The Charm and Beauty of Strong Interactions

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Hadron Physics and Flavor Physics A twofold motivation, same headaches, a unified approach?

• Main object of study in flavor physics is the (origin of) CP-violating phase(s) in weak decays of flavored quarks confined in mesons.

The Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa mechanism has been established as the dominant Standard Model source of CP violation in heavy meson decays. CP violation is one of the three necessary conditions for matter-antimatter asymmetry in the universe.

Origin and Preponderance of Matter

 Main object of study in non-perturbative QCD is confinement – colored states are not observed experimentally ⇒ theoretically not proved but good hints.

The overwhelming bulk of visible matter is made of baryons containing light quarks. Dynamical Chiral Symmetry Breaking (DCSB) due to gluon interactions is the most important mass generating mechanism for visible matter in the Universe. Thus, for most observed matter the Higgs mechanism is almost irrelevant.

Origin of Baryonic Matter

Form factors in weak heavy-meson decays

 $\langle M_1 M_2 | Q_k(\mu) | B \rangle \sim \langle M_2 | J_1 | 0 \rangle \otimes \langle M_1 | J_2 | B \rangle \times \left[1 + \sum r_n \alpha_s^n + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\mathbf{QCD}}/m_b) \right]$

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QCD factorization involves matrix elements which are convolution integrals:

$$\langle \pi^+ \pi^- | (\bar{u}b)_{\mathrm{V-A}} (\bar{d}u)_{\mathrm{V-A}} | \bar{B}_d \rangle \to \int_0^1 d\xi du dv \, \Phi_B(\xi) \, \Phi_\pi(u) \, \Phi_\pi(v) \, T(\xi, u, v; m_b)$$

The integrals in the momentum fractions ξ , u and v are over a (hard) scattering kernel $T(\xi, u, v)$ and light-cone distribution amplitudes (LCDA) expanded in Gegenbauer polynomials:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_{\pi}(x;\tau) &= \varphi_{\pi}^{\text{asy}}(x) \left[1 + \sum_{j=2,4,\dots} a_{j}^{3/2}(\tau) \, C_{j}^{(3/2)}(2x-1) \right] \\ \varphi_{\pi}^{\text{asy}}(x) &= 6x(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

LCDA until recently poorly known for light mesons, next to nothing is known about heavy-light mesons, mostly models and asymptotic LCDA used !

Only one available moment for pion from lattice-QCD; not better than 20%.

Nonperturbative ingredient I: Quark-Gap Equation in QCD

The propagator can be obtained from QCD's gap equation: the Dyson-Schwinger equation (DSE) for the dressed-fermion self-energy, which involves the set of infinitely many coupled equations.



$$S^{-1}(p) = Z_2(i\gamma \cdot p + m^{\text{bm}}) + \Sigma(p) := i\gamma \cdot p A(p^2) + B(p^2)$$

$$\Sigma(p) = Z_1 \int^{\Lambda} \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} g^2 D_{\mu\nu}(p-q) \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \gamma_{\mu} S(q) \Gamma^a_{\nu}(q,p)$$

with the running mass function $M(p^2) = B(p^2)/A(p^2)$.



Each satisfies it's own DSE!

 $D_{\mu\nu}$ dressed-gluon propagator $\Gamma^a_{\nu}(q,p)$: dressed quark-gluon vertex quark wave function renormalization constant Z_2 : $S^{-1}(p)|_{p^2=\zeta^2} = i\gamma \cdot p + m(\zeta)$ Z_1 quark-gluon vertex renormalization constant where ζ is the renormalization point.

Running mass functions $M(p^2) = \frac{B(p^2)}{A(p^2)}$



➡ For light quarks the Higgs mechanism is almost irrelevant!

Running mass functions

The large current-quark mass of the *b* quark almost entirely suppresses momentum-dependent dressing, so that $M_b(p^2)$ is nearly constant on a substantial domain. This is true to a lesser extent for the *c* quark where there still is a difference of about 30–40%



Nonperturbative ingredient II: Bethe-Salpeter Equations for QCD Bound States



Model gluon propagator, solve quark propagator and 4-point Green function.

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General solution for Poincaré invariant ground- and excited-state amplitudes $\Gamma_{P_n}(p,P) = \gamma_5 \left[i \mathbb{I}_D E_{P_n}(p,P) + \gamma \cdot P F_{P_n}(p,P) + \gamma \cdot p \left(p \cdot P\right) G_{P_n}(p,P) + \sigma_{\mu\nu} p_{\mu} P_{\nu} H_{P_n}(p,P) \right]$

Gluon dressing function: QCD based interaction



Use effective interaction which reproduces Lattice QCD and DSE results for gluondressing function: infrared massive fixed point; ultraviolet massless propagator.



Pseudoscalar- and Vector-Meson Spectroscopy

$J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$	DSE-BSE	PDG
m_{π}	0.136	0.139
f_{π}	0.139	0.1304
$m_{\pi(1300)}$	1.414	1.30 ± 0.10
$f_{\pi(1300)}$	$8.3 imes 10^{-4}$	
m_K	0.493	0.493
f_K	0.164	0.156
$m_{K(1460)}$	1.580	1.460
$f_{K(1460)}$	0.017	_
$m_{\eta_c(1S)}$	3.065	2.984
$f_{\eta_c(1S)}$	0.389	0.395
$\overline{m}_{\eta_c(2S)}$	3.784	3.639
$f_{\eta_c(2S)}$	0.105	

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Weak decay constant for radially excited states vanish — only strong decays possible:

$$f_{P_n}^0 \equiv 0 \,, \ n \ge 1$$

$J^{PC} = 1^{}$	DSE-BSE	PDG
$m_{ ho^0(770)}$	0.742	0.775
$f_{ ho^0(770)}$	0.231	0.221
$m_{ ho^0(1450)}$	1.284	1.465
$f_{ ho^0(1450)}$	0.150	—
$m_{K^*(892)}$	0.951	0.896
$f_{K^{*}(892)}$	0.287	0.217
$m_{K^*(1410)}$	1.217	1.414
$f_{K^{*}(1410)}$	0.127	
$m_{\phi(1020)}$	1.087	1.019
$f_{\phi(1020)}$	0.305	0.322
$m_{\phi(1680)}$	1.650	1.659
$f_{\phi(1680)}$	0.138	_
$m_{J/\psi}$	3.114	3.097
$f_{J/\psi}$	0.433	0.416
$m_{\psi(2S)}$	3.760	3.689
$f_{\psi(2S)}$	0.176	0.295
$m_{\Upsilon(1S)}$	9.634	9.460
$f_{\Upsilon(1S)}$		0.715
$m_{\Upsilon(2S)}$	10.140	10.023
$f_{\Upsilon(2S)}$	0.564	0.497

Open-flavor mesons

• So far, we have first results for the heavy-light systems: D mesons

	Model	Experiment [63]
m_D	2.115	1.869
f_D	0.204	$0.2067 \pm 0.0085 \pm 0.0025$
m_{D_s}	2.130	1.968
f_{D_s}	0.249	0.260 ± 0.004

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- However, masses too large and mass difference too small.
- This was expected, strong mass asymmetry doesn't allow for simple quark-gluon vertex and rainbow-ladder truncation.

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Phenomenological Heavy-Meson Lagrangians



D-meson interactions with nucleons

Meson exchange — effective Lagrangians





SU(4) symmetry used



$$SU(4)$$
 symmetry: $g_{D\rho D} = g_{D\omega D} = g_{KK\rho} = \frac{1}{2}g_{\pi\pi\rho}$

Flavor SU(3), SU(4) ... sensible symmetries?





Consequences for DN cross sections?

The integrated $D_{\varrho}D$ interaction is enhanced by about 40% compared with an SU(4) prediction for the coupling/form factor.

Large value value for the interaction strength entails an enhanced cross section in DN scattering (I = 1 cross section inflated by a factor 4-5).

Possible novel charmed resonances or bound states in nuclei?

Conclusions

- Long path from QCD based modeling toward nonperturbative numerical solutions of quark propagators and quark-antiquark bound states for flavored mesons respecting *chiral symmetry* and *Poincaré covariance*.
- Simplest truncation so far results in a good reproduction of charmonium and bottonium mass spectrum and their weak decay constants. Complicated disparate scales in heavy-light mesons require a more sophisticated treatment beyond leading truncation.
- Work on gap equation with real lattice QCD data for gluon propagator and full nonperturbative quark-gluon structure is ambitious program but under work.