

*Spectral-Fluctuations Test  
of the Quark-Model Baryon Spectrum*

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# Baryons: Historical Perspective

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- $\Delta(1232)$

Anderson, Fermi, Long, Nagle, Phys. Rev. 85 (1952) 936

- Proliferation of baryons
- Non-relativistic quark models

Gell-Mann, Zweig, Greenberg, Dalitz, Karl, Koniuk, Isgur, (60's and 70's)

- Relativistic quark models

Capstick, Isgur, PRD 34 (1986) 2809

Bonn model, EPJA 10 (2001) 309; 395; 447

- Effective QCD-inspired models

Page, Swanson, Szczepaniak, PRD 59 (1999) 034016

Llanes-Estrada, Cotanch, PLB 504 (2001) 15; NPA 697 (2002) 303

- Lattice QCD

Bernard et al., PRD 64 (2001) 054506

# The Problem of Missing Resonances

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- Experiments vs quark models  $\implies$  missing states
- Experimental effort  
v.g. at JLab (Halls B & C)
- Lattice QCD and effective QCD-inspired models
- We apply spectral statistics techniques to test quark models and survey the problem of missing resonances

# The Low-Lying Baryon Spectrum



EXP: Yao et al., JPG 33 (2006) 1

CI: Capstick, Isgur, PRD 34 (1986) 2809

L1 & L2: Löring et al., EPJA 10 (2001) 309; 395; 447

# Classical Chaos

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- Study of trajectories
  - Integrable systems
    - Predictable
    - Trajectories restricted to a manifold within the phase space
  - Chaotic systems
    - Unpredictable
    - Chaoticity: Trajectories fill in the phase space

# Quantum Chaos

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- It is not possible to define trajectories
- Study of spectra  $\rightarrow$  Fluctuations
- Spectra can be split in a smooth and a fluctuating part  
$$\rho(E) = \rho_s(E) + \rho_f(E)$$
- Unfolding removes the smooth part
- Universality of fluctuations in chaotic and integrable systems
- Short distance correlations

# Spectral Statistics

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- It studies how an ordered sequence of numbers (v.g. an energy spectrum) matches an statistical theory
- Two kinds of statistics
  - Nearest neighbors
  - Long distance correlations
- Applied to study the spectrum of many-body systems
- Statistical methods are a powerful tool to study the energy spectrum of quantum systems
- Methods are improved over the last years: Analysis of systems with low number of levels are presently reliable and problems such as the hadron spectrum can be faced

# Spectral Fluctuations

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- Spectra can be split in a smooth and a fluctuating part  
$$\rho(E) = \rho_s(E) + \rho_f(E)$$
- Universality of fluctuations in chaotic and integrable systems
- This allows to consider the system as a black-box without considering the underlying interaction
- Fluctuations are extracted from the spectrum through an unfolding procedure
- Nearest Neighbors Spacings Distribution is the most utilized
  - Distance between two consecutive levels with the same symmetries (quantum numbers)



# Integrability and Chaoticity in Quantum Systems

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- Statistical properties of the energy-level fluctuations are universal and determine whether a system is chaotic or integrable
- Integrable and chaotic systems display different fluctuation pattern
- The sequence of spacings  $\{s_i\}$  for an integrable system can be considered as a sequence of independent random variables
- Integrable systems display a non-correlated sequence of levels
- Chaotic systems are characterized by a correlation structure described by RMT (standard set)
- Paradigms of integrable and chaotic systems

→ Quantum billiards

# Fluctuations and Integrable Spectra

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→ Integrable systems (uncorrelated)

- Fluctuations follow Poisson distribution

Berry, Tabor, Proc. R. Soc. London A 356 (1977) 375

- Uncorrelated systems
- Example: Random noise
- Example: Harmonic oscillator (Mean field)

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- Flutuations follow Wigner surmise

Bohigas, Giannoni, Schmit, PRL 52 (1984) 1

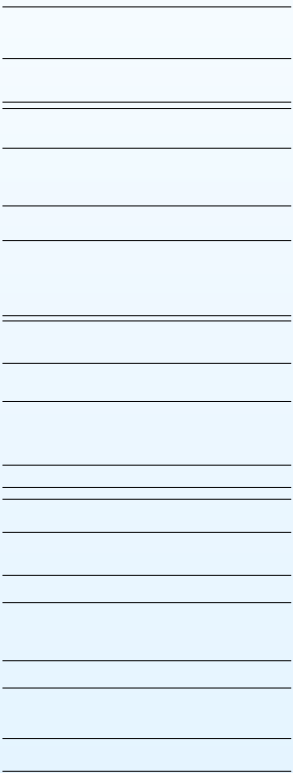
- Example: Nuclei
- Standard for chaotic systems: Random Matrix Theory (useful for statistical studies)

# Examples of Integrable and Chaotic Spectra

Equal spacing



Chaotic

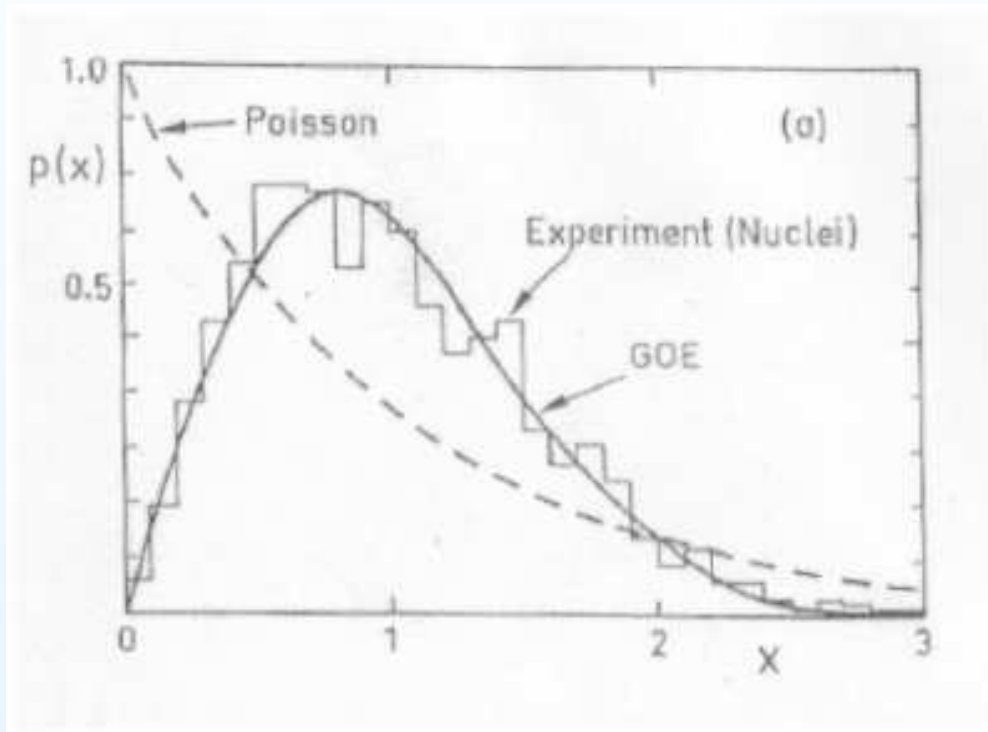


Integrable



# Spectral Fluctuations and Nuclei

Experimental spectrum in nuclei follows RMT (Wigner surmise)



Bohigas, NPA 751 (2005) 343c

# Symmetries in the Baryon Spectrum

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- $I$  isospin
- $J$  spin
- $\pi$  parity
- We drop strangeness due to  $SU(3)$  invariance
- From the full spectrum we extract sequences of levels with given  $I (J^\pi)$

# Unfolding Procedure

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- $\rho(E) = \rho_s(E) + \rho_f(E)$
- Unfolding allows to extract the fluctuating part from the level density
- We choose the simplest unfolding prescription
- $S_i = E_{i+1} - E_i$
- We rescale using its average value

$$s_i = S_i / \langle S \rangle$$

- Nearest Neighbor Spacings (NNS)
- This procedure assumes an energy independent behavior of the smooth part of the density  $\rho_s(E) = 1 / \langle S \rangle$

Pascalutsa, EPJA 16 (2003) 149

# Nearest Neighbor Spacing Distribution (NNSD)

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- Poisson: integrable / uncorrelated

$$P(s) = \exp(-s)$$

- Wigner: chaotic / correlated

$$P(s) = \frac{\pi s}{2} \exp\left(-\frac{\pi s^2}{4}\right)$$

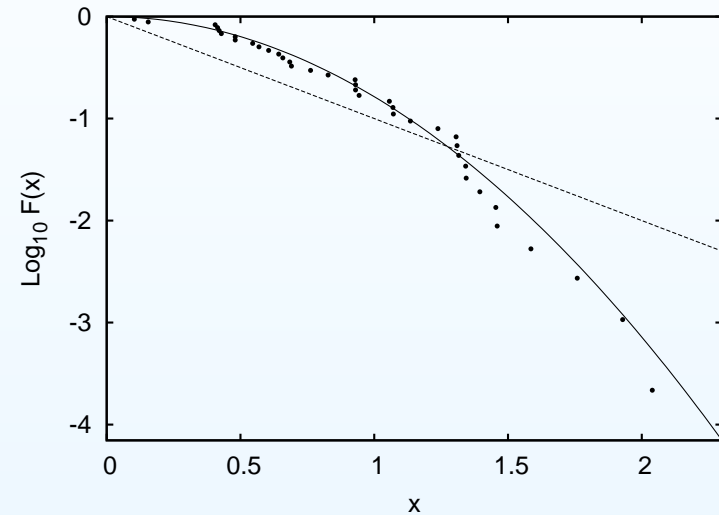
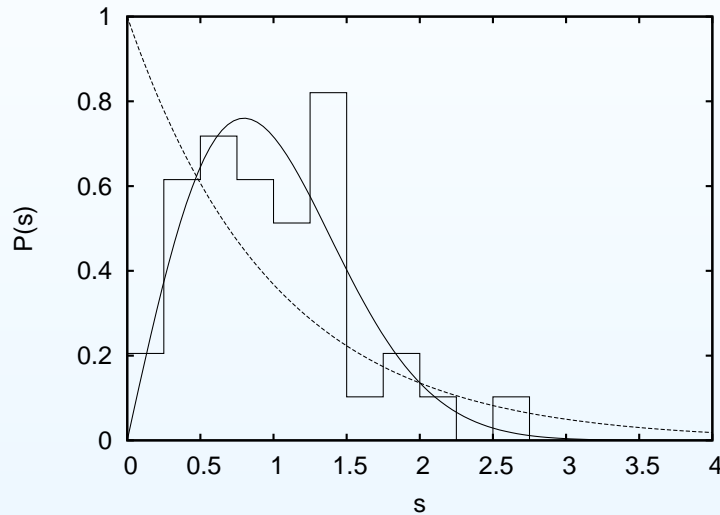
- Accumulated NNSD,

$$F(x) = 1 - \int_0^x ds P(s),$$

allows a better study of the tail of the distribution

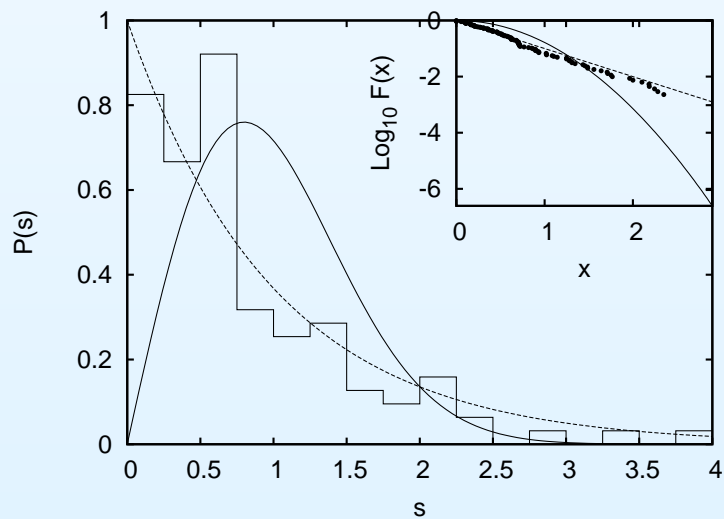
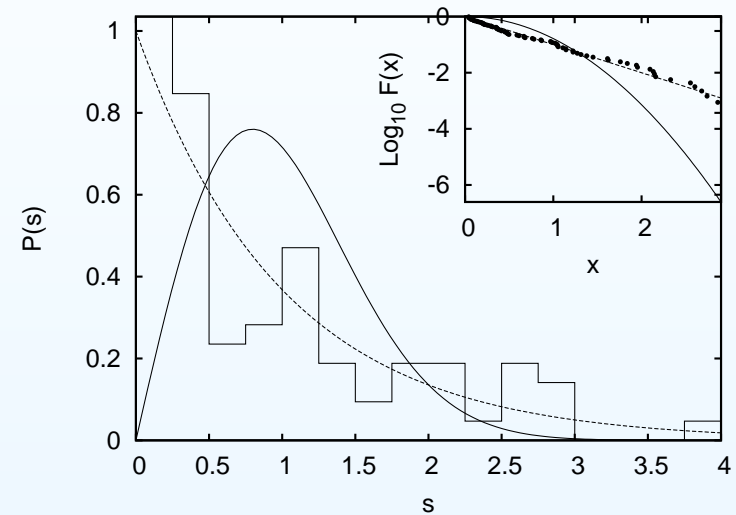
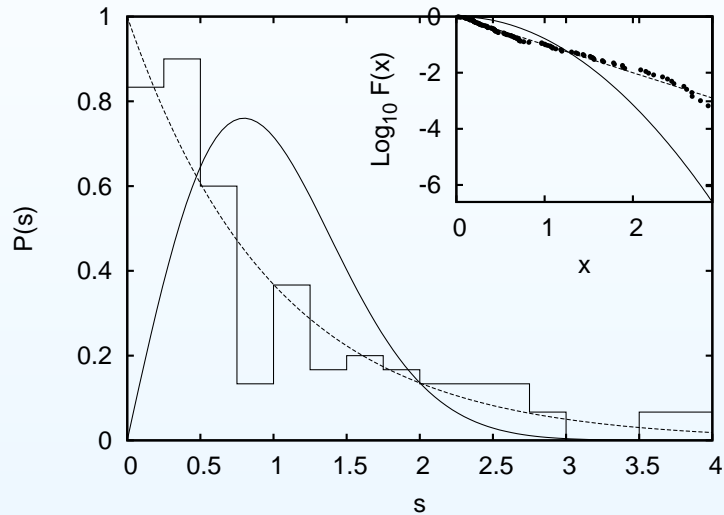


# Experimental Baryon Spectrum up to 2.2 GeV



70 energy levels distributed in 15 sequences

# Relativistic Quark Models



Models by

Löring *et al.*, (sets L1 & L2)

EPJA 10 (2001) 309; 395; 447

Capstick and Isgur, (set CI)

PRD 34 (1986) 2809

# Direct Comparison by means of a Goodness-of-Fit Test

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## Wilcoxon Rank-Sum Test

Wilcoxon, Biometrics Bull. 1 (1945) 80

Mann, Whitney, Ann. Math. Stat. 18 (1947) 50

	CI	L1	L2
EXP	0.0487	0.1067	0.1036

Allows to test whether two populations of different size are statistically alike.

# Unfolding

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- Sometimes, very short sequences of levels
- In such cases, unfolding can provide misleading results, making spacings spuriously closer and bringing the NNSD tend to the Wigner surmise
- Unfolding can yield different effects in different spectra: We avoid a direct comparison of the spectral fluctuations
- Complementary analysis: Kolmogorov-Smirnov goodness-of-fit tests

# Kolmogorov-Smirnov Goodness-of-Fit Test

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- To determine whether two datasets differ significantly
- No assumption about the distribution of data (non-parametric and distribution free)
- Based on the maximum distance between cumulative probabilities

Kolmogorov, *Giornale dell'Istituto Italiano degli Attuari* 4 (1933) 83

Smirnov, *Bull. Moscow Univ.* 2 (1933) 3; *Ann. Math. Stat.* 19 (1948) 279

Feller, *Ann. Math. Stat.* 19 (1948) 177

NAG Libraries, <http://www.nag.co.uk>

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- Each reference spectra is distorted by the unfolding in the same way as sets EXP, CI, L1, and L2 are

# Kolmogorov-Smirnov Test

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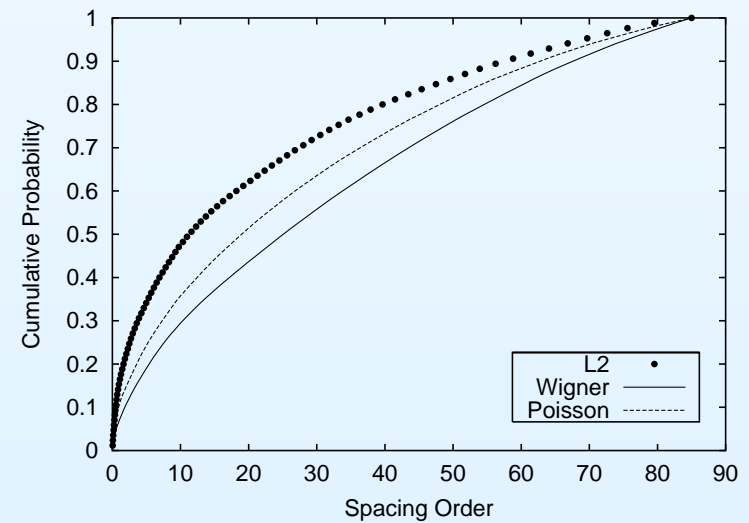
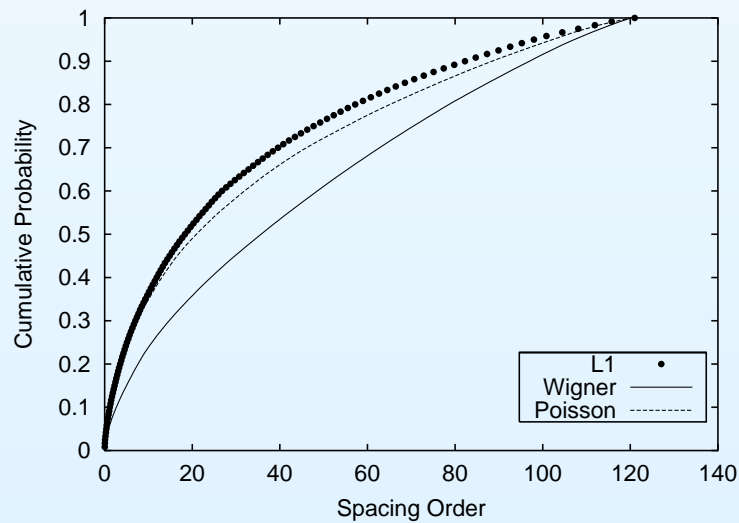
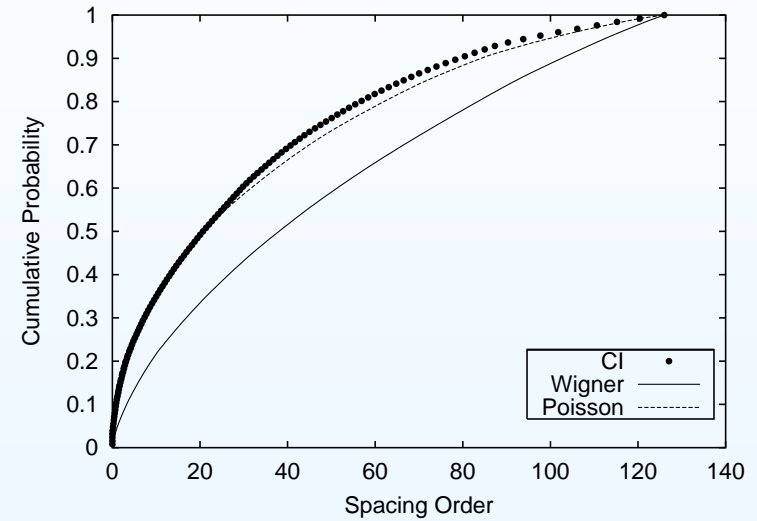
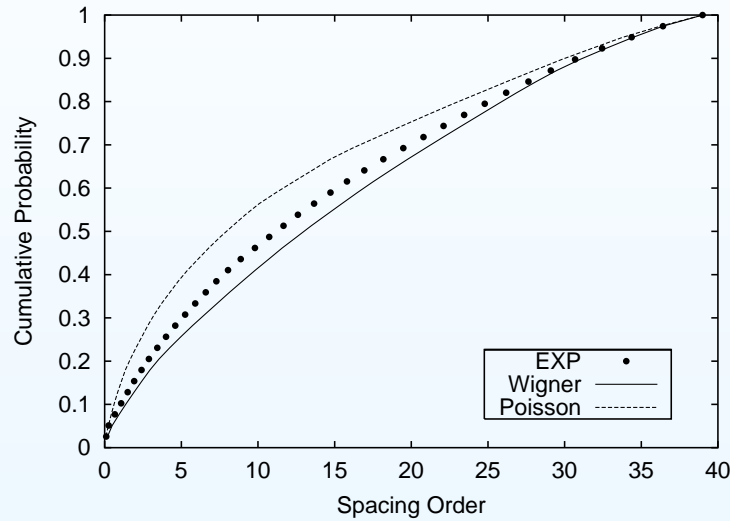
Probability to obtain, under the null hypothesis, a value of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test statistic as the one observed

Spectrum	EXP	CI	L1	L2
Poisson	0.51	0.49	0.25	0.53
Wigner	0.80	0.18	0.05	0.01

Null hypothesis: Both distributions display equal spectral fluctuations

We study 500 realizations to have enough statistics

# Cumulative Probabilities: The K-S Test in more Detail



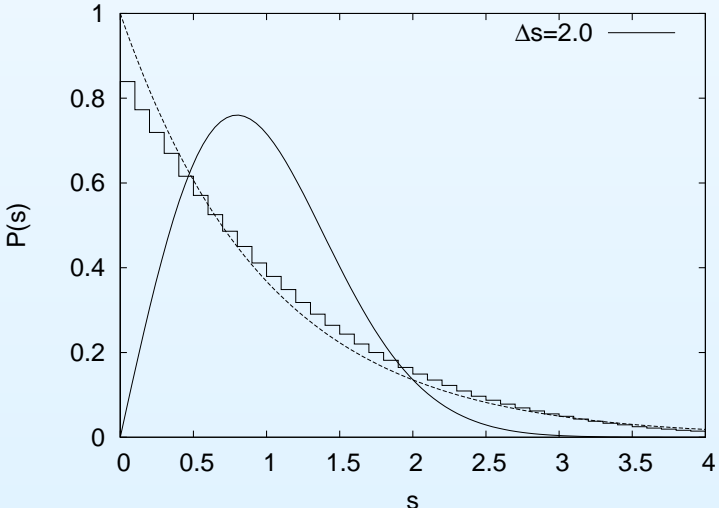
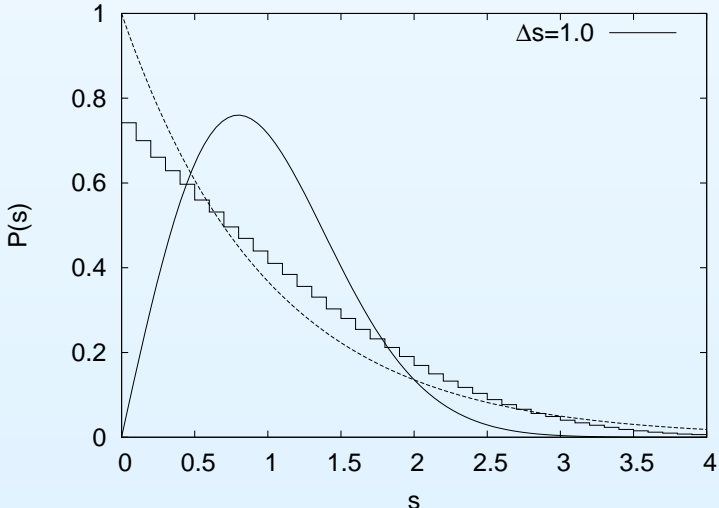
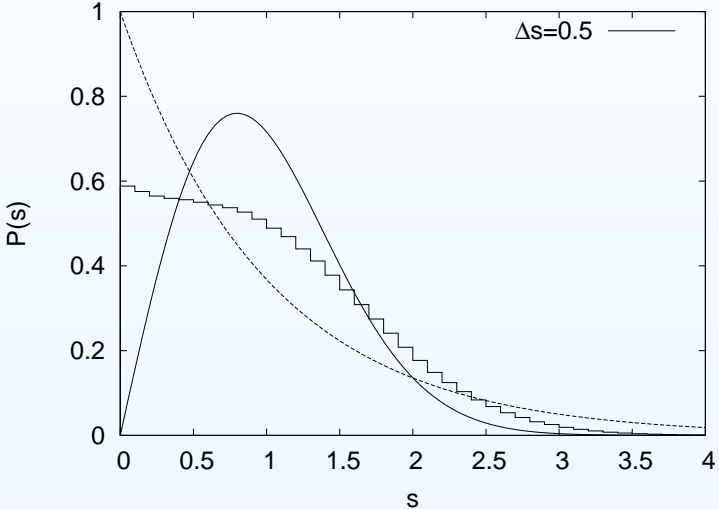
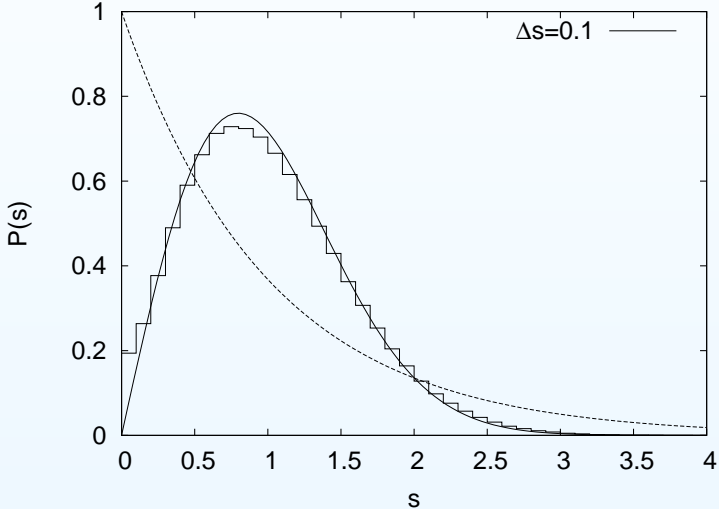
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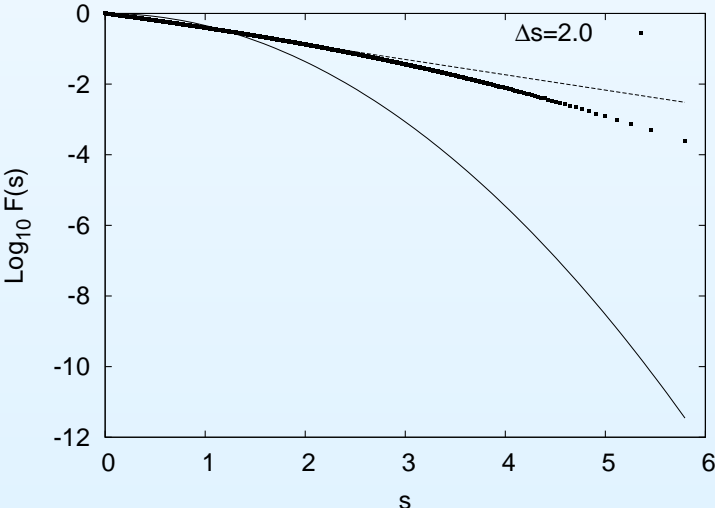
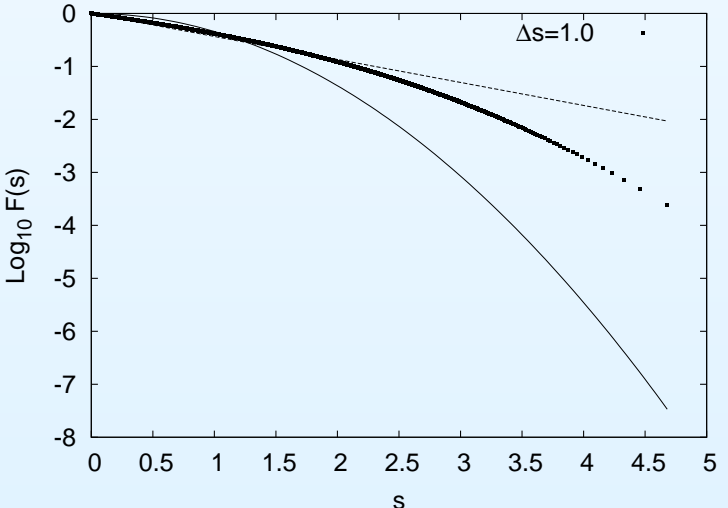
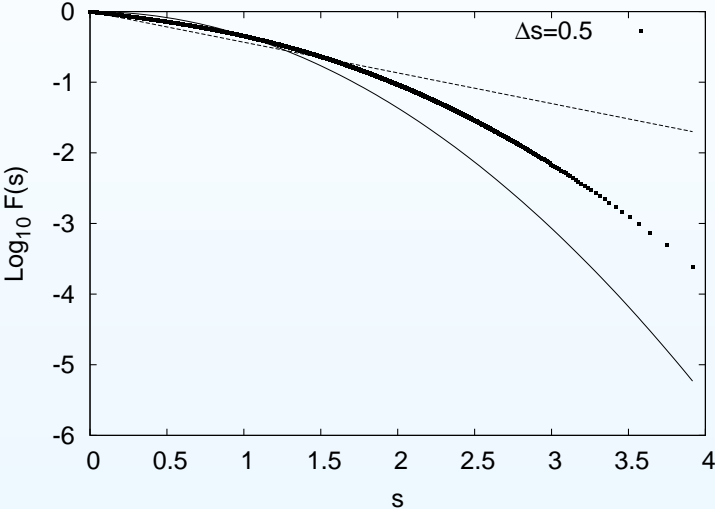
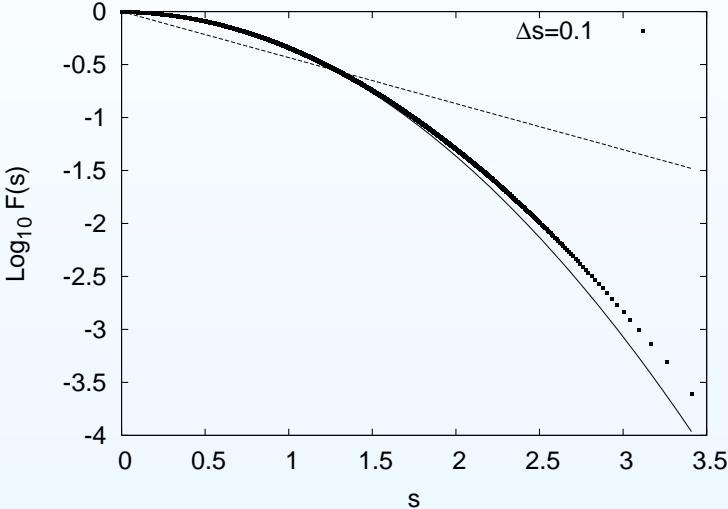
- Uncertainties in the masses (error bars)
  - Errors mean random noise, which brings the NNSD closer to a Poisson distribution
- Existence of missing states
  - Missing resonances

# Error Bars (Toy Model Simulation): NNSD





# Error Bars (Toy Model Simulation): Accumulated NNSD



# Missing Levels in a Spectrum

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Statistical tools allow to identify the existence of missing states

Bohigas, Pato, PLB 595 (2004) 25; PRE 74 (2006) 036212

Molina, Retamosa, Muñoz, Relaño, Faleiro, PLB 644 (2007) 25

Missing levels cause the spectral fluctuations of a spectrum with Wigner distribution look more like a Poisson distribution

We can use this property to identify missing levels in a spectrum

## Estimation of Missing Levels

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If we assume that the *real* distribution is 100% Wigner we can speculate on the maximum amount of missing states

- We remove levels randomly from a Wigner distribution until we get values for the K-S test closer to what is observed
- Very rough estimation: <20% of missing levels

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- From the spectral fluctuations of the *experimental* baryon spectrum one can conclude the importance of correlations in the underlying physics
- From the analysis of *theoretical* spectra from constituent quark models, one can conclude that, as presently built, they do not describe the basic statistical properties of the low-lying baryon spectrum and they need to include more correlations

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F-R, Relaño, PRL 98 (2007) 062001

## What's Next?

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- Extend this analysis to other models: Lattice QCD and Effective QCD-inspired models
- Improve quark models to account for fluctuations properties (re-thinking the interaction?)
- Test the universality of fluctuations
- Further experimental research on baryon states
- Study the spectral properties of other quantities beyond energy levels (helicity amplitudes, decay widths), both from baryon models as well as from experimental data

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