# Implementing the three-particle quantization condition: a progress report



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# 3-particle papers

Max Hansen & SRS:



"Relativistic, model-independent, three-particle quantization condition,"

arXiv:1408.5933 (PRD)

"Expressing the 3-particle finite-volume spectrum in terms of the 3-to-3 scattering amplitude,"

arXiv:1504.04028 (PRD)

"Perturbative results for 2- & 3-particle threshold energies in finite volume,"

arXiv:1509.07929 (PRD)

"Threshold expansion of the 3-particle quantization condition,"

arXiv:1602.00324 (PRD)

"Applying the relativistic quantization condition to a 3-particle bound state in a periodic box," arXiv: 1609.04317 (PRD)

> "Lattice QCD and three-particle decays of Resonances," arXiv: 1901.00483 (to appear in Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Science)

#### Raúl Briceño, Max Hansen & SRS:



"Relating the finite-volume spectrum and the 2-and-3-particle

S-matrix for relativistic systems of identical scalar particles,"

arXiv:1701.07465 (PRD)

"Numerical study of the relativistic three-body quantization

condition in the isotropic approximation,"

arXiv:1803.04169 (PRD)



"Three-particle systems with resonant sub-processes in a finite

volume," arXiv:1810.01429 (PRD)

#### <u>SRS</u>

"Testing the threshold expansion for three-particle energies at fourth order in φ<sup>4</sup> theory," arXiv:1707.04279 (PRD)



**Tyler Blanton, Fernando Romero-López & SRS:** 

"Implementing the three-particle quantization condition including higher partial waves," arXiv:1901.07095 (JHEP)

<u>Tyler Blanton, Raúl Briceño, Max Hansen,</u> <u>Fernando Romero-López, SRS & Adam Szczepaniak:</u> works in progress



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### Outline

- Motivations for studying 3 (or more) particles
- Status of theoretical formalism for 2 and 3 particles
- Numerical implementation of 3-particle QC
  - Isotropic approximation
  - Including higher partial waves
  - Isotropic approx. v2: including two-particle bound states
- Outlook

# Motivations for studying three (or more) particles using LQCD

### Studying resonances

- Most resonances have 3 (or more) particle decay channels
  - $\omega(782, I^G J^{PC} = 0^{-1^{--}}) \rightarrow 3\pi$  (no subchannel resonances)
  - $a_2(1320, I^G J^{PC} = 1^- 2^{++}) \rightarrow \rho \pi \rightarrow 3\pi$
  - Roper:  $N(1440) \rightarrow \Delta \pi \rightarrow N \pi \pi$  (branching ratio 25-50%)
  - $X(3872) \rightarrow J/\Psi \pi \pi$
  - $Z_c(3900) \rightarrow \pi J/\psi, \pi \pi \eta_c, \bar{D}D^*$  (studied by HALQCD—talk by Ikeda)
- N.B. If a resonance has both 2- and 3-particle strong decays, then 2-particle methods fail—channels cannot be separated as they can in experiment

Weak decays

- Calculating weak decay amplitudes/form factors involving 3 particles, e.g. K→πππ
- N.B. Can study weak  $K \rightarrow 2\pi$  decays independently of  $K \rightarrow 3\pi$ , since strong interactions do not mix these final states (in isospin-symmetric limit)

### A more distant motivation



# Observation of CP violation in charm decays



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LHCb collaboration<sup>†</sup>

#### Abstract

A search for charge-parity (CP) violation in  $D^0 \to K^- K^+$  and  $D^0 \to \pi^- \pi^+$  decays is reported, using pp collision data corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 6 fb<sup>-1</sup> collected at a center-of-mass energy of 13 TeV with the LHCb detector. The flavor of the charm meson is inferred from the charge of the pion in  $D^*(2010)^+ \to D^0\pi^+$  decays or from the charge of the muon in  $\overline{B} \to D^0\mu^-\bar{\nu}_{\mu}X$  decays. The difference between the CP asymmetries in  $D^0 \to K^- K^+$  and  $D^0 \to \pi^- \pi^+$  decays is measured to be  $\Delta A_{CP} = [-18.2 \pm 3.2 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.9 \text{ (syst.)}] \times 10^{-4}$  for  $\pi$ -tagged and  $\Delta A_{CP} = [-9 \pm 8 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 5 \text{ (syst.)}] \times 10^{-4}$  for  $\mu$ -tagged  $D^0$  mesons. Combining these with previous LHCb results leads to

#### $\Delta A_{CP} = (-15.4 \pm 2.9) \times 10^{-4},$

 $5.3\sigma$  effect

where the uncertainty includes both statistical and systematic contributions. The measured value differs from zero by more than five standard deviations. This is the first observation of CP violation in the decay of charm hadrons.

### A more distant motivation

- Calculating CP-violation in  $D \rightarrow \pi \pi$ , K $\overline{K}$  in the Standard Model
- Finite-volume state is a mix of  $2\pi$ ,  $K\overline{K}$ ,  $\eta\eta$ ,  $4\pi$ ,  $6\pi$ , ...
- Need 4 (or more) particles in the box!



## 3-body interactions

- Determining NNN interaction
  - Input for effective field theory treatments of larger nuclei & nuclear matter
- Similarly,  $\pi\pi\pi$ ,  $\pi K\overline{K}$ , ... interactions needed for study of pion/kaon condensation

#### LQCD spectrum already includes 3+ particle states



#### Dudek, Edwards, Guo & C.Thomas [HadSpec], arXiv: 1309.2608

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# Status of theoretical formalism for 2 & 3 particles

### The fundamental issue

 Lattice simulations are done in finite volumes; experiments are not



#### How do we connect these?

### The fundamental issue

- Lattice QCD can calculate energy levels of multiparticle systems in a box
- How are these related to infinite-volume scattering amplitudes (which determine resonance properties)?



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#### L>2R

There is an "outside" region. Spectrum IS related to scatt. amps. up to corrections proportional to  $e^{-M_{\pi}L}$ [Lüscher] Theoretically understood; numerical implementations mature.

### ...and for 3 particles?



- Spectrum IS related to 2→2, 2→3 & 3→3 scattering amplitudes up to corrections proportional to e<sup>-ML</sup> [Polejaeva & Rusetsky]
- Formalism developed in a generic relativistic EFT [Hansen & SRS, Briceño, Hansen & SRS]
- Alternative approaches based on NREFT [Hammer, Pang & Rusetsky] and on ``finitevolume unitarity" [Döring & Mai] under development (reviewed in [Hansen & SRS])
- HALQCD approach can be extended to 3 particles in NR domain [Aoki et al.]

# Reminder of 2-particle quantization condition



### Single-channel 2-particle quantization condition

[Lüscher 86 & 91; Rummukainen & Gottlieb 85; Kim, Sachrajda & SRS 05; ...]

- Two particles (say pions) in cubic box of size L with PBC and total momentum P
- Below inelastic threshold (4 pions), the finite-volume spectrum E<sub>1</sub>, E<sub>2</sub>, ... is given by solutions to a equation in partial-wave (*l*,*m*) space (up to exponentially suppressed corrections)



- $\mathcal{K}_2 \sim \tan \delta/q$  is the K-matrix, which is diagonal in *l,m*
- F<sub>PV</sub> is a known kinematical "zeta-function", depending on the box shape & E;
   It is off-diagonal in *l,m*, since the box violates rotation symmetry

#### Single-channel 2-particle quantization condition



• Infinite-dimensional determinant must be truncated to be practical; truncate by assuming that  $\mathcal{K}_2$  vanishes above  $l_{max}$ 



### Application to $\rho$ meson

[Dudek, Edwards & Thomas, 1212.0830]



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#### Parametrization dependence of pole positions



[Briceño, Dudek, Edwards & Wilson arXiv: 1708.06667]

# 3-particle quantization condition



### Two-step method

#### 2 & 3 particle spectrum from LQCD



### Meaning of quantization condition

det 
$$[F_3^{-1} + \mathcal{K}_{df,3}] = 0$$
  
 $F_3 = \frac{F}{2\omega L^3} \left[ -\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{1 + [1 + \mathcal{K}_2 G]^{-1} \mathcal{K}_2 F} \right]$   
 $F = \int G = \int G$ 

• All quantities are infinite-dimensional matrices with indices describing 3 on-shell particles

[finite volume "spectator" momentum:  $\mathbf{k}=2\pi\mathbf{n}/L$ ] x [2-particle CM angular momentum: l,m]



- F (closely related to  $F_{PV}$ ) and G are known kinematic functions depending on L and E
- $F_3$  contains effects of two-particle scattering, entering through  $\mathcal{K}_2$
- For large spectator-momentum **k**, the other two particles are below threshold; we must include such configurations by analytic continuation up to a cut-off at k~m

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### Status of relativistic approach

 Original work applied to scalars with G-parity & <u>no subchannel</u> resonances [Hansen & SRS, arXiv:1408.5933 & 1504.04248]

$$\det\left[F_3^{-1} + \mathcal{K}_{\mathrm{df},3}\right] = 0$$



UPDATE: subchannel resonances may be allowed by adopting a variant of the PV pole-prescription

### Status of relativistic approach

 Second major step: removing G-parity constraint, allowing 2↔3 processes [Briceño, Hansen & SRS, arXiv:1701.07465]

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_2 \text{ appears} \\ \text{in 2-particle} \\ \text{quantization} \\ \text{condition} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \left( \begin{bmatrix} F_2 & 0 \\ 0 & F_3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{K}_{22} & \mathcal{K}_{23} \\ \mathcal{K}_{32} & \mathcal{K}_{df,33} \end{pmatrix} \right] = 0$$



### Status of relativistic approach





#### UPDATE: this elaboration may be avoidable

# Numerical implementation: isotropic approximation

[Briceño, Hansen & SRS, arXiv:1803.04169]

### Overview



### Truncation

det 
$$[F_3^{-1} + \mathcal{K}_{df,3}]$$
  
matrices with indices:

[finite volume "spectator" momentum:  $\mathbf{k}=2\pi\mathbf{n}/L$ ] x [2-particle CM angular momentum: l,m]

- To use quantization condition, one must truncate matrix space, as for the two-particle case
- Spectator-momentum space is truncated by cut-off function  $H(\mathbf{k})$
- Need to truncate sums over l,m in  $\mathcal{K}_2$  &  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$

### Isotropic low-energy approximation

[Hansen & SRS]

- Scalar particles with G parity so no 2 $\leftrightarrow$ 3 transitions and no subchannel resonances (e.g. 3  $\pi^+$ )
- 2-particle interactions are purely s-wave, and determined by the scattering length, a, alone
  - Avoiding poles in  $\mathcal{K}_2$  restricts scattering length to  $1 > a > -\infty$ , implying no two-particle bound states
- Point-like three-particle interaction  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$  independent of momenta, although can depend on  $s=(E_{cm})^2$
- Consider only **P**=0 (though formalism applies for all **P**)
- Analog in our formalism of the approximations used in other approaches: [Hammer, Pang, Rusetsky, 1706.07700; Mai & Döring, 1709.08222; Döring et al., 1802.03362; Mai & Döring, 1807.04746]

### Isotropic low-energy approximation

[Briceño, Hansen & SRS, 1803.04169]

 Reduces problem to 1-d quantization condition, with intermediate matrices involve finite-volume momenta up to cutoff |k|~m

$$\det \left[ F_3^{-1} + \mathscr{K}_{df,3} \right] = 0 \longrightarrow 1/\mathcal{K}_{df,3}^{iso}(E^*) = -F_3^{iso}[E, \vec{P}, L, \mathcal{M}_2^s]$$

$$F_3^{iso}(E, L) = \langle \mathbf{1} | F_3^s | \mathbf{1} \rangle = \sum_{k,p} [F_3^s]_{kp} \qquad [F_3^s]_{kp} = \frac{1}{L^3} \left[ \frac{\tilde{F}^s}{3} - \tilde{F}^s \frac{1}{1/(2\omega\mathcal{K}_2^s) + \tilde{F}^s + \tilde{G}^s} \tilde{F}^s \right]_{kp}$$

• Relation of  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$  to  $\mathcal{M}_3$  (matrix equation that becomes integral equation when  $L \rightarrow \infty$ )

$$\mathcal{M}_{3} = \mathcal{S} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{D} + \mathcal{L} \frac{1}{1/\mathcal{K}_{df,3}^{iso} + F_{3,\infty}^{iso}} \mathcal{R} \\ \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{L} \& \mathcal{R} \text{ depend} \\ \text{on } \mathcal{M}_{2} \& \\ \text{kinematical factors} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{L \to \infty \text{ limit of}} F_{3^{iso}} \text{ depends on}$$

### Solutions with $K_{df,3}=0$

- Useful benchmark: deviations measure impact of 3-particle interaction
  - Caveat: scheme-dependent since  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$  depends on cut-off function H
- Qualitative meaning of this limit for  $\mathcal{M}_3$ :


## Solutions with $K_{df,3}=0$

#### Non-interacting states



## Solutions with $K_{df,3}=0$

#### • Weakly attractive two-particle interaction



## Solutions with $K_{df,3}=0$

#### • Strongly attractive two-particle interaction



## Impact of K<sub>df,3</sub>

#### ma = -10 (strongly attractive interaction)



Local 3-particle interaction has significant effect on energies, especially in region of simulations (mL<5), and thus can be determined

#### Volume-dependence of 3-body bound state





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### Bound state wave-function

- Work in unitary regime (ma=-10<sup>4</sup>) and tune  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$  so 3-body bound state at E<sub>B</sub>=2.98858 m
- Solve integral equations numerically to determine  $\mathcal{M}_{df,3}$  from  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$
- Determine wavefunction from residue at bound-state pole

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$$\mathcal{M}_{\rm df,3}^{(u,u)}(k,p) \sim -\frac{\Gamma^{(u)}(k)\Gamma^{(u)}(p)^{*}}{E^{2}-E_{B}^{2}}$$

Compare to analytic prediction from NRQM in unitary limit [Hansen & SRS, 1609.04317]



#### Bound state wave-function



## Beyond isotropic: including higher partial waves

[Blanton, Romero-López & SRS, 1901.07095]

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## Beyond the isotropic approximation

- In 2-particle case, we know that s-wave scattering dominates at low energies; can then systematically add in higher waves (suppressed by  $q^{2l}$ )
- We are implementing the same general approach for  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$ , making use of the facts that it is relativistically invariant and completely symmetric under initial- & final-state permutations, and expanding about threshold



• We work in the G-parity invariant theory with 3 identical scalars, so the first channel beyond s-wave has l=2 (d-wave)

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### Beyond the isotropic approximation



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#### Decomposing into spectator/dimer basis



- Quadratic terms  $\Delta_{A^{(2)}} \& \Delta_{B^{(2)}} \Rightarrow l'=0,2 \& l=0,2$
- For consistency, need

$$\frac{1}{\mathscr{K}_{2}^{(0)}} = \frac{1}{16\pi E_{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{a_{0}} + r_{0} \frac{q^{2}}{2} + P_{0} r_{0}^{3} q^{4} \right] \qquad \qquad \frac{1}{\mathscr{K}_{2}^{(2)}} = \frac{1}{16\pi E_{2}} \frac{1}{q^{4}} \frac{1}{a_{2}^{5}}$$

Implemented quantization condition through quadratic order, for P=0, including projection onto overall cubic group irreps



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#### First results including *l*=2



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Results from Isotropic approximation with  $\mathscr{K}_{df,3} = 0$ 





$$mL = 8.1, ma_0 = -0.1, r_0 = P_0 = \mathcal{K}_{df,3} = 0$$

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#### Evidence for 3-particle bound state



$$ma_0 = -0.1, ma_2 = -1.3, r_0 = P_0 = \mathcal{K}_{df,3} = 0$$

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#### Impact of quadratic terms in $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$



Energies of  $3\pi^+$  states need to be determined very accurately to be sensitive to  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}^{(2,B)}$ , but this is achievable in ongoing simulations

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Numerical implementation: isotropic approximation including two-particle bound states

[Blanton, Briceño, Hansen, Romero-López & SRS, in progress]

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#### Isotropic approximation: v2 Preliminary

- Same set-up as in [Briceño, Hansen & SRS, 1803.04169], except that by tweaking the PV pole-prescription, the formalism works for a > 1
  - Allows us to study cases where, in infinite-volume, there is a twoparticle bound state ("dimer")

$$E_B/m = 2\sqrt{1 - 1/a^2} \xrightarrow{a=2} \sqrt{3}$$

- Interesting case: choose parameters so that there is both a dimer and a trimer
  - This is the analog (without spin) of studying the n+n+p system in which there are neutron + deuteron and tritium bound states
  - The finite-volume states will have components of all three types

Isotropic approximation:  $a=2, \mathcal{K}_{df,3}=0$ 



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#### 2+1 EFT: solve 2-particle quant. cond. for nondegenerate particles



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## Isotropic approximation: a=6, $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}=0$

2+1 EFT: solve 2-particle quant. cond. for nondegenerate particles



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# Outlook

## Outlook

#### • Substantial progress on three-particle formalism

- Relationship to the other methods (NREFT & FV Unitarity) now well understood [Hansen & SRS (review)]
- Freedom in PV prescription extends range of original formalism; allows study of cases with two particle bound states and resonances [Blanton, Briceño, Hansen, Romero-López, SRS]
- Similar freedom allows the use of a higher cutoff, which can be used to investigate unphysical solutions [Blanton, Briceño, Hansen, Romero-López, SRS]
- Relation of M<sub>3</sub> to K<sub>df,3</sub> provides an alternative infinite-volume description of M<sub>3</sub> that is unitary—may be useful in data analysis [Briceño, Hansen, SRS & Szczepaniak]
- Extensions to higher spins, nonidentical particles, multiple Kmatrix poles, and Lellouch-Lüscher factors are needed, but will likely be straightforward

## Outlook

#### • The major issue is how to make the formalism practical

- Need physics-based parametrizations of  $\mathscr{K}_{df,3}$
- Need to implement relation between  $\mathscr{K}_{df,3}$  and  $\mathscr{M}_{3}$  above threshold
- Successful extraction of 3-body amplitude from simulations of φ<sup>4</sup> theory [Roméro-Lopez et al.]; application to QCD simulations is underway [HADSPEC collab.]
- Moving to 4+ particles in this fashion looks challenging but does not obviously introduce new theoretical issues

# Backup slides

# Sketch of derivation of 2-particle quantization condition

[Kim, Sachrajda & SRS 05]

#### Setup

• Work in continuum (assume that LQCD can control discretization errors)

- Cubic box of size L with periodic BC, and infinite (Minkowski) time

Spatial loops are sums:  $\frac{1}{L^3}\sum_{\vec{k}}$   $\vec{k} = \frac{2\pi}{L}\vec{n}$ 

Consider identical scalar particles with physical mass m, interacting *arbitrarily* in a general relativistic effective field theory



#### Methodology

• Calculate (for some  $\mathbf{P}=2\pi\mathbf{n}_{\mathbf{P}}/L$ )  $C_{L}(E,\vec{P}) \equiv \int_{L} d^{4}x \ e^{-i\vec{P}\cdot\vec{x}+iEt} \langle \Omega | T\sigma(x)\sigma^{\dagger}(0) | \Omega \rangle_{L}$ CM energy is  $E^{*}=\sqrt{(E^{2}-P^{2})}$ 

- Poles in C<sub>L</sub> occur at energies of finite-volume spectrum: consider  $m < E^* < 3m$
- E.g. for 2 particles,  $\sigma \sim \pi^2$ :



#### Step 1

- Replace loop sums with integrals where possible
  - Drop exponentially suppressed terms (~e<sup>-ML</sup>, e<sup>-(ML)^2</sup>, etc.) while keeping power-law dependence

$$\frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\vec{k}} g(\vec{k}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} g(\vec{k}) + \sum_{\vec{l} \neq \vec{0}} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{iL\vec{l}\cdot\vec{k}} g(\vec{k})$$
  
Exp. suppressed if g(k) is smooth

and scale of derivatives of g is  $\sim I/M$ 

- Possible whenever no physical, on-shell cut through loop
  - Can show using time-ordered PT



#### Step 2

• Use "sum=integral + [sum-integral]" if integrand has pole, using



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$$\left( \int \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\vec{k}} - \int \frac{\widetilde{PV}}{(2\pi)^4} d^4 k \right) f(k) \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} + \underbrace{\swarrow}_{(P-k)^2 - m^2} + \underbrace{\swarrow}_{(P-k)^2 - m^2} g(k)$$
$$= \int d\Omega_{q^*} d\Omega_{q^{*'}} f^*(\hat{q}^*) \mathcal{F}_{\widetilde{PV}}(q^*, q^{*'}) g^*(\hat{q}^{*'})$$

• Diagrammatically



• Apply previous analysis to 2-particle correlator ( $m < E^* < 3m$ )



- Apply previous analysis to 2-particle correlator
- Collect terms into infinite-volume Bethe-Salpeter kernels



• Leading to



#### • Next use sum identity



• And regroup according to number of "F cuts"


### • Next use sum identity



• And keep regrouping according to number of "F cuts" F  $C_L(E, \vec{P}) = C_{\infty}(E, \vec{P}) + (A) = (A')$ 



### the infinite-volume, on-shell 2→2 scattering amplitude

### • Next use sum identity



• Alternate form if use PV-tilde prescription:  $C_{L}(E, \vec{P}) = C_{\infty}^{\widetilde{PV}}(E, \vec{P}) + (A_{\widetilde{PV}}) + (A_{\widetilde{PV$ 





• 
$$C_L(E, \vec{P}) = C_{\infty}(E, \vec{P}) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A' i F[i\mathcal{M}_{2\to 2}iF]^n A$$

• Correlator is expressed in terms of infinite-volume, physical quantities and kinematic functions encoding the finite-volume effects



$$C_L(E, \vec{P}) = C_{\infty}(E, \vec{P})$$

$$+ (A) + (A) +$$

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• 
$$C_L(E, \vec{P}) = C_{\infty}(E, \vec{P}) + A'iF \frac{1}{1 - i\mathcal{M}_{2 \to 2}iF} A$$
 no poles,  
no poles,  
only cuts matrices in l,m space

• 
$$C_L(E, \vec{P})$$
 diverges whenever  $iF \frac{1}{1 - i\mathcal{M}_{2 \to 2}iF}$  diverges

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# Sketch of derivation of 3-particle quantization condition

[Hansen & SRS, arXiv:1408.5933 & 1504.04248]

- Generic relativistic EFT, working to all orders
  - Do not need a power-counting scheme

(1)

- To simplify analysis: impose a global  $Z_2$  symmetry (G parity) & consider identical scalars
- Obtain spectrum from poles in finite-volume correlator
  - Consider  $E_{CM} < 5m$  so on-shell states involve only 3 particles



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- Replace sums with integrals plus sum-integral differences to extent possible
  - If summand has pole or cusp then difference  $\sim I/L^n$  and must keep (Lüscher zeta function)
  - If summand is smooth then difference  $\sim \exp(-mL)$  and drop

(2)

- Avoid cusps by using PV prescription—leads to generalized 3-particle K matrix
- Subtract above-threshold divergences of 3-particle K matrix—leads to  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$

(3)

 Reorganize, resum, ... to separate infinite-volume on-shell relativistically-invariant non-singular scattering quantities (*K*<sub>2</sub>, *K*<sub>df,3</sub>) from known finite-volume functions (F [Lüscher zeta function] & G ["switch function"])

$$\Rightarrow \quad \det\left[F_3^{-1} + \mathcal{K}_{df,3}\right] = 0$$

- Relate  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$  to  $\mathcal{M}_3$  by taking infinite-volume limit of finite-volume scattering amplitude
  - Leads to infinite-volume integral equations involving  $\mathcal{M}_2$  & cut-off function H

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• Can formally invert equations to show that  $\mathcal{K}_{df,3}$  (while unphysical) is relativistically invariant and has same properties under discrete symmetries (P,T) as  $\mathcal{M}_3$ 



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