectrum discrete so two-point functions have form  $C_{ij}(t) = \sum_{n} Z_{i}^{(n)} Z_{i}^{(n)*} e^{-E_{n}t}$ 

• preliminary estimates of Z overlaps for various operators:

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#### Issues

- next challenge: identifying the levels
- must address presence of 3 and 4 meson states
- must address scalar particles in spectrum
  - vacuum subtractions
  - neglect due to OZI suppression?

- also have results for the kaon channel:  $I = \frac{1}{2}$ , S = 1,  $T_{1u}$
- experiment:  $K^*(892)$ ,  $K^*(1410)$ ,  $K^*(1680)$ ,  $K^*_3(1780)$
- first results:  $59 \times 59$  matrix of correlators ( $24^3|390$ ) ensemble
  - 10 single-hadron (quark-antiquark) operators
  - 25 "Kπ" operators
  - 12 " $K\eta$ " operators, 12 " $K\phi$ " operators

"principal" effective masses

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#### more "principal" effective masses

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even more "principal" effective masses

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• preliminary estimates of Z overlaps for various operators:

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### Conclusion and future work

- goal: comprehensive survey of energy spectrum of QCD stationary states in a finite volume
- stochastic LapH method works very well
  - allows evaluation of all needed quark-line diagrams
  - source-sink factorization facilitates large number of operators
  - last\_laph software completed for evaluating correlators
- showed first results in  $\rho$ -channel: I = 1, S = 0,  $T_{1u}^+$  using  $56 \times 56$  matrix of correlators
- preliminary results using 59 × 59 matrix of correlators in the bosonic  $I = \frac{1}{2}$ , S = 1,  $T_{1u}$
- Iarge number of channels to study over the next year!
- first peek: results on (32<sup>3</sup>|240) ensemble look even better so far!!
- investigations of various scattering phase shifts also planned for near future

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