

# Excited hadrons in 2-flavor LQCD

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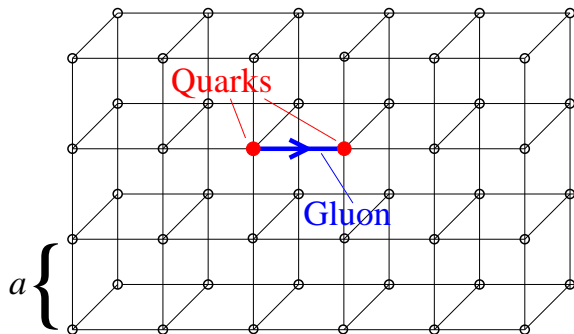
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- Lattice: gauge-covariant regularization.
- Critical point in the continuum limit defines the renormalized QFT.
- Different discretizations agree in the continuum limit.
- Ab-initio calculation possible.
- Discretization effects can be reduced by improvement.

- Masses are extracted from hadron correlators:

$$\langle O(t)\bar{O}(0) \rangle = \sum_n A_n e^{-tE_n}$$

- E.g. a meson correlator is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle O(t)\bar{O}(0) \rangle &= \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}[U] \mathcal{D}^{n_f}[\bar{\psi}, \psi] e^{-S_G(U)} e^{-S_F(\psi, \bar{\psi}, U)} O(t)\bar{O}(0) \\ &= \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}[U] e^{-S_G(U)} [\det(D)]^{n_f} \text{tr} [D^{-1}(0, t)\Gamma D^{-1}(t, 0)\Gamma] \end{aligned}$$

- Hadron correlators are computed using Monte Carlo techniques: Importance sampling for the gauge action and the fermion determinant.
- Three limites performed a posteriori by numerical extrapolation:
  - $a \rightarrow 0$
  - $V \rightarrow \infty$
  - $m_\pi \rightarrow m_{\pi,phys}$  or  $m_\pi \rightarrow 0$

- Chirally improved fermions ( $D_{CI}$ ),  $n_f = 2$  light quarks
- Fermion action includes a level of stout smearing.
- Lüscher-Weisz gauge action
- Hybrid Monte Carlo simulation
  
- Three ensembles for  $16^3 \times 32$ :

set	$\beta_{LW}$	$m_0$	configs	$a[\text{fm}]$	$m_\pi[\text{MeV}]$	$m_{AWI}[\text{MeV}]$
A	4.70	-0.050	100	0.151(2)	525(7)	43.0(4)
B	4.65	-0.060	200	0.150(1)	470(4)	35.1(2)
C	4.58	-0.077	200	0.144(1)	322(5)	15.0(4)

- Coarse lattices possible due to improved action.
- For details of the simulation: Gattringer et al., PRD79(2009)054501

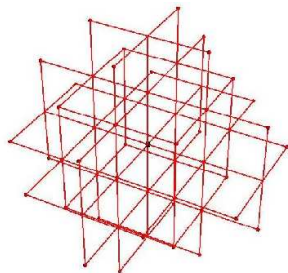
- General ansatz for bilinear fermion action ( $\bar{\psi}_n D_{nm} \psi_m$ ):

$$D_{nm} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{16} \Gamma_{\alpha} \sum_{p \in \mathcal{P}_{m,n}^{\alpha}} c_p^{\alpha} \prod_{l \in p} U_l \delta_{n,m+p} \quad (\text{Gattringer, PRD63(2001)114501})$$

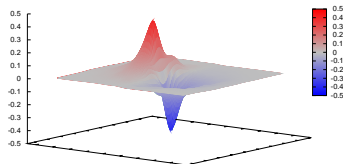
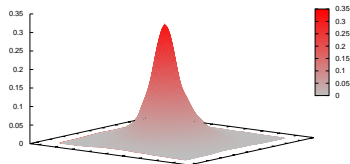
- Plug it in the Ginsparg-Wilson-equation, which describes chiral symmetry on the lattice:

$$\mathbf{D} \gamma_5 + \gamma_5 \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{a} \mathbf{D} \gamma_5 \mathbf{D}$$

- Truncate the length of the contributions (to, e.g., 4) and compare the coefficients.



- Extended quark sources show better overlap with physical states.
- Allow for a larger basis in the variational method.
- We use 3 types:
  - Gaussian narrow ( $\psi_n$ ): 0.27fm
  - Gaussian wide ( $\psi_w$ ): 0.55fm
  - Derivative ( $\psi_{\partial_i}$ ): applied on wide source
- Gauge-covariant construction by Jacobi-smearing (using link-variables as gauge-transporter).  
Gusken et al, PLB227(1989)266; Best et al, PRD56(1997)2743; Gattringer et al, PRD78(2008)034501



- Interpolating fields are constructed according to the **quantum numbers of a physical state**.
- Realized by using particular combinations of smeared quarks and gamma-structures.
- Examples for Pion:

$$\begin{aligned} &\bar{u}_n \gamma_5 d_n, \quad \bar{u}_n \gamma_5 d_w, \quad \bar{u}_w \gamma_5 d_w, \\ &\bar{u}_n \gamma_t \gamma_5 d_n, \quad \bar{u}_n \gamma_t \gamma_5 d_w, \quad \bar{u}_w \gamma_t \gamma_5 d_w, \\ &\bar{u}_{\partial_i} \gamma_i \gamma_5 d_n, \quad \bar{u}_{\partial_i} \gamma_i \gamma_5 d_w, \\ &\bar{u}_{\partial_i} \gamma_i \gamma_t \gamma_5 d_n, \quad \bar{u}_{\partial_i} \gamma_i \gamma_t \gamma_5 d_w, \\ &\bar{u}_{\partial_i} \gamma_5 d_{\partial_i}, \quad \bar{u}_{\partial_i} \gamma_t \gamma_5 d_{\partial_i} \end{aligned}$$

- Examples for Nucleon:

$$N^{(i)} = \epsilon_{abc} \Gamma_1^{(i)} u_a \left( u_b^T \Gamma_2^{(i)} d_c - d_b^T \Gamma_2^{(i)} u_c \right)$$

with appropriate gamma-structures  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$ , and  $u/d$  being gaussian smeared quarks.

- **Variational Method:** In each channel, compute all cross-correlations, obtaining the matrix:

$$C_{ij}(t) = \langle 0 | O_i(t) O_j^\dagger | 0 \rangle = \sum_n \langle 0 | O_i | n \rangle \langle n | O_j^\dagger | 0 \rangle$$

- Solve the generalized eigenvalue problem:

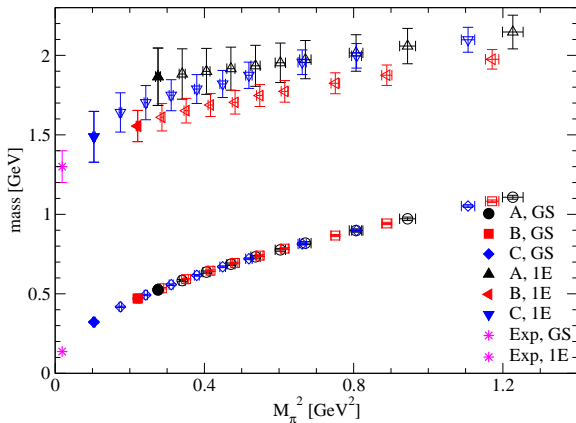
$$C(t) \vec{v}_k = \lambda_k(t) C(t_0) \vec{v}_k$$

yielding

$$\lambda_k(t, t_0) \propto e^{-t m_k} (1 + \mathcal{O}(e^{-t \Delta m_k}))$$

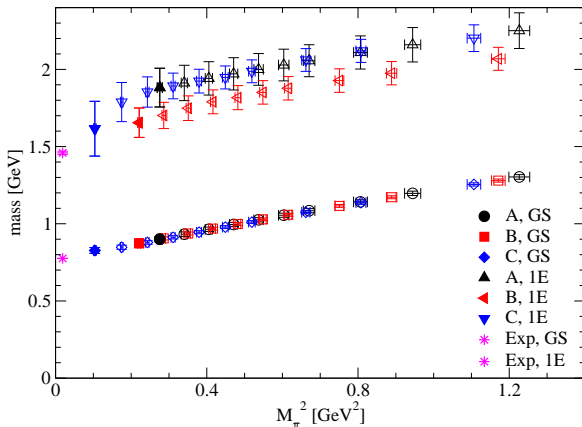
- Each **eigenvalue** is related only to a **single mass** at large time separations.
- Corresponding eigenvectors are “fingerprints” the states.
- Extraction of **excited states** possible.
- A good basis of different interpolators is crucial.
- Michael NPB259(1985)58; Lüscher/Wolff NPB339(1990)222



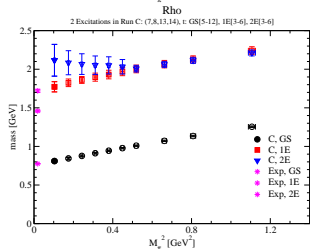
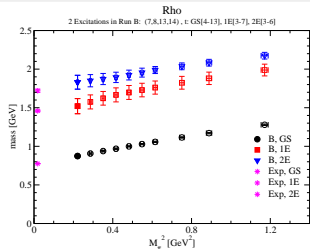


Ground state shown vs. itself. A signal of the first excited state seen. 3 ensembles shown, full (empty) symbols denote dynamical (partially quenched) results.

# Results: $\rho(1^{--})$

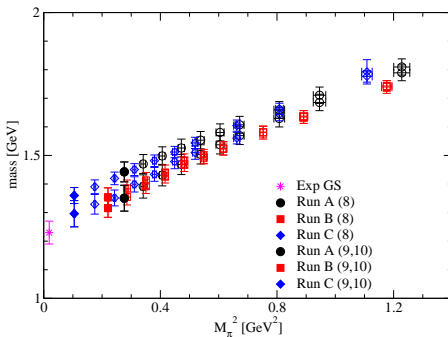


Ground state with very small error bar. First excited state signal found.

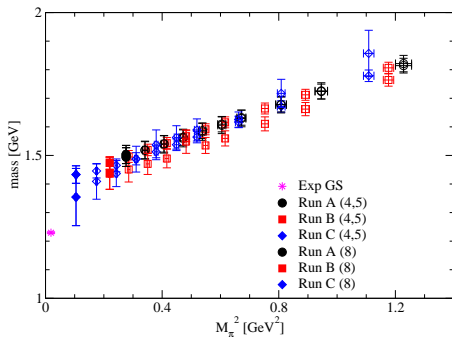


2nd excitation  $\rho(1720)$  signal is seen in ensemble B, but bad signal in others.

# Results: $a_1(1^{++})$ and $b_1(1^{+-})$

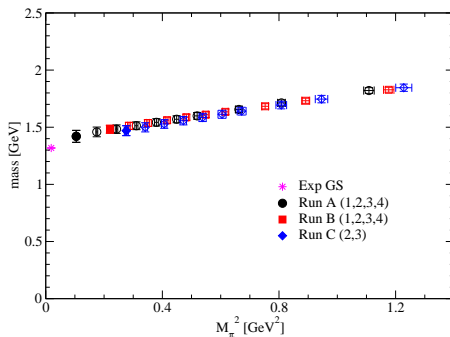
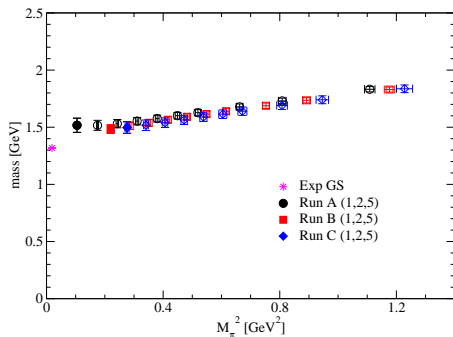


(a)  $a_1(1^{++})$



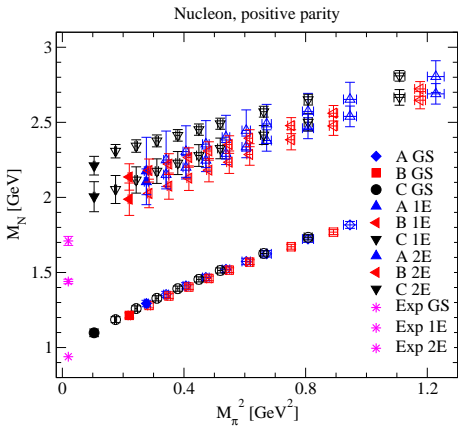
(b)  $b_1(1^{+-})$

In both cases systematic uncertainty of choosing the interpolators is expected to shrink when using higher statistics. Derivative interpolators are found crucial for a good signal.

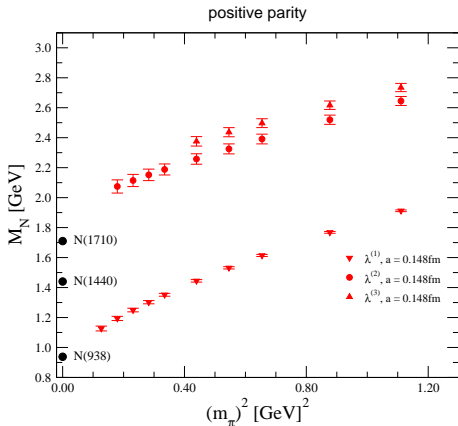
(a) Representation  $T_2$ (b) Representation  $E$ 

Reasonable agreement between different lattice spin representations found. Derivative interpolators and variational method are both found crucial for a good signal.

# Results: Nucleon pos. parity $1/2(1/2^+)$

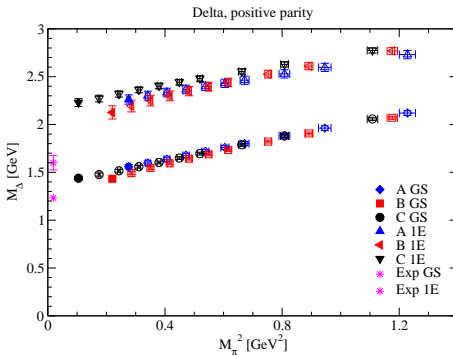


Two excitations, but too high up.  
 Roper: For confirmation probably larger volume and smaller quark masses needed.

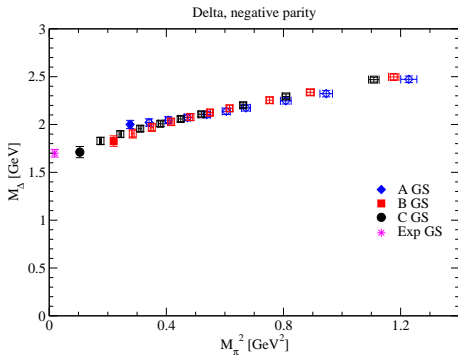


Quenched results (Burch et al., PRD 74 (2006) 014504)

# Results: Delta pos. parity $3/2(3/2^+)$ and neg. parity $3/2(3/2^-)$

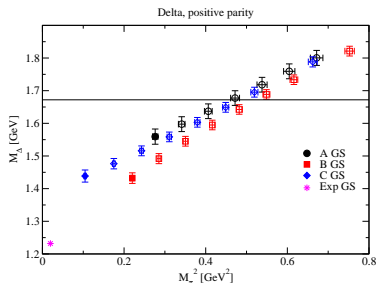


Ground and first excited state clearly seen, but too high, maybe due to finite volume effects.

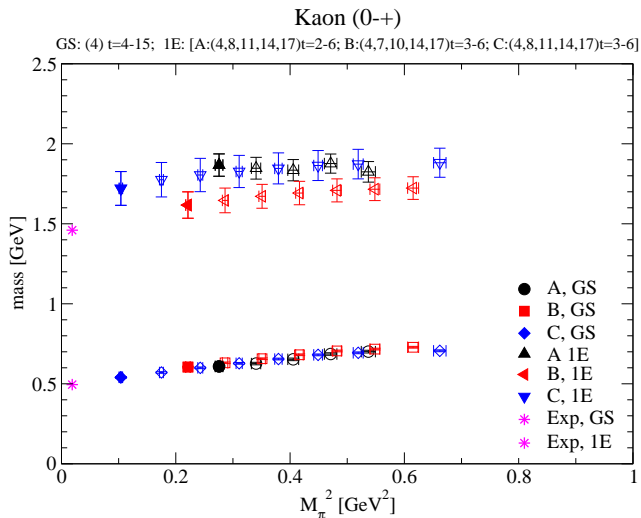


Ground state comes out nicely.

- Two mass degenerate light sea quarks
- → strange hadrons calculated using partially quenched quarks
- Valence quark mass parameter fixed to strange quark mass by identifying a **partially quenched Delta** with **Omega** (1672).

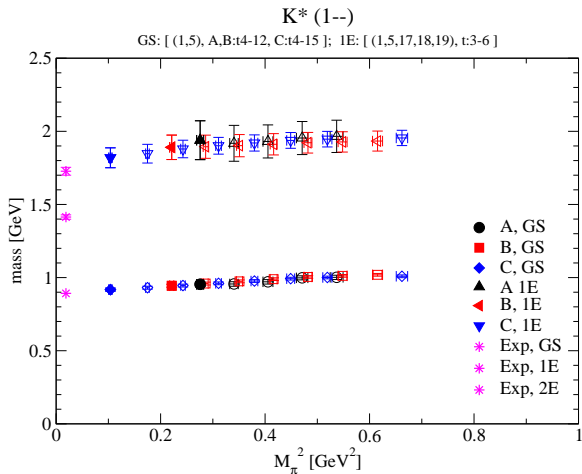


- Interpolation between existing partially quenched data or recalculation at strange quark mass.
- Possible partially quenched effects in the results.



Accurate ground state, a weak signal of the first excited state seen.





Accurate ground state, first excited state may be a hybrid (L. Burakovsky et al PRD57(1998)2879), second excitation seen.

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