

Higher partial wave contamination in the finite-volume formulae for 1-to-2 transitions

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The LL factor

- ▶ In the early 2000s LL worked out how to get $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ from the finite volume:

$$\underbrace{|\langle E_{\pi\pi}, \pi\pi, \text{out} | \mathcal{H}(0) | K \rangle|^2}_{\text{Infinite volume}} \Big|_{E_{\pi\pi}^{\text{cm}} = E_n^{\text{cm}}(L)} = 8\pi \left[\overbrace{q \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial q}}^{\text{Volume Effects}} + \overbrace{k \frac{\partial \delta_0}{\partial k}}^{\text{Dynamics}} \right] \left(\frac{m_k}{k_\pi} \right)^3 \underbrace{|\langle E_n, L | \mathcal{H}(0) | K, L \rangle|^2}_{\text{Finite volume}}$$

$k = q \frac{2\pi}{L}$

- ▶ However
 - ▶ Assumes $\delta_l = 0$ for $l > 0$
 - ▶ Only works for the first 8 energy levels

1+J->2 formula for $l>0$

$$\underbrace{|\langle E_{\pi\pi}, \pi\pi, \text{out} | \mathcal{H}(0) | K \rangle|^2}_{\text{Infinite volume}} \Big|_{E_{\pi\pi}^{\text{cm}} = E_n^{\text{cm}}(L)} = 2m_K L^6 \underbrace{\mathcal{C}(E_n(L), L)}_{\text{Conversion Factor}} \underbrace{|\langle E_n, \mathbf{P}, L, A_1 | \mathcal{H}(0) | K, \mathbf{P}, L \rangle|^2}_{\text{Finite volume}}$$

- ▶ Evaluated at one of the finite volume energy levels
- ▶ Tune to on-shell kaon energy
- ▶ We will assume $\mathbf{P}=0$, periodic boundary conditions and $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$

We will focus on the Conversion Factor

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Conversion Factor

We will factor this out

$$C(E_n(L), \mathbf{P}, L) \equiv \frac{\cos^2 \delta_0(E_{\text{cm}})}{\text{adj}[M(E, \mathbf{P}, L)]_{00}} \left. \frac{\partial \det [M(E, \mathbf{P}, L)]}{\partial E} \right|_{E=E_n(L)}$$

$E=E_n(L)$

2 particle energy levels given by $\text{Det}(M)=0$

Where

$$M(E, \mathbf{P}, L) \equiv \underbrace{\tilde{\mathcal{K}}(E_{\text{cm}})}_{\text{Dynamics}} + \underbrace{\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(E, \mathbf{P}, L)}_{\text{Volume Effects}}^{-1}$$

Infinite dimensional matrix - this is what we must truncate

$l=0$

$$M(E, \mathbf{P}, L) \equiv \mathcal{K}^{(0)}(E_{\text{cm}}) + \overline{F}_{00}(E, \mathbf{P}, L)^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{K}^{(0)}(E_{\text{cm}}) \\ &= \frac{16\pi E_{\text{cm}}}{p_{\text{cm}}} \tan \delta_0(E_{\text{cm}}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \overline{F}_{00}(E, \mathbf{P}, L)^{-1} \\ & \equiv \frac{16\pi E_{\text{cm}}}{p_{\text{cm}}} \tan \phi(E, \mathbf{P}, L) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{C}^{[\ell_{\text{max}}=0]}(E_n(L), L) = \frac{4\pi E^2}{p^3} \left[p \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \delta_0(p) + q \frac{\partial}{\partial q} \phi(q) \right] \Big|_{E=E_n(L)}$$

- ▶ You might think this is all we need but, due to the finite volume, angular momentum is not conserved
- ▶ The kaon+Weak Hamiltonian combo is in the A_1^+ irrep of the octahedral group (this is the good quantum number)

$l=4$

▶ A_1^+ couples to $l=0, l=4$ ($l=6, l=8...$)

$$M(E, L) \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{K}^{(0)}(E) & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{K}^{(4)}(E)/p_{\text{cm}}^8 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \bar{F}_{00}(E, L) & \bar{F}_{04}(E, L) \\ \bar{F}_{40}(E, L) & \bar{F}_{44}(E, L) \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta(E_n(L), L) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{C}(E_n(L), L) - \mathcal{C}^{[\ell_{\text{max}}=0]}(E_n(L), L)}{\mathcal{C}^{[\ell_{\text{max}}=0]}(E_n(L), L)}$$

Δ is the relative size of the $l=4$ contamination

l=4 (cont.)

$$\Delta(E, L) = \underbrace{\left[(2m)^9 \frac{\partial \mathcal{K}^{(4)}(E)}{\partial E} \frac{1}{p^8} \right]}_{\text{Dynamics}} \underbrace{\Delta^{[\partial\mathcal{K}^{(4)}]}(E, L)}_{\text{Finite volume effects}} + \underbrace{\left[(2m)^8 \frac{\mathcal{K}^{(4)}(E)}{p^8} \right]}_{\text{Dynamics}} \underbrace{\Delta^{[\mathcal{K}^{(4)}]}(E, L)}_{\text{Finite volume effects}} + \mathcal{O}[(\mathcal{K}^{(4)})^2, \mathcal{K}^{(4)} \partial\mathcal{K}^{(0)}]$$

$$\Delta^{[\mathcal{K}^{(4)}]}(E, L) \equiv \frac{1}{(2m)^8} \frac{1}{\partial_E \bar{F}_{00}(E, L)^{-1}} \frac{\bar{F}_{04}(E, L)^2}{\bar{F}_{00}(E, L)^2} \left[2 \frac{\partial_E \bar{F}_{04}(E, L)}{\bar{F}_{04}(E, L)} - 2 \frac{\partial_E \bar{F}_{00}(E, L)}{\bar{F}_{00}(E, L)} + \frac{m^2}{Ep^2} \right]$$

$$\Delta^{[\partial\mathcal{K}^{(4)}]}(E, L) \equiv \frac{1}{(2m)^9} \frac{1}{\partial_E \bar{F}_{00}(E, L)^{-1}} \frac{\bar{F}_{04}(E, L)^2}{\bar{F}_{00}(E, L)^2}$$

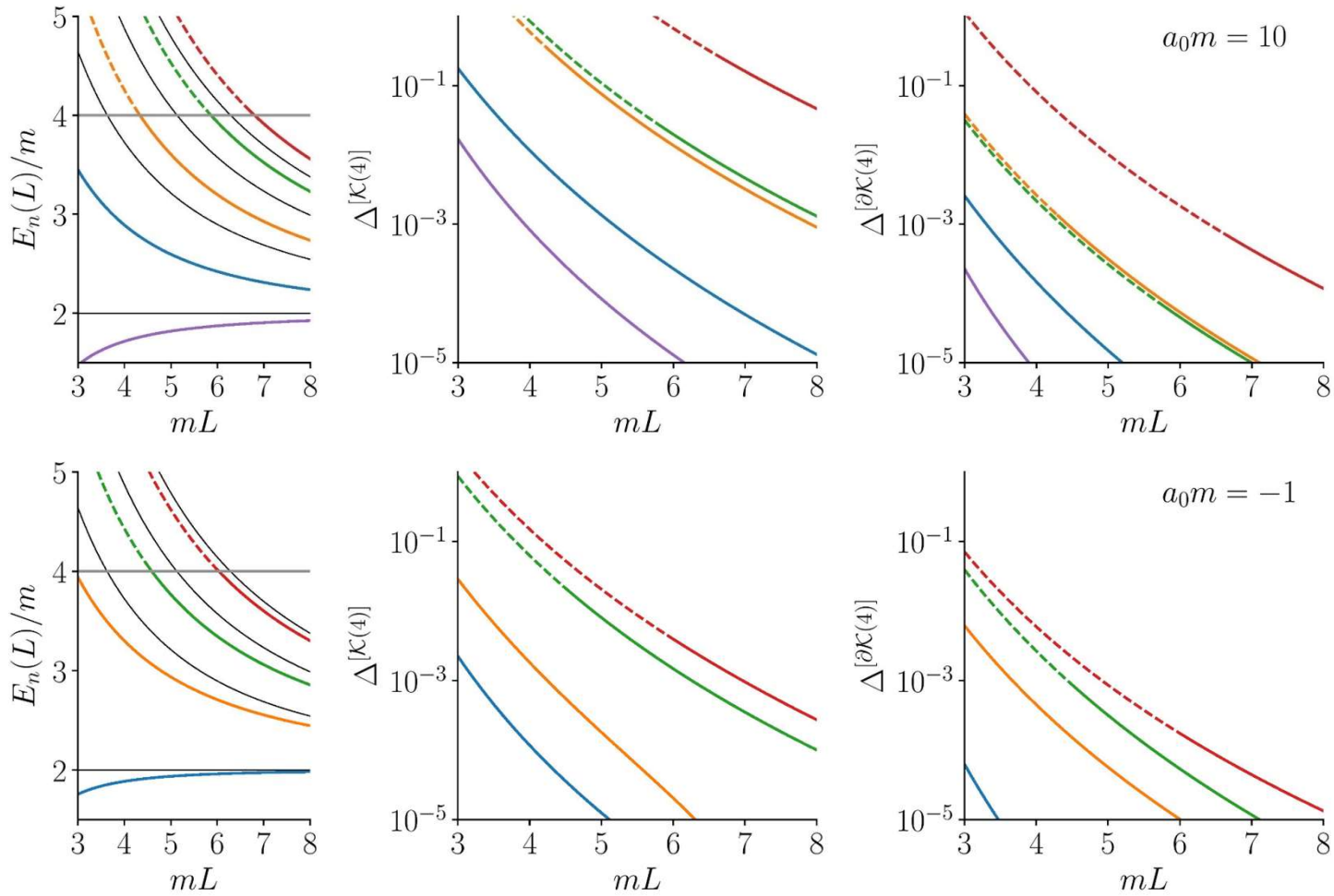
This is what we will plot

Plotting the Δ s

- ▶ The only inputs we need are the energy level, physical mass and box size
- ▶ At leading order we can extract energy levels from $\text{Det}(M_{l=0}) = 0$
- ▶ We need some dynamical input - We will parameterize $K^{(0)}$ using the scattering length

$$\Delta(E, L) = \left[(2m)^9 \frac{\partial}{\partial E} \frac{\mathcal{K}^{(4)}(E)}{p^8} \right] \Delta^{[\partial\mathcal{K}^{(4)}]}(E, L) + \left[(2m)^8 \frac{\mathcal{K}^{(4)}(E)}{p^8} \right] \Delta^{[\mathcal{K}^{(4)}]}(E, L) + \mathcal{O}[(\mathcal{K}^{(4)})^2, \mathcal{K}^{(4)} \partial\mathcal{K}^{(0)}]$$

Results - relative shift from l=0 to l=4



Interlude

- ▶ The finite volume causes contamination from higher angular momentum states
- ▶ Sometimes the contamination is almost 10% (if $(2m)^8 \frac{K^{(4)}}{p^8} \sim 1$), but sometimes much less
- ▶ We haven't found any patterns to predict the size of the effect a-priori



**NOOOO! A SCALAR
CAN'T DECAY TO AN
L=4 STATE**



**Haha, finite
volume effects
go brrr**

What happens at the 9th energy level?

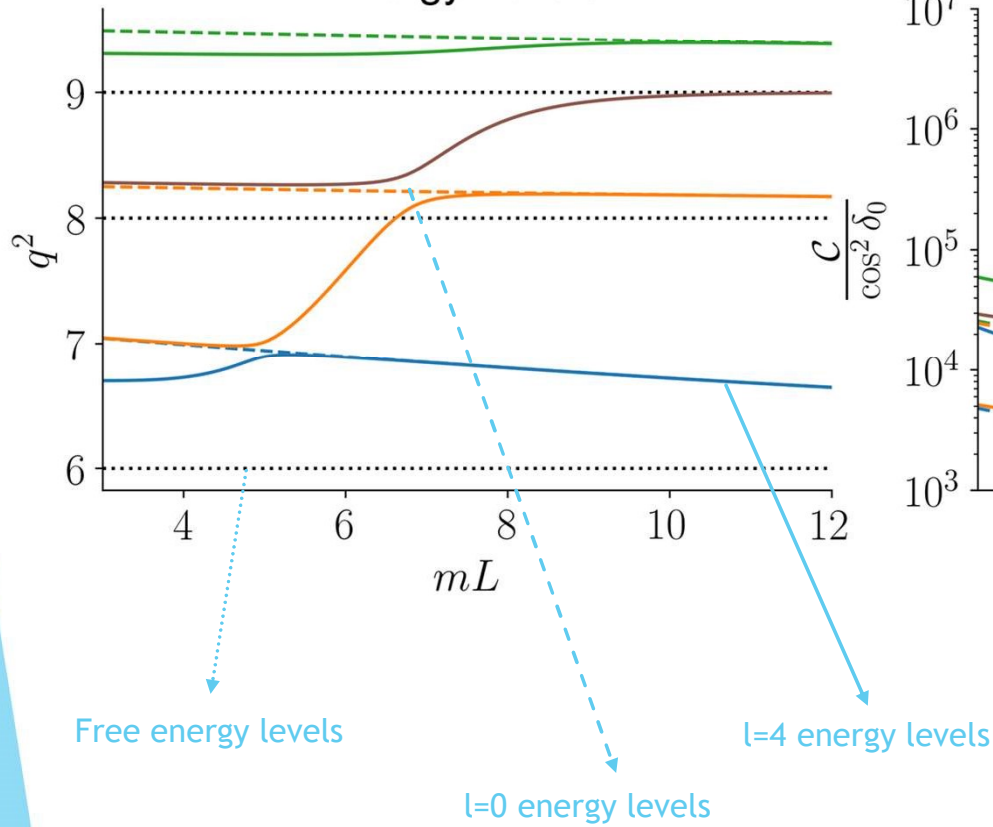
- ▶ Free theory, energy is given by $E = 2 \sqrt{n^2 \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 + m^2}$
- ▶ $n^2=9$ has 2 inequivalent solutions: (0,0,3) and (2,2,1). (There is no $n^2=7$)
- ▶ At $l=0$ these give the same energy (even when we include dynamics)
- ▶ At $l=4$ this degeneracy is broken

Plotting the accidental degeneracy

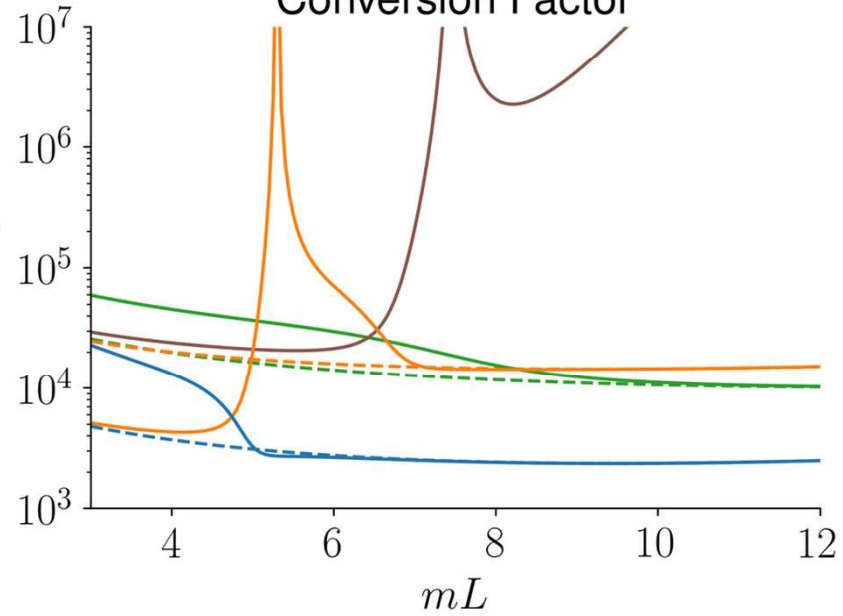
- ▶ We extract energy levels from $\text{Det}(M_{l=4}) = 0$
- ▶ Now we also need $a_0, a_4 \frac{\mathcal{K}^{(\ell)}}{p^{2\ell}} = -16\pi m E a_\ell$
- ▶ We plot the full $l=4$ conversion factor, that is we don't Taylor expand it in any way

Results

Energy Levels



Conversion Factor



$a_0 = 1$
 $a_4 = -0.0001$

Alternative Form

$$\sqrt{2m_k L^6} \langle n; L | \mathcal{O} | K; L \rangle =$$
$$\mathcal{A}_0 \langle \pi\pi; \ell = 0; \infty | \mathcal{O} | K; \infty \rangle + \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_4 \langle \pi\pi; \ell = 4; \infty | \mathcal{O} | K; \infty \rangle}_{= 0 \text{ if } \mathcal{O} = \mathcal{H}_W} \dots$$

Any local operator

If $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{H}_W$ then no angular momentum inserted

In this case $\mathcal{A}_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{c}}$ and we recover previous result

Everything evaluated at a finite volume energy level

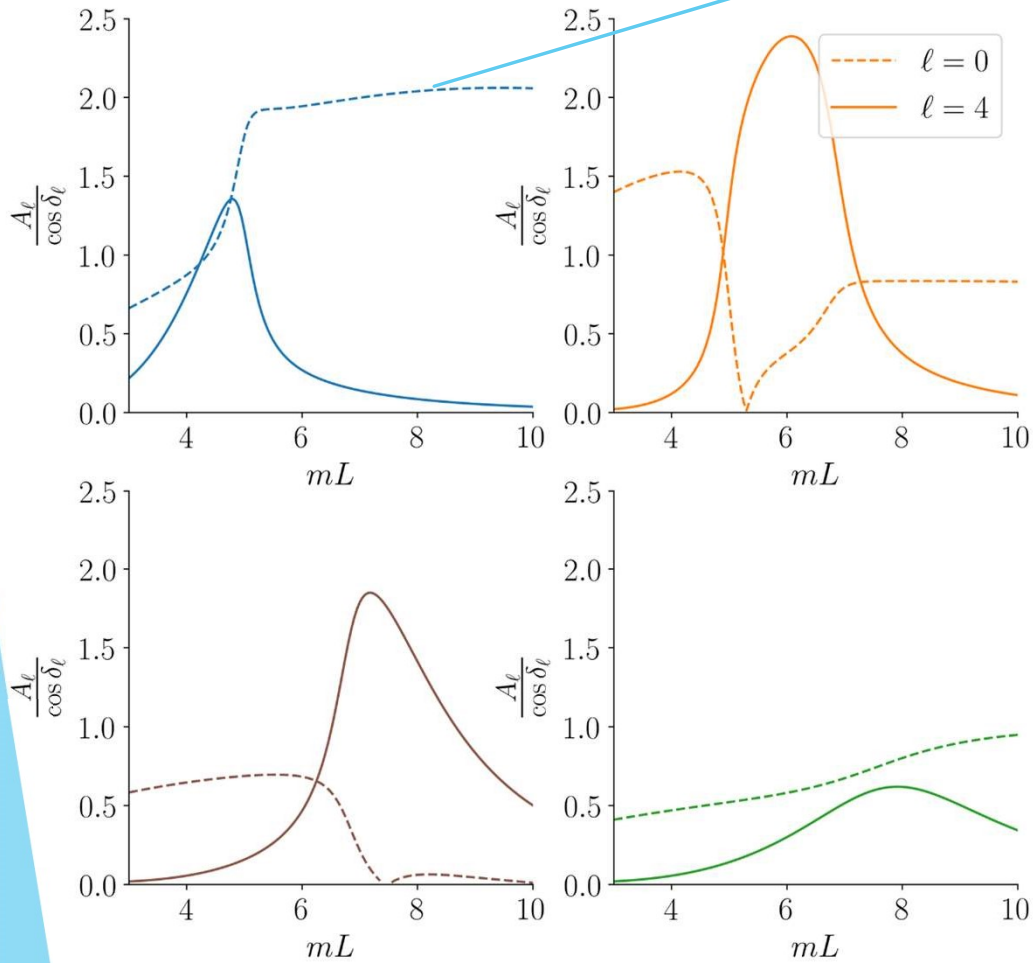
Alternative Form Cont...

$$\sqrt{2m_k L^6} \langle n; L | \text{"="} \mathcal{A}_0 \langle \pi\pi; \ell = 0; \infty | + \mathcal{A}_4 \langle \pi\pi; \ell = 4; \infty |$$

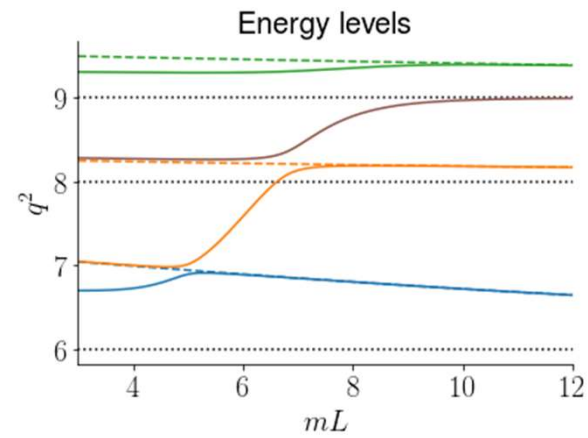
Only true if applied to a local operator and single particle state

Results

Note, scaled up x100 for clarity



$$\sqrt{2m_k L^6} \langle n; L | = \mathcal{A}_0 \langle \pi\pi; \ell = 0; \infty | + \mathcal{A}_4 \langle \pi\pi; \ell = 4; \infty |$$

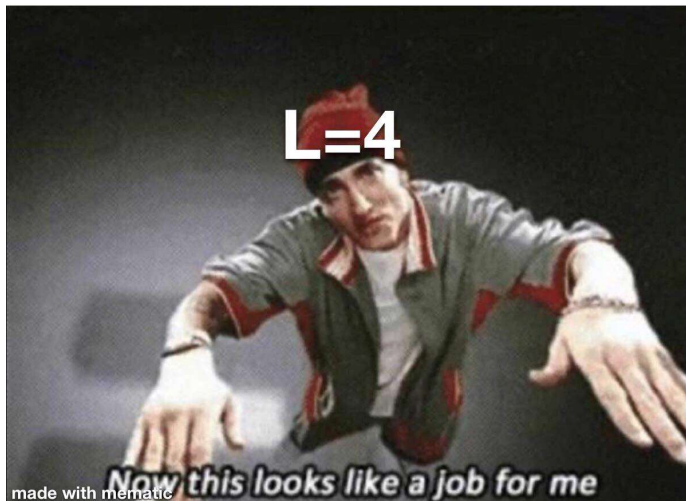


$a_0 = 1$
 $a_4 = -0.0001$

Interlude 2

- ▶ Yes, $l=4$ splits the accidentally degenerate energy level
- ▶ When the energy levels line up with the $l=0$ levels so do the conversion factors
- ▶ When the energy levels deviate, the conversion factor grows

An accidentally degenerate 9th energy level:
exists

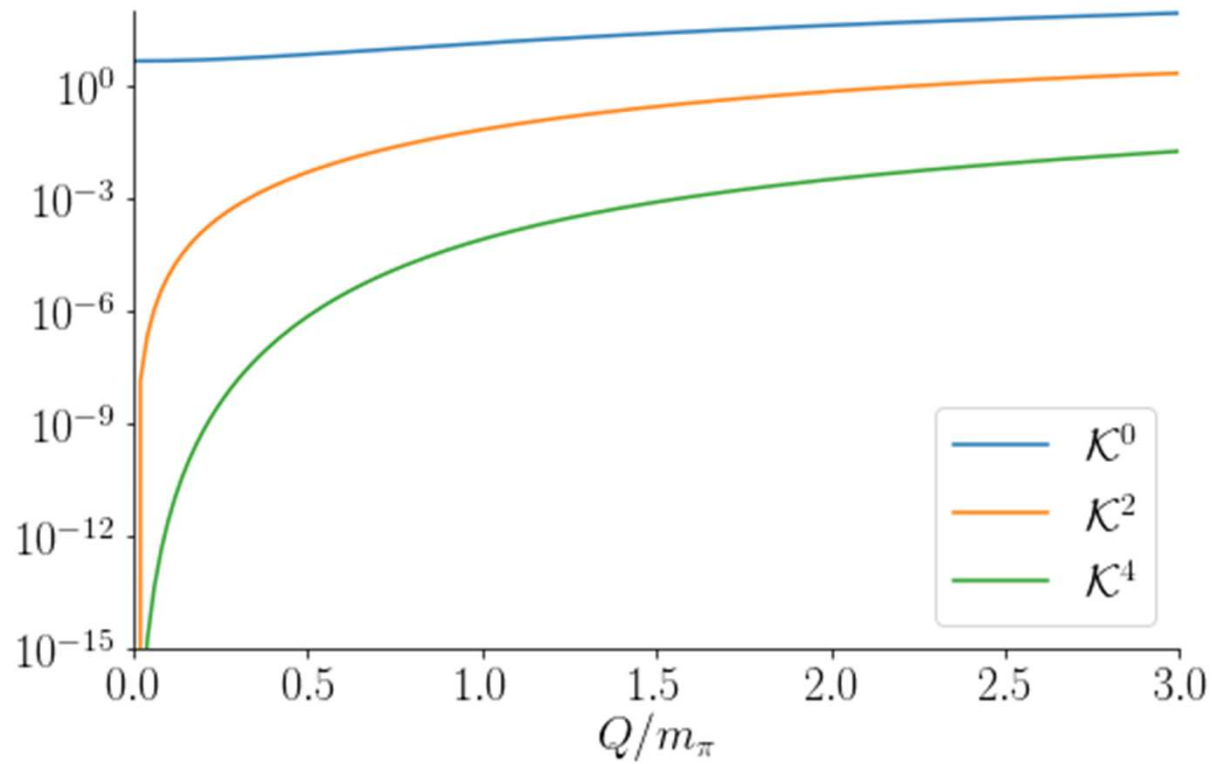


Conclusion

- ▶ Yes, higher angular momentum states can contaminate s-wave scattering
- ▶ Yes, it breaks the accidental degeneracy
- ▶ Sometimes these effects are small
- ▶ Sometimes these effects are noticeable
- ▶ Hard to predict in advance how big the effect will be

Thank You

Justifying the truncation



Size of the dynamics

- ▶ $a_4=0.0001$
- ▶ $E \sim 3$ from plot
- ▶ $2^8 * 16 \pi * 3 * 10^{-4} \sim 4$