The $\Lambda(1405)$ Resonance in Full-QCD

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- The CSSM Lattice Collaboration has developed a technique that has successfully isolated the Roper.

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- Last year we showed that such an analysis is necessary to isolate this state.

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• Construct a set of N "perfect" operators $\varphi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ that completely isolate the N lowest states from linear combinations of our original operators:

$$\chi_i = \sum_{\alpha} v_i^{\alpha} \varphi_{\alpha}$$
 and $\overline{\chi}_j = \sum_{\alpha} u_j^{\alpha} \varphi_{\alpha}$.

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- Hence, defining G[±]_α(t) := ν^αG[±](t)u^α, can extract the masses m_α using the usual

$$m_{\alpha} = \ln\left(\frac{G_{\alpha}^{\pm}(t)}{G_{\alpha}^{\pm}(t+1)}\right).$$

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- Flavour symmetry gives three operators:
 - Octet:

$$\chi_i^8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \varepsilon_{abc} (2(u_a^{\mathrm{T}} A_i d_b) B_i s_c + (u_a^{\mathrm{T}} A_i s_b) B_i d_c - (d_a^{\mathrm{T}} A_i s_b) B_i u_c),$$

• Singlet:

$$\chi^{1} = -2\varepsilon_{abc}(-(u_{a}^{\mathrm{T}}C\gamma_{5}d_{b})s_{c} + (u_{a}^{\mathrm{T}}C\gamma_{5}s_{b})d_{c} - (d_{a}^{\mathrm{T}}C\gamma_{5}s_{b})u_{c}),$$

• Common:

$$\chi_i^c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \varepsilon_{abc} ((u_a^T A_i s_b) B_i d_c - (d_a^T A_i s_b) B_i u_c,$$

• The *i*-index indicates the spin-structure of the operator:

$$(A_1, B_1) = (C\gamma_5, I), \quad (A_2, B_2) = (C, \gamma_5), \text{ and}$$

 $(A_4, B_4) = (C\gamma_5\gamma_4, I).$

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- This gives us a total of 28 available operators.
 - There will not be enough signal to extract 28 states, but smaller subsets should give useful isolation of the lowest states.

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- **PROBLEM**: The strange quark is too heavy!

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- We instead look for the correct arrangement of the states.

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 - Pick $\kappa_{u,d} = 0.13727 \ (m_{\pi} = 514.6 \pm 0.7 \text{ MeV}).$
 - Use 6×6 basis from χ_1^c and χ_2^c with 16, 100, and 200 sweeps of smearing to investigate t_{start} and Δt .

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 - Use $\chi_{1,2}^8$ and χ^1 with various sets of smearing.

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