

# Progress Towards Understanding the H-dibaryon from Lattice QCD

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- Motivation for studying the H-dibaryon
- Overview of recent results from the Mainz group
  - $N_f = 2$  CLS ensembles with quenched strange quark
  - Operator construction
  - Use of Distillation
- Preliminary results on  $N_f = 2 + 1$  CLS ensembles
- Future work

# Motivation

- In 1977, Jaffe predicts deeply bound dibaryon with quark content  $uuddss$ ,  $J = 0$ ,  $I = 0$
- Conclusive experimental evidence for such a state is still lacking
- Early quenched calculations disagree on existence of such a bound state
- More recent results with dynamical quarks from NPLQCD and HAL QCD disagree on the binding energy for  $m_\pi \approx 800$  MeV

# The Mainz Dibaryon Project

- In collaboration with:  
A. Francis, J. Green, P. Junnarkar, H. Wittig
- Recent results on  $N_f = 2$  CLS ensembles with quenched strange quark (arXiv:1805.03966)
  - Main focus on two ensembles with  $a = 0.0658$  fm and  $L = 2.1$  fm
    - E1:  $m_\pi = 960$  MeV, quenched  $m_s = m_{u,d}$
    - E5:  $m_\pi = 440$  MeV, quenched  $m_s \approx m_s^{\text{phys}}$
  - Uses smeared point sources and Distillation
  - Finite volume analysis
- Recent extensions to  $N_f = 3$

# Interpolating Operators

- Hexaquark operators inspired by Jaffe's bag model prediction:

$$[rstuvw] = \epsilon_{ijk}\epsilon_{lmn}(s^i C\gamma_5 P_+ t^j)(v^l C\gamma_5 P_+ w^m)(r^k C\gamma_5 P_+ u^n)$$

- Can form singlet  $H^1$  and 27-plet  $H^{27}$  flavor combinations
- Two-baryon operators:
  - Momentum-projected single-baryon operators

$$B_\alpha(\mathbf{p}, t)[rst] = \sum_x e^{-i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \epsilon_{abc}(s^a C\gamma_5 P_+ t^b)r_\alpha^c$$

- Form spin-zero and spin-one operators

$$[B_1 B_2]_0(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) = B^{(1)}(\mathbf{p}_1) C\gamma_5 P_+ B^{(2)}(\mathbf{p}_2)$$

$$[B_1 B_2]_i(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2) = B^{(1)}(\mathbf{p}_1) C\gamma_i P_+ B^{(2)}(\mathbf{p}_2)$$

- Form  $SU(3)$  flavor operators from  $\Lambda\Lambda$ ,  $\Sigma\Sigma$ , and  $N\Xi$

# Rotational Properties of Operators

- Python package using SymPy library to determine rotation properties
- Can very simply construct needed operators:

```
u = QuarkField.create('u')
a = ColorIdx('a')
i = DiracIdx('i')
...
Delta = Eijk(a,b,c) * u[a,i] * u[b,j] * u[c,k]
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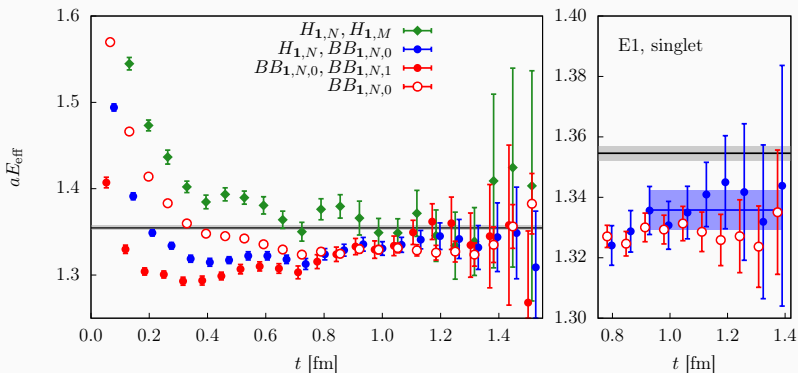
- Project to definite momentum, and determine Little Group

```
delta_ops = Operator(Delta, P([0,0,1]))
delta_op_rep = OperatorRepresentation(*delta_ops)
delta_op_rep.littleGroupContents()
# output: 6 G1 + 4 G2
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- Supports multi-particle operators

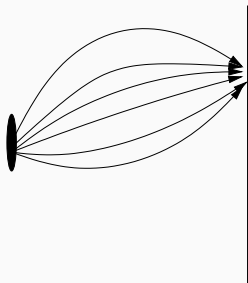
# Ground State for Singlet Channel on $E1$ ( $SU(3)$ Symmetric)

- Legend indicates sink operators
- Hexaquark operators noisier and slower ground-state saturation

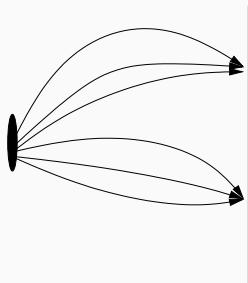


# Adding Distillation to the Mix

- Use of point sources requires local operators at the source
- Leads to non-Hermitian correlator matrices



$$\langle H(t)H^\dagger(0) \rangle$$



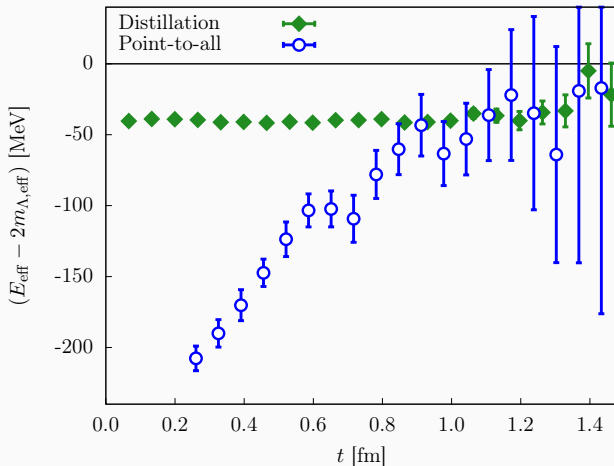
$$\langle BB(t)H^\dagger(0) \rangle$$

- Add use of timeslice-to-all method



# Distillation vs. Smeared Point Sources

- Ensemble E1, ground state in singlet channel
- Better quality data at lower cost



# Finite Volume Analysis - Lüscher Method

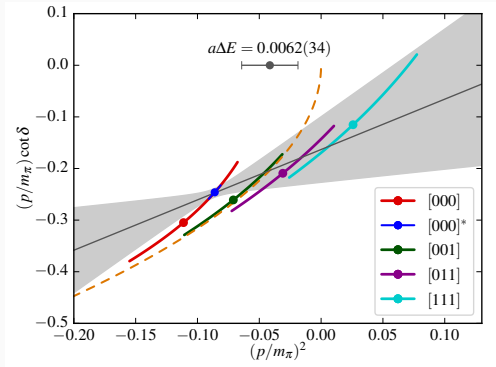
- S-wave scattering phase shift:

$$p \cot \delta_0(p) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi} L \gamma} \mathcal{Z}_{00}^{\mathbf{P}}(1, q^2), \quad q = \frac{pL}{2\pi}, \quad p^2 = \frac{1}{4}(E^2 - \mathbf{P}^2) - m_\Lambda^2$$

- Pole below threshold indicates a bound state

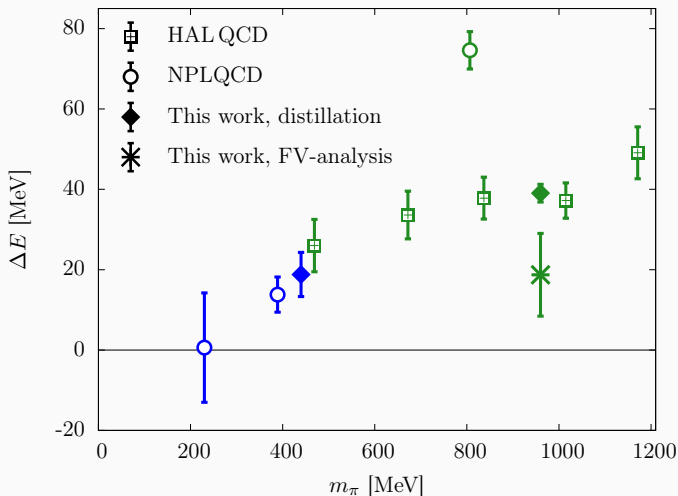
$$\mathcal{A} \propto \frac{1}{p \cot \delta_0(p) - ip}$$

$$\Rightarrow p \cot \delta_0(p) = -\sqrt{-p^2}$$



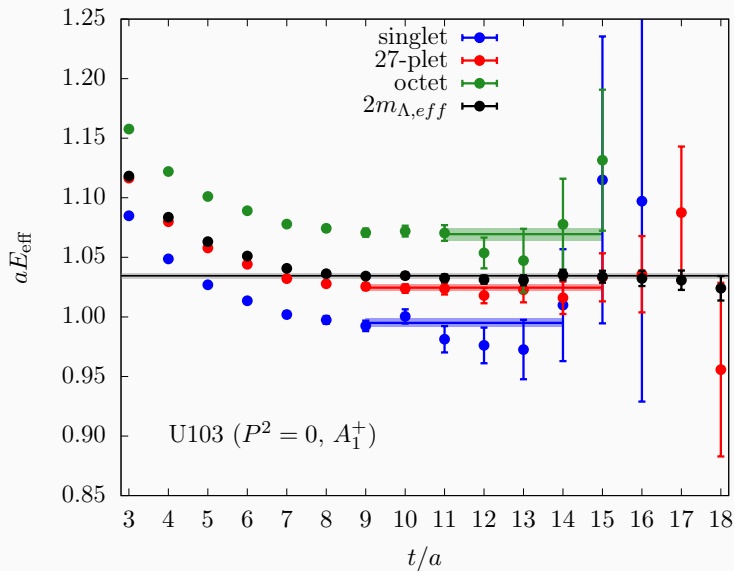
# Comparison to Other Collaborations

- Green are  $SU(3)$ -symmetric, and blue are  $SU(3)$  broken

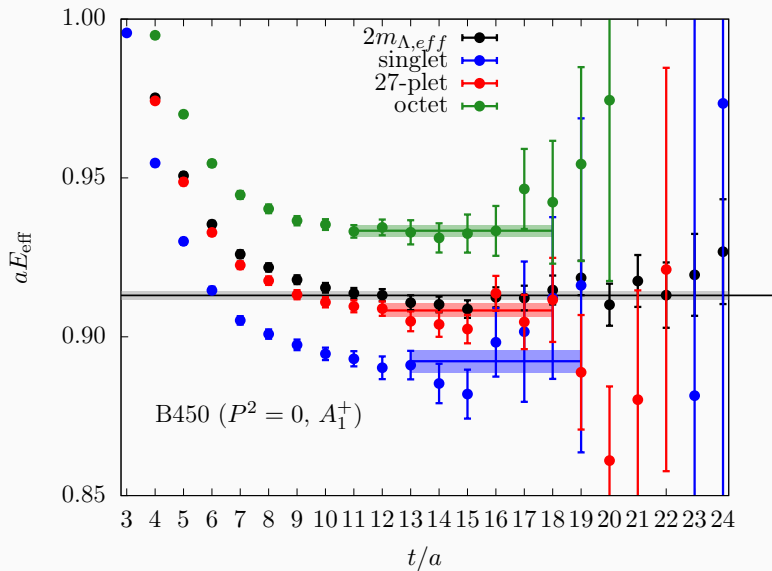


- Beginning extensions to CLS ensembles with  $N_f = 2 + 1$   $O(a)$ -improved Wilson fermions
- Initial results for the  $SU(3)$ -symmetric point,  $m_\pi = m_K \approx 420 \text{ MeV}$ 
  - U103 -  $\beta = 3.40$ ,  $24^3 \times 128$ , open BCs
  - H101 -  $\beta = 3.40$ ,  $32^3 \times 96$ , open BCs
  - B450 -  $\beta = 3.46$ ,  $32^3 \times 64$ , periodic BCs

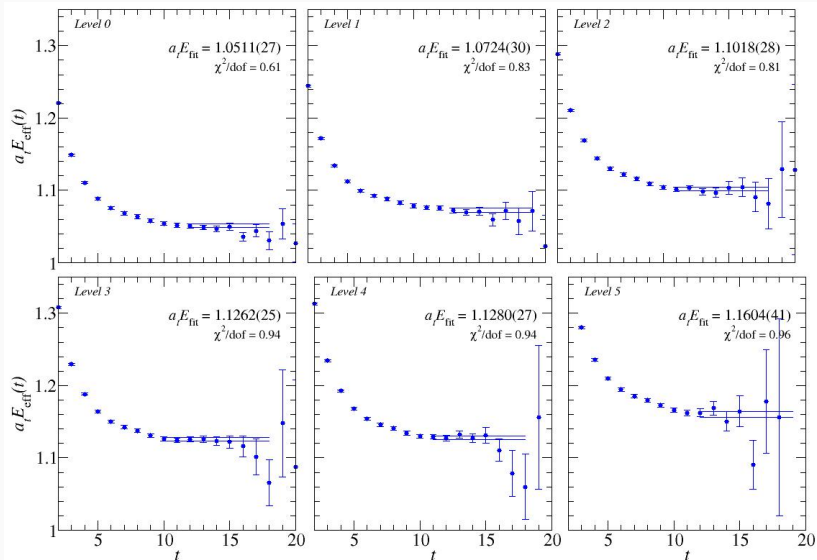
# U103: $P^2 = 0$ , $A_1^+$ irrep



# B450: $P^2 = 0$ , $A_1^+$ irrep



# H101: $SU(3)$ octet, $P^2 = 1$ , $A_1$ irrep



# Summary and Outlook

- Results for  $N_f = 2$  ensembles shown
- Distillation substantially improves quality of data

## Future Work

- Finalize  $N_f = 3$  results
- Include  $SU(3)$  broken ensembles
  - Coupled channels ( $\Lambda\Lambda$ ,  $N\Xi$ ,  $\Sigma\Sigma$ )
- Extensions to more ensembles
  - Cost scales as  $N_{LapH}^4$
  - $N_{LapH}$  scales as  $L^3$  for constant smearing radius
  - Investigate stochastic LapH



# Questions?