

Nuclear Physics (12)



The One Boson Exchange
(OBE) model

RECAP

FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEM
OF NUCLEAR PHYSICS



What is the origin of
the nuclear force?

1) Before QCD:

1.a) pion theories (SO's)

1.b) one boson exchange
model

2) Post QCD:

2.a) quark-model related

2.b) effective field theories

Today's lesson

ONE MODEL

1) Extension of the original idea by Yukawa

$$\left| \text{---} \pi \text{---} \right| \rightarrow \left| \text{---} \rho, \rho, \omega \text{---} \right|$$

(+ other bosons)

2) Relatively simple

3) First quantitatively successful nuclear force

$$\left(\chi^2 / \text{d.o.f.} \approx 1 \right)$$

[Quality of the fit]

Original motivation:

FAILURE OF THE OLD
PION THEORIES

1) Most direct extension of Yukawa



2) But it did not work

→ no chiral symmetry,
no renormalization

3) Idea:



multi-pion exchange \approx resonance

The major characters
in this story:

1) The pion: $J^P = 0^-, I = 1$
 $m_\pi = 140 \text{ MeV}$

(explains quadrupole
moment)

2) The sigma: $J^P = 0^+, I = 0$
 $m_\sigma \approx 500 \text{ MeV}$

(strong mid-range attraction)

3) The rho: $J^P = 1^-, I = 1$

(cancels the excesses
of the tensor pion)

4) The omega: $J^P = 1^-, I = 0$

(provides the short-range
repulsion)

The OBE potential:

$$V_{\text{OBE}} = V_{\pi} + V_{\sigma} + V_{\rho} + V_{\omega}$$

↳ We already know this one

$$V_{\sigma}(\vec{q}) = - \frac{g_{\sigma}^2}{q^2 + m_{\sigma}^2}$$

$$V_{\rho}(\vec{q}) = \vec{\tau}_1 \cdot \vec{\tau}_2 \left[\frac{g_{\rho}^2}{q^2 + m_{\rho}^2} - \frac{(g_{\rho} + g_{\rho}')^2}{4M_N^2} \frac{(\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}) \cdot (\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q})}{q^2 + m_{\rho}^2} \right]$$

$$V_{\omega}(\vec{q}) = \frac{g_{\omega}^2}{q^2 + m_{\omega}^2}$$

$$- \frac{(g_{\omega} + g_{\omega}')^2}{4M_N^2} \frac{(\vec{\sigma}_1 \cdot \vec{q}) \cdot (\vec{\sigma}_2 \cdot \vec{q})}{q^2 + m_{\omega}^2}$$

Or in coordinate space:

$$V_\sigma(r) = -g_\sigma^2 m_\sigma W_Y(m_\sigma r)$$

$$V_p(r) = \overline{\tau}_1 \cdot \overline{\tau}_2 [g_p^2 m_p W_Y(m_p r)$$

$$+ \frac{(f_p + g_p)^2}{4M_N^2} \left(\frac{2}{3} \overline{\sigma}_1 \cdot \overline{\sigma}_2 m_p^3 W_Y(m_p r) \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{1}{3} S_{12}(\hat{r}) m_p^2 W_T(m_p r) \right]$$

$$V_\omega(r) = g_\omega^2 m_\omega W_Y(m_\omega r)$$

$$+ \frac{(f_\omega + g_\omega)^2}{4M_N^2} \left(\frac{2}{3} \overline{\sigma}_1 \cdot \overline{\sigma}_2 m_\omega^3 W_Y(m_\omega r) \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{1}{3} S_{12}(\hat{r}) m_\omega^2 W_T(m_\omega r) \right)$$

$$W_Y(x) = \frac{e^{-x}}{4\pi x}, \quad W_T(x) = \frac{e^{-x}}{4\pi x} \left(1 + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2} \right)$$

Usual simplification:

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} f_e \gg g_e \Rightarrow g_e = 0 \\ f_w \ll g_w \Rightarrow f_w = 0 \end{array} \right]$$

↳ This somewhat simplifies
the expressions

Yet there's a problem...

$$W_T(x) = \frac{e^{-x}}{4\pi x} \left(1 + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{3}{x^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} v_\pi \sim \frac{J_{1/2}(\sqrt{r})}{r^3} \\ v_f \sim \frac{J_{1/2}(\sqrt{r})}{r^3} \end{array} \right\} \text{Singular Potential}$$

$$(v_w \sim \frac{J_n(\sqrt{r})}{r^3}) \text{ for } l_w \neq 0$$

OBE Model \rightarrow singular potentials



But renormalization not understood
when OBE model proposed



Proposed solution:

Finite-size of mesons
will smear the potentials



Form factors

What is a form factor:

$$V_M(\vec{q}) \longrightarrow V_M(\vec{q}) \underbrace{F_M^2(\vec{q}; \Lambda)}_{\text{form factor}}$$

meson-exchange potential

Also possible in r -space:

$$V_M(\vec{r}) \longrightarrow V_M(\vec{r}) F_M^2(\vec{r}; R_c)$$

Form factor \cong regulator

Most standard choice:

$$F_M(\vec{q}; \Lambda) = \left(\frac{\Lambda^2 - m^2}{\Lambda^2 + \vec{q}^2} \right)^\alpha$$

[Multipolar form factor]

Example: monopolar form factor

$$V_M(\bar{q}) \rightarrow V_M(\bar{q}) \left(\frac{\Lambda^2 - m^2}{\Lambda^2 + \bar{q}^2} \right)^2$$

⇓ Equivalent to

$$W_Y(x) \rightarrow W_Y(x, \lambda) = W_Y(x)$$

$$-\lambda W_Y(\lambda x) - \frac{(\lambda^2 - 1)}{2\lambda} \frac{e^{-\lambda x}}{4\pi}$$

$$W_T(x) \rightarrow W_T(x, \lambda) = W_T(x)$$

$$-\lambda^3 W_T(\lambda x) - \frac{(\lambda^2 - 1)}{2\lambda} \lambda^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\lambda x} \right) \frac{e^{-\lambda x}}{4\pi}$$

with $\lambda = \frac{\Lambda}{m}$

↳ mass of the meson

Now we are ready to use it

→ But there are still some
extra improvements

1) more bosons

2) Relativistic corrections

↳ Spin-orbit force ($V_{LS} \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$)



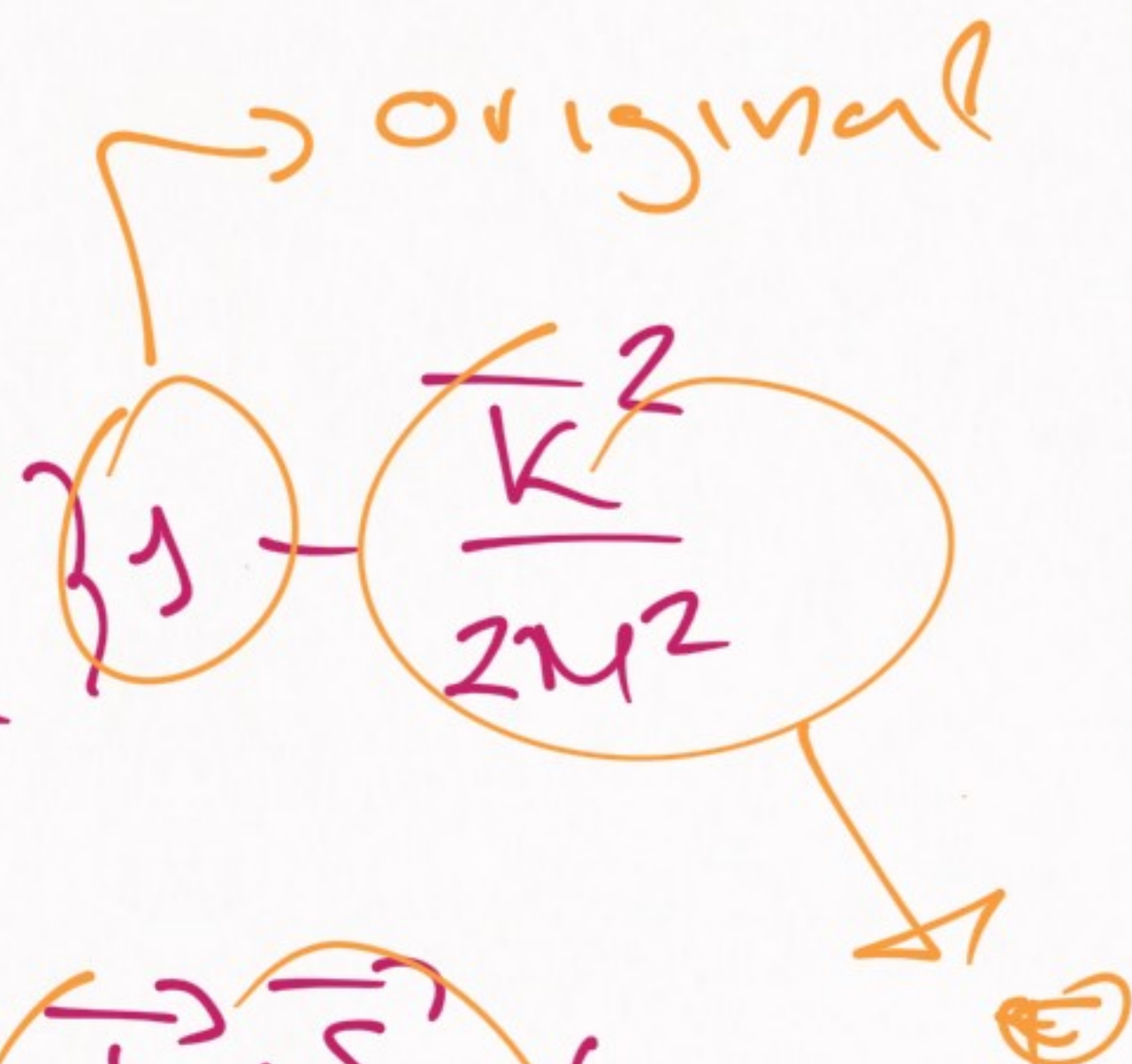
Necessary for a few P-waves
(two-body system)

Or for the correct ordering
of orbitals in the shell model
(many-body system)

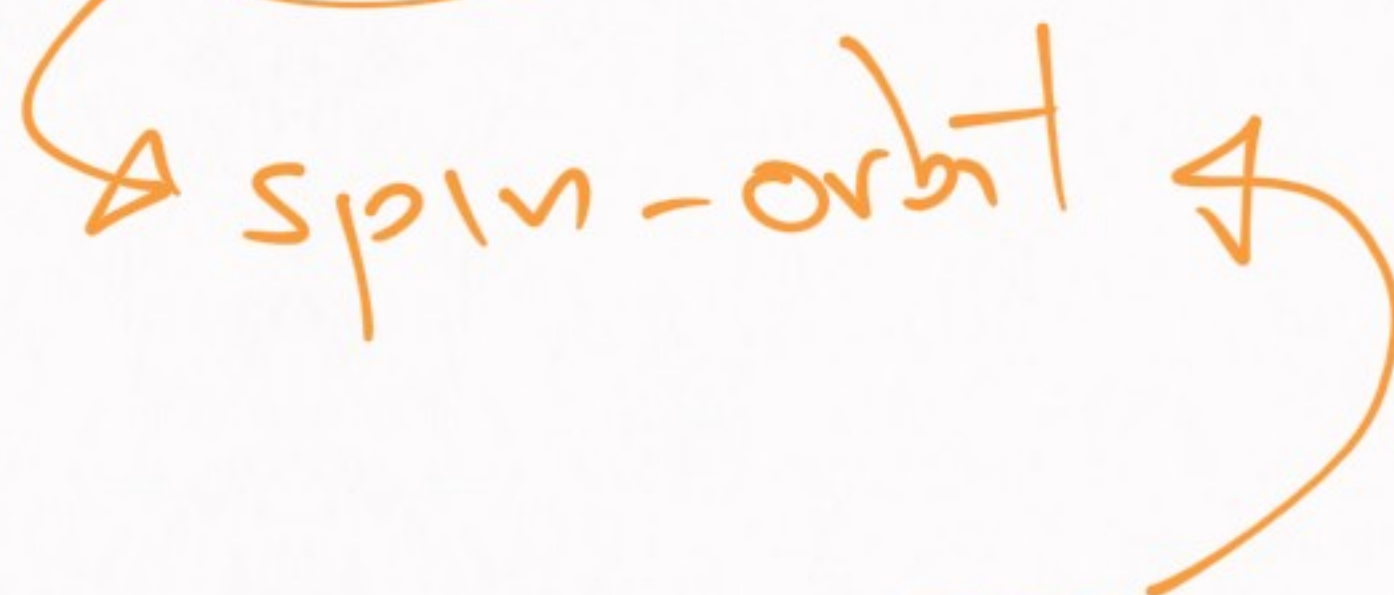
RELATIVISTIC CORRECTIONS

1) σ meson

$$V_{\sigma} = - \frac{g_{\sigma}^2}{m_{\sigma}^2 + |\vec{q}|^2}$$

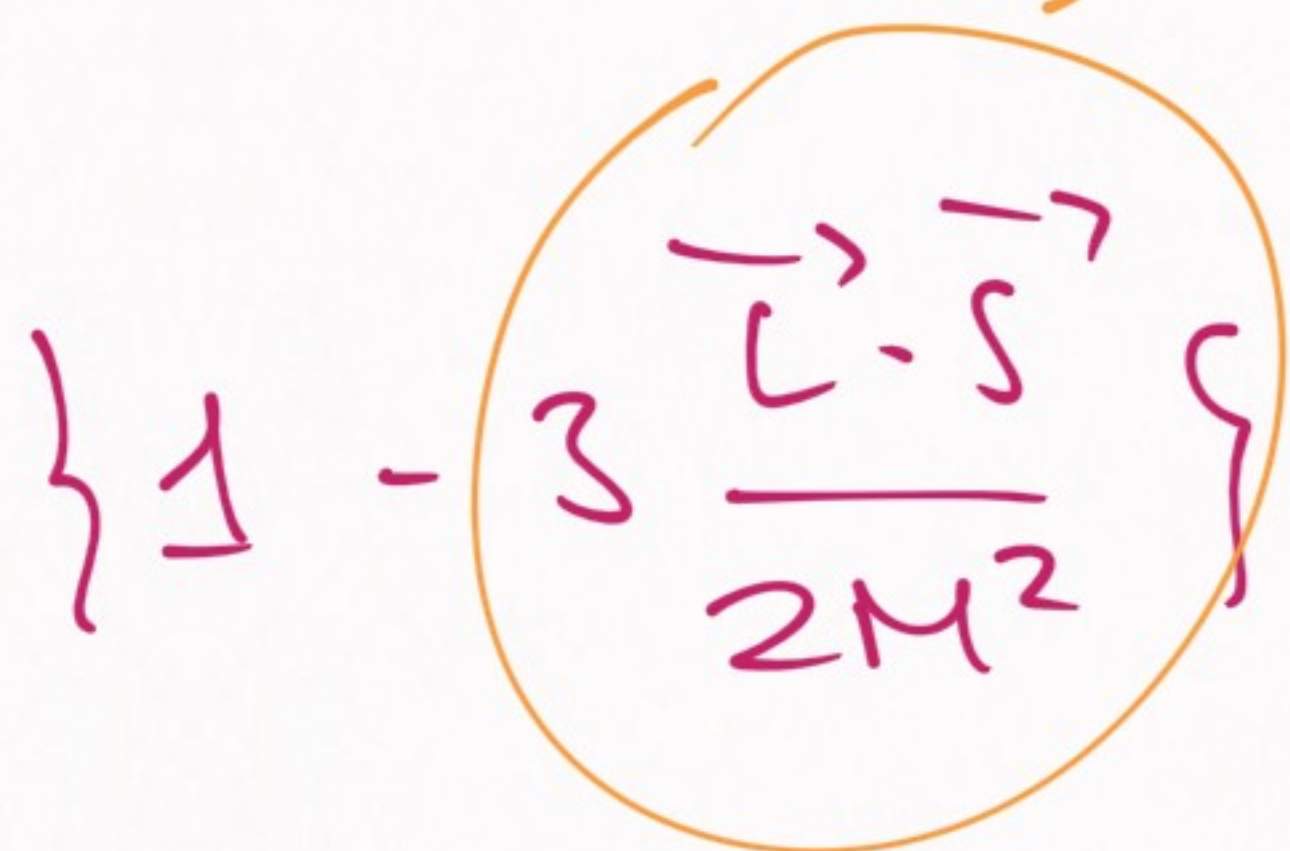


$$+ \frac{\vec{q}^2}{2M^2} + \frac{\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}}{2M^2}$$



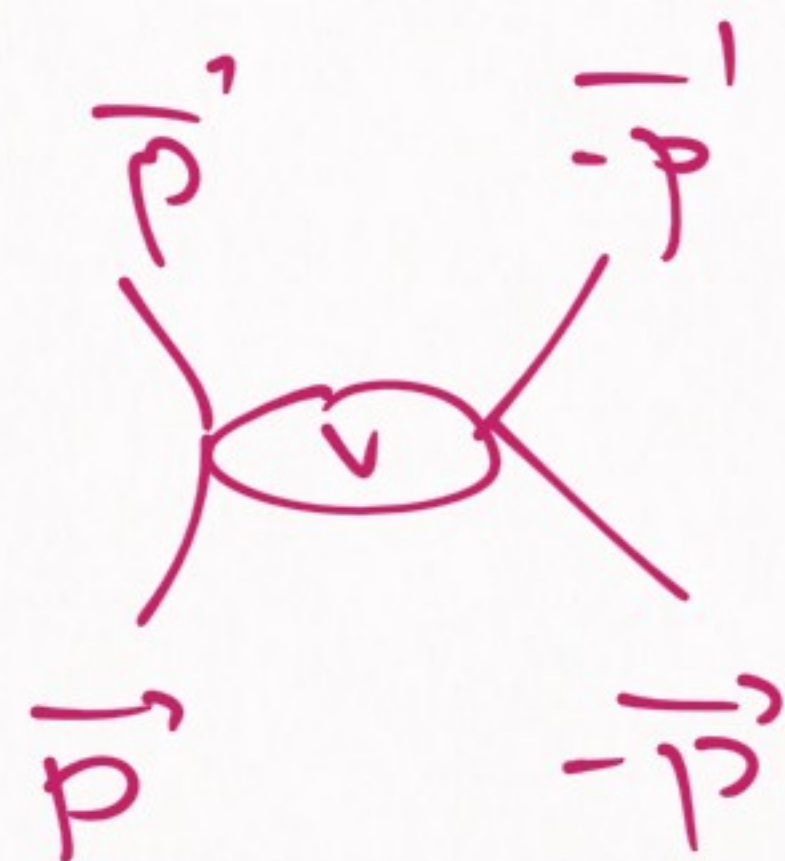
2) ω meson

$$V_{\omega} = \frac{g_{\omega}^2}{m_{\omega}^2 + |\vec{q}|^2}$$



$$\oplus \rightarrow \vec{K} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{p} + \vec{p}')$$

$$\vec{q} = \vec{p}' - \vec{p}$$



FUNDAMENTAL IDEAS:

1) Extension of Yukawa's idea

$$|\vec{\pi}| \rightarrow |\vec{\sigma}, \vec{p}, \omega|$$

2) Form-factors:

Otherwise we get $\frac{1}{r^3}$ factors

3) Relativistic corrections

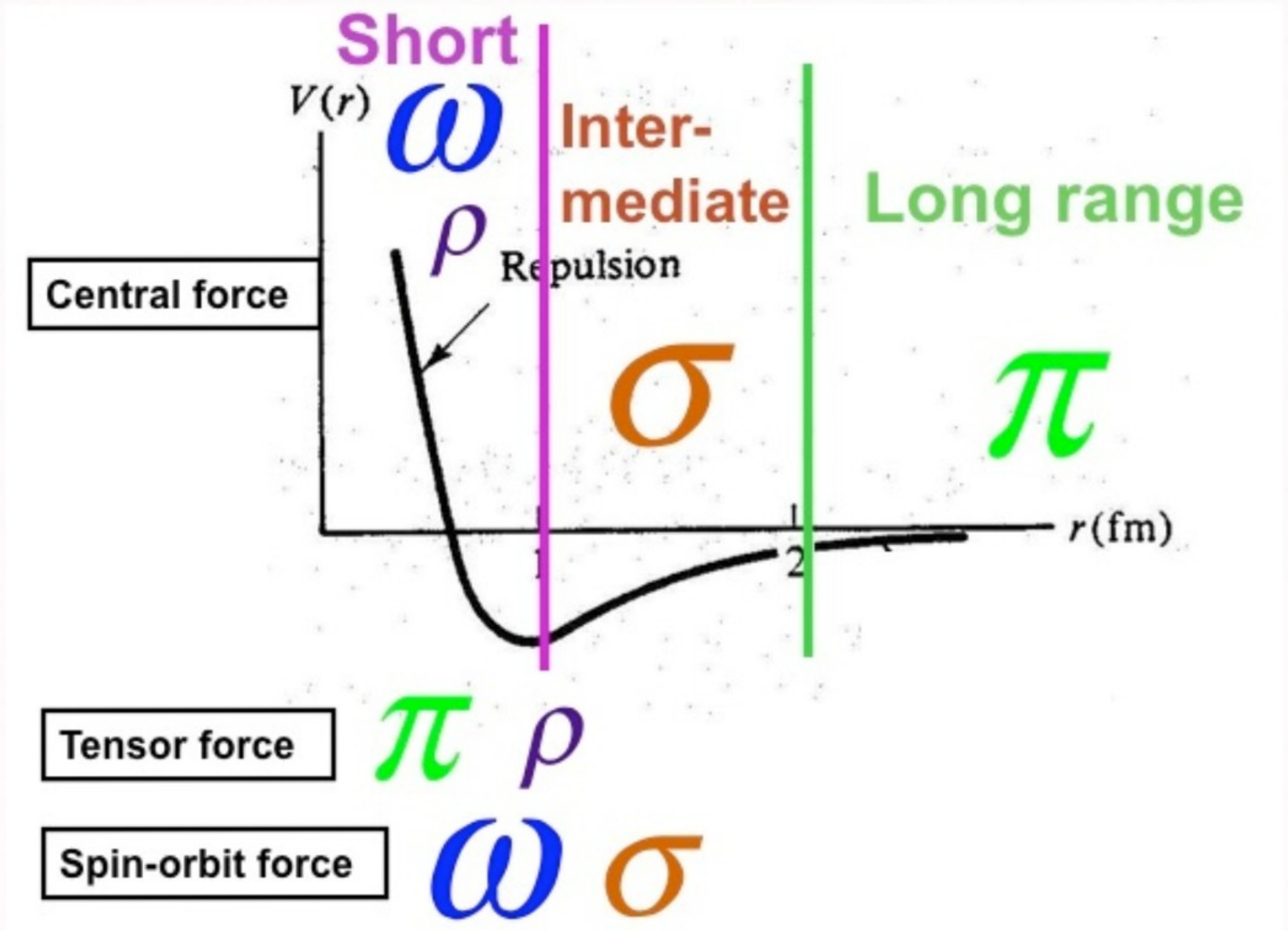
Spin-orbit force

4) Each meson has a job



Let's check this one ...

Role of the different mesons



Long / medium / short

Related to TNS

(Taketani - Nakamura - Sawaki)

idea of the SO's

Their jobs:

Table 1: The four most important mesons and the main characteristics of their contributions to components of the nuclear force.

Meson	Central	Spin-Spin	Tensor	Spin-Orbit
$\pi(138)$	---	weak, long-ranged	strong , long-ranged	---
$\sigma(500)$	strong, attractive , intermediate-ranged	---	---	moderate, intermediate-ranged
$\omega(782)$	strong, repulsive , short-ranged	---	---	strong , short-ranged, coherent with σ
$\rho(770)$	---	weak, short-ranged, coherent with π	moderate, short-ranged, opposite to π	---

The classical papers on the OBE model:

The Bonn Meson Exchange Model for the Nucleon Nucleon Interaction #1

R. Machleidt (Los Alamos and UCLA), K. Holinde (Bonn U.), C. Elster (Bonn U.) (Oct 18, 1987)

Published in: *Phys.Rept.* 149 (1987) 1-89, *Phys. Rep.* 149 (1987) 1-89

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The Meson theory of nuclear forces and nuclear structure #2

R. Machleidt (UCLA) (1989)

Published in: *Adv.Nucl.Phys.* 19 (1989) 189-376

[cite](#)

[1,212 citations](#)

↳ Now you can read them

A typical set of parameters
for the OBE model:

R. Machleidt et al., *The Bonn meson-exchange model for the nucleon-nucleon interaction*

Table 5

Meson parameters used in the relativistic (energy-independent) momentum space one-boson-exchange potential (OBEPQ)

	$g_a^2/4\pi; [f_a/g_a]$	$g_a^2/4\pi(k^2=0)$	m_a [MeV]	Λ_a [GeV]	n_a
π	14.6	14.27	138.03	1.3	1
ρ	0.81; [6.1]	0.43	769	2.0	2
η	5	3.75	548.8	1.5	1
ω	20; [0.0]	10.6	782.6	1.5	1
δ	1.1075	0.64	983	2.0	1
σ	8.2797 ^a	7.07	550 ^a	2.0	1

Nuclear mass: $m = 938.926$ MeV. For notation and empirical values see table 4. Here, there are NN vertices only.

^aThe parameters for the σ -boson given in the table apply only to the $T=1$ NN potential. For $T=0$ we have: $m_\sigma = 720$ MeV, $g_\sigma^2/4\pi = 16.9822$ and $\Lambda_\sigma = 2$ GeV. The parameters for the other mesons in the table are the same for $T=0$ and $T=1$.

Next Lesson:

EFT Approaches