

Infrared enhancement in single-baryon systems

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Heavy baryon VS. Covariant in single-baryon system

Heavy Baryon Chiral Perturbation Theory(HBChPT)

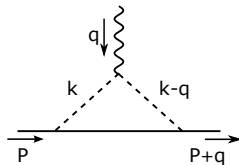
- Baryons have large masses compare to momentum(Q), it can be approximated as static object at leading order.
- The recoil terms are treated as subleading corrections.

Covariant Chiral Perturbation Theory

- Relativistic Lagrangian of ChPT is manifestly Lorentz invariant, recoil corrections are in effect resummed.
- Phenomenological successes in several processes: Magnetic moments, baryon mass.



Triangle diagram



- Becher(1999) argued that we should use relativistic kinematics: analyticity problem of triangle diagram using static approximation.
- In covariant treatment triangle diagram has a branch point in second Riemann sheet of $t(q^2)$, but it not appear in static approximation.
- Power counting must reflect the necessity of resummation: recoil terms are equal importance.
- Power counting change of two-nucleon reducible loops ($\sim m_N/Q$).



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Standard counting

The loop integral of triangle diagram is:

$$\gamma(t) \equiv i \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k_0 - \frac{\vec{k}^2}{2m_N} + i\epsilon} \frac{1}{k^2 - m_\pi^2 + i\epsilon} \frac{1}{(k - q)^2 - m_\pi^2 + i\epsilon}$$

When both pion propagators are on-shell, loop momentum

$$\vec{k} = \frac{\vec{q}}{2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\vec{q}^2}{m_N}\right), k_0 = \sqrt{\vec{q}^2 + m_\pi^2} \left[1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\vec{q}^2}{m_N}\right)\right]$$

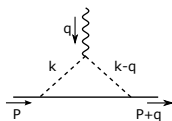
External three-momenta (\vec{q}) is of same order as pion mass: $Q \sim m_\pi$.

$k_0 \sim Q$, $\vec{k} \sim Q$, **recoil term $\vec{k}^2/2m_N \sim Q^2/m_N$ is subleading.**

The standard counting of loop integral $\gamma(t) \sim Q^4/Q^5 \sim Q^{-1}$



Infrared enhancement



Consider a particular unphysical region:

$$\vec{q}^2 = -4m_\pi^2 + \mathcal{O}(\xi^2 m_\pi^2), \quad \xi = m_\pi/m_N$$

\vec{k} and \vec{q} may take complex value. There exist a region of \vec{k} :

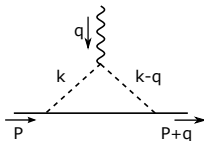
$$k_0 \sim \sqrt{\vec{k}^2 + m_\pi^2} \sim \xi m_\pi$$

Cancellation between \vec{k}^2 and m_π^2 leads a small loop energy.

Recoil term $\vec{k}^2/2m_N \sim \xi m_\pi \sim k_0$.

Recoil correction is necessary!





In this small region of \vec{k} :

$$|\vec{k} - \frac{\vec{q}}{2}| \sim \xi m_\pi, \sqrt{(\vec{k} - \vec{q})^2 + m_\pi^2} \sim \xi m_\pi$$

Loop intagral scales:

$$\gamma(t) \sim (\xi m_\pi)^4 \frac{1}{\xi m_\pi} \frac{1}{(\xi m_\pi)^2} \frac{1}{(\xi m_\pi)^2} \sim \frac{1}{\xi m_\pi}$$

Although phase space of \vec{k} is small, simultaneously on-shell pion and baryon prapagators provide a small denominator.

Enchanment of order $1/\xi!$



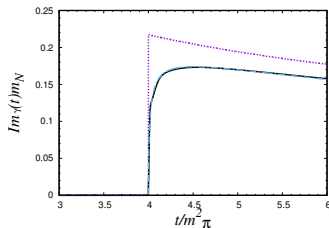
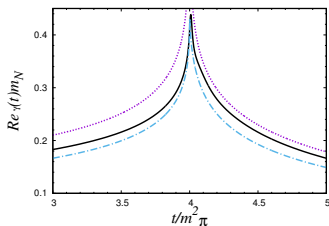
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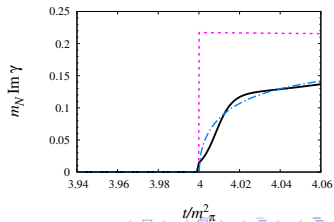
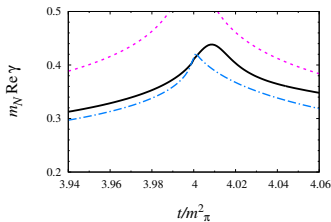


Integration result

Difference between relativistic and recoil one is tiny.



Zoom in the region around $t = 4m_\pi^2$, the enhancement is clear:

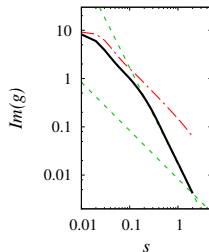
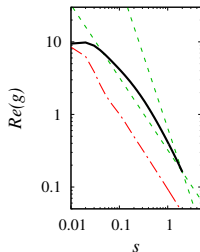


Scaling of $\gamma(t)$

$\gamma(t, m_\pi^2) \sim m_\pi^{-2}, m_\pi^{-1}$ near and far away $t = 4m_\pi^2$ respectively.

Scale m_π^2 and t with a factor s , define function $g(s; t/m_\pi^2)$

$$g\left(s; t/m_\pi^2\right) \equiv m_N \gamma\left(s^2 t^*, s^2 m_\pi^{*2}\right)$$



Real part of $g(s)$ scale between $\sim s^{-1}$ and $\sim s^{-2}$.

Imaginary part of $g(s)$ really scales as $\sim s^{-2}$ near $t = 4m_\pi^2$.



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Summary

- In a small region near two pion threshold, triangle diagram is enhanced by a factor m_N/m_π .
- In this small region, power counting changed and the recoil correction should be considered.
- Loop integral scales as m_π^{-2} inside the enhancement window.



Thank you!

