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# Calculation of Hyperon Transition Form Factors from the Feynman-Hellman method

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- SM requires unitarity:  $|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$
- |Vus | can be constrained by
  - (Semi-) leptonic Kaon decays
  - Semi-leptonic hyperon decays
- Transition matrix element for semi-leptonic hyperon decay:

$$T = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{us} \Big[ \langle B' | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 s | B \rangle - \langle B' | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu s | B \rangle \Big] \bar{l} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma^5) \nu_l$$
 From experimental Axial-vector Vector decay widths

 Lattice QCD determinations can improve on phenomenological form factor values





#### Form Factors

$$\langle B'|\bar{u}\gamma_{\mu}s|B\rangle = \gamma_{\mu}f_{1}^{BB'}(Q^{2}) + \sigma_{\mu\nu}q_{\nu}\frac{f_{2}^{BB'}(Q^{2})}{M_{B} + M_{B'}} - iq_{\mu}\frac{f_{3}^{BB'}(Q^{2})}{M_{B} + M_{B'}}$$

- Last term is zero for B=B' due to the Conserved Vector Current (CVC)
- Mainly interested in  $f_1(0)$  for constraining  $V_{us}$ .
- Usually calculated by using three-point correlation functions
  - Need a lot of configurations to keep signal-to-noise ratio high and achieve ground state dominance
- Feynman- Hellmann approach offers an alternative which relies only on two-point correlation functions



#### $\Sigma^- \to n$ Transition

• Consider the action:  $S = S_g + \int_x (\bar{u}, \bar{s}) \begin{pmatrix} D_u & -\lambda \mathcal{T} \\ -\lambda \mathcal{T}' & D_s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ s \end{pmatrix} + \int_x \bar{d} D_d d$  where  $\mathcal{T}(x, y; \vec{q}) = \gamma e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{x}} \delta_{x,y}$ 

Construct a matrix of correlation functions:

$$C_{\lambda B'B} = \begin{pmatrix} C_{\lambda \Sigma \Sigma} & C_{\lambda \Sigma N} \\ C_{\lambda N \Sigma} & C_{\lambda N N} \end{pmatrix}_{B'B}$$

 This can be diagonalised and the energies related to the matrix element

$$\Delta E_{\lambda \Sigma N} = \sqrt{\left(E_N(\vec{q}) - M_{\Sigma}\right)^2 + 4\lambda^2 \left| \langle N(\vec{q}) | \bar{u} \gamma_4 s | \Sigma(\vec{0}) \rangle \right|^2}$$





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Each correlator is built from a Green's function:

$$\begin{pmatrix} G_{uu} & G_{us} \\ G_{su} & G_{ss} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (\mathcal{M}^{-1})_{uu} & (\mathcal{M}^{-1})_{us} \\ (\mathcal{M}^{-1})_{su} & (\mathcal{M}^{-1})_{ss} \end{pmatrix}$$

• Where:  $G^{(uu)} = (1 - \lambda^2 D_u^{-1} \mathcal{T} D_s^{-1} \gamma_5 \mathcal{T}^{\dagger} \gamma_5)^{-1} D_u^{-1}$  $G^{(ss)} = (1 - \lambda^2 D_s^{-1} \gamma_5 \mathcal{T}^{\dagger} \gamma_5 D_u^{-1} \mathcal{T})^{-1} D_s^{-1}$ 

Problem: inversion within another inversion

$$G^{(us)} = \lambda D_u^{-1} \mathcal{T} G^{(ss)},$$

$$G^{(su)} = \lambda D_s^{-1} \gamma_5 \mathcal{T}^{\dagger} \gamma_5 G^{(uu)}$$

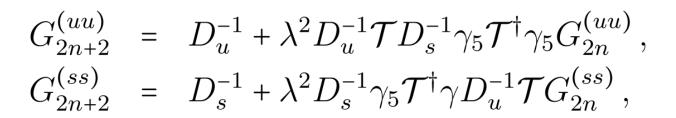


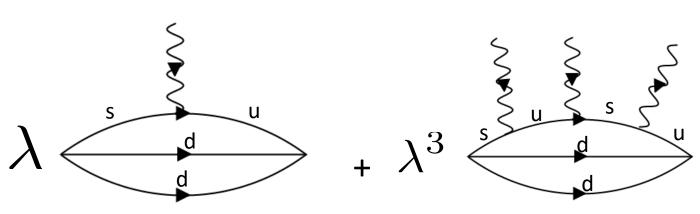


#### Iterative Green's functions

- We can expand the Green's functions for small lambda
- Will give the exact result as n goes to infinity.
- We will consider up to order  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$
- This allows changing the value of lambda after the inversions!

$$G_3^{(us)}$$
 =









#### Kinematics

- Choose the Sigma to be at rest and change the momentum of the nucleon
- Choose the operator to be the vector current  $\gamma_4$
- For hyperons with quasi-degenerate energies the shift due to a perturbation in the action lambda is

$$\Delta E_{\lambda \Sigma N} = \sqrt{(E_N(\vec{q}) - M_{\Sigma})^2 + 4\lambda^2 \left| \langle N(\vec{q}) | \bar{u} \gamma_4 s | \Sigma(\vec{0}) \rangle \right|^2}$$

- When the energy of the nucleon equals the mass of the Sigma, this will be linear in lambda.
  - How far from the degenerate energy point can we make this work?
    - At  $Q^2=0$ ?





### (Partially) Twisted Boundary Conditions

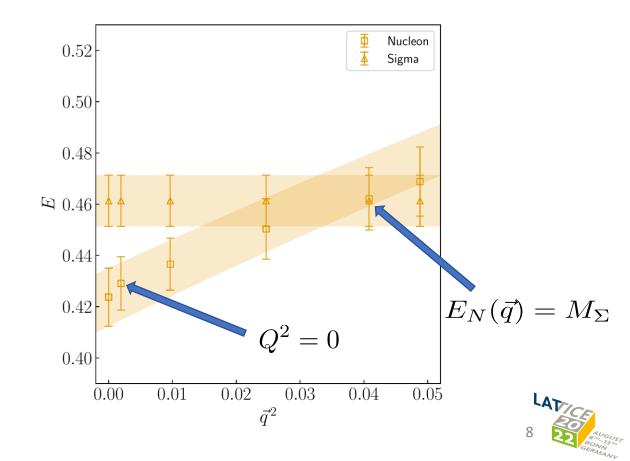
Momentum on the lattice is quantised

 $Q^2 = -(M_{\Sigma} - E_N(\vec{q}))^2 + \vec{q}^2$ 

- how do we get to the energy-degenerate point?
- Twisted boundary conditions add a complex phase to the boundary conditions
  - Gives lattice correlators any momentum

$$q(\vec{x} + N_s \vec{e}_i, t) = e^{i\theta_i} q(\vec{x}, t)$$

- Using twisted boundary conditions we can tune the nucleon energy to be very close to the mass of the Sigma baryon.
- Can also be used to get form factors at exactly Q<sup>2</sup>=0





## Generalized EigenValue Problem (GEVP)

• Diagonalise the matrix 
$$C_{\lambda B'B}=\begin{pmatrix} C_{\lambda\Sigma\Sigma}&C_{\lambda\Sigma N}\\ C_{\lambda N\Sigma}&C_{\lambda NN} \end{pmatrix}_{B'B}$$

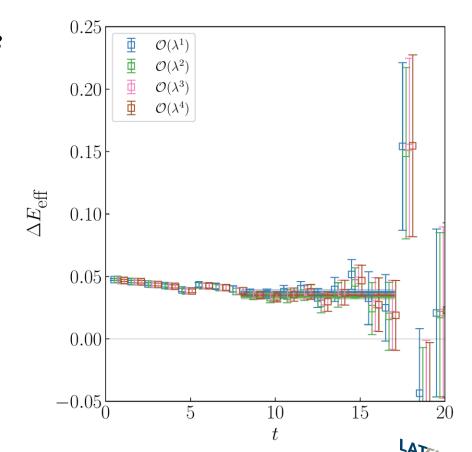
- Gives two eigenvectors and eigenvalues
- Eigenvalues related to the energy
- Use the eigenvectors to project out two correlation functions:

$$C_{\lambda}^{(i)}(t) = v^{(i)\dagger}C_{\lambda}(t)u^{(i)}, \quad i = \pm$$

 Take the ratio of the two correlators and fit to the energy shift  $\Delta E$ .

$$R_{\lambda}(t; \vec{0}, \vec{q}) = \frac{C_{\lambda}^{(-)}(t; \vec{0}, \vec{q})}{C_{\lambda}^{(+)}(t; \vec{0}, \vec{q})} \stackrel{t \gg 0}{\propto} e^{-\Delta E_{\lambda}(\vec{0}, \vec{q})t}$$

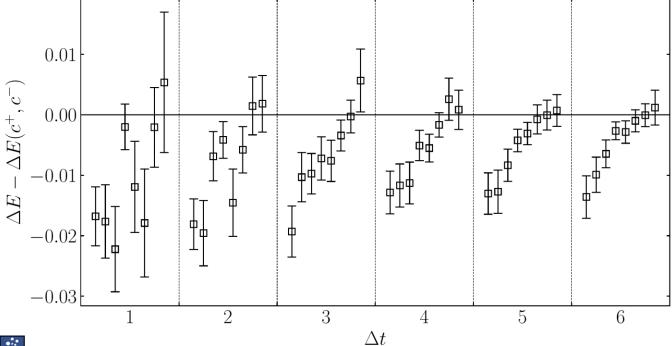




# **GEVP Stability**

Stable under GEVP parameters?

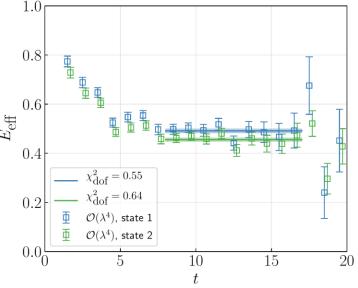
- Do the GEVP for many value of  $t_0$  and  $\Delta t$
- Calculate the value of  $\Delta E(c^+,c^-)$  from the eigenvalues
- Compare with  $\Delta E$  from the fit to the ratio of correlators
- For each  $\Delta t$  we show results from  $t_0=1-8$



GEVP depends on two parameters ( $t_0 \& \Delta t$ ):

$$C_{\lambda}^{-1}(t_0)C_{\lambda}(t_0 + \Delta t)e^{(i)} = c^{(i)}e^{(i)}$$





Result from GEVP are stable in range  $\Delta t \ge 4$  and  $t_0 \ge 6$ 





#### Lattice details

- 32<sup>3</sup>x64 lattice size
- Lattice spacing a=0.074fm
- $N_f = 2 + 1$ , O(a)-improved clover Wilson fermions
- Up and down quark are degenerate
- O(500) configurations used for each choice of momentum

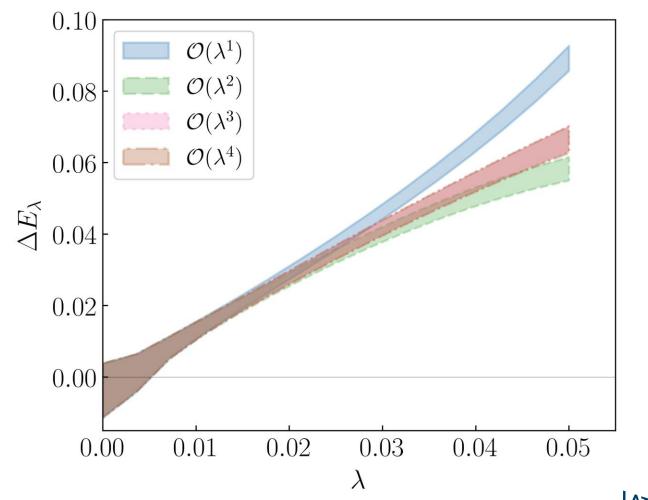
run#	$\theta_2/\pi$	$ec{q}^{2}$	$E_N$	$M_{\Sigma} - E_N$	$Q^2[\mathrm{GeV}^2]$
1	0.0	0.0	0.424(11)	0.0366(33)	-0.0095
2	0.448	0.0019	0.429(10)	0.0351(35)	0.0048
3	1	0.0096	0.437(10)	0.0301(42)	0.0620
4	1.6	0.0247	0.450(12)	0.0182(57)	0.1732
5	2.06	0.0408	0.462(12)	0.0030(69)	0.2901
6	2.25	0.0488	0.469(13)	-0.0037(78)	0.3472



#### $\Delta E$ as a function of $\lambda$

 $R_{\lambda}(t; \vec{0}, \vec{q}) = \frac{C_{\lambda}^{(-)}(t; \vec{0}, \vec{q})}{C_{\lambda}^{(+)}(t; \vec{0}, \vec{q})} \overset{t \gg 0}{\propto} e^{-\Delta E_{\lambda}(\vec{0}, \vec{q})}$ 

- Iterative Method: higher orders in lambda increase the range over which our approximation holds
- We want to fit in the region where the dependence is linear
- Choose the region where the two highest order results agree
  - The expansion in  $\lambda$  holds here

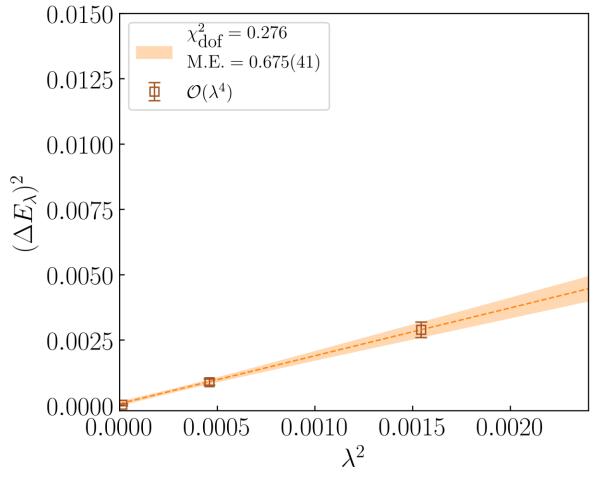




#### Matrix element fit

 $\Delta E_{\lambda \Sigma N} = \sqrt{(E_N(\vec{q}) - M_{\Sigma})^2 + 4\lambda^2 \left| \langle N(\vec{q}) | \bar{u} \gamma_4 s | \Sigma(\vec{0}) \rangle \right|^2}$ 

- Fit to data up to  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$
- Values of ΔE for all lambda are very correlated
- We fit to the square of  $\Delta E$  to ensure the values are positive
- We use three fit points which span the region where the dependence on lambda is linear

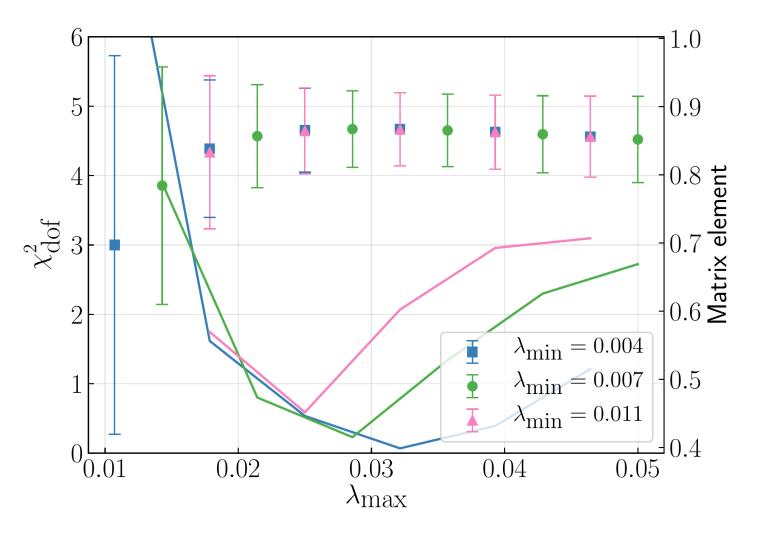




# Fit Stability

We fit over multiple ranges of lambda using three points for each fit

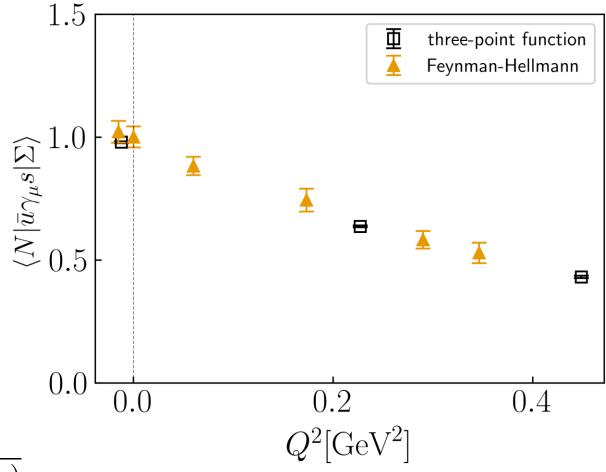
The results stabilise when the fit extends up to lambda>0.03





#### Matrix element results

Three-point function results are preliminary, using one source-sink separation and using higher statistics



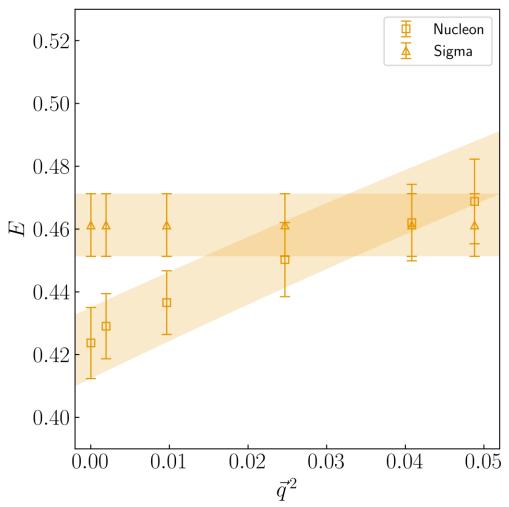
$$\langle N(\vec{q}) | \bar{u}\gamma_4 s | \Sigma(\vec{0}) \rangle = \sqrt{2M_{\Sigma}(E_N(\vec{q}) + M_N)}$$

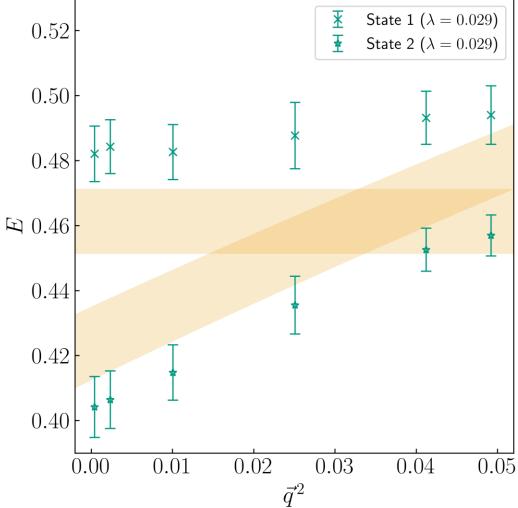
$$\left(f_1^{\Sigma N}(Q^{f2}) + \frac{E_N(\vec{q}) - M_N}{M_N + M_{\Sigma}} f_2^{\Sigma N}(Q^2) + \frac{E_N(\vec{q}) - M_{\Sigma}}{M_N + M_{\Sigma}} f_3^{\Sigma N}(Q^2)\right)$$





# Avoided level crossing



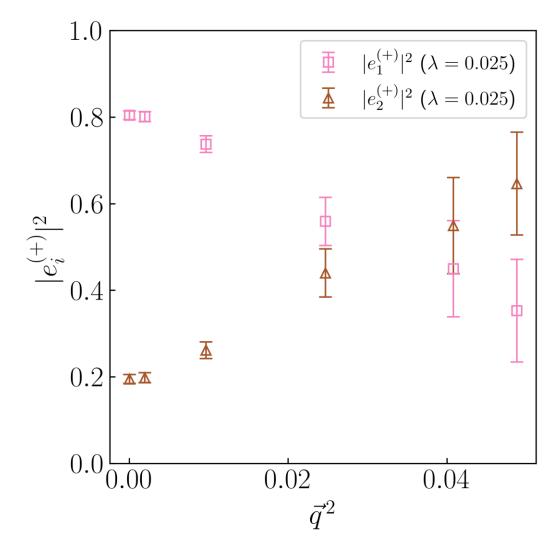




# Eigenvectors

 As in Roger's presentation, the eigenvectors show the mixing between the states once the interaction is turned on

$$\vec{e}^{(\pm)} = \begin{pmatrix} e_1^{(\pm)} \\ e_2^{(\pm)} \end{pmatrix}$$





#### Conclusion

- The Feynman-Hellman method can be used to calculate hyperon transition form factors
- Only requires one Euclidean time parameter to be optimised to extract the ground state.
- Using multiple different operators will allow for the extraction of separate form facors
- Method should be tested on lattices with larger splittings between the light and strange quarks



# Extra: $Q^2=0$ results

- Expansion in  $\lambda$  breaks down earlier
- Choose smaller  $\lambda$  values for the fit
- Still possible to fit and get a good result
- Higher orders could be required when the quark mass splitting is increased on other lattice ensembles.

