

Nucleon-Nucleon Scattering Parameters in the Limit of SU(3) Flavor Symmetry

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Parameters

L	T	beta	b(fm)	L(fm)	T(fm)	m_π	m_π	L	m_π	T	Ncfg	Nsrc
24	48	6.1	0.145	3.4	6.7	806.5(0.3)(0)(8.9)	14.3	28.5	3822	96		
32	48	6.1	0.145	4.5	6.7	806.9(0.3)(0.5)(8.9)	19.0	28.5	3050	72		
48	64	6.1	0.145	6.7	9.0	806.7(0.3)(0)(8.9)	28.5	38.0	1905	54		

errors:(statistical)(fit systematic)(lattice spacing)

Three ensembles of isotropic gauge-field configurations, generated with a tadpole-improved Lüscher-Weisz gauge action and a clover fermion action [15], are used in this work and have been used previously to calculate the lowest-lying levels of the s-shell nuclei and hypernuclei [13]. This particular lattice-action setup follows closely the anisotropic clover action of the ensembles generated by the JLab group that we have used in our previous calculations [4, 11, 16–19]. The parameter tuning and scaling properties of this action will be discussed elsewhere [20]. One level of stout smearing [21] with $\rho = 0.125$ and tadpole-improved tree-level clover coefficient $c_{\text{SW}} = 1.2493$ are used in the gauge-field generation. Studies [20, 22, 23] of the partially-conserved axial-current (PCAC) relation in the Schrödinger functional indicate that this choice is consistent with vanishing $\mathcal{O}(b)$ violations, leading to discretization effects that are essentially $\mathcal{O}(b^2)$. The parameters of the ensembles are listed in Table I, and further details will be presented elsewhere [20]. As two-nucleon systems are

Nucleon operator

$$\mathcal{B}_N^{ijk}(\mathbf{p}, t; x_0) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} S_i^{(f_1), i'}(\mathbf{x}, t; x_0) S_j^{(f_2), j'}(\mathbf{x}, t; x_0) S_k^{(f_3), k'}(\mathbf{x}, t; x_0) b_{i'j'k'}^{(N)} , \quad (1)$$

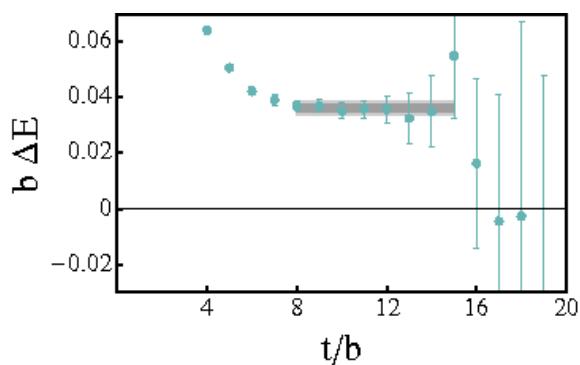
where $S^{(f)}$ is a quark propagator of flavor f , and the indices are combined spin-color indices running over $i = 1, \dots, N_c N_s$.¹ The choice of the f_i and the tensor $b^{(N)}$ depend on the

$$m_\pi = 805.9(0.6)(0.4)(8.9) MeV$$

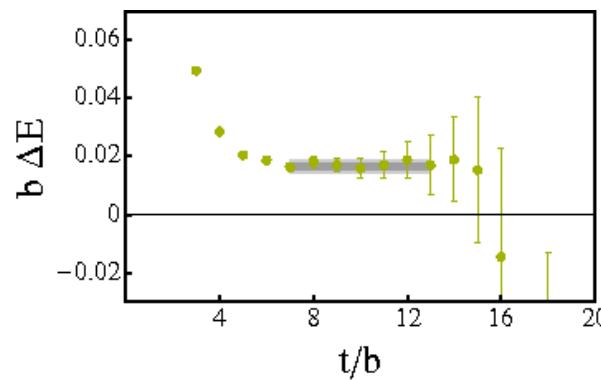
$$m_N = 1.635(0)(0)(18) GeV$$

NN scattering in 1S0 channel

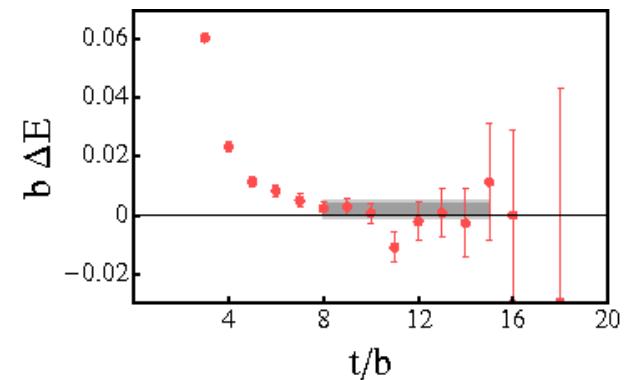
Effective mass of the first excited state



$L=3.4 \text{ fm}$



$L=4.5 \text{ fm}$



$L=6.7 \text{ fm}$

Volume effects are observed in the smallest volume

The binding energy in the infinite volume is taken from the binding energy in the largest volume

Lowest-lying continuum states in 1S0

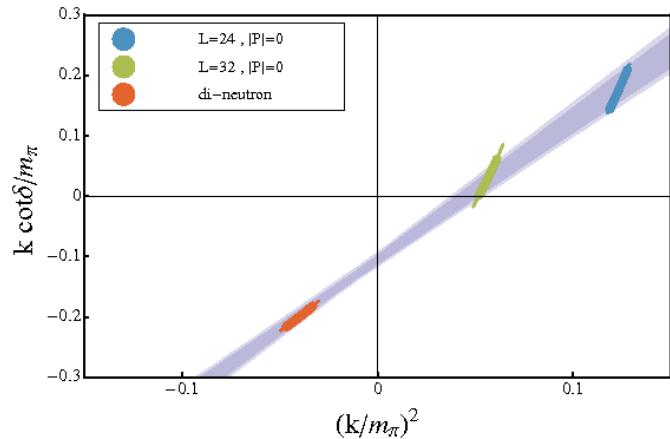
	ΔE	b	$ k /m\pi$	$k \cot \delta / m\pi$
24^3x48	0.0358(13)(16)	0.3506(64)(78)	0.175(+.034 -0.031)(+0.043 -0.036)	
32^3x48	0.0165(13)(22)	0.2373(92)(96)	0.030(+0.031 -0.028)(+0.057 -0.046)	

binding energy

$B_{nn} = 15.9(2.7)(2.7)(0.2)$ MeV

from 3.4 fm, 4.5 fm, 6.7 fm

K cot delta in 1S0 channel

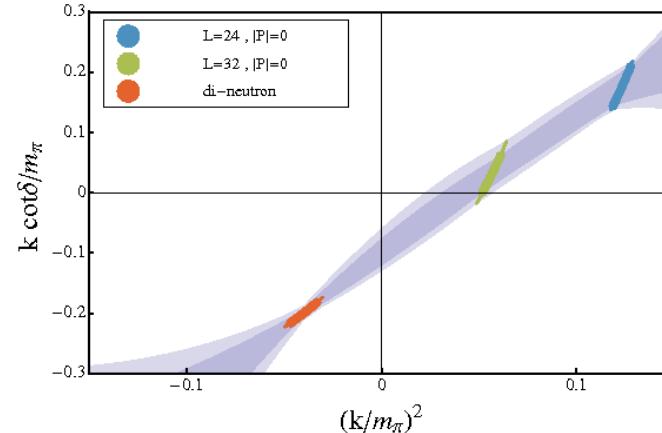


2-parameter fit

$$k \cot \delta = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2} r |k|^2 + P |k|^4 + O(|k|^6)$$

$$a(^1S_0) = 2.33^{+0.19+0.27}_{-0.17-0.20} \text{ fm}$$

P: consistent with zero



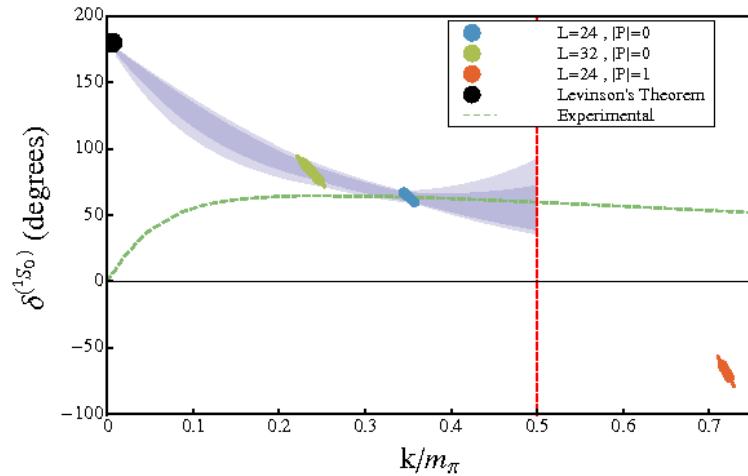
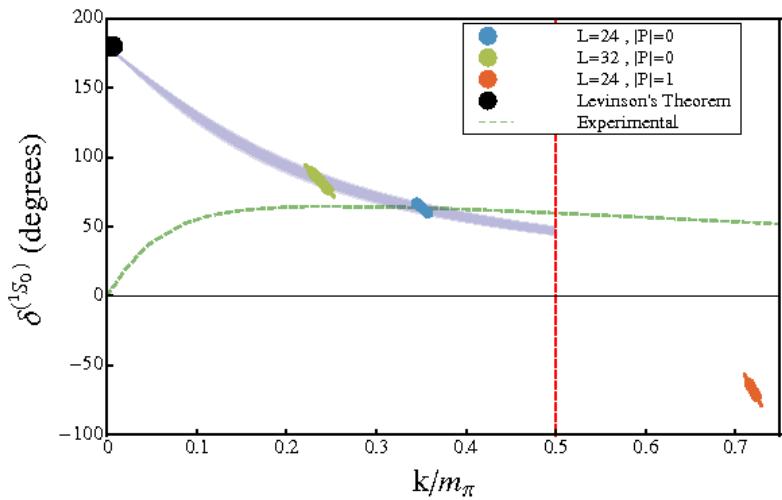
3-parameter fit

$$r(^1S_0) = 1.130^{+0.071+0.059}_{-0.077-0.063} \text{ fm}$$

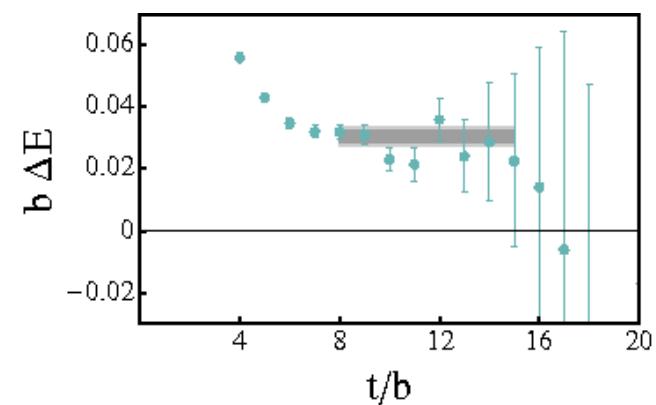
$$P m_\pi^3 = -1^{+4+5}_{-5-8}$$

cf. exp.: $a_{nn} = -18.9 \pm 0.4 \text{ fm}$ $r_{nn} = 2.75 \pm 0.11 \text{ fm}$
 $a_{np} = -23.740 \pm 0.020 \text{ fm}$ $r_{np} = 2.77 \pm 0.05 \text{ fm}$

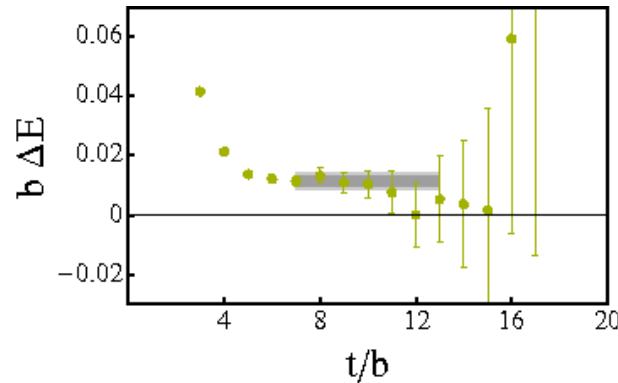
Phase shift in $1S_0$ channel



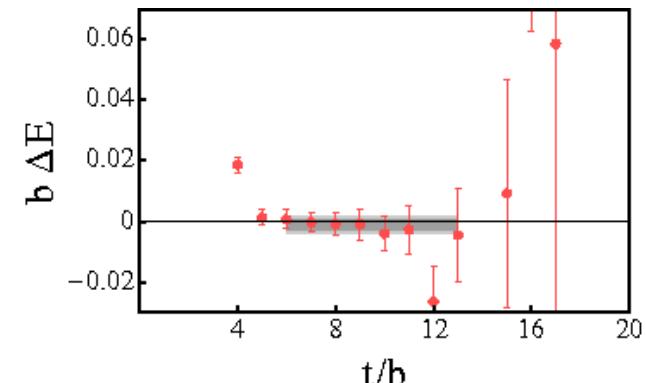
NN scattering in 3S1 channel



$L=3.4 \text{ fm}$



$L=4.5 \text{ fm}$



$L=6.7 \text{ fm}$

Lowest-lying continuum states in 3S1

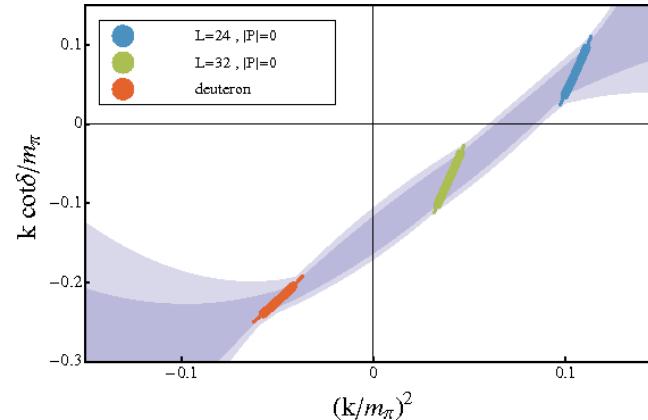
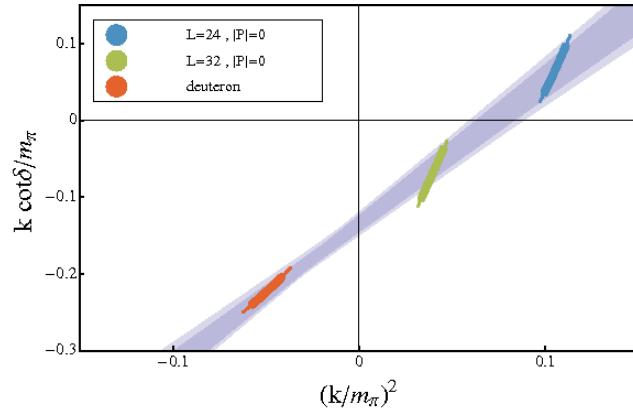
	ΔE	b	$ k /m\pi$	$k \cot \delta / m\pi$
24^3x48	0.0306(16)(23)	0.324(8)(12)		0.065(+.031 -0.029)(+0.47 -0.40)
32^3x48	0.0115(17)(23)	0.198(15)(19)		-0.069(32)(43)

binding energy

$B_{nn} = 19.5(3.6)(3.1)(0.2)$ MeV

from 3.4 fm, 4.5 fm, 6.7 fm

K cot delta in 3S1 channel



$$k \cot \delta = -\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{2} r |k|^2 + P |k|^4 + O(|k|^6)$$

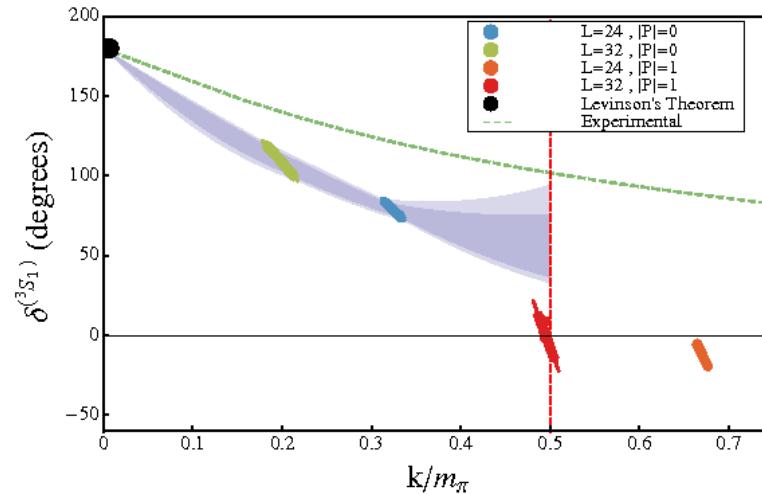
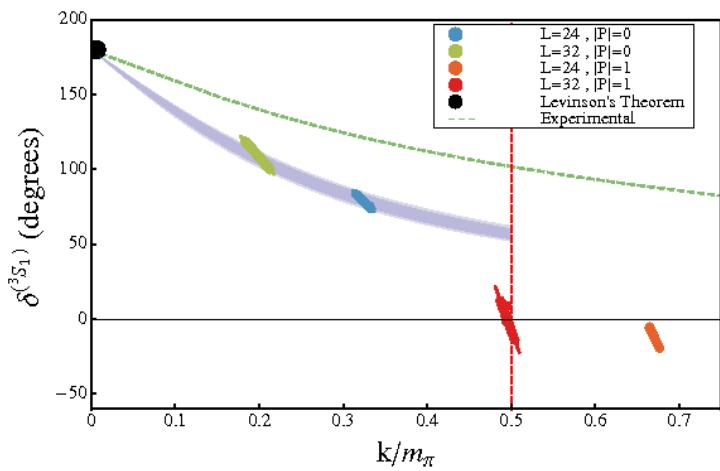
$$a(^3 S_1) = 1.82^{+0.14+0.17}_{-0.13-0.12} \text{ fm} \quad r(^3 S_1) = 0.906^{+0.068+0.068}_{-0.075-0.084} \text{ fm}$$

P: consistent with zero

$$P m_\pi^3 = 3^{+5+5}_{-6-6}$$

cf. exp.: $a_{\text{np}} = 5.419 \pm 0.007 \text{ fm}$ $r_{\text{np}} = 1.753 \pm 0.008 \text{ fm}$

Phase shift in $3S_1$ channel



conclusions

- Low-energy NN scattering parameters at SU(3) symmetric point
 $m_{\pi} = 800$ MeV
- Effective ranges are calculated for the first time
- Phase shifts change sign at higher momentum, indicating that the nuclear interactions have a repulsive core

$$a/r \sim 2.0$$

- Experimental values
 $a/r \sim -8.7$ (1S0), +3.1(3S1)
- Present work : performed at a single pion mass with one lattice spacing