

## Three-particle dynamics in a finite volume

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Hirscheegg 2018, “Multiparticle resonances in hadrons, nuclei, and ultracold gases,”

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- Introduction
- Non-relativistic EFT and dimer picture
- Independence from the off-shell effects
- Symmetries of the box and the finite volume spectrum
- Role of the three-body force:
  - three-particle bound state*
  - shift of the ground-state level*
- Conclusions, outlook

# Extraction of the observables on the lattice

## Motivation:

- ↪ Decays into the three-particle final states  
(examples:  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$ ,  $\omega \rightarrow 3\pi$ , Roper resonance, etc.)
- ↪ Nuclear physics on the lattice

## Three-particle sector: continuum

- bound states
- elastic scattering, rearrangement reactions
- breakup...

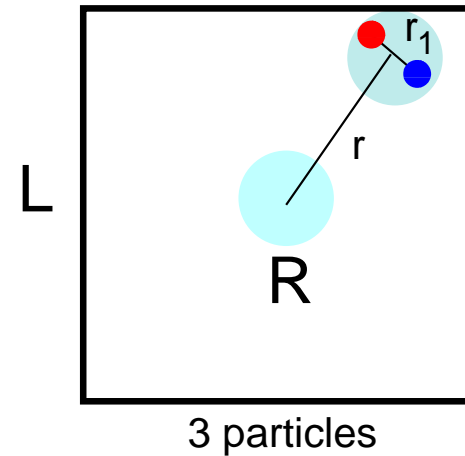
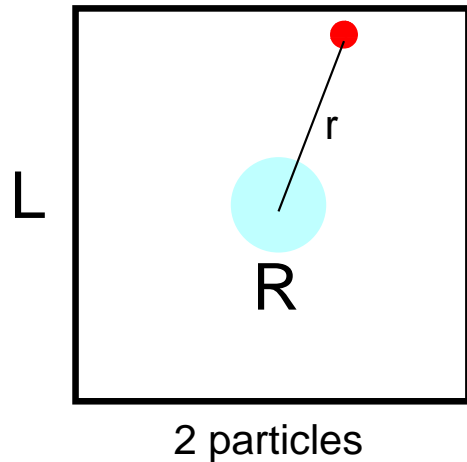
## Three-particle sector: finite volume

- two-particle *and* three-particle energy levels *both below and above* the pertinent thresholds

How does one extract infinite-volume observables from lattice data?

# Three particles in a finite volume: the problem

Two-particle scattering: The wave function always in the asymptotic form near the walls: no off-shell effects!



- The three-particle wave function near the box walls is not always described by the asymptotic wave function
- Is the three-particle spectrum determined solely in terms of the  $S$ -matrix?

# The history

K. Polejaeva and AR, EPJA 48 (2012) 67

Finite volume energy levels determined solely by the  $S$ -matrix

M. Hansen and S. Sharpe, PRD 90 (2014) 116003; PRD 92 (2015) 114509

Quantization condition

R. Briceno and Z. Davoudi, PRD 87 (2013) 094507

Dimer formalism, quantization condition

P. Guo, PRD 95 (2017) 054508

Quantization condition in the 1+1-dimensional case

S. Kreuzer and H.-W. Hammer, PLB 694 (2011) 424; EPJA 43 (2010) 229; PLB 673 (2009) 260; S. Kreuzer and H. W. Griebhammer, EPJA 48 (2012) 93

Dimer formalism, numerical solution

M. Mai and M. Döring, EPJA 53 (2017) 240

Three-body unitarity + analyticity

→ The quantization condition rather complicated, not well suited for the analysis of the lattice data

→ What is the convenient set of observables to be extracted?

# The strategy

- If  $R \ll L$  (large boxes  $\rightarrow$  small momenta), the energy spectrum can be calculated, using non-relativistic EFT in a finite volume
- Effective couplings matched to the observables in the infinite volume *on the mass shell*

Is the information about the  $S$ -matrix sufficient to uniquely determine the spectrum? Do the *off-shell couplings*, which are not fixed from this information, contribute to the finite-volume energies?

- Analysis of the lattice data: determine these couplings from the fit to the spectrum, calculate the  $S$ -matrix from the dynamical equations

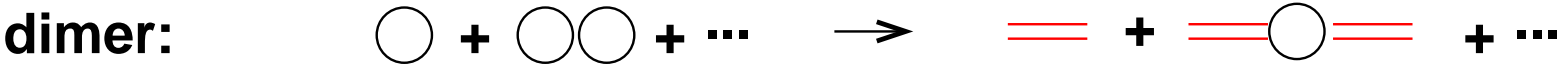
$\hookrightarrow$  Effective couplings form a convenient set of the parameters to be determined on the lattice  $\rightarrow$  contain only exponentially suppressed effects at large  $L$ .

# NREFT: dimer picture in the two-particle sector

$$\mathcal{L} = \psi^\dagger \left( i\partial_0 - \frac{\nabla^2}{2m} \right) \psi + \mathcal{L}_2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{C_0}{2} \psi^\dagger \psi^\dagger \psi \psi - \frac{C_2}{4} (\psi^\dagger \nabla^2 \psi^\dagger \psi \psi + \text{h.c.}) + \dots$$

$C_0, C_2, \dots$  matched to  $p \cot \delta(p) = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{r}{2} p^2 + \dots$



$$\mathcal{L}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_2^{\text{dimer}} = \sigma T^\dagger T + \left( T^\dagger [f_0 \psi \psi + f_1 \psi \nabla^2 \psi + \dots] + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

- Two frameworks algebraically equivalent
- Higher partial waves can be included: dimers with arbitrary spin
- Can be generalized to the non-rest frames

# Off-shell term, two particle sector

$$\langle \mathbf{p} | \mathcal{L}_2 | \mathbf{q} \rangle = -2C_0 - C_2(\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2) - C_4(\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2)^2 - C'_4(\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{q}^2)^2 + \dots$$

Off-shell term can be eliminated with the use of EOM

$$-\frac{C'_4}{4} \left( \psi^\dagger \nabla^4 \psi^\dagger \psi \psi - \psi^\dagger \nabla^2 \psi^\dagger \psi \nabla^2 \psi + h.c. \right) = \frac{C'_4}{4} m^2 \partial_t^2 (\psi^\dagger \psi^\dagger \psi \psi)$$

Insertions of the off-shell term vanish on shell (dim.reg., no scale)

$$\int \frac{d^d \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^d} (\mathbf{p}^2 - \mathbf{k}^2)^2 \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}^2 - q_0^2} f(\mathbf{k}) = (\mathbf{p}^2 - q_0^2)^2 \int \frac{d^d \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}^2 - q_0^2} f(\mathbf{k})$$

+ no scale integrals

- The result does not depend on the regularization
- No off-shell term in the dimer formulation: one coupling at each order



# Off-shell term in the three-particle sector

$$\mathcal{L}_3^{(4)} = \frac{D_4''}{12} (\psi^\dagger \psi^\dagger \nabla^4 \psi^\dagger \psi \psi \psi + 2\psi^\dagger \nabla^2 \psi^\dagger \nabla^2 \psi^\dagger \psi \psi \psi - 3\psi^\dagger \psi^\dagger \nabla^2 \psi^\dagger \psi \psi \nabla^2 \psi + \text{h.c.}) + \dots$$

- Off-shell term proportional to  $D_4''$  can be eliminated using EOM
- In the momentum space, the potential is proportional to

$$V^{\text{off-shell}} \propto D_4'' (E(\mathbf{p}) - E(\mathbf{q}))^2, \quad E(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2m} (\mathbf{p}_1^2 + \mathbf{p}_2^2 + \mathbf{p}_3^2)$$

All insertions of this potential vanish on shell (no-scale integrals)

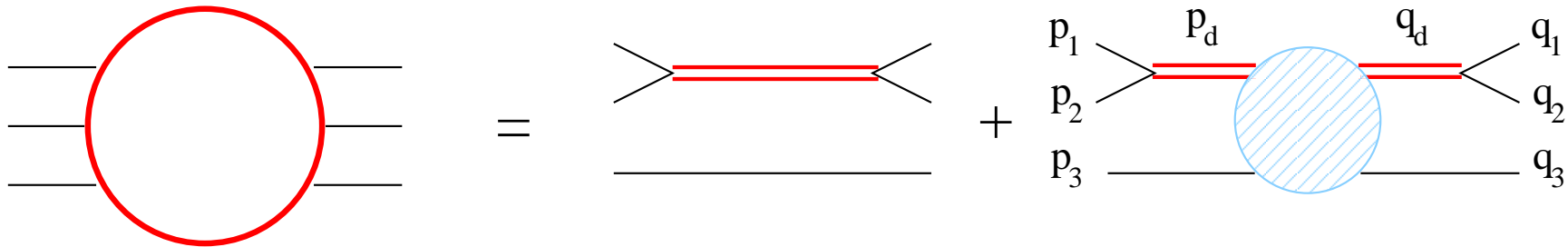
→ The  $S$ -matrix does not depend on  $D_4''$ !

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_3^{\text{dimer}} &= h_0 T^\dagger T \psi^\dagger \psi + h_2 T^\dagger T (\psi^\dagger \nabla^2 \psi + \text{h.c.}) \\ &+ h_4 T^\dagger T (\psi^\dagger \nabla^4 \psi + \text{h.c.}) + h_4' T^\dagger T \nabla^2 \psi^\dagger \nabla^2 \psi + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- Two couplings  $h_4, h_4'$ : off-shell coupling  $D_4''$  can be eliminated!

# Why are there no off-shell terms in the dimer picture

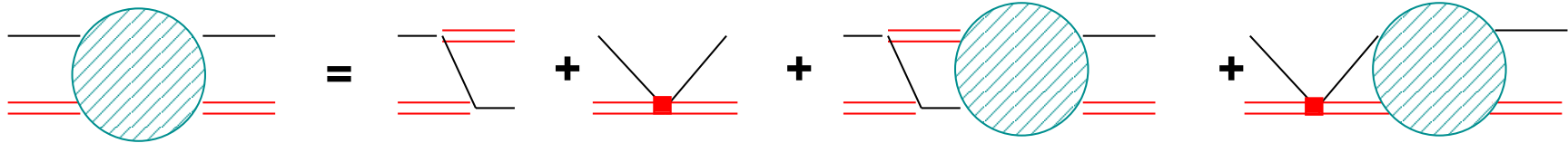
Off-shell dimers are physical:



$$\mathbf{p}_d^2 = (\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2)^2, \quad \mathbf{q}_d^2 = (\mathbf{q}_1 + \mathbf{q}_2)^2$$

$$\mathbf{p}_d^2 \neq \mathbf{q}_d^2$$

# The scattering equation



$$\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) = Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) + \int_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda} Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}; E) \tau(\mathbf{k}; E) \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}; E)$$

$$Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) = \frac{1}{\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2 + \mathbf{p}\mathbf{q} - mE} + H_0 + H_2(\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2) + \dots$$

$H_0, H_2, \dots$  are related to the couplings  $h_0, h_2, \dots$

$$\tau^{-1}(\mathbf{k}; E) = k^* \cot \delta(k^*) + \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{3}{4} \mathbf{k}^2 - mE}}_{=k^*}$$

# Finite volume

$$\mathbf{k} = \frac{2\pi}{L} \mathbf{n}, \quad \mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{Z}^3, \quad \int_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda} \rightarrow \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_L(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) = Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) + \frac{8\pi}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda} Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) \tau_L(\mathbf{k}; E) \mathcal{M}_L(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}; E)$$

$$\tau_L^{-1}(\mathbf{k}; E) = k^* \cot \delta(k^*) - \frac{4\pi}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{l}} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}^2 + \mathbf{l}^2 + \mathbf{k}\mathbf{l} - mE}$$

- ↪ Poles of  $\mathcal{M}_L$  → finite-volume energy spectrum
- ↪  $k^* \cot \delta(k^*)$  fitted in the two-particle sector;  $H_0, H_2, \dots$  should be fitted to the three-particle energies
- ↪  $S$ -matrix in the infinite volume → equation with  $H_0, H_2, \dots$
- ↪ No-scale arguments apply in the finite volume as well: no off-shell effects in the finite volume spectrum!

# quantization condition

The particle-dimer scattering amplitude:

$$\mathcal{M}_L = Z + Z\tau_L\mathcal{M}_L$$

The three-particle scattering amplitude:

$$T_L^{(3)} = \tau_L + \tau_L\mathcal{M}_L\tau_L = (\tau_L^{-1} - Z)^{-1}$$

The quantization condition: the three-body energy levels coincide with the poles of  $T_L^{(3)}$ :

$$\det(\tau_L^{-1} - Z) = 0$$

- Agrees with: Polejaeva and AR, Hansen and Sharpe, Briceno and Davoudi, Mai and Döring
- Differs by the choice of the cutoff on the spectator momentum  $\mathbf{k}$
- The spectrum is determined only by the on-shell input!

# Reduction of the quantization condition: the symmetries

- Symmetry in a finite volume: octahedral group  $O_h$ , including inversions (rest frame), little groups (moving frames)
- Reduction: an analog of the partial-wave expansion in a finite volume
- Analog for a sphere  $|\mathbf{k}| = \text{const}$  for a cube: *shells*

$$s = \left\{ \mathbf{k} : \mathbf{k} = g\mathbf{k}_0, \quad g \in O_h \right\}$$

- Each shell  $s$  is characterized by the *reference momentum*  $\mathbf{k}_0$
- Shells are counted by increasing  $|\mathbf{k}|$
- The momenta, unrelated by the  $O_h$ , but having  $|\mathbf{k}| = |\mathbf{k}'|$ , belong to the different shells

# The expansion in the basis of irreps

For an arbitrary function of the momentum  $\mathbf{p}$ , belonging to a shell  $s$ ,

$$f(\mathbf{p}) = f(g\mathbf{p}_0) = \sum_{\Gamma} \sum_{ij} T_{ij}^{(\Gamma)}(g) f_{ji}^{(\Gamma)}(\mathbf{p}_0), \quad \Gamma = A_1^{\pm}, A_2^{\pm}, E^{\pm}, T_1^{\pm}, T_2^{\pm}$$

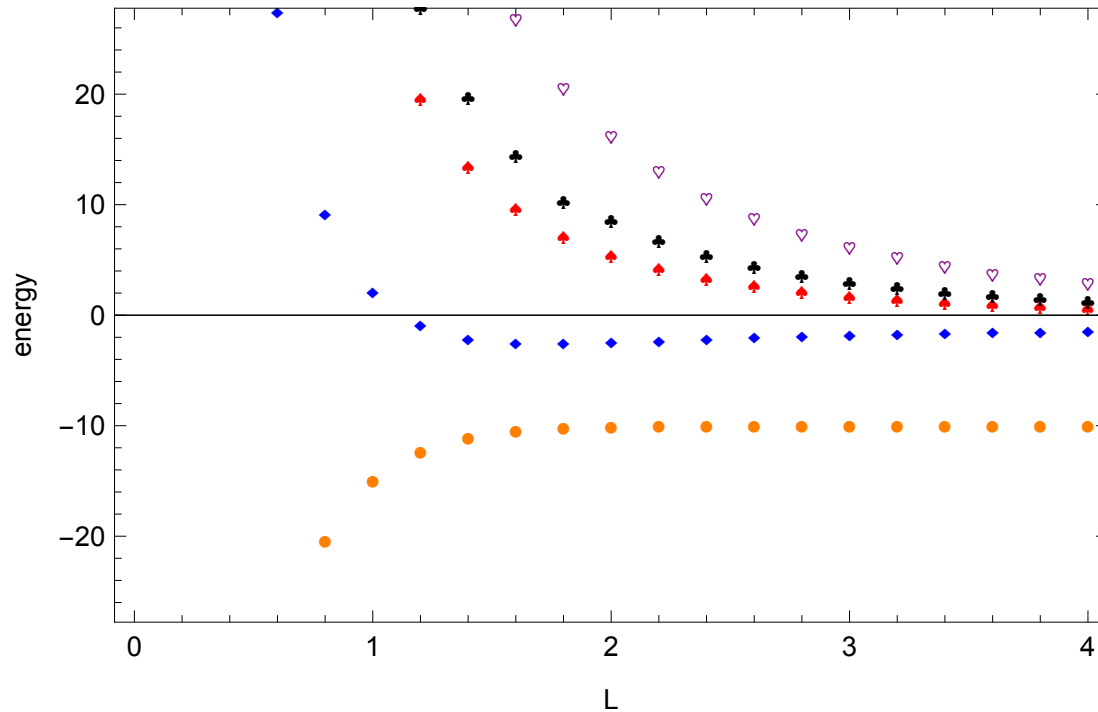
Projecting back the components:

$$\frac{G}{s_{\Gamma}} f_{ji}^{(\Gamma)}(\mathbf{p}_0) = \sum_{g \in O_h} (T_{ij}^{(\Gamma)}(g))^* f(g\mathbf{p}_0), \quad G = \dim(O_h) = 48$$

The quantization condition in the new basis partially diagonalizes

See more on this in J.-Y. Pang's talk!

# The finite-volume spectrum in the $A_1$ irrep, CM frame



- The spectrum both below and above the three-particle threshold is given



# Extraction of the three-body couplings from the lattice data

Two different scenarios:

- The three particle bound state exists
  - For a single  $L$ , the coupling  $H_0$  (at a given cutoff  $\Lambda$  and scattering length  $a$ ) can be fitted to the binding energy.
  - In order to determine higher-order couplings, more data points are necessary
- The three-particle bound states do not exist
  - The energy level displacements can be treated in perturbation theory, are known up to and including  $O(L^{-7})$ 
    - S.R. Beane, W. Detmold and M.J Savage, PRD 76 (2007) 074507;
    - W. Detmold and M.J. Savage, PRD 77 (2008) 057502;
    - S.R. Sharpe, PRD 96(2017) 054515
  - The leading-order shift of the ground state comes at  $O(L^{-3})$ . The coupling  $H_0$  contributes at  $O(L^{-6})$
  - *Consistency*: three-body couplings appear at higher orders in the perturbative expansion of the scattering amplitude

# 1. Energy shift of the three-particle bound state

Unitary limit  $a \rightarrow \infty$ : U.-G. Meißner, G. Rios and AR, PRL 114 (2015) 091602

See also M. T. Hansen and S. R. Sharpe, PRD 95 (2017) 034501

Using Poisson's formula. . .

$$\mathcal{M}_L(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) = Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) + 8\pi \int_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda} Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E) \hat{\tau}_L(\mathbf{k}; E) \mathcal{M}_L(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}; E)$$

$$\hat{\tau}_L(\mathbf{k}; E) = \frac{1 + \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} e^{iL\mathbf{n}\mathbf{k}}}{\tau^{-1}(\mathbf{k}; E) + \underbrace{\Delta_L(\mathbf{k}; E)}_{\text{zeta-function}}} = \tau(\mathbf{k}; E) + \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} e^{iL\mathbf{n}\mathbf{k}} \tau(\mathbf{k}; E) + \dots$$

$$\hookrightarrow \Delta E = 8\pi \int_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda} [\Psi(\mathbf{k})]^2 \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} e^{iL\mathbf{n}\mathbf{k}} \tau(\mathbf{k}; E) + \dots$$

# Normalization condition

$$-8\pi \int_{\mathbf{p}}^{\Lambda} [\Psi(\mathbf{p})]^2 \frac{\partial \tau(\mathbf{p}; E)}{\partial E} - (8\pi)^2 \int_{\mathbf{p}}^{\Lambda} \int_{\mathbf{q}}^{\Lambda} \Psi(\mathbf{p}) \tau(\mathbf{p}; E) \frac{\partial Z(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; E)}{\partial E} \tau(\mathbf{q}; E) \Psi(\mathbf{q}) = 1$$

Faddeev-Minlos solution:  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$  and  $H(\Lambda) = 0$ .

$$\Psi_0(p) = iN_0 \frac{\kappa}{p} \sin(s_0 u), \quad u = \ln \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \frac{p}{\kappa} + \sqrt{\frac{3p^2}{4\kappa^2} + 1} \right), \quad E = \frac{\kappa^2}{m}$$

Asymptotic normalization coefficient

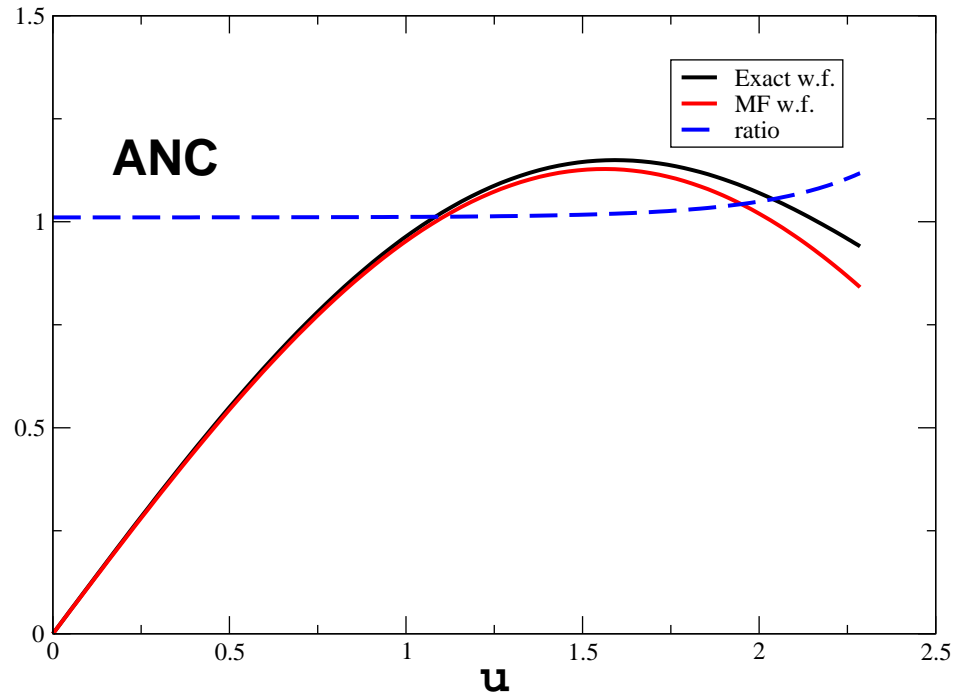
$$\mathcal{A} = \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \Psi(p) / \Psi_0(p)$$

No derivative couplings:  $\mathcal{A} = 1 + O(\kappa/\Lambda)$

Derivative couplings:  $\mathcal{A} \neq 1$

# Energy shift in the unitary limit

U.-G. Meißner, G. Rios and AR, PRL 114 (2015) 091602



$$\frac{\Delta E}{|E|} = c(\kappa L)^{-3/2} \mathcal{A}^2 \exp\left(-\frac{2\kappa L}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$\mathcal{A} = 1 + O(\kappa/\Lambda)$  in the absence of derivative couplings

# Going beyond unitary limit

$$\Delta E \propto \int_{\mathbf{p}}^{\Lambda} \frac{[\Psi(\mathbf{p})]^2 e^{iL\mathbf{n}\mathbf{p}}}{-a^{-1} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}\mathbf{p}^2 + \kappa^2}}, \quad |\mathbf{n}| = 1$$

$\Psi(\mathbf{p})$  is only weakly singular in the low-momentum region  $\rightarrow$  const.

$$\Delta E = \frac{\#}{aL} \exp\left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{\kappa^2 - \frac{1}{a^2}L}\right) + \frac{\#}{(\kappa L)^{3/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{2\kappa L}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + \dots$$

1. Lüscher equation, bound state of a particle and a dimer
2. Three-particle bound state in the unitary limit

## 2. Energy shift of the three-particle ground state

$$\Delta E_2 = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{mL^3} \left( 1 + \frac{c_1}{L} + \frac{c_2}{L^2} + \frac{c_3}{L^3} \right) + O(L^{-7})$$

$$\Delta E_3 = \frac{12\pi a}{mL^3} \left( 1 + \frac{d_1}{L} + \frac{d_2}{L^2} + \frac{\bar{d}_3}{L^3} \ln L + \frac{d_3}{L^3} \right) + O(L^{-7})$$

- The coupling  $d_3$  contains two-body contributions (scattering length, effective radius) as well as the three-body term
- Three-body contributions can be separated, if the many-body states (4,5,... particles) are included
- Multipion systems in lattice QCD has been considered  
S.R. Beane, W. Detmold, T.C. Luu, K. Orginos, M.J. Savage and A. Torok, PRL 100 (2008) 082004

# Energy shift in the $\varphi^4$ theory

F. Romero-Lopez, A. Rusetsky and C. Urbach, in preparation

$$S = \sum_x \left( -\kappa\mu(\varphi_x^* \varphi_{x+\mu} + c.c.) - \lambda(|\varphi_x|^2 - 1) + |\varphi_x|^2 \right)$$

- The calculations are performed for different values of  $L$
- For our choice of parameters  $\lambda$  and  $\kappa$ : perturbative, the phase shift does not exceed a few degrees
- Single particle mass: perfectly fits the one-loop expression:

$$M(L) - M = \text{const} \frac{K_1(ML)}{(ML)^{1/2}} \sim \text{const} \frac{\exp(-ML)}{(ML)^{3/2}}$$

- Extracting  $H_0$  at small  $L$ : does one have control over exponentially suppressed contributions?

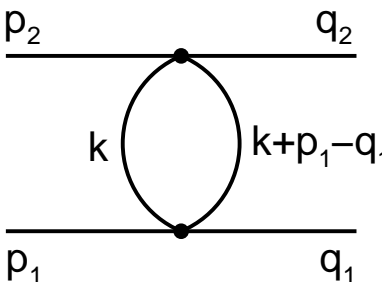
# Exponentially suppressed contributions: 2-body levels

Using quasi-potential reduction of the Bethe-Salpeter equation...

$$E_2 - 2M(L) = \frac{1}{L^3} T_L(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, E_2)$$

$$T_L = \bar{T}_L + \bar{T}_L(g'_L - g_\infty)T_L, \quad \bar{T}_L = V_L + V_L g_\infty \bar{T}_L$$

Leading exponentially suppressed term:



$$V_L - V_\infty \sim \frac{\exp(-ML)}{(ML)^{1/2}} \quad \hookrightarrow \quad E_2 - 2M(L) \Big|_{\text{exp}} \sim \frac{\exp(-ML)}{(ML)^{7/2}} + \dots$$

$\hookrightarrow$  The difference  $E_2 - 2M(L)$  already captures the leading exponentially suppressed contribution. The correction coming from the potential is suppressed by an additional factor  $L^{-2}$



# Preliminary results of simulations

- The single-particle mass  $M(L)$ , as well as two- and three-particle levels  $E_2$  and  $E_3$  have been measured for different values of  $L$  from  $L = 4$  until  $L = 24$ .
- The two-body scattering length  $a$  and the effective radius  $r$  have been extracted
- The three-body force has been extracted: **definitely** different from zero!

# Conclusions

- An EFT formalism in a finite volume is proposed to analyze the data in the three-particle sector
- The low-energy couplings  $H_0, H_2, \dots$  are fitted to the spectrum;  $S$ -matrix is obtained through the solution of equations
- A systematic approach: allows the inclusion of higher partial waves, derivative couplings, two  $\rightarrow$  three transitions, relativistic kinematics, . . .
- Equivalent to other known approaches, much easier to use!
- Reduction of the quantization condition is possible, according to the octahedral symmetry
- Extraction of the three-body couplings both in non-perturbative and perturbative regimes is discussed, backed by the lattice results in the  $\varphi^4$  theory

- Three-particle Lellouch-Lüscher formula
- Three-nucleon interactions: inclusion of the long-range forces
- Inclusion of relativistic effects, higher partial waves, spin, partial wave mixing, etc
- Full group-theoretical analysis of the three-particle equation in the rectangular box including moving frames and the higher partial waves