# Hadronic parity violation in effective field theory

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# Parity-violating nucleon interactions

#### Nucleon interactions

- Manifestation of interactions between constituents
  - Strong
  - Electromagnetic
  - Weak
- Parity violation in weak interactions
  - Parity-violating component in nucleon interactions
  - Relative strength  $\sim G_F m_\pi^2 \approx 10^{-7}$

#### Weak interactions

- Well-understood between "free" quarks
- Mediated by W, Z exchange  $\rightarrow$  range  $\sim$  0.002 fm
- How modified by strong interactions?
- "Inside-out" probe of QCD

### **Observables**

- Isolate PV effects through pseudoscalar observables  $(\sigma \cdot p)$
- Interference between PC and PV amplitudes

### Complex nuclei

- Enhancement up to 10% effect (<sup>139</sup>La)
- Theoretically difficult

#### Two-nucleon system

- N
   N scattering (Bonn, PSI, TRIUMF, LANL)
- $np \leftrightarrow d\gamma$  (SNS, LANSCE, Grenoble, HIGS2?)

#### Few-nucleon systems

- $\vec{N}\alpha$  scattering (PSI, NIST)
- ${}^{3}\text{He}(\vec{n}, p){}^{3}\text{H (SNS)}$
- $\vec{n}d \rightarrow t\gamma$
- ...

# Meson-exchange model

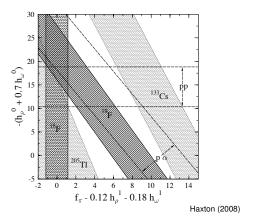
#### DDH model

- Weak interaction encoded in PV meson-nucleon couplings
- Single-meson exchange  $(\pi^{\pm}, \rho, \omega)$  between two nucleons with one strong and one weak vertex



- Estimate weak couplings (quark models, symmetries)
   ⇒ ranges and "best values"
- Has been standard for analyzing experiments

# Potential problems



- PV interactions?
- Consistency PC and PV interactions?
- Nuclear structure?

### EFT in few-nucleon sector

### Effective field theories for PV

#### One-nucleon sector

PV πN coupling

#### Two-nucleon sector

- Pionless theory: NN contact interactions
- Explicit pions: NN contact interactions and PV  $\pi N$  coupling
- "Hybrid" approach: EFT PV potential combined with phenomenological wave functions

Kaplan, Savage (1993); Savage, Springer (1998); Savage (2001); Zhu, Maekawa, Holstein, Ramsey-Musolf, van Kolck (2005); Liu (2007); Song et al. (2011/12)

# Parity violation in EFT(*★*)

#### Structure of interaction

- Only nucleons
- Contact interactions
- Parity determined by orbital angular momentum  $L: (-1)^L$
- Simplest parity-violating interaction:  $L \rightarrow L \pm 1$
- Leading order: S P wave transitions



Spin, isospin: 5 different combinations

# Lowest-order parity-violating Lagrangian

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{PV} &= -\left[\mathcal{C}^{(^{3}\!S_{1} - ^{1}\!P_{1})} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2} \; \vec{\sigma}\tau_{2}N\right)^{\dagger} \cdot \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2}\tau_{2}i \overset{\leftrightarrow}{\nabla}N\right)\right. \\ &+ \mathcal{C}^{(^{1}\!S_{0} - ^{3}\!P_{0})}_{(\Delta I = 0)} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2}\tau_{2}\vec{\tau}N\right)^{\dagger} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2} \; \vec{\sigma} \cdot i \overset{\leftrightarrow}{\nabla}\tau_{2}\vec{\tau}N\right) \\ &+ \mathcal{C}^{(^{1}\!S_{0} - ^{3}\!P_{0})}_{(\Delta I = 1)} \; \epsilon^{3ab} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2}\tau_{2}\tau^{a}N\right)^{\dagger} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2} \; \vec{\sigma} \cdot \overset{\leftrightarrow}{\nabla}\tau_{2}\tau^{b}N\right) \\ &+ \mathcal{C}^{(^{1}\!S_{0} - ^{3}\!P_{0})}_{(\Delta I = 2)} \; \mathcal{I}^{ab} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2}\tau_{2}\tau^{a}N\right)^{\dagger} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2} \; \vec{\sigma} \cdot i \overset{\leftrightarrow}{\nabla}\tau_{2}\tau^{b}N\right) \\ &+ \mathcal{C}^{(^{3}\!S_{1} - ^{3}\!P_{1})}_{(\Delta I = 2)} \; \epsilon^{ijk} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2}\sigma^{i}\tau_{2}N\right)^{\dagger} \left(N^{T}\sigma_{2}\sigma^{k}\tau_{2}\tau_{3}\overset{\leftrightarrow}{\nabla}N\right) \right] \\ &+ h.c. \end{split}$$

- Need 5 experimental results to determine LECs
- Notation:  $g^{(X-Y)} \propto C^{(X-Y)}$

# PV nucleon-nucleon scattering

• Consider asymmetry in  $\vec{N}N$  scattering

$$A_L = \frac{\sigma_+ - \sigma_-}{\sigma_+ + \sigma_-}$$

 $\sigma_{\pm}$ : cross section for  $\pm$ -helicity beam

$$A_{L}^{pp/nn} = 8p \frac{A_{pp/nn}}{C_{0}^{1_{S_{0}}}}$$

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{pp} &= 4 \left( \mathcal{C}_{(\Delta I = 0)}^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)} + \mathcal{C}_{(\Delta I = 1)}^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)} + \mathcal{C}_{(\Delta I = 2)}^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)} \right) \\ \mathcal{A}_{nn} &= 4 \left( \mathcal{C}_{(\Delta I = 0)}^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)} - \mathcal{C}_{(\Delta I = 1)}^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)} + \mathcal{C}_{(\Delta I = 2)}^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)} \right) \end{split}$$

- No Coulomb interaction for pp; can be included in EFT(≠):
   ~ 3 percent at E=13.6 MeV
- Also calculated np

# Neutron-proton spin rotation

- Perpendicularly polarized beam on unpolarized target
- PV interactions cause spin rotation

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\mathsf{d}\phi_{\mathsf{PV}}^{\eta\rho}}{\mathsf{d}L} \bigg|_{\mathsf{LO+NLO}} = \left( [4.5 \pm 0.5] \, \left( 2g^{(3S_1 - 3P_1)} + g^{(3S_1 - 1P_1)} \right) \right. \\ \left. - \left[ 18.5 \pm 1.9 \right] \, \left( g^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)}_{(\Delta I = 0)} - 2g^{(1S_0 - 3P_0)}_{(\Delta I = 2)} \right) \right) \mathsf{rad} \, \mathsf{MeV}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

Estimate

$$\left| \frac{\mathrm{d}\phi_{\mathrm{PV}}^{np}}{\mathrm{d}L} \right| pprox \left[ 10^{-7} \cdots 10^{-6} 
ight] \, \, \frac{\mathrm{rad}}{\mathrm{m}}$$

# Electromagnetic processes: $np \rightarrow d\gamma$

Invariant amplitude for  $np o d\gamma$ 

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{M} = & \mathsf{eXN}^\mathsf{T} \tau_2 \sigma_2 \left[ \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{q} \; \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_d^* \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\gamma^* - \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\gamma^* \; \boldsymbol{q} \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_d^* \right] N \\ & + i \mathsf{eY} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{ijk} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_d^{*i} \boldsymbol{q}^j \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\gamma^{*k} \left( N^\mathsf{T} \tau_2 \tau_3 \sigma_2 N \right) \\ & + i \mathsf{eW} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{ijk} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_d^{*i} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\gamma^{*k} \left( N^\mathsf{T} \tau_2 \sigma_2 \sigma^j N \right) \\ & + \mathsf{eV} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_d^* \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_\gamma^* \left( N^\mathsf{T} \tau_2 \tau_3 \sigma_2 N \right) + \dots \end{split}$$

- X, Y: parity-conserving amplitudes
- V, W: parity-violating amplitudes

# Electromagnetic processes: $\vec{n}p \rightarrow d\gamma$



$$\vec{n}p \rightarrow d\gamma$$

Quantity of interest

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma}\frac{d\Gamma}{d\cos\theta}=1+A_{\gamma}\cos\theta$$

$$A_{\gamma} = -2\frac{M}{\gamma^2} \frac{\text{Re}[Y^*W]}{|Y|^2} = \frac{32}{3} \frac{M}{\kappa_1 (1 - \gamma a^{1}S_0)} \frac{\mathcal{C}^{(3S_1 - 3P_1)}}{\mathcal{C}^{(3S_1)}_0}$$

- Experiment: Currently consistent with zero
- NPDGamma @ SNS:  $A_{\gamma}$  to  $10^{-8}$

# Electromagnetic processes: $np \rightarrow d\vec{\gamma}$



### Circular polarization

Quantity of interest

$$P_{\gamma} = \frac{\sigma_{+} - \sigma_{-}}{\sigma_{+} + \sigma_{-}}$$

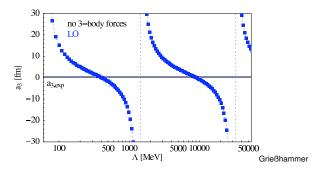
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$$P_{\gamma} = 2 rac{M}{\gamma^2} rac{\mathsf{Re}[Y^*V]}{|Y|^2} \ \sim a rac{\mathcal{C}^{(^3S_1 - ^1P_1)}}{\mathcal{C}^{(^3S_1)}_0} + b rac{\mathcal{C}^{(^1S_0 - ^3P_0)}_{(\Delta I = 0)} - 2\mathcal{C}^{(^1S_0 - ^3P_0)}_{(\Delta I = 2)}}{\mathcal{C}^{(^1S_0)}_0}$$

- Information complementary to  $\vec{n}p \rightarrow d\gamma$
- Experimental result  $P_{\gamma} = (1.8 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-7}$
- At threshold:  $P_{\gamma} = A_{I}^{\gamma}$  in  $\vec{\gamma}d \rightarrow np$ : opportunity for HIGS2?

### Three-nucleon interaction

- EFT estimates relative sizes of 3N, 4N, ... interactions
- Dimensional analysis:  $|2N| > |3N| > |4N| > \dots$
- nd scattering in  ${}^2S_{\frac{1}{2}}$  channel: scattering length  $a_3$  vs cutoff



- Three-body counterterm at leading order
- Fixed from data:  $a_3$ , triton binding energy, ...

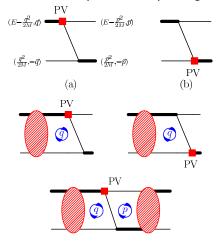
# PV three-body operators

- PV three-body operators required for renormalization?
- Additional experimental input?
- PV Nd scattering
  - No divergence at LO
  - Spin-isospin structure of PV 3N operators at NLO different from possible divergence structure
  - Cancellation from diagrams with PC 3N operators

No PV three-body operator at LO and NLO

# PV nd scattering

- $\vec{n}d$  forward scattering with one PV insertion
- At LO: tree-level, "one-loop," "two-loop" diagrams:



# Neutron-deuteron spin rotation at NLO

Spin-rotation angle at NLO

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{\rho} \; \frac{\mathrm{d}\phi_{\mathrm{PV}}^{\mathit{nd}}}{\mathrm{d}L} = \; \Big( [8.0 \pm 0.8] \; g^{(^3\!S_1 - ^1\!P_1)} \; - \; [18.3 \pm 1.8] \; g^{(^3\!S_1 - ^3\!P_1)} \\ + \; [2.3 \pm 0.5] \; \Big( 3g^{(^1\!S_0 - ^3\!P_0)}_{(\Delta l = 0)} - 2g^{(^1\!S_0 - ^3\!P_0)}_{(\Delta l = 1)} \Big) \Big) \mathrm{rad} \; \mathrm{MeV}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{split}$$

Estimate

$$\left| \frac{\mathsf{d}\phi_{\mathsf{PV}}^{nd}}{\mathsf{d}L} \right| pprox \left[ 10^{-7} \cdots 10^{-6} \right] \, \, \frac{\mathsf{rad}}{\mathsf{m}}$$

### Other three- and few-nucleon observables

#### Three-nucleon observables

- $\vec{n}d \rightarrow t\gamma$
- $\vec{\gamma}^3$ He  $\rightarrow pd$

#### Few-nucleon observables

- ${}^{3}\text{He}(\vec{n},p){}^{3}\text{H}$
- $\vec{n}\alpha$  spin rotation
- $\vec{p}\alpha$  scattering

Consistent few-body EFT calculations up to A = 5 desirable

### Parity violation in pionful EFT

- At higher energies and/or larger A: explicit pion dof needed
- Lowest-order PV πN Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}^{\mathsf{PV}} = rac{h_{\pi}F}{2\sqrt{2}}ar{N}X_{-}^{3}N + \dots$$

$$= ih_{\pi}\left(\pi^{+}ar{p}n - \pi^{-}ar{n}p\right) + \dots$$

- PV in Compton scattering and pion production on the nucleon
- Pion-exchange contributions to NN potential

### Conclusion & Outlook

#### Hadronic parity violation

- Probe of non-perturbative QCD phenomena ("inside-out)
- Few-body sector theoretically cleaner
- Challenging experiments, but doable → see talk by M. Gericke

#### EFT for parity-violating NN interactions

- 5 independent operators at LO in EFT(
   π)
- No PV 3-body operators at LO and NLO
- Consistent calculations in two-, three-, and few-body sectors
- Lattice → see talk by J. Wasem