

Determination of the $\pi\Sigma$ scattering length from Λc decay



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Scattering length

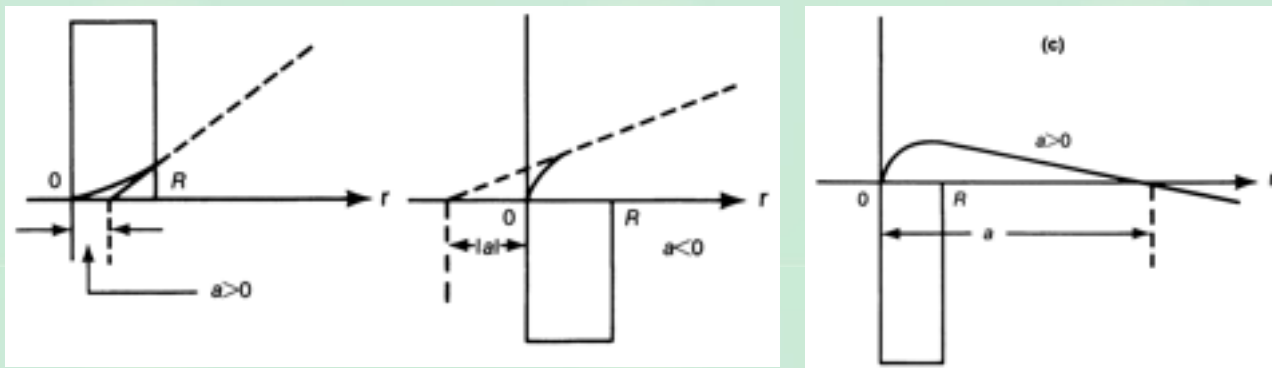
Scattering length: amplitude at threshold

- characterizes the low energy scattering
- changes the sign if there is a bound state

$$a = -f(k, \theta)|_{k \rightarrow 0}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(k, \theta)|^2, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \sigma(k) = 4\pi a^2$$

$$f_{l=0}(k) = \frac{1}{k \cot \delta_0 - ik}, \quad k \cot \delta_0 = -\frac{1}{a} + r_e \frac{k^2}{2} + \dots$$



J.J. Sakurai, Modern Quantum Mechanics, p. 415

(In hadron physics we usually adopt the **opposite sign**
 --> positive for attraction, negative for repulsion)

Importance of the $\pi\Sigma$ scattering length

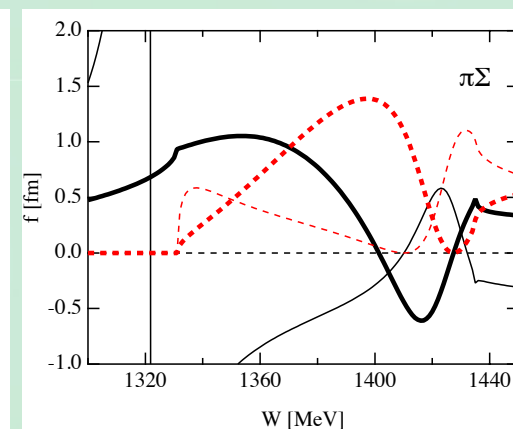
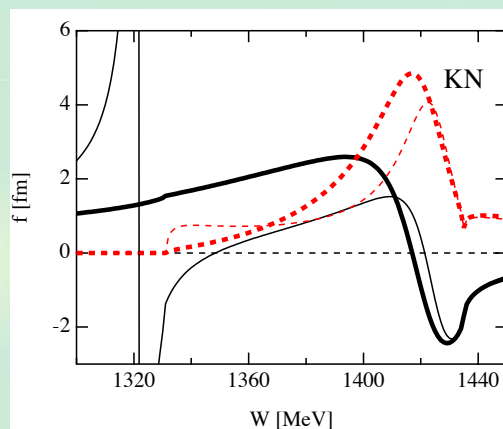
Structure of $\Lambda(1405)$ and threshold behavior of $\pi\Sigma$ scattering

Y. Ikeda, T. Hyodo, D. Jido, H. Kamano, T. Sato, K. Yazaki, arXiv:1101.5190 [nucl-th]

Simple model extrapolation with $\bar{K}N(l=0)$ being fixed
 --> large uncertainty at low energy

Model	A1	A2	B E-dep	B E-indep
parameter ($\pi\Sigma$)	$d_{\pi\Sigma} = -1.67$	$d_{\pi\Sigma} = -2.85$	$\Lambda_{\pi\Sigma} = 1005$ MeV	$\Lambda_{\pi\Sigma} = 1465$ MeV
parameter ($\bar{K}N$)	$d_{\bar{K}N} = -1.79$	$d_{\bar{K}N} = -2.05$	$\Lambda_{\bar{K}N} = 1188$ MeV	$\Lambda_{\bar{K}N} = 1086$ MeV
pole 1 [MeV]	$1422 - 16i$	$1425 - 11i$	$1422 - 22i$	$1423 - 29i$
pole 2 [MeV]	$1375 - 72i$ (R)	1321 (B)	$1349 - 54i$ (R)	1325 (V)
$a_{\pi\Sigma}$ [fm]	0.934	-2.30	1.44	5.50
r_e [fm]	5.02	5.89	3.96	0.458
$a_{\bar{K}N}$ [fm] (input)	$-1.70 + 0.68i$	$-1.70 + 0.68i$	$-1.70 + 0.68i$	$-1.70 + 0.68i$

- $\pi\Sigma$ threshold behavior
- > pole structure
- > K (Λ^*) nuclei



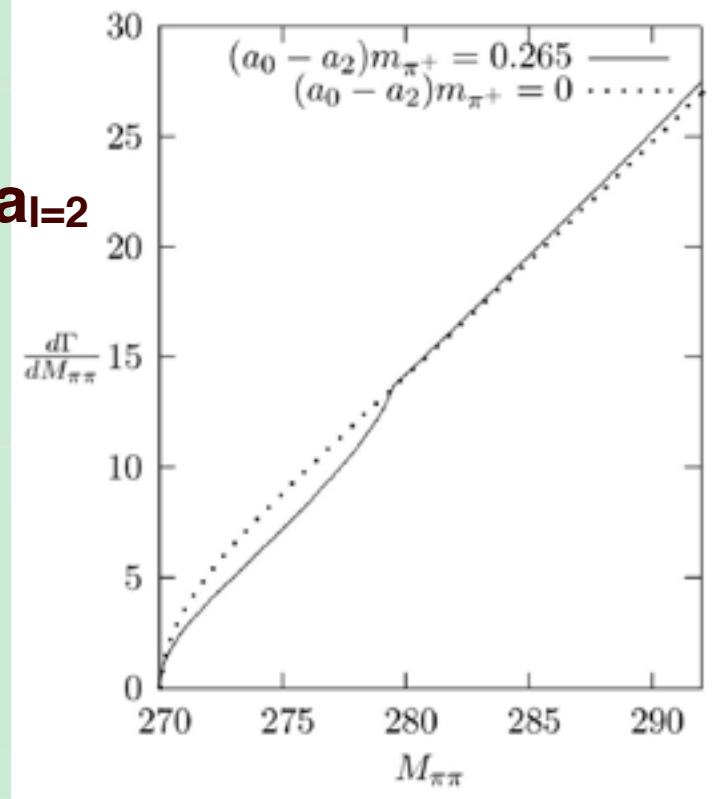
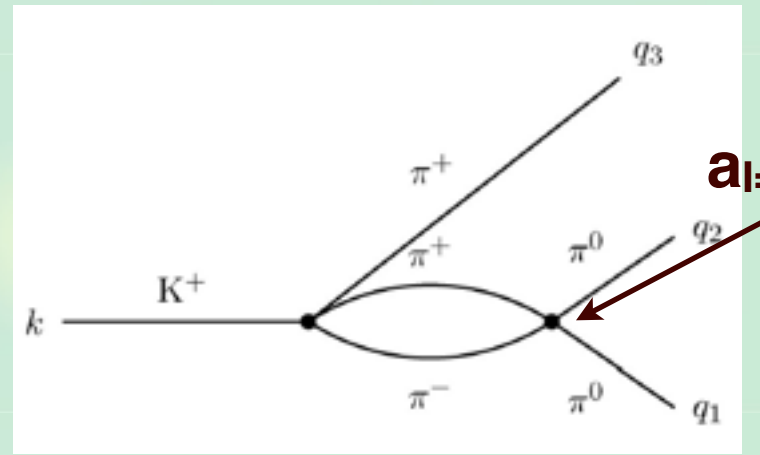
Determination of the scattering length

Extraction of hadron scattering length

- shift and width of atomic state (c.f. Kaonic hydrogen)
- extrapolation of low energy phase shift
- **final state interaction from heavy particle's decay**

Cabibbo's method for π-π scattering length

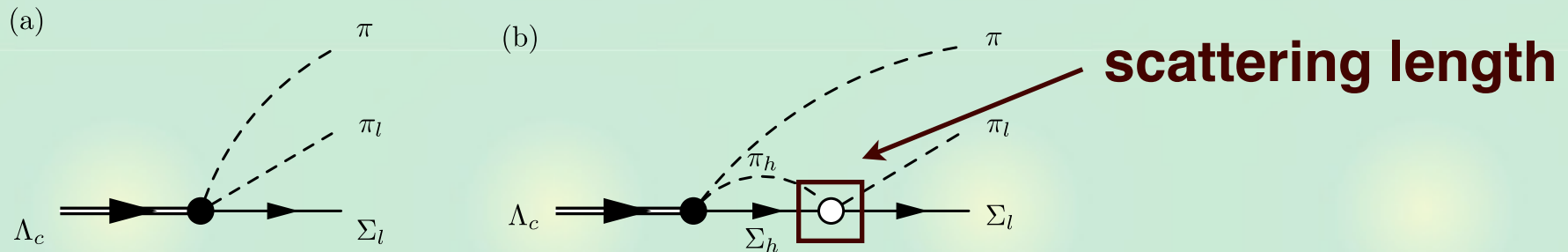
N. Cabibbo, Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 121801 (2004)



isospin violation
 + threshold cusp
 + amplitude interference
 --> extraction of $a_{l=0} - a_{l=2}$

Decay process and loop function

Decay diagrams for $\Lambda_c \rightarrow \pi \pi \Sigma_l$ process



Spectral representation of the loop function

$$G(W) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{W_{th}}^{\infty} dW' \frac{\rho(W')}{W - W' + i\epsilon} + (\text{subtractions}) \quad \rho(W) = 2M_h \frac{q(W)}{4\pi W}$$

ρ : phase space, q : three-momentum

Imaginary part of the loop function (on-shell part):

$$\text{Im } G(W) = -\frac{\rho(W)}{2} \Theta(W - W_{th})$$

amplitude (a) : real

amplitude (b) : real ($W < W_{th}$), **complex** ($W > W_{th}$)

Threshold cusp in the spectrum

Real and imaginary part of the amplitude:

$$\mathcal{M}(\Lambda_c \rightarrow \pi\pi_l \Sigma_l) = M_0(W) + \boxed{M_1(W)m_h\delta} \quad \leftarrow \text{on-shell part}$$

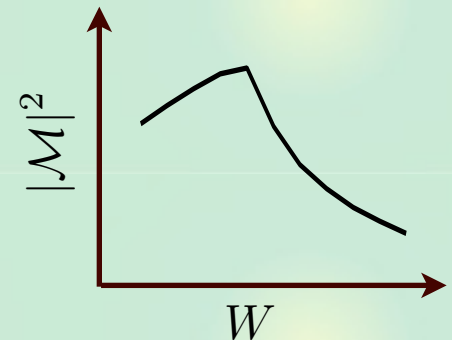
$\delta \sim$ velocity, vanish at threshold

The $\pi_l \Sigma_l$ invariant mass spectrum

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \begin{cases} (M_0)^2 - (M_1 m_h)^2 |\delta|^2 & \text{for } W > W_{th} \\ (M_0)^2 + \underline{2M_0 M_1 m_h \delta} + (M_1 m_h)^2 \delta^2 & \text{for } W < W_{th} \end{cases}$$

- Spectrum is continuous (δ vanishes at threshold)
- **Derivative** of the spectrum is **discontinuous**

$$\left. \frac{d|\mathcal{M}|^2}{dW} \right|_{W \rightarrow W_{th} - 0} - \left. \frac{d|\mathcal{M}|^2}{dW} \right|_{W \rightarrow W_{th} + 0} \propto 2M_0 M_1 m_h \frac{d\delta}{dW}$$



--> threshold cusp

It is purely **kinematical** effect. General phenomena.

M_1 amplitude: proportional to the **scattering length**

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Expansion of the decay spectrum --> scattering length

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \begin{cases} A + B|\delta| + C|\delta|^2 + \mathcal{O}(|\delta|^3) & \text{for } W > W_{th} \\ A' + B'\delta + C'\delta^2 + \mathcal{O}(\delta^3) & \text{for } W < W_{th} \end{cases}$$

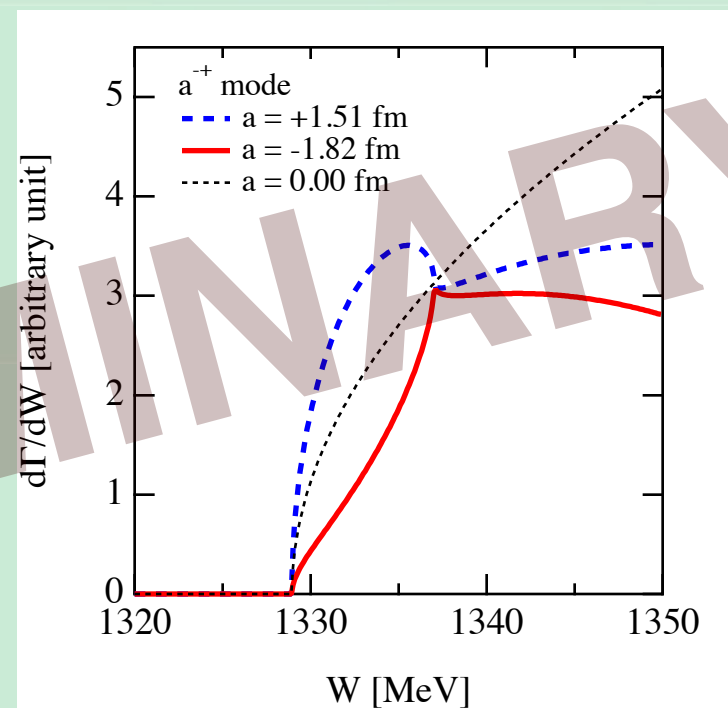
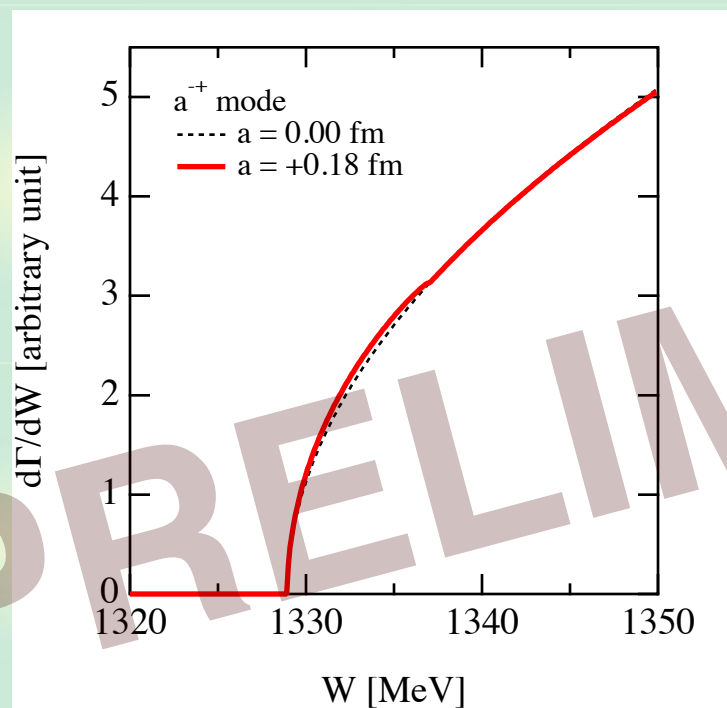
weak process

$$M_0^{h(0)}, M_0^{(0)}$$

spectrum

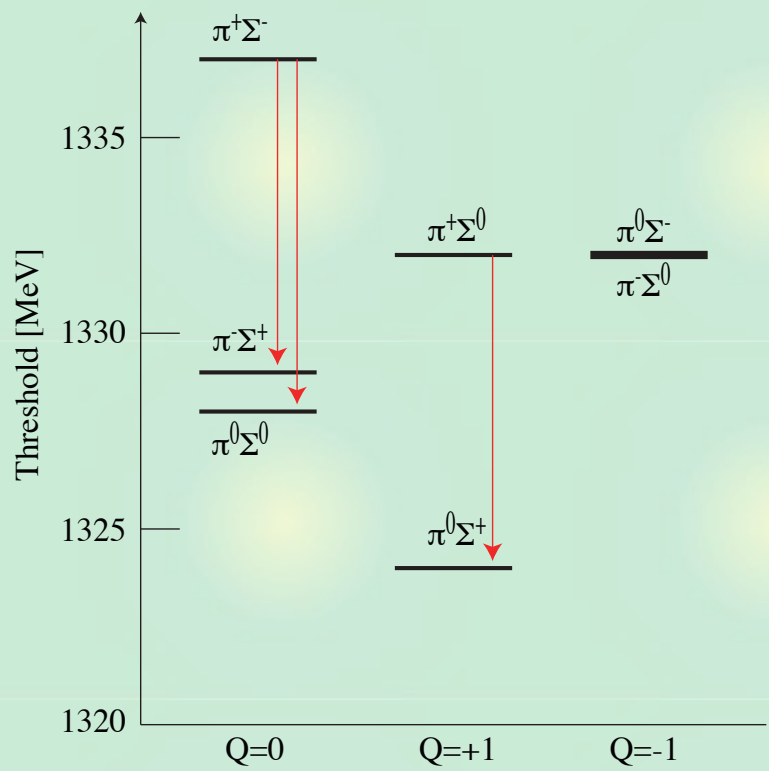
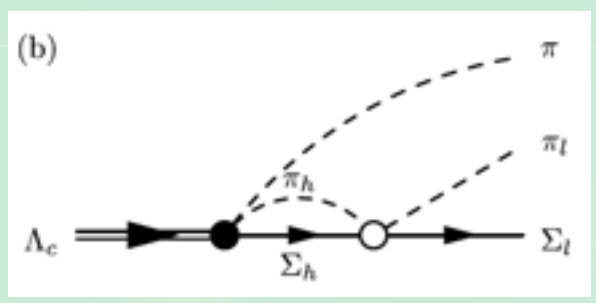
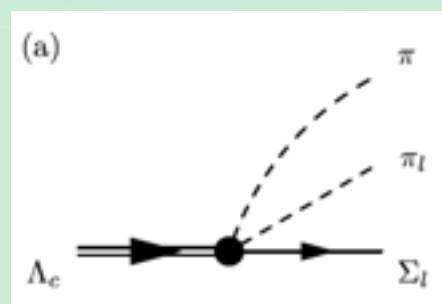
$$A, B, C, A', B', C'$$

$$|a| = \frac{|B'|}{2m_h \sqrt{A} |M_0^{h(0)}|}, \quad \frac{a}{|a|} = \frac{M_0^{(0)}}{|M_0^{(0)}|} \cdot \frac{M_0^{h(0)}}{|M_0^{h(0)}|} \cdot \frac{B'}{|B'|}$$



Determination of $\pi\Sigma$ scattering length

Similar approach to $\pi\Sigma$ spectrum in $\Lambda_c \rightarrow \pi (\pi\Sigma)$



$\Sigma^+(\sim uus) < \Sigma^0(\sim uds) < \Sigma^-(\sim dds)$
 --> complicated spectrum

To utilize threshold cusp, appreciable mass difference between $(\pi\Sigma)_h$ and $(\pi\Sigma)_l$ is necessary.

$$\pi^+\Sigma^- \rightarrow \pi^-\Sigma^+, \quad \pi^+\Sigma^- \rightarrow \pi^0\Sigma^0, \quad \pi^+\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\Sigma^+,$$

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Three decay channels

$$\langle \pi^- \Sigma^+ | T | \pi^+ \Sigma^- \rangle \Big|_{\text{threshold}} = \frac{1}{3}a^0 - \frac{1}{2}a^1 + \frac{1}{6}a^2 \equiv a^{-+}$$

$$\langle \pi^0 \Sigma^0 | T | \pi^+ \Sigma^- \rangle \Big|_{\text{threshold}} = \frac{1}{3}a^0 - \frac{1}{3}a^2 \equiv a^{00}$$

$$\langle \pi^0 \Sigma^+ | T | \pi^+ \Sigma^0 \rangle \Big|_{\text{threshold}} = -\frac{1}{2}a^1 + \frac{1}{2}a^2 \equiv a^{0+}$$

mode	$\Lambda_c \rightarrow \pi(\pi\Sigma)_h$	$\Lambda_c \rightarrow \pi(\pi\Sigma)_l$
a^{-+}	$1.7 \pm 0.5 \%$	$3.6 \pm 1.0 \%$
a^{00}	$1.7 \pm 0.5 \%$	$1.8 \pm 0.8 \%$
a^{0+}	$1.8 \pm 0.8 \%$	not known

A lot of Λ_c in B decay (Belle, Babar) --> feasible?

Structure around the cusp in $(\pi\Sigma)_l$ + spectrum in $(\pi\Sigma)_h$

--> extraction of the scattering length


Three unknown scattering lengths, two constraints

$$a^{-+} - a^{00} = a^{0+}$$

$l=2$ scattering length: lattice QCD --> Y. Ikeda et al


Summary

$\pi\Sigma$ scattering length from Λ_c decay


 $\pi\Sigma$ scattering length is important for low energy KN- $\pi\Sigma$ amplitude.

--> K nuclei and $\Lambda(1405)$ physics

[Y. Ikeda, T. Hyodo, D. Jido, H. Kamano, T. Sato, K. Yazaki, arXiv:1101.5190, to appear in Prog. Theor. Phys.](#)

 **Threshold cusp** in Λ_c --> $\pi\Sigma$ decay is related with the $\pi\Sigma$ scattering length.

[T. Hyodo, M. Oka, work in progress](#)

 **3** isospin states v.s. **2** decay modes: Lattice QCD can help to complete.

[Y. Ikeda, HAL QCD collaboration, work in progress](#)