

π NN system at low energies

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Pion reactions on few nucleon systems.

- ▶ non-trivial tests of ChPT

- * $\pi A \rightarrow \pi A, \gamma d \rightarrow \pi NN, \pi d \rightarrow \gamma NN, \dots$ low-momentum transfer

- * $NN \rightarrow NN\pi$ large-momentum transfer

- ▶ Low-energy reactions are connected by chiral symmetry

Examples:

- * $NN \rightarrow NN\pi$ allows for determination of LEC $(N\bar{N})^2\pi$

- \implies contributes also to

- few-body forces, weak reactions, pion photoproduction,...

- * $NN \rightarrow NN\pi$: key to dispersive corrections to πd scattering:

- $\pi d \rightarrow NN \rightarrow \pi d$

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πNN system within EFT: Power counting

ChPT treatment (Weinberg 1992)

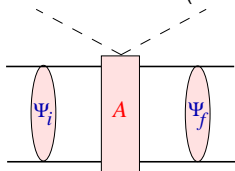
► expand the transition operator using ChPT. Include irreducible graphs only.

– ChPT natural expansion parameter $\chi \sim \frac{q}{\Lambda_{\text{ChPT}}} \sim \frac{M_\pi}{m_N}$;

– each graph gets its chiral order according to the counting rules;

– $A = C_0 + C_1\chi + C_2\chi^2 + \dots + \text{non-analytic terms}$

► convolute with the (non-perturbative) wave functions



A is perturbative

$\Psi_{i/f}$ are treated non-perturbatively

– successful application to many low-momentum transfer reactions, for instance:

$\pi d \rightarrow \pi d$

$\pi^3 \text{He} \rightarrow \pi^3 \text{He}, \pi^4 \text{He} \rightarrow \pi^4 \text{He}$

$\gamma d \rightarrow \pi NN$

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$\gamma d \rightarrow \pi^0 d$

many studies, see Martin Hoferichter talk

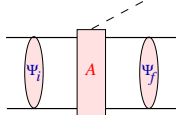
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Gårdestig et al.

Beane et al, Krebs et al.

$NN \rightarrow NN\pi$: Power Counting



Naive application of the Weinberg's P.C. (with $q \sim M_\pi$) to $NN\pi \Rightarrow$ **disaster!**
(Park et al. (1996), Hanhart et al. (1998))

- ▶ NLO corrections increase discrepancy with the data
- ▶ N²LO terms are **larger** than those at NLO.

Modified power counting Cohen et al. (1996); Hanhart et al. (2000)

new small scale in the production operator: $p \simeq \sqrt{m_\pi M_N}$ — initial NN momentum in c.m.s

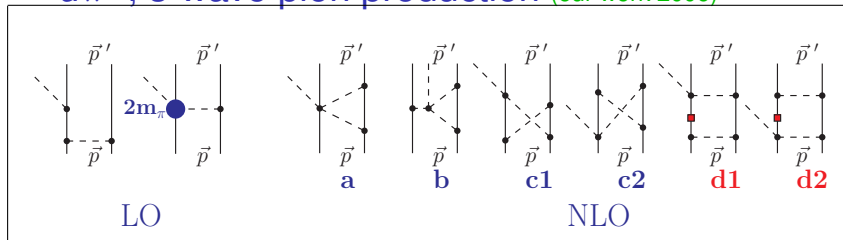
s-wave pion:

$$\chi \sim \frac{p}{M_N} \sim \sqrt{\frac{m_\pi}{M_N}}$$

p-wave pion: $k_\pi \leq m_\pi$

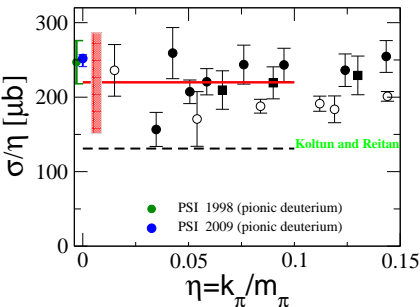
$$\chi \sim \frac{k_\pi}{p} \sim \frac{p}{M_N} \sim \sqrt{\frac{m_\pi}{M_N}}$$

$pp \rightarrow d\pi^+$, s-wave pion production (our work 2006)



NLO contribution

$$A_{d\pi^+}^{a+b+c+d1(irr)+d2(irr)} = \frac{g_A^3 |\vec{q}|}{256 f_\pi^5} (\vec{\sigma}_1 + \vec{\sigma}_2) \cdot \vec{q} \left(-2 + 3 + 0 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} \right) = 0$$



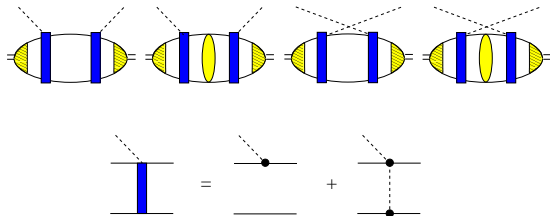
Theoretical uncertainty is $\mathcal{O}(\frac{m_\pi}{M_N}) \sim 30\%$.

→ N²LO calculation is necessary to reduce the uncertainty

→ N²LO $pp \rightarrow pp\pi^0$

in progress (our group, Kim et. al (2009))

From $NN \rightarrow NN\pi$ to dispersive corrections to $\pi d \rightarrow \pi d$



Faddeev calculations: Afnan, Thomas (1974), Koltun, Mizutani (1977)

→ only “direct” pions are included; $a_{\pi d} = -(5.6 \pm 1.4) \cdot 10^{-3} M_{\pi}^{-1}$

ChPT calculation: V. Lensky, V.B., J. Haidenbauer, C. Hanhart, A. Kudryavtsev, and U.-G. Meißner (2007)

→ “Direct” terms are in rough agreement with Faddeev calculations

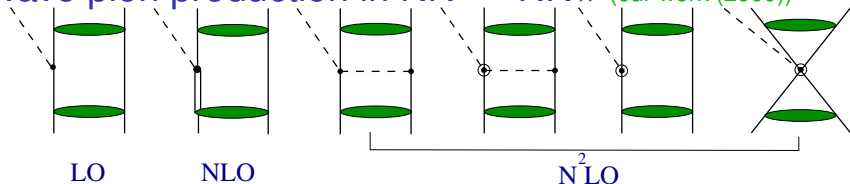
→ “crossed” terms are of similar size

→ Large cancellation of direct and crossed terms

$$a_{\pi d}^{disp} = -(2.9 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-3} m_{\pi}^{-1} \implies a_{\pi d}^{disp} / \text{Re}(a_{\pi d}^{exp}) \sim 10\%$$

Important correction to achieve a 5% accuracy for πd scattering!

p-wave pion production in $NN \rightarrow NN\pi$ (our work (2009))



first calculation: $pp \rightarrow pn\pi^+$ channel Hanhart, Miller, v.Kolck (2000)

This study: different channels – $pp \rightarrow d\pi^+$, $pp \rightarrow pn\pi^+$ and $pn \rightarrow pp\pi^-$ – with the goals:

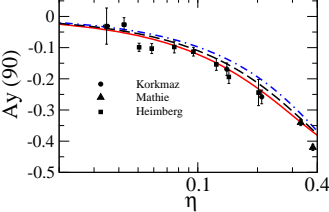
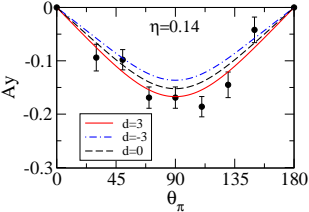
- ▶ simultaneous description with only one unknown $(N\bar{N})^2\pi$ LEC d ?
- ▶ convergence of the chiral expansion?
- ▶ accurate p-wave amplitudes for CSB studies

$$\mathcal{L}^{(0)} = N^\dagger \left[\frac{g_A}{2f_\pi} \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\pi} \right] N + \frac{h_A}{2f_\pi} \left[N^\dagger (\mathbf{T} \cdot \vec{S} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\pi}) \Psi_\Delta + h.c. \right] + \dots,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(1)} &= \frac{1}{8m_N f_\pi^2} (iN^\dagger \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\pi} \times \vec{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\pi}) \cdot \vec{\nabla} N + h.c.) - \frac{1}{f_\pi^2} N^\dagger \left[c_3 (\vec{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\pi})^2 \right. \\ &+ \left. \frac{1}{2} \left(c_4 + \frac{1}{4M_N} \right) \varepsilon_{ijk} \varepsilon_{abc} \sigma_k \tau_c \partial_j \pi_a \partial_j \pi_b \right] N - \frac{d}{f_\pi} N^\dagger (\boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\pi}) N N^\dagger N + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$NN \rightarrow NN\pi$, Results (our work (2009))

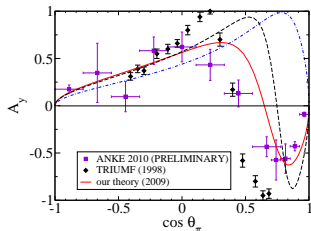
$pp \rightarrow d\pi^+$



Positive $d \simeq 3$ is preferred

$pn \rightarrow pp\pi^-$, Measurement at COSY

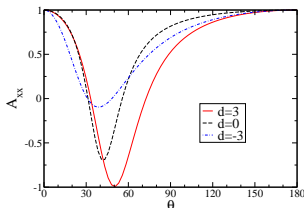
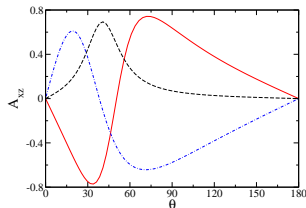
Analyzing power at Tlab ~ 340 -380 MeV (ANKE (2010), S.Dymov et al.: PRELIMINARY)



Positive $d \simeq 3$ is clearly preferred

impact of pion d -waves needs to be understood!

Double polarization observables are important to single out the relevant p -wave amplitudes



Measurement: $d\sigma/d\Omega(1 - A_{xx}) \sim |C_1 - C_2/3|^2 * \sin^2(\theta)$ – direct access to p -wave amplitudes $C_1(d)$ and $C_2(d)$. (V.B., S.Dymov, C. Hanhart, A. Kacharava, Yu. Uzikov, C. Wilkin)

$pp \rightarrow pn\pi^+$, Results (our work (2009))

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = C_0 + C_2 P_2(\cos\theta) + \dots$$

$$a_0 : {}^1S_0 \rightarrow {}^3S_1 p$$

$$a_2 : {}^1D_2 \rightarrow {}^3S_1 p$$

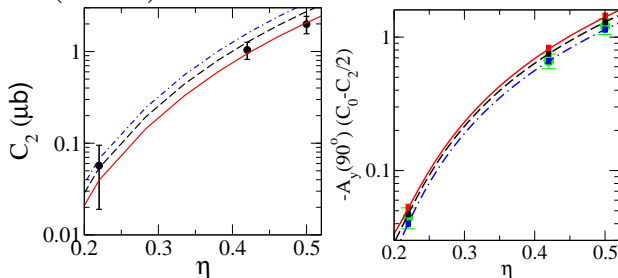
$$a_1 : {}^3P_1 \rightarrow {}^3S_1 s$$

IUCF, Flammang et al. (1998)

$$C_0 = \frac{|a_0|^2 + |a_1|^2 + |a_2|^2}{4} + C_0^{l=1},$$

$$C_2 = \frac{|a_2|^2}{4} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \operatorname{Re}[a_0 a_2^*],$$

$$A_y(90^\circ) \left(C_0 - \frac{C_2}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{4} (\sqrt{2} \operatorname{Im}[a_1 a_0^*] + \operatorname{Im}[a_1 a_2^*]).$$



► influence of P_p states needs to be understood

We can describe all channels of $NN \rightarrow NN\pi$ with the same LEC d !

Summary and Outlook

We studied different pion reactions on few nucleon systems

- $NN \rightarrow NN\pi$: s- and p-wave IC pion production is under control \implies access to
 - ▶ CSB in $pn \rightarrow d\pi^0$ ($dd \rightarrow \alpha\pi^0$) and thus to the quark-mass induced neutron-proton mass difference δm^{str} Arseniy Filin talk
 - ▶ dispersive corrections to $\pi d \rightarrow \pi d$.
- $\pi H \rightarrow \pi H, \pi d \rightarrow \pi d, \pi^3\text{He} \rightarrow \pi^3\text{He}, \dots \implies$ access to s-wave πN scattering: $\{a^+, a^-\}$
Inclusion of isospin violation is mandatory Martin Hoferichter talk
- $\pi^- d \rightarrow \gamma nn$ A. Gardestig and D. R. Phillips (2006)
 $\gamma d \rightarrow \pi^+ nn$ V. Lensky, V. Baru, E. Epelbaum, C. Hanhart, J. Haidenbauer, A. Kudryavtsev and U.-G. Meißner (2005,2007)
 \implies access to the nn scattering length and thus to CSB in NN sector

πNN system is very important to deepen our understanding of low-energy QCD