# Highly excited and exotic meson spectroscopy from lattice QCD 

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## Overview - reminder

Light meson spectroscopy

GlueX (JLab), BESIII, PANDA

Exotics $\left(1^{-+}, \ldots\right)$ ?

Photocouplings

Extracting excited meson spectra using Lattice QCD...

Photoproduction at GlueX (JLab 12 GeV upgrade)


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Eigenvectors $\rightarrow$ optimal linear combination of operators to overlap on to a state

$$
\Omega^{(n)} \sim \sum_{i} v_{i}^{(n)} O_{i}
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$Z^{(n)}$ related to eigenvectors

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| Irrep | $\mathrm{A}_{1}$ | $\mathrm{~A}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{~T}_{1}$ | $\mathrm{~T}_{2}$ | E |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\operatorname{dim}$ | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| cont. spins | $0,4,6, \ldots$ | $3,6,7, \ldots$ | $1,3,4, \ldots$ | $2,3,4, \ldots$ | $2,4,5, \ldots$ |

(and others for half-integer spin)

## Spin and operator construction

Construct operators which only overlap on to one spin in the continuum limit

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- As an example: three degenerate 'light' quarks ( $\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{f}}=3, \mathrm{M}_{\pi} \approx 700 \mathrm{MeV}$ )
- Dynamical (unquenched). Only connected diagrams (isovectors and kaons)
0.6












## Z values - spin 4




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## Summary and Outlook

## Summary

- First results on light mesons - technology and method work
- Spin identification is possible using operator overlaps
- First spin 4 meson extracted and confidently identified on lattice
- Exotics (and non-exotic hybrids?)

Outlook - ongoing work

- Multi-meson operators
- Disconnected diagrams - isoscalars
- Baryons (Robert Edwards' talk on Friday)
- Photocouplings


## Extra Slides

## Exotics summary



## Kaons

Lower the light quark mass $\left(\mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{f}}=2+1\right)-\mathrm{SU}(3)$ sym breaking

| $M_{\pi} / \mathrm{MeV}$ | 700 | 520 | 440 | 400 | c.f. physical <br> $M_{\mathrm{K}} / M_{\pi}$ <br> 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

No longer have (a generalisation) of C-parity as a good quantum number

Combine $\mathrm{J}^{\mathrm{P}+}$ and $\mathrm{J}^{\mathrm{P}-}$ operators
Physically axial kaon $\left[\mathrm{K}_{1}(1270), \mathrm{K}_{1}(1400)\right]$ mixing angle suggested $\approx 45^{\circ}$
But...

## Kaons



## Kaons - Overlaps in $\mathrm{T}_{1}^{+}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 16^{3} \\
& M_{\pi} \approx 520 \mathrm{MeV} \\
& M_{K} / M_{\pi} \approx 1.2
\end{aligned}
$$

$\left(\begin{array}{l}16^{3} \\ M_{\pi} \approx 400 \mathrm{MeV} \\ M_{\mathrm{K}} / M_{\pi} \approx 1.4\end{array}\right.$


## Kaons - spectrum



