

# Hadron spectroscopy and exotic states from Lattice QCD

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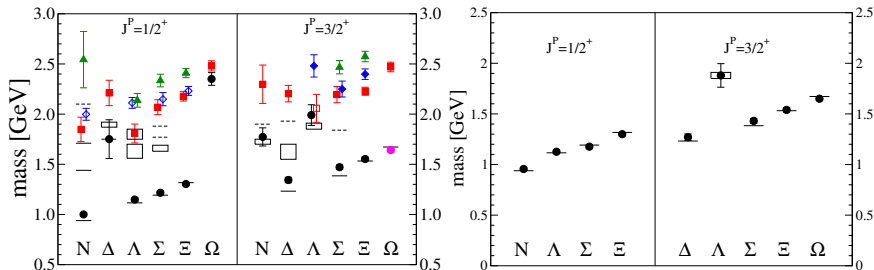
# Lattice QCD and quark-model puzzles

- Various kind of exotic/unconventional states (examples)
  - light scalar resonances ( $\sigma$  and  $\kappa$ )
  - $D_{s0}^*(2317)$ ,  $D_{s1}(2460)$  and b-quark cousins
  - XYZ *charmonium-like* QCD states
  - hybrid mesons
  - Roper resonance;  $\Lambda(1405)$
  - Pentaquark states
  - Glueballs, ...
- Considerable experimental hadron spectroscopy effort
  - Examples: BelleII, BESIII, COMPASS, GlueX, LHCb,  $\bar{\text{P}}\text{ANDA}$
  - The  $\bar{\text{P}}\text{ANDA}$  experiment at the FAIR facility will be ideally suited to shed light on long-standing puzzles



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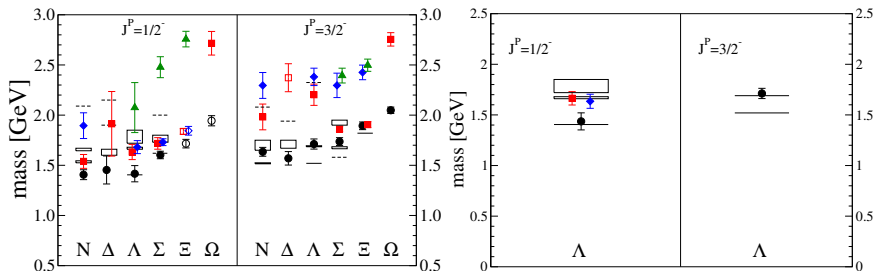
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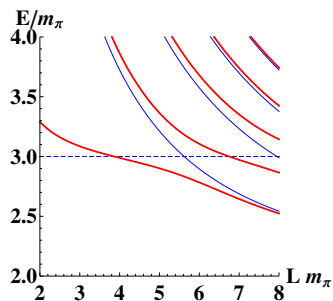
# Progress from an old idea: Lüscher's finite-volume method

M. Lüscher Commun. Math. Phys. 105 (1986) 153;  
Nucl. Phys. B 354 (1991) 531; Nucl. Phys. B 364 (1991) 237.

*Basic observation:* Finite-volume, multi-particle energies are shifted with regard to the free energy levels due to the interaction

$$E = E(p_1) + E(p_2) + \Delta_E$$

- Energy shifts encode scattering amplitude(s)
- Original method: Elastic scattering in the rest-frame in multiple spatial volumes  $L^3$
- Coupled 2-hadron channels well understood
- $2 \leftrightarrow 1$  and  $2 \leftrightarrow 2$  transitions well understood (example  $\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\gamma^*$ )
- Significant progress for 3-particle scattering  
See Fernando Romero-López (Wednesday)



# Challenges for bound-state/ resonance calculations

- Hierarchy of difficulties
  - Meson systems are simpler than baryons (exponentially degrading signal to noise)
  - Cost of correlation functions much larger for systems with baryons
  - Complicated scattering amplitudes need more data (volumes, frames) single two-hadron channel; coupled two-hadron channels; three-hadron scattering
- Hierarchy of projects:
  - Proof of principle
  - Explore quark mass dependence
  - Full spectroscopy calculation including continuum limit
  - Structure observables (transitions, form factors, . . .)
- This talk:
  - Two examples for exotic hadrons with beauty quarks  
Most systematics can be addressed
  - $\Lambda(1405)$  in coupled-channel  $\pi\Sigma-\bar{K}N$ -scattering  
Difficult but feasible with current methods

# Projects and People

- Heavy-quark exotics ( $ud\bar{b}\bar{b}$  and  $us\bar{b}\bar{b}$ ) and positive-parity heavy-light mesons

R.J. Hudspith, DM, PRD 107, 114510 (2023)

Editors' Suggestion

- TU Darmstadt/GSI: **Jamie Hudspith**, Daniel Mohler

- $\Lambda(1405)$  and meson-baryon scattering:

John Bulava, DM, *et al.*, PRD 109 014511 (2024)

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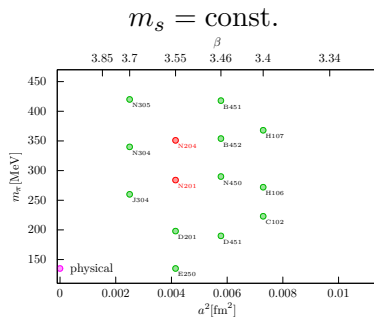
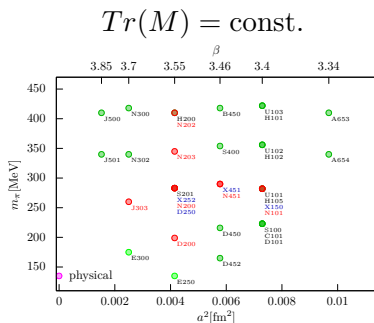
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- MIT: **Fernando Romero-López**
- LBNL: André Walker-Loud



# CLS gauge field ensembles

Bruno et al. JHEP 1502 043 (2015); Bali et al. PRD 94 074501 (2016)



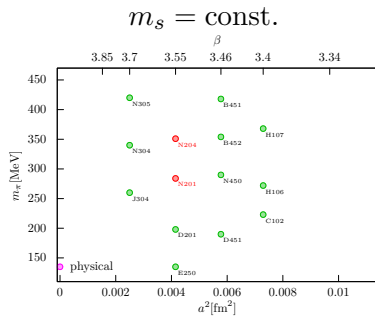
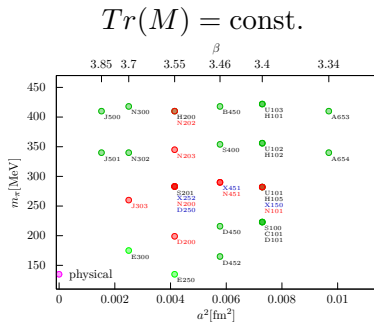
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Important lattice systematics from

- Taking the *continuum limit*:  $a(g, m) \rightarrow 0$
- Taking the *infinite volume limit*:  $L \rightarrow \infty$
- Calculation at (or extrapolation to) physical quark masses

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- Want to exploit (power law) finite volume effects (keeping exponential effects small)
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Typical tadpole-improved NRQCD action (here we will use  $n=4$ )

Lepage et al., PRD 46, 4052-4067 (1992)

$$H_0 = -\frac{1}{2aM_0}\Delta^2,$$

$$H_I = \left(-c_1\frac{1}{8(aM_0)^2} - c_6\frac{1}{16n(aM_0)^2}\right)(\Delta^2)^2 + c_2\frac{i}{8(aM_0)^2}(\tilde{\Delta}\cdot\tilde{E} - \tilde{E}\cdot\tilde{\Delta}) + c_5\frac{\Delta^4}{24(aM_0)}$$

$$H_D = -c_3\frac{1}{8(aM_0)^2}\sigma\cdot(\tilde{\Delta}\times\tilde{E} - \tilde{E}\times\tilde{\Delta}) - c_4\frac{1}{8(aM_0)}\sigma\cdot\tilde{B}$$

$$\delta H = H_I + H_D.$$

Propagators generated through symmetric evolution equation

$$G(x, t+1) = \left(1 - \frac{\delta H}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{H_0}{2n}\right)^n \tilde{U}_t(x, t_0)^\dagger \left(1 - \frac{H_0}{2n}\right)^n \left(1 - \frac{\delta H}{2}\right) G(x, t).$$

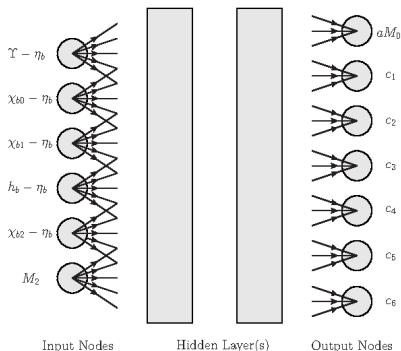
- We also tune a  $\mathcal{O}(v^6)$  action with tree-level coefficients for the higher order terms

# Neural net NRQCD tuning and setup

R.J. Hudspith, DM, PRD 106, 034508 (2022)

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- Calculate runs with a random distribution for the action parameters
- Let the neural network make parameter predictions
- Due to additive mass we must only consider splittings  $\rightarrow$  we subtract the  $\eta_B$  from all states
- Perform tuning at  $SU(3)_f$ -symmetric point
- Gauge-fixed wall sources
- Tuning precision is about 1%



**Figure:** Schematic picture of our NRQCD setup

# Input used for the tuning

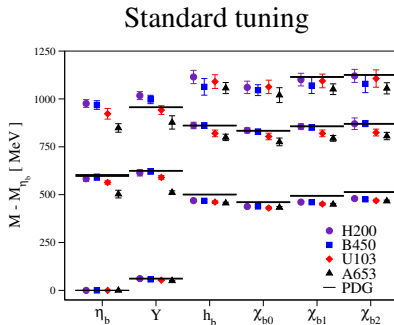
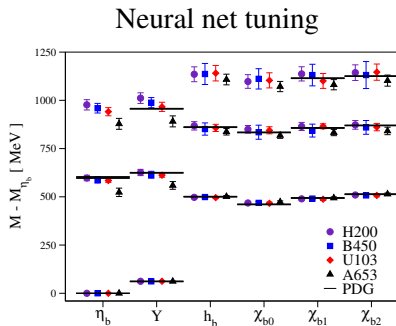
Consider only quark-line connected parts of simple meson operators

$$O(x) = (\bar{b}\Gamma(x)b)(x),$$

State	PDG mass [GeV]	$\Gamma(x)$
$\eta_b(1S)$	9.3987(20)	$\gamma_5$
$\Upsilon(1S)$	9.4603(3)	$\gamma_i$
$\chi_{b0}(1P)$	9.8594(5)	$\sigma \cdot \Delta$
$\chi_{b1}(1P)$	9.8928(4)	$\sigma_j \Delta_i - \sigma_i \Delta_j \ (i \neq j)$
$\chi_{b2}(1P)$	9.9122(4)	$\sigma_j \Delta_i + \sigma_i \Delta_j \ (i \neq j)$
$h_b(1P)$	9.8993(8)	$\Delta_i$

**Table:** Table of lattice operators used and their continuum analogs.

# NRQCD Neural Net Tuning: Stable s- and p-wave bottomonia



- Higher S- and P-wave states serve as a check whether our tuning leads to reasonable results
- Main results from the lattice spacing of U103; H200 used to estimate systematics

# Exotic $D_s$ and $B_s$ candidates

Established s and p-wave hadrons:

$D_s$  ( $J^P = 0^-$ ) and  $D_s^*$  ( $1^-$ )  
 $D_{s0}^*(2317)$  ( $0^+$ ),  $D_{s1}(2460)$  ( $1^+$ ),  
 $D_{s1}(2536)$  ( $1^+$ ),  $D_{s2}^*(2573)$  ( $2^+$ )

$B_s$  ( $J^P = 0^-$ ) and  $B_s^*$  ( $1^-$ )  
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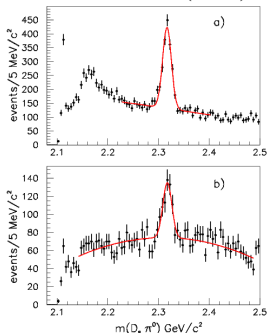
$B_{s1}(5830)$  ( $1^+$ ),  $B_{s2}^*(5840)$  ( $2^+$ )

- Corresponding  $D_0^*(2400)$  and  $D_1(2430)$  are broad resonances
- Perceived peculiarity:  $M_{c\bar{s}} \approx M_{c\bar{d}}$  (an old dispute; likely not the case)
- Additional exotic states are expected (in the sextet representation)

See for example Kolomeitsev, Lutz, PLB 582, 39 (2004)

- $B_s$  cousins of the  $D_{s0}^*(2317)$  and  $D_{s1}(2460)$  not (yet) seen in experiment

$D_{s0}^*(2317)$ :  
PRL 90 242001 (2003)



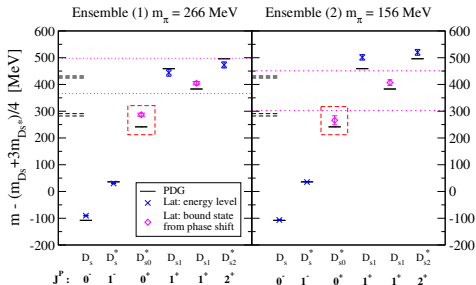


# Positive-parity states in the $D_s$ and $B_s$ spectrum

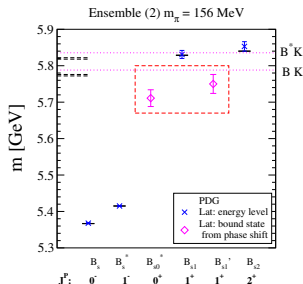
DM *et al.* PRL 111 222001 (2013)

Lang, DM *et al.* PRD 90 034510 (2014)

Lang, DM, Prelovsek, Woloshyn PLB 750 17 (2015)



- Spectrum reliably extracted and agrees qualitatively with experiment
- Uncontrolled systematics sizable for the  $D_s$  states



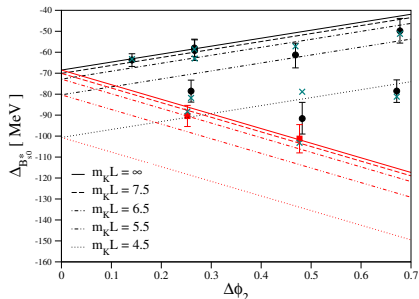
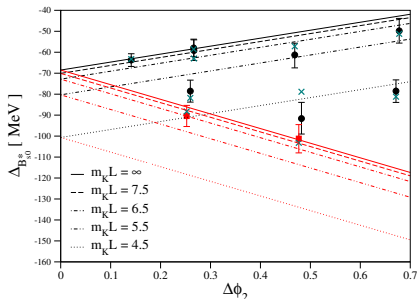
- Full uncertainty estimate only for magenta  $B_s$  states
- Prediction of exotic states from Lattice QCD.

## $B_s$ : Chiral – infinite volume extrapolation

- We explore the previously predicted  $J^P = 0^+$  and  $1^+$  bound states
- Mainly the CLS  $\text{Tr}M = \text{const}$  trajectory and  $2 m_S = \text{const}$  ensembles

Combined extrapolation:

$$\Delta_{B_{s0}^*/B_{s1}}(\Delta\phi_2, m_K L, a) = \Delta_{B_{s0}^*/B_{s1}}(0, \infty, a) (1 + A\Delta\phi_2 + B e^{-m_K L})$$
$$\Delta\phi_2 = \phi_2^{\text{Lat}} - \phi_2^{\text{Phys}} \quad ; \quad \phi_2 = 8t_0 m_\pi^2$$



# Systematic uncertainties and final result

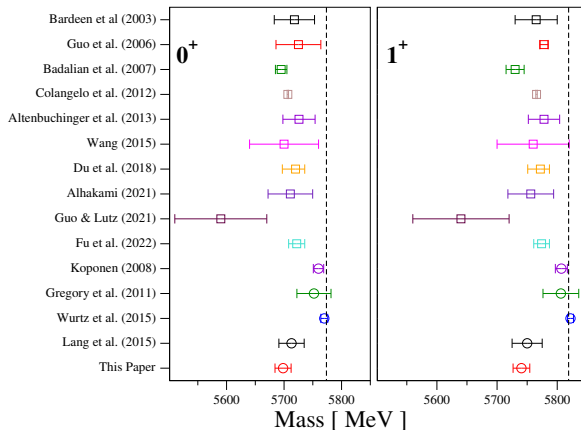
Resulting binding energies:

$$\Delta_{B_{s_0}^*}(0, \infty, 0) = -75.4(3.0)_{\text{Stat.}}(13.7)_a \text{ [MeV]},$$

$$\Delta_{B_{s_1}}(0, \infty, 0) = -78.7(3.7)_{\text{Stat.}}(13.4)_a \text{ [MeV]}.$$

- Small uncertainty from statistics + combined extrapolation
- Largest systematics from usage of NRQCD/discretization effects
- Central value shifted by applying half the mass difference between H200 and U103
- All other explored uncertainties (finite volume shapes, modified quark-mass dependence, etc.) small

# Comparison to the literature



- Results agree well with models based on unitarized  $\chi$ PT
- Improved uncertainty estimate over older Lattice calculations

# Tetraquarks - the $T_{bb}$

The  $I(J^P) = 0(1^+)$   $ud\bar{b}\bar{b}$  tetraquark,  $T_{bb}$ , is the most concrete pure-tetraquark candidate phenomenologically and from the lattice in terms of being deeply-bound and strong-interaction-stable.

Cousin of the  $T_{cc}$  but likely has quite different physics,

$T_{bb}$  bound by  $\approx 100$  MeV,  $T_{cc}$  by 360 KeV

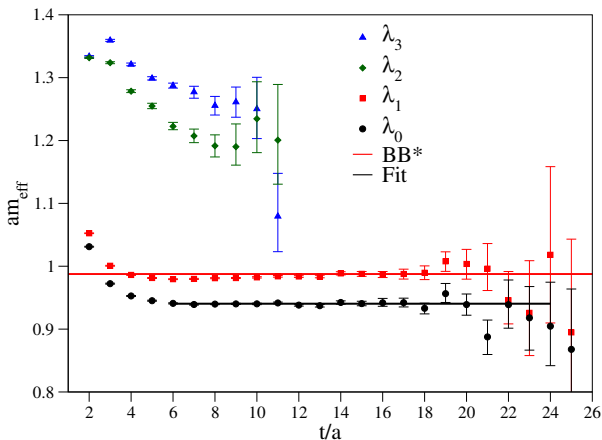
$T_{bb}$  often described by the diquark picture:

- "Good" (attractive) light diquark ( $u^T C \gamma_5 d$ ) - lighter diquark increases binding
- Color-Coulomb heavy antidiquark ( $\bar{b} C \gamma_i \bar{b}^T$ ) - deeper binding as heavy mass gets heavier

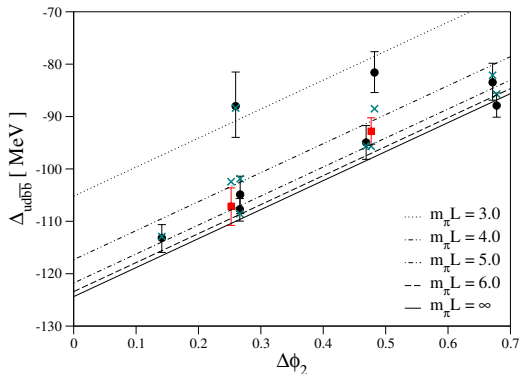
No Wick-contractions with annihilation  $\rightarrow$  easy to compute on the lattice!

# $T_{bb}$ – Basis and effective masses (on N101)

$$D = (u_a^T C \gamma_5 d_b) (\bar{b}_a C \gamma_i \bar{b}_b^T), \quad E = (u_a^T C \gamma_t \gamma_5 d_b) (\bar{b}_a C \gamma_i \gamma_t \bar{b}_b^T),$$
$$M = (\bar{b} \gamma_5 u) (\bar{b} \gamma_i d) - [u \leftrightarrow d], \quad N = (\bar{b} I u) (\bar{b} \gamma_5 \gamma_i d) - [u \leftrightarrow d].$$



# Combined mass and volume extrapolations

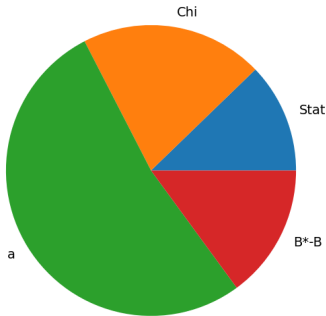


- Ansatz for a deeply-bound state:

$$\Delta_{ud\bar{b}\bar{b}}(\Delta\phi_2, m_\pi L, a) = \Delta_{ud\bar{b}\bar{b}}(0, \infty, a)(1 + A\Delta\phi_2 + Be^{-m_\pi L}).$$

- Strong  $e^{-m_\pi L}$  volume effects and deeper binding at lighter pion mass.

# $T_{bb}$ – quantifying systematics



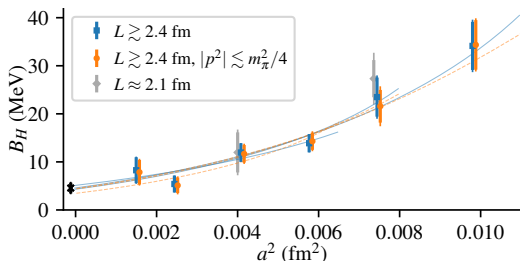
$$\Delta_{ud\bar{b}\bar{b}}(0, \infty, 0) = -112.0(2.7)_{\text{Stat.}}(4.5)_{\chi}(11.6)_a(3.3)_{B^*-B}$$

- $(\dots)_a$  uncertainty from comparison of the results for two lattice spacings (H200 vs. U103)
- Two leading systematic uncertainties come from discretization effects/ the use of Lattice NRQCD!



# Cautionary tale: The H-Dibaryon and discretization effects

Green, Hanlon, Junnarkar, Wittig, PRL 127 242003 (2021)

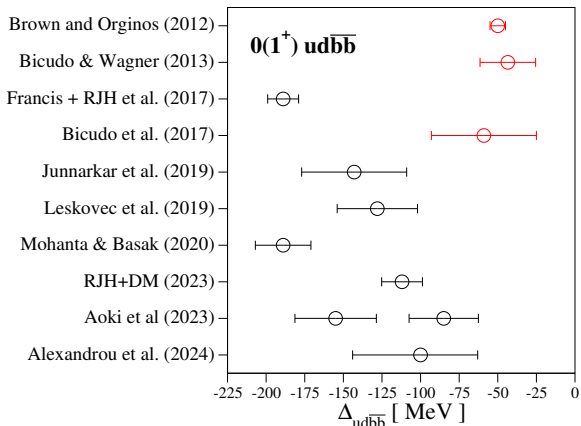


- First study of baryon-baryon scattering in the continuum limit
- Strategy: Global fits to the energy levels with parameterizations that account for discretization effects
- Binding energy at  $SU(3)_f$  point with  $m_\pi = 420$  MeV

$$B_H^{SU(3)_f} = 4.56 \pm 1.13 \pm 0.63 \text{ MeV}$$

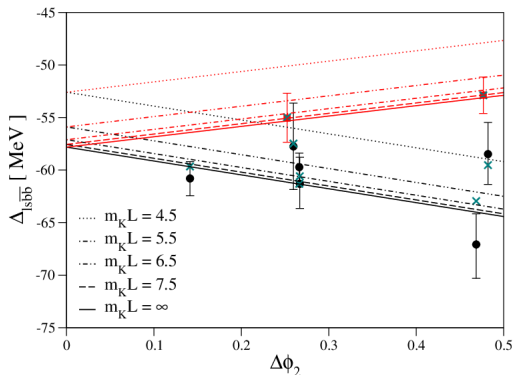
- **Very large discretization effects in the binding energy!**

# Overview of Lattice $I(J^P) = 0(1^+) T_{bb}$ determinations



- Red: Static b-quarks; Black: Lattice NRQCD b quarks
- Interesting playground for understanding systematic uncertainties!

# $T_{bbs}$ – chiral and infinite volume extrapolation

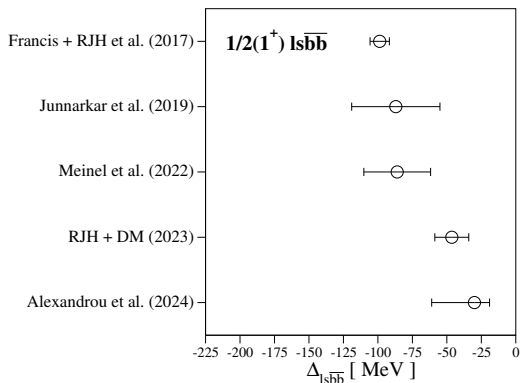


- Chiral/infinite-volume Ansatz:

$$\Delta_{ls\bar{b}\bar{b}}(\Delta\phi_2, m_K L, a) = \Delta_{ls\bar{b}\bar{b}}(0, \infty, a) (1 + A\Delta\phi_2 + B e^{-m_K L})$$

- Large  $e^{-m_K L}$  volume effects.
- Consistent with light-diquark picture.

# Overview of lattice $T_{bb_s}$ determinations



- Close/overlapping EM threshold  $BB_s\gamma$ , still possible that it is narrow and decays weakly

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# An old puzzle: $\Lambda(1405)$ , $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$

- PDG (4 star resonance)

$$M_\Lambda = 1405_{-1.0}^{+1.3} \text{ MeV} \qquad \Gamma_\Lambda = 50.5 \pm 2.0$$

(Some) quark models struggled to accommodate this state.

- However
  - Unitarized  $\chi$ PT + Model input yields 2 poles with  $\Re \approx 1400$  MeV  
→ Now new PDG state  $\Lambda(1380)$
  - CLAS observes different line shapes for  $\Sigma^- \pi^+$ ,  $\Sigma^+ \pi^-$  and  $\Sigma^0 \pi^0$   
Interference between  $I = 0$  and  $I = 1$  amplitudes is the likely reason
  - Even the  $\Sigma^0 \pi^0$  is badly described by a single Breit-Wigner
  - CLAS data consistent with popular 2-pole picture
- Relevant channels:  $\Sigma\pi$ ,  $N\bar{K}$  (and maybe  $\Lambda\eta$ ); simulation in isospin limit
- Goal: Explore coupled channel problem and extract scattering amplitudes from the low-lying energy spectrum

# $\Lambda(1405)$ – Experimental developments

- Angular analysis of the process  $\gamma + p \rightarrow K^+ + \Sigma + \pi$  by CLAS strongly favors the assignment of quantum numbers  $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$

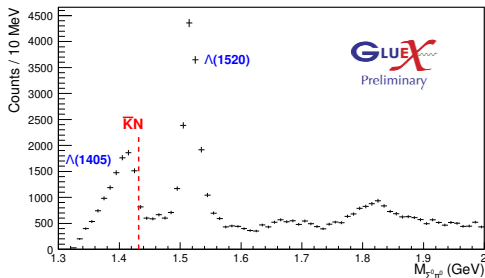
Moriya *et al.*, PRC 87 035206 (2013)

- $K^-p$  scattering length determined by the SIDDHARTHA collaboration

Bazzi *et al.*, PLB 704 (2011) 113

- A glimpse of the future: Preliminary analysis at GlueX

Wickramaarachchi *et al.*, arXiv:2209.06230



# Technical details: Ensemble and group theory

Current data on CLS Ensemble D200

$a$ [fm]	$T \times L^3$	$m_\pi$ [MeV]	$m_K$ [MeV]	$m_\pi L$	$N_{cnfg}$
0.0633(4)(6)	$128 \times 64^3$	200	480	4.3	2000

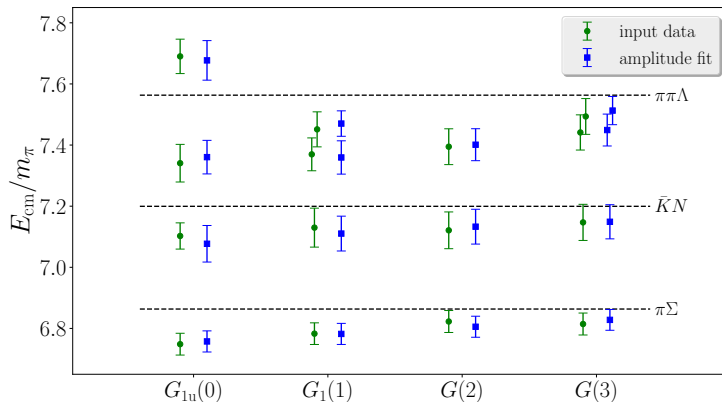
Lattice irreducible representations for a given  $J^P$

see Morningstar et al. arXiv:1303.6816

$J^P$	[000]	[00n]	[0nn]	[nnn]	
$\frac{1}{2}^+$	$G_{1g}$	$G_1$	$G$	$G$	$\Lambda, \Lambda(1600)$
$\frac{1}{2}^-$	$G_{1u}$	$G_1$	$G$	$G$	$\Lambda(1405), \Lambda(1670)$
$\frac{3}{2}^+$	$H_g$	$G_1, G_2$	$2G$	$F_1, F_2, G$	$\Lambda(1690)$
$\frac{3}{2}^-$	$H_u$	$G_1, G_2$	$2G$	$F_1, F_2, G$	$\Lambda(1520), \Lambda(1690)$



# Finite-volume spectra



- Amplitude analysis uses ratios to extract energy differences with regard to non-interacting levels
- Blue squares indicate results from our preferred amplitude fit

## Families of simple parameterizations (out of 6 total)

- An ERE in the  $\mathbf{K}$  matrix:

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

$\Delta_{\pi\Sigma}$  measures the distance from the  $\pi\Sigma$  threshold

- ERE in the inverse  $\mathbf{K}$  matrix:

$$(\tilde{K}^{-1})_{ij} = \frac{E_{\text{cm}}}{M_\pi} \left( \tilde{A}_{ij} + \tilde{B}_{ij} \Delta_{\pi\Sigma} \right),$$

- Blatt-Biederharn parameterization:

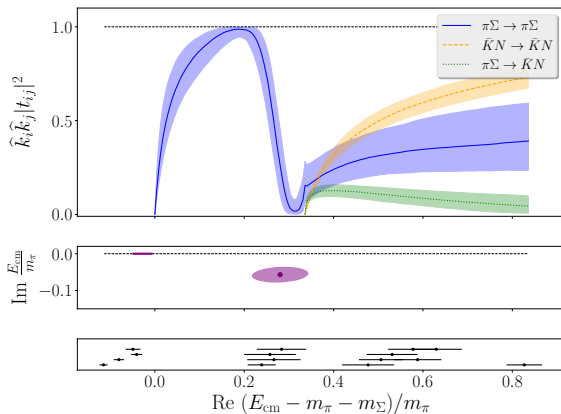
$$\tilde{K}_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \epsilon & \sin \epsilon \\ -\sin \epsilon & \cos \epsilon \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_0(E_{\text{cm}}) & 0 \\ 0 & f_1(E_{\text{cm}}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \epsilon & -\sin \epsilon \\ \sin \epsilon & \cos \epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$
$$f_i(E_{\text{cm}}) = \frac{M_\pi}{E_{\text{cm}}} \frac{a_i + b_i \Delta_{\pi\Sigma}}{1 + c_i \Delta_{\pi\Sigma}}.$$

- Parameterization based on the leading-order Weinberg-Tomozawa term:

$$\tilde{K}_{ij} = \hat{C}_{ij} (2E_{\text{cm}} - M_i - M_j),$$

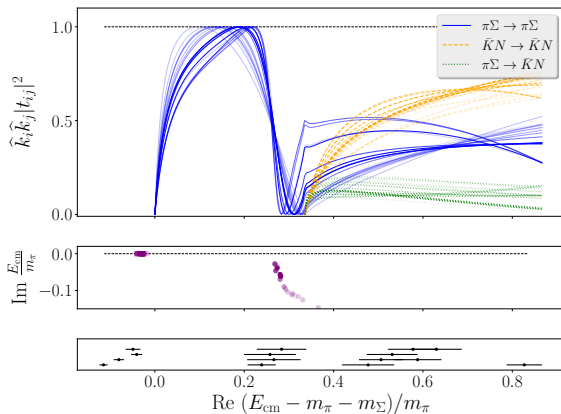
where  $M_0 = m_\Sigma$  and  $M_1 = m_N$ .

# Our preferred amplitude and resulting poles



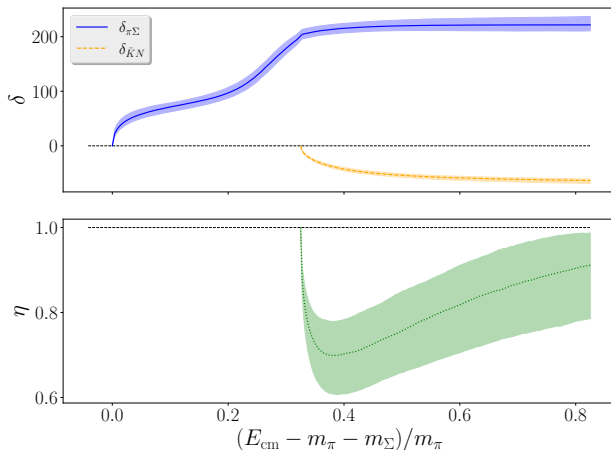
- Amplitudes evaluated with Akaike Information Criterion:  
 $AIC = \chi^2 - 2\text{dof}$
- Sub-threshold levels pose strong constraints on the amplitude
- Limited data and therefore limited possibility to vary parameterizations

# Some Variations of the used amplitude



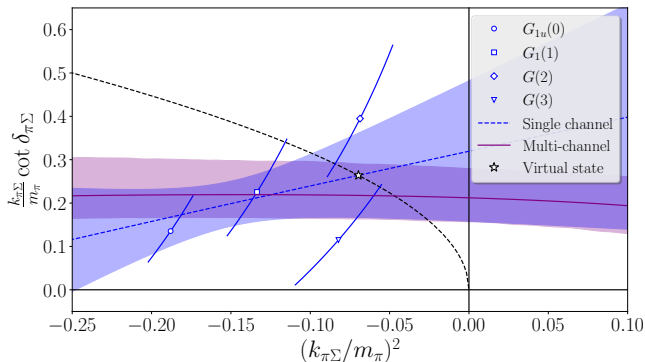
- Results from varying parameterization/ omitting highest data point
- Amplitudes that can accommodate 0,1, and 2 poles all yield 2 poles
- We also explored simple constraints for higher partial waves (negligible effect in range used)

# Same thing different: Phases and inelasticity



- Alternative way of showing our results: 2 phases and inelasticity  $\eta$

# $\pi\Sigma$ scattering phase-shift close to threshold



- Lattice QCD provides unique constraints below the  $\pi\Sigma$  threshold
- Single-channel treatment agrees qualitatively with our full coupled-channel parameterization using the larger energy range
- Results in a virtual bound-state on ensemble D200

# Pole positions and expectations from the literature

- Poles labeled as  $(\pm, \pm)$  depending on the signs of the imaginary part of  $(k_{KN}, k_{\pi\Sigma})$
- Two poles are found on the  $(-, +)$  sheet, the closest to physical scattering between the thresholds
- Our final result for the poles is

$$\text{Pole II} \quad 1392(9)_{\text{stat}}(2)_{\text{model}}(16)_a \text{ MeV}$$

$$\text{Pole I} \quad 1455(13)_{\text{stat}}(2)_{\text{model}}(17)_a \text{ MeV}$$

$$- i \times 11.5(4.4)_{\text{stat}}(4)_{\text{model}}(0.1)_a \text{ MeV}$$

- Examples from the PDG review

approach	pole 1 [MeV]	pole 2 [MeV]
Refs. [14, 15], NLO	$1424_{-23}^{+7} - i 26_{-14}^{+3}$	$1381_{-6}^{+18} - i 81_{-8}^{+19}$
Ref. [17], Fit II	$1421_{-2}^{+3} - i 19_{-5}^{+8}$	$1388_{-9}^{+9} - i 114_{-25}^{+24}$
Ref. [18], solution #2	$1434_{-2}^{+2} - i 10_{-1}^{+2}$	$1330_{-5}^{+4} - i 56_{-11}^{+17}$
Ref. [18], solution #4	$1429_{-7}^{+8} - i 12_{-3}^{+2}$	$1325_{-15}^{+15} - i 90_{-18}^{+12}$

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# Conclusions and Outlook

- Positive-parity heavy-light mesons
  - NRQCD calculation with full uncertainty estimate for  $B_0^*$  and  $B_{s1}$   
→ refined predictions for LHCb, BelleII
  - Calculation could be further improved with RHQ action
- Doubly-heavy tetraquarks
  - Results for the  $T_{bb}$  and  $T_{bbs}$  from different groups mostly agree
  - Situation less clear for other flavor combinations/ quantum numbers
- Coupled-channel scattering and the  $\Lambda(1405)$ 
  - First coupled-channel LQCD calculation in the baryon sector
  - Suitable K-matrix parameterizations suggest two poles at our  $m_\pi$
  - We will explore the quark-mass dependence and calculate more comprehensive spectra
  - We plan to explore other channels with strangeness
  - Inconvenient things: discretization effects, chiral extrapolation, better parameterizations

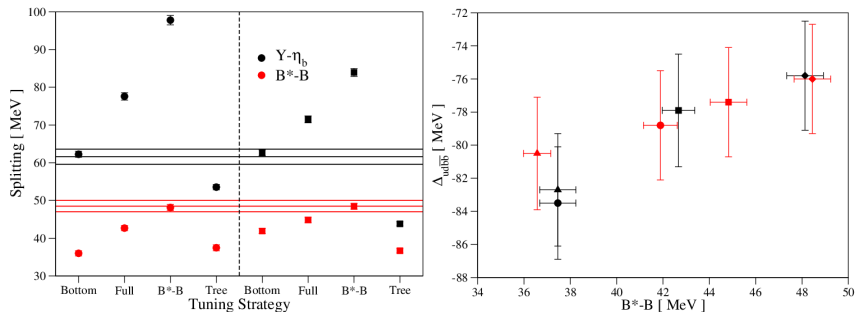
# Backup slides

# CLS ensembles used for these studies

R.J. Hudspith, DM, PRD 107, 114510 (2023)

Ensemble	Mass trajectory	$L^3 \times L_T$	$N_{\text{Conf}} \times N_{\text{Prop}}$
U103	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$24^3 \times 128$	$1000 \times 23$
H101	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$32^3 \times 96$	$500 \times 12$
U102	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$24^3 \times 128$	$732 \times 18$
H102	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$32^3 \times 96$	$500 \times 16$
U101	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$24^3 \times 128$	$600 \times 18$
H105	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$32^3 \times 96$	$500 \times 16$
N101	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$48^3 \times 128$	$537 \times 18$
C101	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$48^3 \times 96$	$400 \times 16$
H107	$\widetilde{m}_s = \widetilde{m}_s^{\text{Phys.}}$	$32^3 \times 96$	$500 \times 16$
H106	$\widetilde{m}_s = \widetilde{m}_s^{\text{Phys.}}$	$32^3 \times 96$	$500 \times 16$
H200	$\text{Tr}[M] = C$	$32^3 \times 96$	$500 \times 28$

# Varying the NRQCD tuning

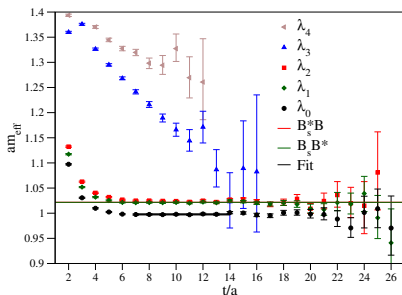


**Figure:** Alternative tuning strategies with/without B-mesons and higher-order terms (left). Clear correlation of the  $B^* - B$  splitting with the  $T_{bb}$  binding. (right)

- Simultaneously reproducing both hyperfine splittings seems impossible
- Tree-level performs poor; For our strategies higher order terms help.
- Shallower  $T_{bb}$  binding, with increased  $B^* - B$  splitting.

# $T_{\bar{b}bs}$ – Basis and effective masses

$$M = (\bar{b}\gamma_5 u)(\bar{b}\gamma_i s), \quad N = (\bar{b}Iu)(\bar{b}\gamma_5\gamma_i s)$$
$$O = (\bar{b}\gamma_5 s)(\bar{b}\gamma_i u), \quad P = (\bar{b}I s)(\bar{b}\gamma_5\gamma_i u)$$
$$Q = \epsilon_{ijk}(\bar{b}\gamma_j u)(\bar{b}\gamma_k s).$$



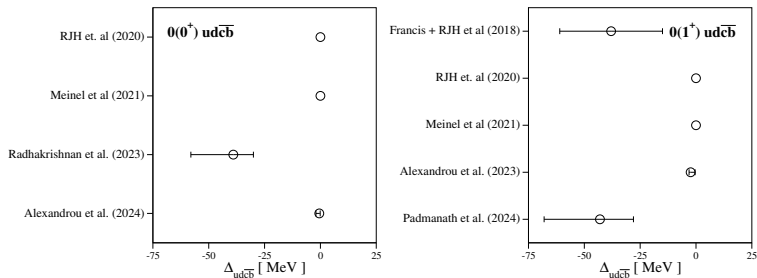
# Sad prospects for $T_{bb}$ : Difficult to see at the LHC

- $T_{bb}$  is very heavy ( $\approx 10.5$  GeV) and decays weakly
- A possible exemplary decay channel could be  
see [Phys.Rev.Lett. 118 \(2017\) 14, 142001 - A. Francis, RJH et al.](#):

$$T_{bb} \rightarrow B^+ \bar{D}^0$$

- It is unlikely to be found anytime soon at the LHC
- Obvious next candidate  $0^+$  or  $1^+$   $ud\bar{c}\bar{b}$  " $T_{cb}$ "  
potentially unbound or very weakly bound, due to the reduction of binding from the heavy antiquark.
- Further exotic states  $ud\bar{s}\bar{b}$  or  $us\bar{c}\bar{b}$   
seem to be unlikely by diquark picture but worth investigating as some models predict these being deeply bound (mostly Chiral Quark models)

# The $0^+/1^+ T_{cb}$ - confusing results



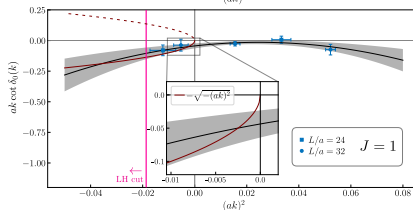
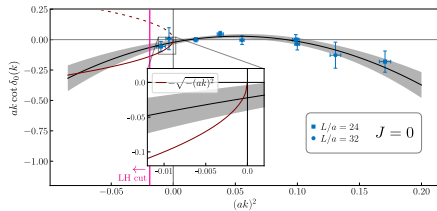
- New results:

Alexandrou *et al.*, PRL 132 151902 (2024)  
Radhakrishnan *et al.*, arXiv:2404.08109  
Padmanath *et al.*, PRL 132 201902 (2024)

- Close to threshold state could also be a virtual bound state
- Results are more or less incompatible

# Shallow bound states and broad resonances in a scattering study

Alexandrou *et al.*, PRL 132 151902 (2024)



	$\Delta m_{\text{GBS}}$ [MeV]	$\Delta m_{\text{R}}$ [MeV]
$J=0$	$-0.5^{+0.4}_{-1.5}$	138(13)
$J=1$	$-2.4^{+2.0}_{-0.7}$	67(24)

- Obtained resonance poles just outside the radius of convergence of the ERE



# The “Distillation” method

Peardon et al. PRD 80, 054506 (2009)

Morningstar et al. PRD 83, 114505 (2011)

- Idea: Construct separable quark smearing operator using low modes of the 3D lattice Laplacian

Spectral decomposition for an  $N \times N$  matrix:

$$f(A) = \sum_{k=1}^N f(\lambda^{(k)}) v^{(k)} v^{(k)\dagger}.$$

With  $f(\nabla^2) = \Theta(\sigma_s^2 + \nabla^2)$  (Laplacian-Heaviside (LapH) smearing):

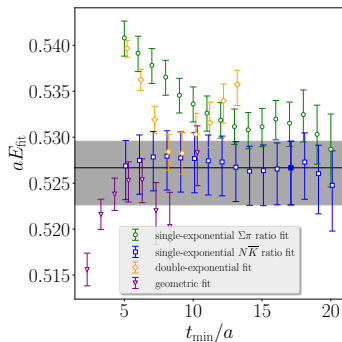
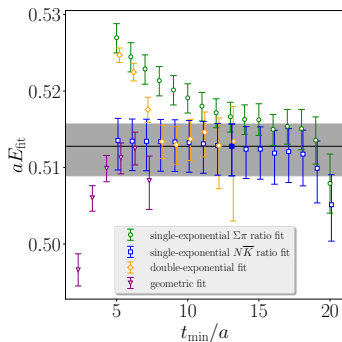
$$q_s \equiv \sum_{k=1}^N \Theta(\sigma_s^2 + \lambda^{(k)}) v^{(k)} v^{(k)\dagger} q = \sum_{k=1}^{N_v} v^{(k)} v^{(k)\dagger} q.$$

- Advantages: momentum projection at source; large interpolator freedom, small storage
- Disadvantages: expensive; unfavorable volume scaling
- Stochastic approach (partly) eliminates bad volume scaling

# Specific setup on D200

- Combined basis of simple 3-quark structures and 2 hadron interpolators with the lowest few momentum combinations in each irrep
- Distillation setup:
  - $n_{ev} = 448$  eigenmodes of the Lattice Laplacian
  - Quark lines connecting source and sink:  
Noise dilution scheme with  $(TF, SF, LI16)$  and 6 noises
  - Lines starting end ending on the same time slice:  
Noise dilution scheme with  $(TI8, SF, LI16)$  and 2 noises
  - Four source time slices
  - Lattice Laplacian constructed on stout smeared links with  $(\rho, n) = (0.1, 36)$

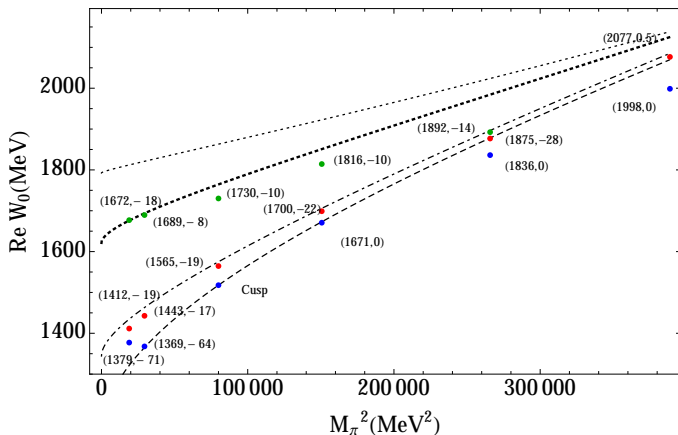
# Extracting the spectrum (examples)



- We used various methods/cross checks
- Geometric series fit:  $C(t) = \frac{Ae^{-E_0t}}{1 - Be^{-\Delta Et}}$
- Two students with two slightly different analysis methods

# Expected quark-mass dependence

Molina, Döring, PRD 94 056010 (2016)



- Plots shows expected behavior for PACS-CS ensembles
- Qualitative agreement with regard to expected behavior