

Hadronic parity violation in few-nucleon systems

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Theory Needs of Next-Decade Experiments
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Introduction

Parity-violating NN interactions

Two-nucleon systems

Three-nucleon systems

Few-nucleon systems

Conclusion & Outlook

Hadronic parity violation

- Parity-violating component in hadronic interactions
- Relative strength for NN case: $\sim G_F m_\pi^2 \approx 10^{-7}$
- Origin: weak interaction between quarks
 - W, Z exchange
 - Range ~ 0.002 fm
 - How manifested for quarks confined in nucleon?
- Interplay of weak and nonperturbative strong interactions

Motivation

- Weak neutral current in hadron sector
- Probe of strong interactions
 - Weak interactions short-ranged
 - Sensitive to quark-quark correlations inside nucleon
 - No need for high-energy probe
 - “Inside-out probe”
- Isospin dependence of interaction strengths?
→ $\Delta I = 1/2$ puzzle (strangeness-changing)?

Observables

Isolate PV effects through pseudoscalar observables ($\sigma \cdot p$)

- Interference between PC and PV amplitudes
- Longitudinal asymmetries
- Angular asymmetries
- γ circular polarization
- Spin rotation
- Anapole moment

Complex nuclei

- Enhancement up to 10% effect (^{139}La)
- Theoretically difficult

Two-nucleon system

- $\vec{p}p$ scattering (Bonn, PSI, TRIUMF, LANL)
- $\vec{n}p \rightarrow d\gamma$ (SNS, LANSCE, Grenoble)
- $d\vec{\gamma} \leftrightarrow np?$ (HIGS2?)
- $\vec{n}p$ spin rotation?

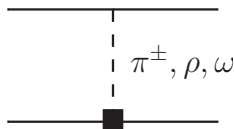
Few-nucleon systems

- $\vec{n}\alpha$ spin rotation (NIST)
- $\vec{p}\alpha$ scattering (PSI)
- ${}^3\text{He}(\vec{n}, p){}^3\text{H}$ (SNS)
- $\vec{n}d \rightarrow t\gamma$ (SNS?)
- $\vec{\gamma}{}^3\text{He} \rightarrow pd?$
- $\vec{n}d$ spin rotation?

PV potential

DDH model

- Single-meson exchange (π^\pm, ρ, ω) between two nucleons with one strong and one weak vertex



- Weak interaction encoded in PV meson-nucleon couplings
- Estimate 6 (7) weak couplings (quark models, symmetries)
⇒ ranges and “best values/guesses”
- Combined with variety of PC potentials
- Extensions to include two-pion exchange, Δ, \dots

Experimental prospects

Ongoing and planned experiments

- High-intensity neutron & photon sources
- Cold neutrons
- Few-nucleon systems

EFT($\not\propto$)

- Suited for low-energy processes
- Model independent
- Consistent treatment of PC + PV interactions + currents

Pionless EFT

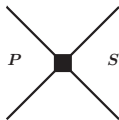
Applications in $A = 2 - 6$

- Two nucleons
 - $np \rightarrow d\gamma$
 - ...
- Three nucleons
 - nd scattering
 - $nd \rightarrow t\gamma$
 - ${}^3\text{H}$ and ${}^3\text{He}$ binding energies
 - ${}^3\text{H}$ charge radius
 - ...

- Four+ nucleons
 - Ground, 1st excited state of ${}^4\text{He}$
 - $n^3\text{H}$, $n^3\text{He}$, $p^3\text{He}$ scattering lengths
 - ${}^3\text{H} - a(n^3\text{He})$ correlation
 - ${}^6\text{Li}$ ground state

Parity violation in EFT(π)

- Nucleon contact terms
- Parity determined by orbital angular momentum L : $(-1)^L$
- Simplest parity-violating interaction: $L \rightarrow L \pm 1$
- Leading order: $S - P$ wave transitions



- Spin, isospin: 5 different combinations

Lowest-order parity-violating Lagrangian

Partial wave basis

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{PV} = & - \left[g^{(3S_1-1P_1)} d_t^{i\dagger} \left(N^T \sigma_2 \tau_2 i \overleftrightarrow{D}_i N \right) \right. \\ & + g_{(\Delta I=0)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} d_s^{A\dagger} \left(N^T \sigma_2 \vec{\sigma} \cdot \tau_2 \tau_A i \overleftrightarrow{D} N \right) \\ & + g_{(\Delta I=1)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} \epsilon^{3AB} d_s^{A\dagger} \left(N^T \sigma_2 \vec{\sigma} \cdot \tau_2 \tau^B i \overleftrightarrow{D} N \right) \\ & + g_{(\Delta I=2)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} \mathcal{I}^{AB} d_s^{A\dagger} \left(N^T \sigma_2 \vec{\sigma} \cdot \tau_2 \tau^B i \overleftrightarrow{D} N \right) \\ & \left. + g^{(3S_1-3P_1)} \epsilon^{ijk} d_t^{i\dagger} \left(N^T \sigma_2 \sigma^k \tau_2 \tau_3 i \overleftrightarrow{D}^j N \right) \right] + \text{h.c.}\end{aligned}$$

- Need 5 experimental results to determine LECs

$\vec{N}N$ in EFT(π)

- Polarized beam on unpolarized target

$$\begin{aligned} A_L^{pp/nn} &= \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-} \\ &= -\sqrt{\frac{32M}{\pi}} p \left(g_{(\Delta I=0)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} \pm g_{(\Delta I=1)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} + g_{(\Delta I=2)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Coulomb effects $\sim 3\%$ at 13.6 MeV

$\vec{n}p$ spin rotation

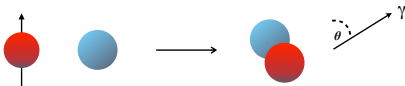
- Transmission of perpendicularly polarized beam

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left. \frac{d\phi_{PV}^{np}}{dL} \right|_{\text{LO+NLO}} = \left\{ [9.0 \pm 0.9] \left(2g^{(3S_1-3P_1)} + g^{(3S_1-1P_1)} \right) - [37.0 \pm 3.7] \left(g_{(\Delta I=0)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} - 2g_{(\Delta I=2)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} \right) \right\} \text{rad MeV}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

- Estimate

$$\left| \frac{d\phi_{PV}^{np}}{dL} \right| \approx [10^{-7} \dots 10^{-6}] \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{m}}$$

$$\vec{n}p \rightarrow d\gamma$$



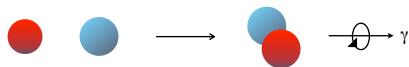
- Polarized neutron capture

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta} = 1 + A_\gamma \cos\theta$$

$$A_\gamma = \frac{4}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{M_2^3}{\kappa_1 (1 - \gamma a^1 S_0)} g^{(3S_1 - 3P_1)}$$

- NPDGamma @ SNS
- Related to deuteron anapole moment through $C^{(3S_1 - 3P_1)}$

Circular polarization in $np \rightarrow d\vec{\gamma}$



- Circular polarization

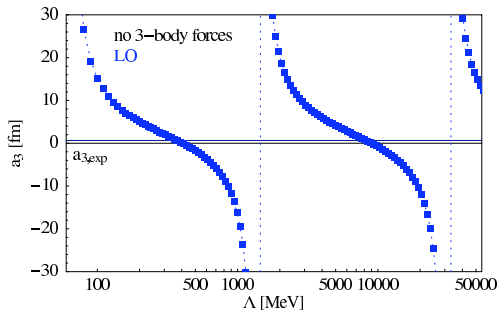
$$P_{\gamma} = \frac{\sigma_{+} - \sigma_{-}}{\sigma_{+} + \sigma_{-}}$$
$$\sim c_1 g^{(3S_1-1P_1)} + c_2 \left(g_{(\Delta I=0)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} - 2g_{(\Delta I=2)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} \right)$$

- Information complementary to $\vec{n}p \rightarrow d\gamma$
- Experimental result $P_{\gamma} = (1.8 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-7}$
- Related to A_L^{γ} in $\vec{\gamma}d \rightarrow np$:

Measure at upgraded HIGS facility?

Three-nucleon interaction

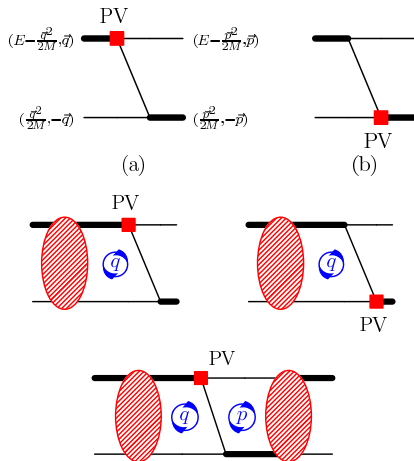
- Two-body information insufficient to determine PV LECs
- Require PV three- and few-body observables
- nd scattering in ${}^2S_{\frac{1}{2}}$ channel: scattering length a_3 vs cutoff



- Three-body counterterm at **leading** order
- PV three-body operators? Additional experimental input?

PV $\vec{n}d$ scattering

- $\vec{n}d$ scattering with one PV insertion
- Tree-level, “one-loop,” “two-loop” diagrams:



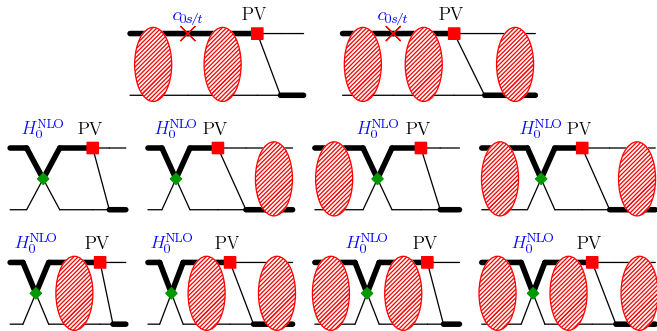
PV three-nucleon interactions

Analyze PV $\vec{n}d$ scattering

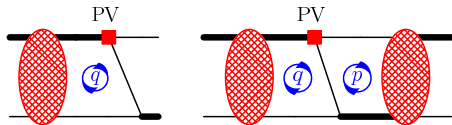
- Leading order
 - Asymptotic PC amplitude \Rightarrow possible divergence
 - Angular integration vanishes
 - No PV 3N interaction at LO
- Next-to-leading order
 - Analyze spin-isospin structure of possible divergences
 - Do not match possible NLO 3N operator structures
 - No PV 3N interaction at NLO
- Verified numerically

PV $\vec{n}d$ scattering at NLO

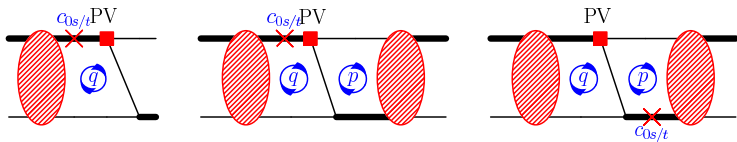
- NLO diagrams: “Class I”



- Reformulation in “partially resummed” formalism



- NLO diagrams: “Class II”



Neutron-deuteron spin rotation at NLO

- Spin-rotation angle

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d\phi_{PV}^{nd}}{dL} = \left([16.0 \pm 1.6] g^{(3S_1-1P_1)} - [36.6 \pm 3.7] g^{(3S_1-3P_1)} \right. \\ \left. + [4.6 \pm 1.0] \left(3g_{(\Delta I=0)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} - 2g_{(\Delta I=1)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} \right) \right) \text{rad MeV}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

- Estimate

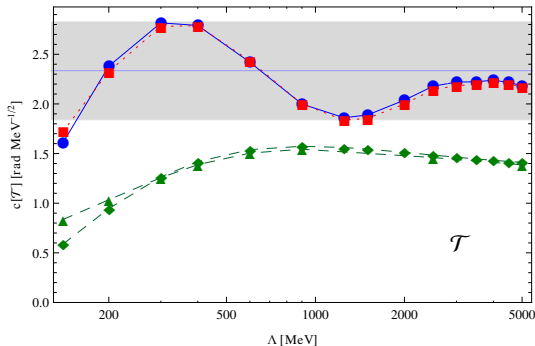
$$\left| \frac{d\phi_{PV}^{nd}}{dL} \right| \approx [10^{-7} \dots 10^{-6}] \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{m}}$$

Error estimate

Determine theoretical error

- $N^2LO \sim Q^2 \approx 0.1$
- Cutoff dependence of coefficients of

$$\mathcal{T} = 3g_{(\Delta l=0)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)} - 2g_{(\Delta l=1)}^{(1S_0-3P_0)}$$



- Maps out higher-order contributions

Hybrid calculations: nd spin rotation

Hybrid

- AV18+UIX
- PV potential derived from EFT($\not{\chi}$)
- Regulator $\frac{\mu_P^2}{4\pi r} e^{-\mu_P r}$
- Suggested value: $\mu_P = 138$ MeV
- $\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d\phi}{dI} = \sum c_n I_n$
- PV couplings c_n taken scale-independent

Consistent EFT($\not{\chi}$) calculation

- Observable scale-independent
- Scale-dependent couplings
- Translate in couplings c_n

Translated values for I_n ($[\mu_p, \mu] = \text{MeV}$)

	Hybrid	Translated				
n	$\mu_p = 138$	$\mu = 100$	$\mu = 125$	$\mu = 138$	$\mu = 170$	$\mu = 200$
1	63.2	85.0	118.4	136	178	219
4	57.8	42.4	52.2	57.3	69.8	81.5
8	-75.2	-53.2	-68.9	-77.1	-97.3	-116
9	-6.11	-10.4	-9.33	-8.77	-7.40	-6.12

Few-body systems

$\vec{n}^3\text{He} \rightarrow p^3\text{H} (\vec{\sigma}_n \cdot \vec{p}_p)$

- Parity-conserving: AV18+UIX/N³LO+N²LO
- Parity-violating: DDH/EFT($\not{\pi}$)
- DDH: dependence on PC potential
- EFT($\not{\pi}$): dependence on PC potential + scale dependence
- Planned at SNS > 2014

$\vec{p}\alpha$ scattering ($\vec{\sigma}_p \cdot \vec{p}_p$)

- DDH + simple model
- No calculation in terms of NN interactions
- Measured at 46 MeV (PSI)

$\vec{n}^4\text{He}$ spin rotation

- DDH + simple model
- No calculation in terms of NN interactions
- DDH preferred ranges

$$-1.6 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{m}} < \frac{d\phi}{dl} < 1.2 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{m}}$$

- Measured at NIST

$$\frac{d\phi}{dl} = [+1.7 \pm 9.1 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.4 \text{ (sys.)}] \times 10^{-7} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{m}}$$

- Plans to improve statistics

Light nuclei

- Possible to measure PV in
 - ${}^6\text{Li}(n, \alpha){}^3\text{H}$
 - ${}^{10}\text{B}(n, \alpha){}^7\text{Li}$
 - ${}^{10}\text{B}(n, \alpha){}^7\text{Li}^* \rightarrow {}^7\text{Li} + \gamma$
- No *ab initio* calculations

Conclusion & Outlook

- Interplay of strong and weak interaction
- Unique probe of nonperturbative strong interactions
- High-intensity sources
 - Low energies
 - Few-nucleon systems
- EFT ideally suited
- Consistent calculations in few-nucleon systems required
- Lattice QCD