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Overview: We've introduced many threads in the first few days. All have connections - underlying themes - or else are foundations for upcoming topics.

- It will become more evident as we proceed
- So please be patient even if it seems incoherent at times!
- We need to develop in parallel so we can discuss impact

In this lecture:

- Follow up on three-body forces and aspects of the EFT example of pionless EFT, \Rightarrow tie these together
- Continue with implications of the more complex features of the NN force (like tensor, spin-orbit) and in the simplest bound system: the deuteron.

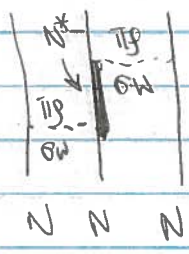
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• Continuation of 3-body force introduction...

• We discussed the examples of the Earth-Moon-Sun system and the interaction of neutral atoms as places where the low-energy theory has three-body forces.

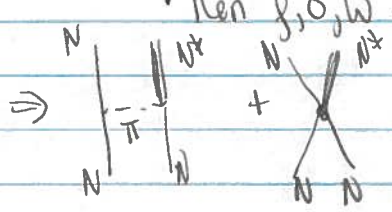
- The general feature is that three-body forces arise from the elimination of degrees of freedom
- if we included positions of individual masses or interactions between all electrons, then two-body only.
- eliminating base variables (degrees of freedom) in favor of collective coordinates (center-of-mass position) required three-body forces.

• So what about the nuclear case?



• In this diagram two nucleons exchange a boson, maybe a pion, maybe a heavier meson, exciting an N^* (excited state of nucleon) for a brief period.
 • N^* could mean a Δ , could mean something else.

• Suppose our theory had both N 's and N^* 's explicitly and mesons but no ρ, σ, ω (treated as heavy)



• then $\rho, \sigma, \omega \rightarrow$ expanded as contacts plus derivatives of contacts
 [cf. $(\frac{1}{k^2 + \mu^2}) \rightarrow C_0 + C_2(k^2 + k'^2) + C_4 k \cdot k' + \dots$]
 would be diagrams included in the low-energy theory, but no 3-body, because k, k' is two successive 2-body interactions.

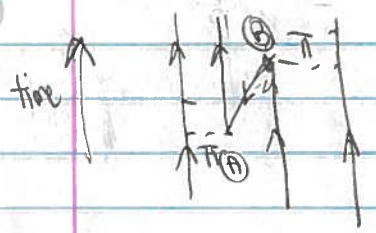
• But now, if we eliminate $N^* \Rightarrow$ \Rightarrow this is a 3-body force

• 3-body if can't be broken into successive two-body interactions

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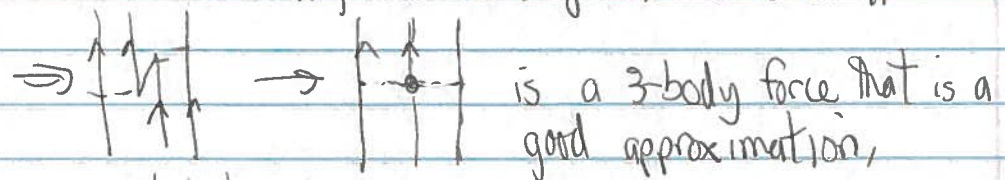
- When is it good to replace the N^* excitation? When we don't resolve that it was excited.
- By the uncertainty principle, if we excite by ΔE a virtual state, it can last for $\Delta t = \hbar/\Delta E$, which is short if ΔE is large \Rightarrow endpoints are close enough so they are not resolved \Rightarrow replace by contact + and derivatives
- So this is a danger if $M_\Delta - M_N \approx 300 \text{ MeV}$, then it will break down much sooner than for energy differences of 500-1000 MeV (such as heavier meson exchanges),
 - We will keep coming back to this!
 - Expansion parameter $Q/(M_\Delta - M_N)$ may be smaller than we want!

• How about a process like:



• So the idea is that a nucleon emits a pion that becomes a nucleon-anti-nucleon pair at (A). The anti-nucleon annihilates with a 2nd nucleon at (B) emitting a pion absorbed by a 3rd nucleon.

Class: • In the previous case, we had $\Delta E \geq M_\Delta - M_N$. What is it here?
 • Initially $3 \times m_N + \text{kinetic}$, in the middle an extra $2m_N$
 $\Rightarrow \Delta E \geq 2m_N$, which is large $\Rightarrow \Delta t$ is small

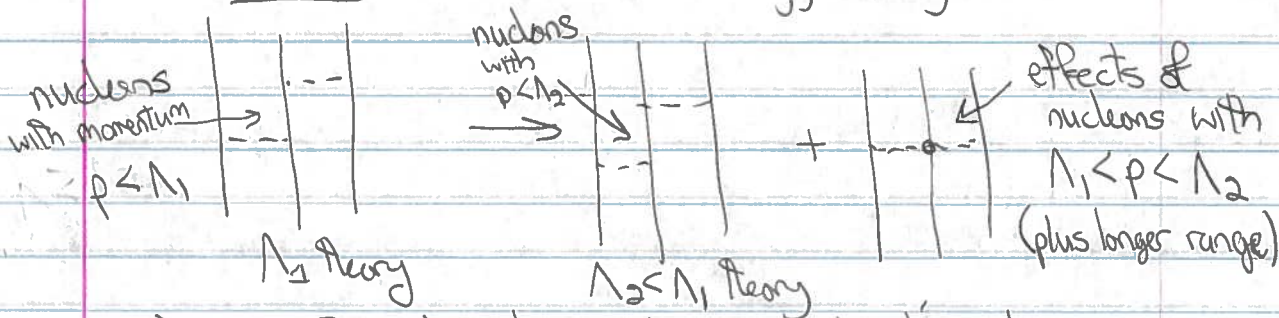


Important: may be good or bad, or incomplete models - maybe it requires quarks and gluons to describe. As long as contains all allowed (by symmetries) vertices, then we don't care - we will be model independent with our EFT!

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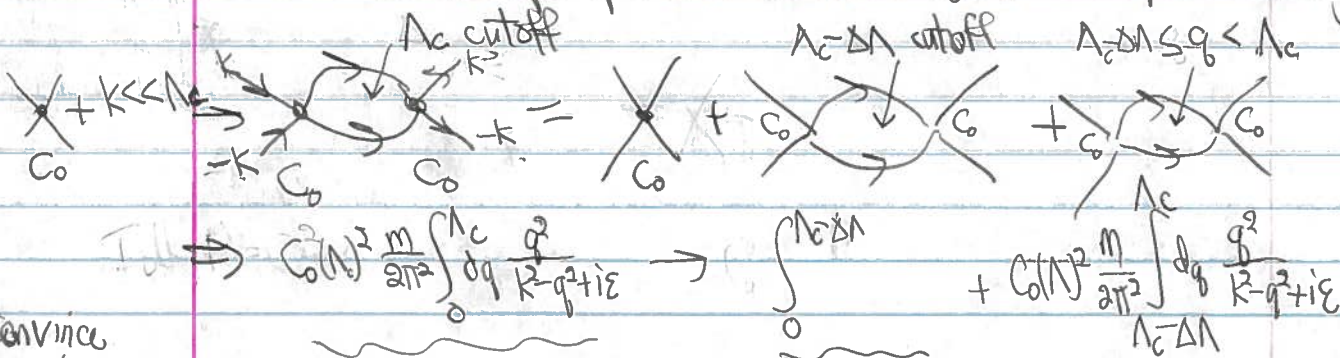
- Moral: whether we have a 3-body force or not and how large a contribution depends on our choice of degrees of freedom.

• But this includes when our cut off eliminates nucleons from our low-energy theory



⇒ even with just nucleons, two-body interactions become 3-body if we eliminate degrees of freedom (in this case by lowering Λ_c)

- This is the same principle as we had with $G_0(\Lambda)$ in the pionless theory:



$$i \Rightarrow C_0(N)^2 \frac{m}{2\pi^2} \int_0^{\Lambda_c} dq \frac{q^2}{k^2 - q^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow \int_0^{\Lambda_c - \Delta\Lambda} + C_0(N)^2 \frac{m}{2\pi^2} \int_{\Lambda_c - \Delta\Lambda}^{\Lambda_c} dq \frac{q^2}{k^2 - q^2 + i\epsilon}$$

Convince yourself!
same as uncertainty principle argument

But $k^2 \ll q^2$ in 2nd integral because $k \ll \Lambda_c - \Delta\Lambda \Rightarrow \frac{1}{k^2 - q^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow \frac{-1}{q^2} (1 + \frac{k^2}{q^2} + \dots)$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Lambda_c - \Delta\Lambda}^{\Lambda_c} dq^2 \frac{q^2}{k^2 - q^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow - \int_{\Lambda_c - \Delta\Lambda}^{\Lambda_c} dq^2 \frac{q^2}{q^2} + k^2 \int_{\Lambda_c - \Delta\Lambda}^{\Lambda_c} dq^2 \frac{q^2}{q^4} + \dots \approx -\Delta\Lambda (1 + O(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda_c^2}))$$

⇒ the contribution for $\Lambda_c - \Delta\Lambda < q < \Lambda_c$ looks mostly like a constant:

What if different regulator? Just factors!

⇒ Change C_0 to compensate $\Delta C_0 = C_0(\Lambda) \frac{m}{2\pi^2} (-\Delta\Lambda)$ or $\frac{d}{d\Lambda} C_0(\Lambda) = \frac{m}{2\pi^2} (C_0(\Lambda))^2$ which is the RG equation from Achim's lecture! (sign does work!) (sign does work: if $d\Lambda < 0$, then C_0 decreases ✓)

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- How do we estimate truncation errors?
 - cf. Feynman plots the a_0
 - need to know how big coefficients are.

• For the natural ($\rho_0 \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda} \Rightarrow k$) pionless theory ($\Lambda \sim m_\pi$) "breakdown scale"

reproduces: $= -\frac{4\pi a_0}{m} \left[1 - i a_0 k + \left(\frac{a_0^2}{2} - a_2 \right) k^2 \right] - \frac{4\pi a_2^2}{m} k^2 \cos \theta + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k^3}{\Lambda^3}\right)$

$c_0 = \frac{4\pi}{m} a_0 \sim \frac{4\pi}{m \Lambda}$, $c_2 = \frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{a_0^2}{2} \sim \frac{4\pi}{m^2 \Lambda^3}$, $c_4 = \frac{4\pi}{m} a_0^3 \sim \frac{4\pi}{m \Lambda^3}, \dots$

Power counting: diagrams contribute $i k^\nu$ where $\nu = 5 - \frac{3}{2}E + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+3n-5) V_{nl}$

where $\begin{cases} a_i = \# \text{ of derivatives} \\ n = 2 \text{ for 2-body term, } 3 \text{ for 3-body term, } \dots \\ E = \# \text{ external lines} \end{cases}$

[every extra k gets a $\frac{1}{\Lambda}$ $\Rightarrow c_{2i} \sim \frac{4\pi}{m} \left(\frac{1}{\Lambda}\right)^{2i+1}$, $D_{2i} \sim \frac{4\pi}{m} \left(\frac{1}{\Lambda}\right)^{2i+4}$ \leftarrow 3-body part!

\Rightarrow estimates of how big coefficients are
 \rightarrow just dimensional analysis with Λ as momentum or $\frac{1}{\text{length}}$
 "naive" \rightarrow only Λ and natural: remaining coefficient is close to 1.

• So even if we didn't determine c_2 and \times , we can estimate the contribution as $\frac{4\pi}{m} \frac{1}{\Lambda^3} k^2$ (since $a_i = 2$ derivatives).

\Rightarrow truncation error + we know that it will fail for $k \sim \Lambda$

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- In our pionless example we didn't mention spin, because we said the interaction was spin independent, but this doesn't mean spin doesn't play a role.

- Because the wave function must be antisymmetric, if the spin part is symmetric $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$, or $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$, then the wave function of two neutrons (isospin space symmetric, $T=1$) would vanish for separation $\vec{x} \equiv 0$ (antisymmetry) so the matrix element of $C_0 \delta^3(\vec{x})$ vanishes: $\langle \uparrow\uparrow | C_0 \delta^3(\vec{x}) | \uparrow\uparrow \rangle = 0$
- So we really need to keep track of the spins as well on the legs of X

• What about including spin, at leading order in the pionless EFT?

• Consider neutrons only. A general term consistent with symmetries is

$$V_{L0} = C_S + C_T \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2$$

so we might expect two s-wave scattering lengths.

in the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{L0} = \dots - \frac{1}{2} C_S (\psi^\dagger \psi)^2 - \frac{1}{3} C_T (\psi^\dagger \vec{\sigma} \psi)^2$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} C_S (\psi^\dagger_i \psi_i) (\psi^\dagger_j \psi_j) - \frac{1}{3} C_T (\psi^\dagger_i \sigma_{ij}^a \psi_j) (\psi^\dagger_k \sigma_{kl}^a \psi_l)$$

spin component
 $i, j, k, l = 1, 2$
 $a = 1, 2, 3$

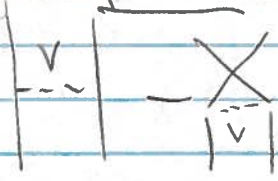
• If you did the Fierz rearrangement exercise, you would have found that these two terms are not independent \Rightarrow there is only one combination, again because of antisymmetry and contact interactions.

which \uparrow Pauli matrix

• In Achim's W1b notes, there is a nice alternative way to show this, which I'll repeat here.

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We can include antisymmetry in the potential by including the exchange term (with the appropriate minus sign)



$$\Rightarrow V_{\text{antisym}} = (1 - \hat{P}_{12})V$$

where \hat{P}_{12} is the exchange operator $\hat{P}_{12} = \hat{P}_{\vec{r} \leftrightarrow \vec{r}'} \hat{P}_{\text{spin}}$

and $\hat{P}_{\text{spin}} = \frac{1 + \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2}{2}$ (if you've never seen this, act with \hat{P}_{spin} on spin wfs to verify)

$$\Rightarrow V_{\text{antisym}} = (1 - \hat{P}_{\text{spin}})(C_S + C_T \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2) \quad (\text{no } \vec{r}, \vec{r}')$$

use $(\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2)^2 = 3 - 2\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [C_S - 3C_T + (3C_T - C_S) \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2] = \begin{cases} 0 & S=1 \text{ as before from Pauli} \\ 2(C_S - 3C_T), & S=0 \end{cases}$$

- So only choices of C_S, C_T for which $C_S - 3C_T$ is the same will give the same result \Rightarrow only one independent constant.
- Your choice, e.g. $C_T = 0$. So what we had with $C_S = C_0$ was actually general at LO for neutrons only! Also, one scattering length.

• Now with spin and isospin: $\mathbb{1}, \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2, \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2, \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2$, antisymmetry says only 2 independent. Choose which! (Fierz ambiguity)

Conventional choice: $V_{NN}^{LO} = C_S + C_T \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2$

see Alex tomorrow!

At NLO, 14 possible, but only 7 linearly independent. Usual choice:

$$V_{NN}^{NLO} = C_2 \frac{1}{2} (\vec{k} + \vec{k}')^2 + C_3 \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}' + C_4 \frac{1}{2} (\vec{k} + \vec{k}')^2 \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 + C_5 \vec{k} \cdot \vec{k}' \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 + i C_6^{LS} (\vec{\sigma}_1 + \vec{\sigma}_2) \cdot (\vec{k} \times \vec{k}') \rightarrow \text{spin-orbit interaction (Exercise)}$$

$$+ C_7^T \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot (\vec{k} - \vec{k}') \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot (\vec{k} - \vec{k}') + C_8^T \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot (\vec{k} + \vec{k}') \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot (\vec{k} + \vec{k}') \rightarrow \text{lead to tensor interaction}$$

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- Where does the tensor interaction in pionless EFT come from?
 - One source is the pion, and the pion tensor interaction has important effects on nuclear structure.

Let's do a quick derivation of the one-pion exchange potential starting from the interacting Hamiltonian density

$$\mathcal{H}_{int} = \frac{g_A}{2F_\pi} N^\dagger \overrightarrow{\sigma} \cdot (\overrightarrow{\nabla} \overrightarrow{\pi}) N$$

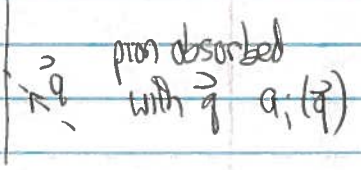
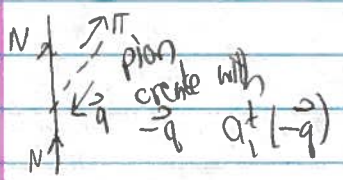
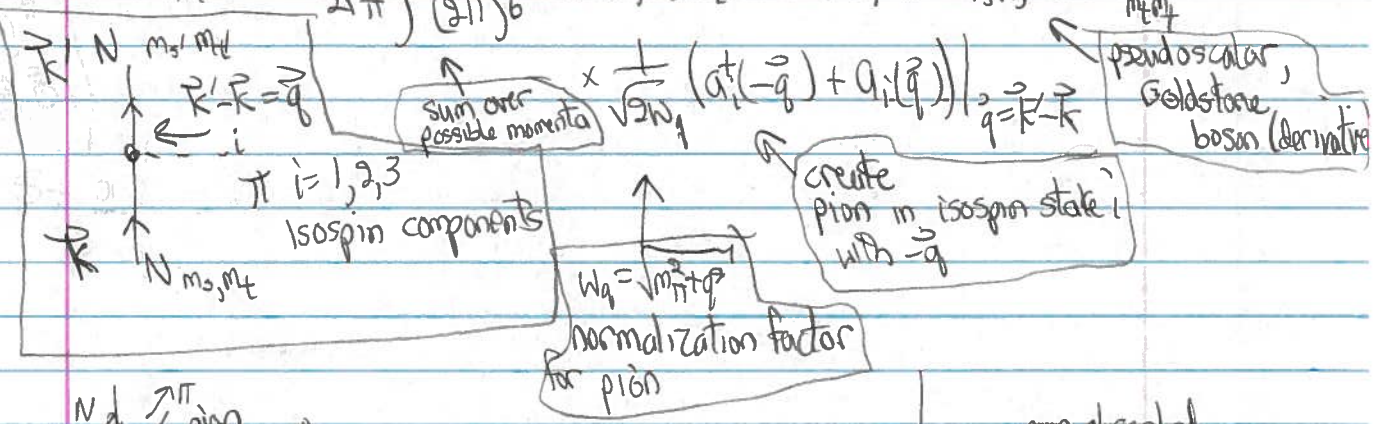
$\overrightarrow{\nabla} \overrightarrow{\pi}$ \leftarrow 2x2 matrix in isospin
 $\overrightarrow{\sigma}$ \leftarrow 2x2 matrix in spin

(lots of hidden indices!)

In 2nd quantized form

$$\hat{H}_{int} = -i \frac{g_A}{2F_\pi} \int \frac{d^3k d^3k'}{(2\pi)^6} b^\dagger(k', m'_s, m'_t) b(k, m_s, m_t) \overrightarrow{\sigma}_{m'_s m'_t} \cdot \overrightarrow{q}(\mathbf{r})^i$$

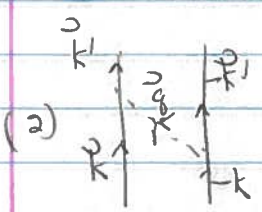
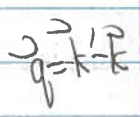
$g_A \approx 1.27$
 $F_\pi \approx 92.4 \text{ MeV}$



Time-ordered perturbation theory (2nd order)

$$\langle \mathbf{k}' | V_{OPE}^{(1)} | \mathbf{k} \rangle = \sum_{\text{pion}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{k}' | \hat{H}_{int} | n \rangle \langle n | \hat{H}_{int} | \mathbf{k} \rangle}{E_i - E_n} = -\frac{1}{\omega_q} \left(-i \frac{g_A}{2F_\pi} \right)^2 \overrightarrow{\sigma}_1 \cdot \overrightarrow{q} \frac{1}{2\omega_q} \overrightarrow{\sigma}_2 \cdot (-\overrightarrow{q}) \overrightarrow{\tau}_1 \cdot \overrightarrow{\tau}_2$$

\leftarrow same with $\overrightarrow{\sigma}_2 \cdot (-\overrightarrow{q}) \overrightarrow{\sigma}_1 \cdot \overrightarrow{q}$



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Putting it together, class: so this is a local potential (any particle exchange at long distance)

$$V_{\text{OPE}}(\vec{k}', \vec{k}) = V_{\text{OPE}}(\vec{q} = \vec{k} - \vec{k}') \quad (1) + (2)$$

$$= -\frac{g_A^2}{(2F_\pi)^2} \vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q} \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q} \frac{2}{2W_q} \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2$$

$$= -\frac{g_A^2}{4F_\pi^2} \frac{\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q} \vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q}}{q^2 + m_\pi^2} \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2$$

In the exercises for today, you carry out the Fourier transform

showing $\int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{q^2 + m_\pi^2} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} = \frac{1}{4\pi r} e^{-m_\pi r}$ (standard, but remind yourself)

and then evaluating the derivatives in $\vec{\sigma}_i \cdot \vec{q}$. The bottom line is

$$V_{\text{OPE}}(\vec{r}) = \frac{m_\pi^3}{12\pi} \left(\frac{g_A}{2F_\pi}\right)^2 \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 \left[3T(r)S_{12}(\hat{r}) + Y(r)\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 \right]$$

where $T(r) = \frac{e^{-m_\pi r}}{m_\pi r} \left(1 + \frac{3}{m_\pi r} + \frac{3}{(m_\pi r)^2} \right)$ ← singular $\frac{1}{r^3}$!

$$Y(r) = \frac{e^{-m_\pi r}}{m_\pi r}$$

and $S_{12}(\hat{r}) = \left[(\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \hat{r})(\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \hat{r}) - \frac{1}{3}\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{\sigma}_2 \right]$.

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Let's talk a bit about the impact of the tensor force on NN bound states.

- nn and pp have no bound states
- np has one shallow bound state (large scattering length!)
 \Rightarrow deuteron $T=0$
- What's special about $T=0$?

• Deuteron properties: (measured!)

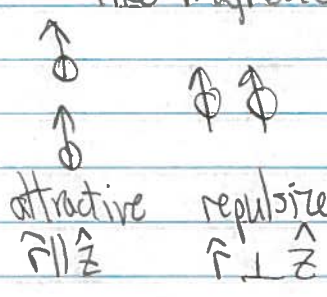
- binding energy $-2.224575(9)$ MeV small!
- \Rightarrow rms radius $\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle} = 1.9752(1)$ fm large! (large tail)
- $J^P = 1^+$ (angular momentum 1, parity +)
- isospin $T=0, M_T=0$ (np)
- electric quadrupole moment $Q_d = 0.2859(3) e \text{ fm}^2 > 0$

- Two spin $1/2$ nucleons $\Rightarrow S=0,1$ $J-1 < L < J+1 \Rightarrow L=0,1,2$
- parity + $\Rightarrow L=0,2 \Rightarrow$ space symmetric so $S=1$
- So ${}^3S_1, {}^3D_1$ possible
- Expect 3S_1 energetically but $Q_d \neq 0 \Rightarrow L=2$ admixture
 \Rightarrow tensor force mixes ${}^3S_1, {}^3D_1$ (recall T1b)
- Attractive tensor \Rightarrow extra binding (cf. nn)

• Is attractive tensor in $T=0$ consistent with $Q_d > 0$?

• like magnetic dipole-dipole

see slides $\hat{z} \uparrow$



$\hat{Q} = e(3z^2 - r^2) = e r^2 (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1) \Rightarrow Q_d > 0 \Rightarrow \langle z^2 \rangle > \langle x^2 \rangle, \langle y^2 \rangle$

• like spins ($m_s = \pm 1$) prefer to be oriented head to tail
 \Rightarrow prolate $\Rightarrow Q_d > 0$

[note $Q_d = \langle \psi, m=J | \hat{Q} | \psi, m=J \rangle$]

• unlike spins ($m_s = 0$) prefer side-by-side configuration

• Wave functions: S-wave $u(r)$, D-wave $w(r)$ parts

$u(r) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} A_s e^{-\gamma r}$

$w(r) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} \eta_d A_s \left(1 + \frac{3}{\gamma r} + \frac{3}{(\gamma r)^2} \right) e^{-\gamma r}$

$\gamma = \sqrt{2E_d}$ binding momentum } measurable

η_d and A_s asymptotic normalizations