

A THEORY OF EXOTIC HADRONS?

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BABAR AND EXOTIC SPECTROSCOPY

(From a longer list of contributions)

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma_{ISR} (\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi)$ found a vector at $M=4.26$ GeV and $\Gamma=70\pm20$ MeV. [PRL 95 (2005) 142001 cit. 1013]
- B^- → *K*−*X*(3872) → *K*− ($\pi^+\pi^- J/\psi$) finding the mass *M* = 3873.4 ± 1.4 MeV. [PRD 71 (2005) 071103 cit. 748]
- $X(3872) \rightarrow \psi(2S)\gamma$ and $X(3872) \rightarrow \psi(1S)\gamma$ presenting for the first time $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{B}(2S)/\mathcal{B}(1S) = 3.4 \pm 1.4$ [PRL 102 (2009) 132001 cit. 312]

 $B^+ \to K^+ \, (\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 J/\psi)$ but needed $\ell = 1$ giving a preference to $J^P = 2^-$ for the X .

[PRD 82 (2010) 011101 cit. 302] *X*→*ωJ*/*ψ*

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THE *X*(3872) IDENTIKIT TODAY

 $X^0(3872)$ $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$

 $M = 3871.65 \pm 0.06$ MeV $\simeq M_D + M_{D^*}$ $M = 3871.65 \pm 0.06$ MeV $\simeq M_{J/\psi} + M_{\rho}$

 $\Gamma = 1.19 \pm 0.21$ MeV

Central mass values and widths in MeV

(MeV)

$$
\mathcal{R} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(X \to \gamma \psi(2S))}{\mathcal{B}(X \to \gamma \psi(1S))} \simeq 2.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ (PDC Ave.)}
$$

The phase space ratio $\Phi(2S)/\Phi(1S) \simeq 0.26$ would favor a small \mathscr{R}_1 .

We distinguish between a compact $c\bar{c}q\bar{q}$ and a molecular $D\bar{D}^*$ interpretation.

We find that $\mathscr R$ predicted in the compact case is (at least) 30 times larger, $\mathscr{R} \gtrsim 1$, than that predicted for a molecule, $\simeq 0.04$.

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The universal wavefunction in the molecular picture amplifies small distances enhancing the *J*/*ψ* wrt *ψ*(2*S*).

Reduced wavefunctions $u(r) = r R_{n0}(r)$

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SCATTERING AMPLITUDE POLES

Motion of a particle m in $V(r)$ which vanishes at infinity more rapidly than $\exp(-c\, r)$: there are no singularities of the scattering amplitude as a function of E on the **physical sheet** other than simple poles in correspondence of discrete energy levels (bound states) say $E = -B$. It is found that **near the point** $E = -B$ the principal term in f has the form

$$
f = -\frac{A_0^2}{2m} \frac{1}{E + B}
$$

with the **normalized** reduced wf given by

$$
\chi = A_0 \exp(-r\sqrt{2mB})
$$

So the residue of the scattering amplitude *f* at some discrete level is ∝

$$
A_0 = (4 \cdot 2m)^{1/4}
$$

THE RADIATIVE DECAYS OF *X*(3872)

We find in any case $\mathcal{R}_{\text{compact}} > \mathcal{R}_{\text{mol}}$, with $\mathcal{R}_{\text{compact}} \gtrsim 1$

 $R_0 = 1/\sqrt{2mB}$

B. Grinstein, L. Maiani, A.D.P., to appear soon.

How to overturn the molecule situation: ${\mathscr R}$ is a rapidly increasing function of the size of $D^{(*)}$ (here $\Psi_{\rm mol.}$ is used).

THE RADIATIVE DECAYS OF *X*(3872)

On the other hand the diquark in the compact tetraquarks tends to be larger than a D or a \bar{D}^* meson since the binding force in the diquark is weaker! (here $\Psi_{\rm BO}(r)$ is used).

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X(3872) PROMPT PRODUCTION IN $pp(\bar{p})$ COLLISIONS

About 300 times smaller than observed (CDF), same in CMS, ATLAS.

Braaten and Artoisenet, PRD81103 (2010) 114018

Bignamini, Grinstein, Piccinini, ADP, Sabelli, PRL103 (2009) 162001

THE *X* BY A *cc*¯ CORE

Esposito, Guerrieri, Maiani, Piccinini, Pilloni, ADP, Riquer, *Phys. Rev. D* 92 (2015) 3, 034028

LANDAU ARGUMENT (BOUND STATES IN QFT)

Consider the $D\bar{D}^*$ scattering. The X molecule (a multiparticle intermediate state) couples to the asymptotic 2-particle states $|\alpha\rangle, |\beta\rangle = |D\bar{D}^*\rangle$ with some coupling g the coupling to its constituents. How does g depend on B ?

$$
f(\alpha \to \beta) = \frac{1}{8\pi E} g^2 \Delta'(p) = \frac{1}{8\pi E} \frac{g^2}{p^2 + m_X^2 - i\epsilon}
$$

It is like using the complete propagator (for bare fields) in the Källén-Lehmann representation with

$$
\sigma(\mu^2) = \delta(\mu^2 - (m_D + m_{D^*})^2) \simeq \delta(\mu^2 - m_X^2)
$$

due to the exceptional fact that $m_X \simeq (m_D + m_{D^*})$.

L.D. Landau, JETP 39, 1865 (1960)

Introduce the coupling to *X*

Neglecting terms of order B^2 and E^2 $(E = k^2/2m)$ one finds in the case of the *X*

$$
f(\alpha \to \beta) = \frac{1}{8\pi m_X} \frac{g^2}{(p_D + p_{D^*})^2 + m_X^2 - i\epsilon} \simeq -\frac{1}{16\pi m_X^2} \frac{g^2}{E + B}
$$

ADP Phys. Lett. B746, 248 (2015)

In the presence of a shallow bound state the polar amplitude gives a relation between the coupling *g* and the *B* as follows

$$
f(\alpha \to \beta) = -\frac{1}{16\pi m_X^2} \frac{(8mm_X^2 g_0^2)}{E+B} = -\sqrt{\frac{2B}{m}} \frac{1}{E+B}
$$

$$
\Rightarrow g_0^2 = \frac{2\pi}{m} \sqrt{\frac{2B}{m}}
$$

This very same formula was found by Weinberg, rescaled by the (1 − Z) factor – as from solving Lehman identity with $Z \neq 0$.

$$
g_Z^2 = \frac{2\pi}{m} \sqrt{\frac{2B}{m}} (1 - Z)
$$

WEINBERG ARGUMENT

Weinberg does not go through the K.L. argument but rather uses a NRQM approach in which the Hilbert space is enlarged to include $\mathfrak X$

$$
|\langle D\bar{D}^*|V|X\rangle|^2 = \frac{2\pi}{m}\sqrt{\frac{2B}{m}}(1-Z)
$$

and
$$
|X\rangle = \sqrt{Z} | \mathcal{X} \rangle + \int_{k} C_{k} |D\bar{D}^{*}(k)\rangle
$$

 $|\alpha\rangle$

The NR quantum mechanics treatment of Weinberg suggests the idea of a mixing between compact and molecular/continuum which generates conflicting interpretations. Are there two X mixed states (compact + shallow bound state)?

S. Weinberg Phys. Rev. 137, B672 (1965)

EFFECTIVE RANGE EXPANSION

The NR low energy scattering formula is

$$
\frac{A_0^2}{2m} = \frac{1}{mR_0} = \sqrt{\frac{2B}{m}} \qquad R_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2mB}}
$$

It corresponds to setting $r_0 = 0$ in the effective range expansion. Keeping a finite r_0 gives instead

$$
\frac{A_0^2}{2m} = \frac{1}{m(R_0 - r_0)}
$$

$$
\frac{1}{mR_0}(1 - Z) = \frac{1}{m(R_0 - r_0)} \Rightarrow r_0 = -\frac{Z}{1 - Z}R_0
$$

$$
\frac{1}{g_0^2 \rightarrow g_Z^2}
$$

*r*⁰ AND *a* FORMULAE

Solving the previous formula for *r*⁰

$$
r_0 = -\frac{Z}{1 - Z}R_0 + O\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda}\right)
$$

$$
R_0 = \frac{1}{\varkappa} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2mB}}
$$

The (positive!) scattering length is obtained using the expression of *r*₀ given above into the pole condition (−*x*₀+ $\frac{1}{2}$ 2 $r_0 k^2 - ik$ $\int_{k=ix}$ $= 0$

$$
a = \frac{2(1 - Z)}{2 - Z}R_0 + O\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda}\right)
$$

 $(s$ cattering length > 0)

S. Weinberg Phys. Rev. 137, B672 (1965)

A negative r_0 implies a finite Z , provided that $1/\Lambda$ corrections are not negative and sizeable. In QFT the meaning of Z is

$$
\langle 0 | \Phi(0) | k \rangle = \frac{N}{\sqrt{2E}} \qquad E = \sqrt{k^2 + m^2}
$$

$$
Z = |N|^2
$$

This number has no probabilistic interpretation: it is not the probabilistic weight of the compact component to be compared to the one of the bound state component.

THE Λ SCALE

In the case of the deuteron *d*

$$
\Lambda = m_{\pi} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\Lambda} \simeq 1 \text{ fm}
$$

because the pion can be integrated out given that

$$
m_n - m_p \ll m_\pi
$$

In the case of the X , pion interactions between D and \bar{D}^* (u-channel)

$$
\Lambda^{2} = m_{\pi}^{2} - (m_{D^{*}} - m_{D})^{2} \simeq (44 \text{ MeV})^{2}
$$

$$
q_{0}^{2}
$$

giving

$$
\frac{1}{\Lambda} \simeq 4.5 \text{ fm}
$$

THE SIGN OF r_0 IN A ATTRACTIVE V

Scattering in the presence of shallow bound states generated by *purely attractive potentials* in NRQM are characterized by

$r_0 \geq 0$

even if there is a repulsive core, but in a *very* narrow region around the origin. Therefore the 1 fm estimated above is +1 fm

$$
r_0 \simeq -\frac{Z}{1 - Z} R_0 + 1 \text{ fm} = r_0^{\text{exp.}} = +1.74 \text{ fm}
$$

So we conclude that $Z \simeq 0$. The deuteron is a molecule! Only a "large" (wrt 1 fm) and negative r_0 would have been the token of the elementary deuteron.

Esposito, Maiani, Pilloni, ADP, Riquer, [2108.11413,](https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.11413) *Phys. Rev. D*105 (2022) 3, L031503

DATA ON X: LHCB ANALYSIS

arXiv:2005.13419

For small kinetic energies — Flatté parametrization for the coupled channel decay $X \to D^0 \overline{D}^{*0}$ and $X \to D^+ \overline{D}^{*-}$.

^f(*^X* [→] *^J*/*ψππ*) ⁼ [−] *^N* $(E - m_X^0) + \frac{i}{2}g(\sqrt{2\mu E} + \sqrt{2\mu+(E-\delta)}) + \frac{i}{2}(\Gamma_\rho + \Gamma_\omega + ...)$ $\delta = (m_{D^{*-}} + m_{D^{+}}) - (m_{\bar{D}^{*0}} + m_{D^{0}}) =$ Isospin splitting $E = m_{J/\psi\pi\pi} - m_D - m_{\bar{D}^*}$

 $\mu_+, \mu =$ reduced mass of the charged/neutal $D\bar{D}^*$ pair

 $m_X^0 =$ a bare parameter for the mass of the X (stable determination)

If the fit to the Flatté lineshape works, it means only that the compact hypethesis for the X works!

The r_{0} can only be found negative here!

DATA ON X: LHCB ANALYSIS

arXiv:2005.13419

The single channel analysis is obtained by $\Gamma_V, \ldots = 0$

$$
f(X \to J/\psi \pi \pi) = -\frac{(2N/g)}{(2/g)(E - m_X^0) - \sqrt{2\mu_+ \delta} + E \sqrt{\mu_+ / 2\delta} + ik}
$$

$$
-\frac{1}{a} = \frac{2m_X^0}{g} + \sqrt{2\mu_+ \delta} \simeq -6.92 \text{ MeV} \text{ positive } a
$$

$$
r_0 = -\frac{2}{\mu g} - \sqrt{\frac{\mu_+}{2\mu^2 \delta}} \simeq -5.34 \text{ fm} \text{ negative } r_0
$$

 u and $E = k^2/2\mu$, μ being the reduced mass of the neutral $D\bar{D}^*$ pair, and taking g (LHCb) and m_χ^0 (stable determination) from the experimental analysis. Since g can be larger, $r_0 \leq -2$ fm.

DETERMINATION OF *Z*

Neglect for the moment *O*(1/Λ) corrections

$$
r_0 = -\frac{Z}{1 - Z}R_0 = -5.34 \text{ fm}
$$
\n
$$
a = \frac{2(1 - Z)}{2 - Z}R_0 = 197/6.92 \text{ fm}
$$

$$
Gives Z = 0.15 \neq 0! \text{ and } B = 20 \text{ keV}
$$

Including ± 5 fm makes quite a difference depending on the sign. In the case of -5 fm we might have $Z = 0$ even with $r_0^{\exp} = -5.32$ fm! In the case of $+5$ fm, a negative experimental r_{0} is the proof of the compact state. 0 $=-5.32$ fm

However we shall see that in the molecular case $O(1/\Lambda) \to 0.2$ MeV

(−*r*0) ACCORDING TO SOME ESTIMATES

A: Baru et al., 2110.07484 B: Esposito et al., 2108.11413 C: LHCb, 2109.01056 D: Maiani & Pilloni GGI-Lects E: Mikhasenko T_{cc} , 2203.04622

H. Xu, N. Yu and Z. Zhang 2401.00411: $r_0 \approx -14$ fm combining LHCb and Belle data (for the X).

M. Padmanath and S. Prelovsek, Phys. Rev. Lett. 2202.10110

Applying the lattice Lüscher method, the authors study the $D\bar{D}^*$ scattering amplitude and make a determination of the scattering length and of the effective range for \mathscr{T}_{cc}

> $a = -1.04(29)$ fm $r_0 = + 0.96^{+0.18}_{-0.20}$ fm

The mass of the pion is $m_\pi=280$ MeV, to keep the D^\ast stable. This result, for the moment, is compatible with a *virtual state* because of the negative a – like the singlet deuteron. As for LHCb (2109.01056 p.12)

> $a = +7.16$ fm $-11.9 \le r_0 \le 0$ fm

What should be done: Flatté can be derived from an EFT with the field of the X and those of $D^0, D^{*0}, D^+, D^{*-}.$ If the X field is in ${\mathscr L}$ the particle is elementary.

If the fit "works", there is an elementary $X!$

 W rite an EFT with only $\,D^0,\overline{D}^{\ast 0},\overline{D}^{\ast -}.$ Find the f , do another fit! **This would test the molecular hypotheis.**

There are no half ways!

The first to show up was the $X(3872)$, which could have been another state of charmonium (discovered in the $J/\psi\pi^+\pi^-$ channel), but it's not

"could have been a compact tetraquark, **but it's not**" (E. Braaten)

"could have been a loosely bound molecule of hadrons, **but it's not**"

and then hadrocharmonium (M. Voloshin), deuson (N. Tornqvist)….

but it's not

- It would be useful to have two fits to the lineshape: the genuine "molecular" parametrization to be compared to the Flatté fit.
- Learn more, on the experimental side, about deuteron production at high p_T .
- Some states are produced promptly in pp collisions, some are not. There is no clear reason why!
- Are there loosely bound molecules $BB*$? Can we formulate more stringient bounds on X^{\pm} particles, or... discover them?