

1 Introduction: Hadrons, resonances, and entanglement

1.1 Hadrons and QCD

- **Hadrons**: particles that interact via the strong interaction
- Fundamental theory of the strong interaction: **QCD**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = -\frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu a} + \bar{q}(i\not{D} - m_q)q \quad (1)$$

SU(3) color gauge theory of quarks and gluons

- Observed hadrons [1]
 - qqq baryons (p, n, Λ, \dots): about 170 states
 - $q\bar{q}$ mesons (π, K, η, \dots): about 210 states
- Quarks have three colors: r, g, b
All observed hadrons are color singlets (color-neutral states)
No explicit constraint in QCD forbids colored states
→ Problem of **color confinement**
- Quarks have six flavors: u, d, s, c, b, t
Flavor quantum numbers of conventional hadrons are described by qqq or $q\bar{q}$
No explicit constraint in QCD forbids multiquark configurations such as $\bar{q}\bar{q}qq, \bar{q}qqqq, \dots$
→ Problem of **exotic hadrons**

1.2 Exotic hadrons and resonances

- Recent observations of exotic hadron candidates [2, 3]
Only ~ 10 candidates out of ~ 380 hadrons
- Pentaquark candidates $P_c(4312), P_c(4440), P_c(4457)$ [4, 5] (Fig. 1, left)

$$P_c \rightarrow J/\psi(\bar{c}c) + p(uud)$$

Minimal quark content¹: $\bar{c}cuud$

- Tetraquark candidate T_{cc} [6, 7] (Fig. 1, right)

$$T_{cc} \rightarrow D^0(\bar{u}c)D^{*+}(\bar{d}c) \rightarrow D^0D^0\pi^+$$

Minimal quark content: $cc\bar{u}\bar{d}$

¹In principle, P_c could be described by uud , but it is highly unnatural to explain their masses without a $\bar{c}c$ pair.

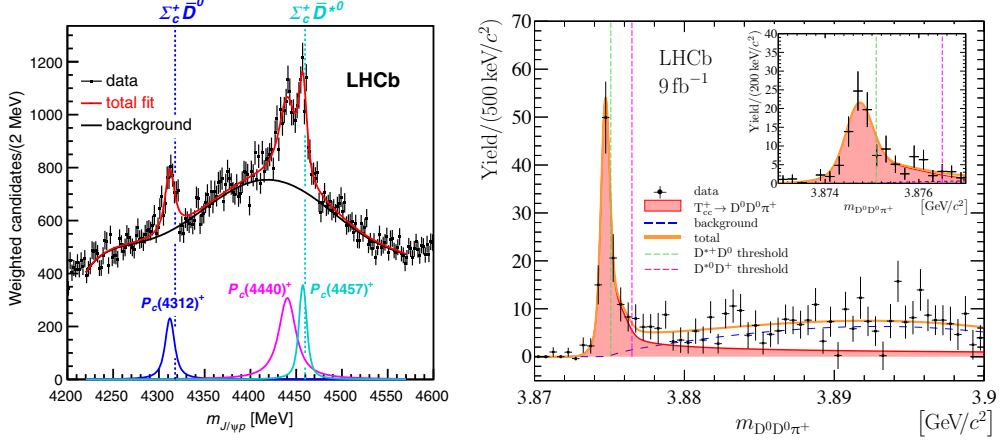


Figure 1: Examples of exotic hadron candidates. Left: spectrum of the pentaquark candidates P_c , adapted from R. Aaij *et al.* (LHCb collaboration), Phys. Rev. Lett. **122**, 222001 (2019). Right: spectrum of the tetraquark candidate T_{cc} , adapted from R. Aaij *et al.* (LHCb collaboration), Nature Phys. **18**, 751 (2022).

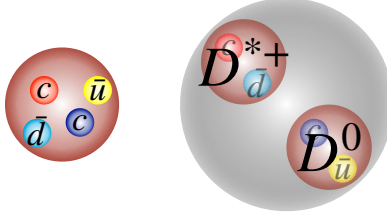


Figure 2: Schematic illustration of a multiquark state (left) and a hadronic molecule (right).

- Exotic hadrons are observed in the spectra of decay products

$$P_c \rightarrow J/\psi + p$$

$$T_{cc} \rightarrow D^0 + D^0 + \pi^+$$

Unstable states \rightarrow treated as **resonances** in hadron scattering

In fact, only ~ 20 out of ~ 380 hadrons are stable

- Various possible internal structures
 - Multiquarks: compact color-singlet states
 $cc\bar{u}\bar{d}$ for T_{cc} (Fig. 2, left)
 - Hadronic molecules: weakly bound states of hadrons
 $D^0 D^{*+}$ for T_{cc} (Fig. 2, right)

- States with the same quantum numbers can mix with each other:

$$|T_{cc}\rangle = c_1 |cc\bar{u}\bar{d}\rangle + c_2 |D^0 D^{*+}\rangle + \dots \quad (2)$$

How can we determine the weights c_i ?

Is such a decomposition well-defined?

What is a resonance “state” $|T_{cc}\rangle$?

- Plan of the first half of this lecture
 - §2 (21 April): Resonances \leftrightarrow eigenstates with complex energies
 - §3 (28 April): Definition of the scattering amplitude
 - §4 (12 May): Resonances \leftrightarrow poles of the scattering amplitude
 - §5 (19 May): Feshbach resonances (bound states embedded in the continuum)
 - §6 (26 May): Nonrelativistic effective field theory
 - §7 (9 June): Compositeness and weak-binding relation

1.3 Hadron scattering and quantum entanglement

- Study of hadron scattering
 - Important for extracting resonance information
 - Provides basic information on hadronic molecules
- Prototype of hadron scattering: **nuclear force** (nucleon–nucleon scattering)
- Nucleons have internal degrees of freedom: **spin** and **isospin**
 - Spin $S = 1/2$: $|\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\rangle$
 - Isospin $I = 1/2$: $|p\rangle, |n\rangle$
- Two-nucleon states: combinations of spin and isospin
 - Many possible scattering channels: $|p \uparrow p \uparrow\rangle, |p \uparrow n \downarrow\rangle, \dots$
- Symmetry in QCD: $SU(2)_S \times SU(2)_I$
 - The interaction is invariant under independent rotations of spin and isospin
 - Some processes are forbidden, and different processes are related to each other
 - Scattering can be described with a small number of independent components
- Low-energy s -wave scattering can be described by only **two channels**
 - 1S_0 ($S = 0, I = 1$)

- 3S_1 ($S = 1, I = 0$)

These channels are independent of each other

- Empirical properties of nuclear forces
 - Similar behavior in the $S = 0$ and $S = 1$ channels
Spin-flavor SU(4) symmetry [8, 9]
 - Large scattering lengths (near the unitary limit)
Nonrelativistic conformal symmetry [10]
- Suggestive of **emergent symmetries** beyond QCD

- Quantum entanglement in two-spin systems
 - Product state: no correlation between spins

$$|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = |\uparrow\rangle \otimes |\downarrow\rangle \quad (3)$$

- Entangled state (Bell state): correlated spins

$$|S = 0\rangle = \frac{|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (4)$$

- **Entanglement entropy (EE)**

A quantitative measure of quantum correlation

- Scattering as a quantum operation

The scattering matrix S acts on the initial state:

$$|\text{out}\rangle = S |\text{in}\rangle \quad (5)$$

S can generate entanglement between nucleons

- **Entanglement suppression** [11]

Condition: scattering does not generate entanglement

→ Constraints on scattering amplitudes

→ Explanation of **emergent symmetries** in nuclear forces

- Plan of the second half of this lecture

- §8 (16 June): Spin-1/2 states
- §9 (23 June): Entanglement entropy

- §10 (30 June): Classical and quantum correlations
- §11 (7 July): Bell’s inequality
- §12 (14 July): Entanglement power of the S matrix
- §13 (21 July): Nuclear forces and entanglement suppression
- §14 (28 July): Generalization to spin and flavor

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