# Use of a non-relativistic basis for describing the low energy meson spectrum

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#### • General description of the model

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# Justification

- Description of QCD in the non-perturbative regime.
- MIT bag model, Lattice QCD, Dyson-Schwinger, etc.
- The present model pretends to offer an alternative:
  - That requieres less computational power.
  - That requieres as few parameters as possible.
  - That offers a more intuitive physical interpretation.
  - That is realistic enough, ie, that contains the important ingredients of the theory.
  - Non-perturbative!

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#### Characteristics of this model

Which is our approach to the NP-QCD problem?

- One considers an effective QCD Hamiltonian inspired in the Coulomb Gauge formalism.
- The fermionic fields are expanded in the harmonic oscillator basis in the coordinate space.
- Traslational invariance of the center of mass is to be recovered with the help of the Talmi-Moshinsky transformations.
- Many-body methods such as TDA and RPA are used to diagonalize the effective Hamiltonian.
- Flavor simmetry breaking is set by introducing an *a posteriori* flavor mixing procedure.

#### The election of a Gauge

- Why is it a good idea to work in the Coulomb Gauge?
  - Elimination of nondynamical degrees of freedom creates an instantaneous confining interaction.
  - This potential, even though is NR, introduces the effect of gluons in an effective manner.
  - Retardation effects are minimized for heavy quarks, making this a natural framework for studying NR bound states.
  - It is also relevant for light flavors once the constituent quarks are identified with quasiparticle excitations which saturate at  ${\sim}200~{\rm MeV}$  as the bare mass is reduced.
  - The appearance of a quark-antiquark vacuum condensate is typically associated with the confining potential.

[ A. Szczepaniak, E. Swanson, Phys. Rev. D, 55, 1578, (1997) ]

[ S. L. Adler, A. C. Davis, Nucl. Phys. B 244, 469 (1984) ] .

The election of a basis for the fields

- Why is it a good idea to use the harmonic oscillator basis?
  - One expects the fields to be restricted to a finite volume.
  - Talmi-Moshinsky transformations allow to recover the traslational invariance of the Center of Mass

$$\begin{split} \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_{n_{a}l_{a}}(\mathbf{x}) \otimes \Psi_{n_{b}l_{b}}(\mathbf{y}) \end{bmatrix}_{M}^{L} &= \sum_{n_{r}l_{r}n_{R}} \langle n_{r}l_{r}, n_{R}l_{R}; L|n_{a}l_{a}n_{b}l_{b}; L \rangle \left[ \Psi_{n_{r}l_{r}}(\mathbf{r}) \otimes \Psi_{n_{R}l_{R}}(\mathbf{R}) \right]_{M}^{L} \\ \mathbf{r} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} \right) \quad, \qquad \mathbf{R} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \right) \end{split}$$

• Only one integral is to be solved in this frame, with analytical results!

$$I(n_{i}, l_{i}, L) = \int R^{2} dR \int r^{2} dr R_{n_{1}l_{1}}(r) R_{n_{2}l_{2}}(r) \left(-\frac{\alpha}{r} + \beta r\right) R_{n_{3}l_{3}}(R) R_{n_{4}l_{4}}(R)$$

- The integrals are long-range and short-range well-behaved
- Free-propagation solutions may not be the best approach to a strong interacting theory

[G.P. Kamuntavicius, R.K. Kalinauskas, Nuclear Physics A 695 (2001) 191-201 🗊 ) 👘 👘 👘 🚊 🔊 🔉

The election of a diagonalization method

- Why is it a good idea to use many-body methods?
  - In analogy to the particle-hole excitations well known in nuclear physics, colorless quark-antiquark pairs are used to model mesons.
  - As said, Coulomb gauge gives rise to a vacuum with structure of a quark-antiquark condensate.



Free propagation Hamiltonian

#### The full Hamiltonian

A Cornell potential simulates the quark-antiquark interaction due to gluons.

$$|\mathbf{a},\mathbf{r}| \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}} (-\boldsymbol{\nabla}^2) \frac{1}{\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}} |\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{r}'\rangle \longrightarrow V(|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|) = \frac{-\alpha}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} + \beta |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|$$



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#### Mass and kinetic terms for quark sector

The quark fields are expanded in the harmonic oscillator basis

$$\psi^{\dagger}_{1,2}(\mathbf{r},\sigma,c,f) = \sum_{Nlm\sigma cf} \mathbf{b}^{\dagger}_{\pm\frac{1}{2},Nlm,\sigma cf} R^*_{Nl}(r) Y^*_{lm}(\hat{r}) \chi^{\dagger}_{\sigma} ,$$

The kinetic term is not diagonal in this basis! So a unitary transformation is introduced to diagonalize the free Hamiltonian

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}_{1}^{\dagger}_{2}_{Nijmcf} \\ \mathbf{b}_{-\frac{1}{2}Nijmcf}^{\dagger} \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{k} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{Nl,k}^{j} & -\beta_{Nl,k}^{j} \\ \beta_{Nl,k}^{j} & \gamma_{Nl,k}^{j} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b}_{kjmcf}^{\dagger} \\ \mathbf{d}_{kjmfc} \end{pmatrix} ,$$

with this, the mass and kinetic terms turn to be

$$\mathbf{K} \quad = \quad \mathbf{H}_{K_{q}} + \mathbf{H}_{m_{q}} = \sum_{kj} \tilde{\epsilon}_{kj} \left[ \left( \mathbf{b}_{kj}^{\dagger} \cdot \mathbf{b}^{kj} - \mathbf{d}_{kj} \cdot \mathbf{d}^{\dagger kj} \right) \right] \; .$$

where we introduce different masses for different quarks.

$$m_{\frac{1}{3}\frac{1}{2}} = 0.008 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{-\frac{2}{3}0} = 0.092 \text{ GeV}.$$
 (1)

[ A. Amor-Quiroz, P. O. Hess, O. Civitarese, T. Yépez-Martínez, J. Phys.: Conf Ser. 639 011001, (2015). ] 🚊 🔊

The effective quark interaction

By defining the short-hand notation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\mathbf{1}_{1}\bar{\mathbf{1}}_{2};\;\mu}^{\Gamma} &= & \left[\mathbf{b}_{\mathbf{1}_{1}}^{\dagger}\mathbf{b}_{\bar{\mathbf{1}}_{2}}\right]_{\mu}^{\Gamma} - \left[\mathbf{d}_{\mathbf{1}_{1}}\mathbf{d}_{\bar{\mathbf{1}}_{2}}^{\dagger}\right]_{\mu}^{\Gamma} \\ \mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{1}_{1}\bar{\mathbf{1}}_{2};\;\mu}^{\Gamma} &= & \left[\mathbf{b}_{\mathbf{1}_{1}}^{\dagger}\mathbf{d}_{\mathbf{1}_{2}}^{\dagger}\right]_{\mu}^{\Gamma} + \left[\mathbf{d}_{\mathbf{1}_{1}}\mathbf{b}_{\bar{\mathbf{1}}_{2}}\right]_{\mu}^{\Gamma} , \end{aligned}$$

the final structure of an arbitrary local potential turns to be

$$\mathbf{V} = \sum_{L_0} \sum_{\{k,j\}} \left( \mathcal{E}^{L_0}_{\{k,j\}} \left[ \mathcal{A}_{12} \mathcal{A}_{34} \right]_0^0 + \mathcal{F}^{L_0}_{\{k,j\}} \left[ \mathcal{A}_{12} \mathcal{B}_{34} \right]_0^0 + \mathcal{F}^{\prime L_0}_{\{k,j\}} \left[ \mathcal{B}_{12} \mathcal{A}_{34} \right]_0^0 + \mathcal{G}^{L_0}_{\{k,j\}} \left[ \mathcal{B}_{12} \mathcal{B}_{34} \right]_0^0 \right) \,,$$



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#### Exploring the use of Many-body methods

The Hamiltonian to diagonalize is then given by

$$H = \sum_{kj} 3\hat{j} C_{kj} \left( \left[ \mathbf{b}_{kj}^{\dagger} \mathbf{b}_{kj} \right]_{0}^{0} + \left[ \mathbf{d}_{kj} \mathbf{d}_{kj}^{\dagger} \right]_{0}^{0} \right) \\ + \sum_{L_{0}} \sum_{\{k,j\}} \left( E_{\{k,j\}}^{L_{0}} \left[ \mathcal{A}_{12} \mathcal{A}_{34} \right]_{0}^{0} + F_{\{k,j\}}^{L_{0}} \left[ \mathcal{A}_{34} \right]_{0}^{0} + F_{\{k,j\}}^{L_{0}} \left[ \mathcal{B}_{34} \mathcal{A}_{34} \right]_{0}^{0} + G_{\{k,j\}}^{L_{0}} \left[ \mathcal{B}_{12} \mathcal{B}_{34} \right]_{0}^{0} \right) \right]$$

To apply the Many-body methods, the mesonic states are build up as quark-antiquark pairs coupled to a singlet in color (physical states); and by defining some transformation laws

$$\begin{split} \gamma^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{1}_{a}\overline{\mathbf{1}}_{b};\Gamma\mu} &\equiv \left[\mathbf{b}^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{1}_{a}}\mathbf{d}^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{1}_{b}}\right]^{\Gamma}_{\mu} \ ,\\ \gamma^{\overline{1}_{b}\mathbf{1}_{a};\ \Gamma\mu} &\equiv \left(\gamma^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{1}_{a}\overline{\mathbf{1}}_{b};\Gamma\mu}\right)^{\dagger} \ ,\\ \gamma^{\dagger\mathbf{1}_{b}\overline{\mathbf{1}}_{a};\ \overline{\Gamma}\overline{\mu}} &\equiv (-1)^{\phi\mu}\gamma^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{1}_{a}\overline{\mathbf{1}}_{b};\Gamma\mu} \end{split}$$

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#### Tamm-Dankoff Method (TDA)

The TDA phonon is defined as a combination of quark-antiquark pairs  $\gamma^{\dagger}$ 

$$\Gamma^{\dagger}_{\Gamma\mu;\alpha} \equiv \sum_{ab} X^{\alpha}_{ab;\Gamma} \gamma^{\dagger}_{ab;\Gamma\mu} \ .$$

The method consists in mapping a non-diagonal Hamiltonian into an effective harmonic oscillator Hamiltonian in TDA pairs basis.

$$H \rightarrow \sum_{\Gamma \mu} \sum_{\alpha} \hbar \Omega^{\Gamma}_{\alpha} \Gamma^{\dagger}_{\Gamma \mu; \alpha} \Gamma^{\Gamma \mu; \alpha}$$
 .

The forward matrix is defined as

$$\mathbb{A}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')}_{(ab)(a'b')} \equiv \left[ \gamma^{b'a';\Gamma'\mu'}, \left[ H, \gamma^{\dagger\Gamma}_{ab;\mu} \right] \right] = \left( \epsilon^{\Gamma}_{ab} \delta_{a'a} \delta_{b'b} + V^{\Gamma}_{(a'b')(ab)} \right) \delta_{\Gamma'\Gamma} \delta_{\mu'\mu} \ .$$

By doing so, one gets the following eigenvalues equation

$$\sum_{ab} \mathbb{A}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')}_{(ab)(a'b')} X^{\alpha}_{ab;\Gamma} = \hbar \Omega^{\Gamma}_{\alpha} X^{\alpha}_{a'b';\Gamma} \delta_{\Gamma'\Gamma} \delta_{\mu'\mu} ,$$

But the TDA vacuum is the same as the free-theory vacuum!

[P. Ring, P. Schuck, The Nuclear Many-Body Problem, Springer (1980)]

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### Random Phase Approximation (RPA)

The RPA phonon is defined as

$$\Gamma^{\dagger}_{\Gamma\mu;\alpha} \equiv \sum_{ab} \left[ X^{\alpha}_{ab;\Gamma} \gamma^{\dagger}_{ab;\Gamma\mu} - Y^{\alpha}_{ab;\Gamma} \gamma_{ab;\Gamma\mu} \right] \; .$$

This time the vacuum does change: it is correlated! By defining the *Backward Matrix*  $\mathbb{B}$  as

$$\mathbb{B}_{(ab)(a'b')}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')} \equiv - \left[ \gamma^{\dagger b'a';\Gamma'\mu'}, \left[ H, \gamma^{\dagger}_{ab;\Gamma\mu} \right] \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left( W_{(a'b')(ab)}^{\Gamma} + W_{(ab)(a'b')}^{\Gamma} \right) \delta_{\Gamma'\Gamma} \delta_{\mu'\mu} \ ,$$

One obtains an eigenvalues equation of the form

$$\sum_{ab} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{A}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')} & \mathbb{B}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')} \\ (ab)(a'b') & (ab)(a'b') \\ -\mathbb{B}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')} & -\mathbb{A}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')} \\ (ab)(a'b') & -\mathbb{A}^{(\Gamma\mu)(\Gamma'\mu')} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X^{\alpha}_{ab;\Gamma} \\ Y^{\alpha}_{ab;\Gamma} \end{pmatrix} = \hbar\Omega^{\Gamma}_{\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} X^{\alpha}_{a'b';\Gamma} \\ Y^{\alpha}_{a'b';\Gamma} \end{pmatrix} \delta_{\Gamma'\Gamma} \delta_{\mu'\mu} ,$$

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# Random Phase Approximation (RPA)

This means that diagonalizing the above matrix equation allows to find the energy spectrum for the RPA phonon and the coefficients X and Y from the linear combination.

These coefficients may also allow us to construct the effective propagators and obtain transition amplitudes



[ P. Ring, P. Schuck, The Nuclear Many-Body Problem, Springer (1980) ]

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#### A posteriori flavor mixing

After applying the many-body methods, it is possible to identify  $\eta$  and  $\eta'$ -like mesons, as pure  $q\bar{q}$  and  $s\bar{s}$  states, which can be mixed by introducing an *a posteriori* interaction via

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_{q\bar{q}} + 2H_{FM} & \sqrt{2} H_{FM} \\ \sqrt{2} H_{FM} & M_{s\bar{s}} + H_{FM} \end{pmatrix} \, . \label{eq:mass_state}$$

$$\Delta E_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (M_{q\bar{q}} + M_{s\bar{s}} + 3H_{FM} \pm \sqrt{9H_{FM}^2 + 2H_{FM}(M_{q\bar{q}} - M_{s\bar{s}}) + (M_{q\bar{q}} - M_{s\bar{s}})^2}) .$$



Virtual annihilation of neutral mesons into gluons for a)  $J^P = 1^-$  and b)  $J^P = 0^-$ 

[A. de Rújula, H. Georgi, S. L. Glashow, Hadron masses in a gauge theory, Phys Rev. D (1975)]

### Results

• Without a flavor mixing interaction, the pion-like states are degenerated with the  $\eta\text{-like}$  state.



[ Phys Rev Lett, 84, 6, Llanes-Estrada, Cotanch (2000) ]

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#### Results

 $\bullet$  With a flavor mixing interaction, the  $\eta$  meson is still too low, but in better agreement.



$m_{u,d}[GeV]$	$m_s[GeV]$	α	$\beta[GeV^2]$	H <sub>FM</sub> [GeV]
0.05	0.31	0.16	0.40	0.188

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### Results

• The understanding of the scalar states requires the calculation of their widths, and may also improve with a flavor mixing interaction



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## Conclusions

Actual status: Not ready yet!

- Recover traslational invariance.
- Introduce a dynamical flavor mixing.

Advantages:

- A simple yet semi-realistic model.
- The harmonic oscillator basis is confining and allows analytic integration.
- Rapid convergence of the solutions respect to the number of quanta considered.
- Does not require too many computational power.
- The coordinate space does not contain any divergences.
- The structure of a correlated vacuum simulates the virtual pairs creation.

# Thank you!



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