

7 Compositeness and weak-binding relation

7.1 Introduction

- Internal structure of hadron resonances: superposition of all possible configurations

$$|\Lambda(1405)\rangle = C_{3q}|uds\rangle + C_{5q}|uds\bar{q}q\rangle + C_{MB}|MB\rangle + \dots \quad (116)$$

- C_i (weights of each component) can be determined in specific models
→ model-dependent result (the wavefunction is not an observable)
- A **model-independent** relation that connects observables with the internal structure?

7.2 Weak-binding relation

- **Compositeness** X of a stable bound state (deuteron) [43, 20, 21]

$$|d\rangle = \sqrt{X}|NN\rangle + \sqrt{Z}|\text{others}\rangle, \quad X + Z = 1 \quad (117)$$

$|d\rangle$: wavefunction of the deuteron

$|NN\rangle$: two-nucleon (s -wave) component

(labeled by continuous variables, and X is the sum over all components)

$|\text{others}\rangle$: all other components

($\sim 6q$ states, $N\Delta$ states, NN (d -wave) states, ...)

Z : elementarity (elementariness)

- $(X, Z) \approx (1, 0)$: composite-dominant state
- $(X, Z) \approx (0, 1)$: elementary-dominant state

- **Weak-binding relation**

$$a_0 = R \left\{ \frac{2X}{1+X} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{R_{\text{typ}}}{R}\right) \right\}, \quad R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu B}} \quad (118)$$

a_0 : NN scattering length (3S_1 channel)

B : deuteron binding energy, $\mu = M_N/2$: NN reduced mass

R : deuteron radius (length scale associated with the binding energy)

R_{typ} : typical interaction range

- When B is small (R_{typ}/R is negligible), the compositeness X is determined by observables.
- Conditions:

– X is the compositeness in the s -wave scattering channel (not applicable to $\ell \neq 0$)

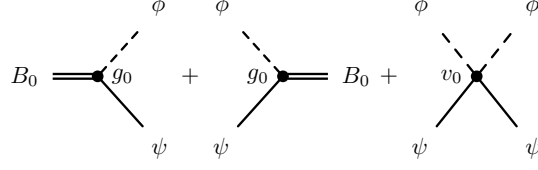


Figure 17: Feynman rules for the interaction Hamiltonian (122).

– Stable bound state (no decay width)

- Empirical values: $B = 2.22$ MeV, $a_0 = 5.42$ fm, $R_{\text{typ}} \sim 1/m_\pi = 1.43$ fm [44]

$$X = 1.68^{+3.18}_{-0.943} \quad (\text{including finite-range corrections}) \quad (119)$$

By definition, $X \leq 1 \Rightarrow 0.74 \leq X \leq 1$: $\sim 80\%$ of the deuteron is an NN composite

- No input on the nuclear force or wave function is required.

7.3 Compositeness in effective field theory

- Hamiltonian of EFT [33, 34]

$$H = H_{\text{free}} + H_{\text{int}} \quad (120)$$

$$H_{\text{free}} = \int d\mathbf{r} \left[\frac{1}{2M} \nabla \psi^\dagger \cdot \nabla \psi + \frac{1}{2m} \nabla \phi^\dagger \cdot \nabla \phi + \frac{1}{2M_0} \nabla B_0^\dagger \cdot \nabla B_0 + \omega_0 B_0^\dagger B_0 \right] \quad (121)$$

$$H_{\text{int}} = \int d\mathbf{r} \left[g_0 \left(B_0^\dagger \phi \psi + \psi^\dagger \phi^\dagger B_0 \right) + v_0 \psi^\dagger \phi^\dagger \phi \psi \right] \quad (122)$$

$\phi(\mathbf{r})$, $\psi(\mathbf{r})$, $B_0(\mathbf{r})$: field operators, M , m , M_0 : masses, ω_0 : bare energy

Each term in the free Hamiltonian H_{free} is equivalent to the kinetic term of $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}$ in §6

g_0 , v_0 : coupling constants

H_{int} : contact interactions (Fig. 17), $\psi\phi \leftrightarrow \psi\phi$ and $\psi\phi \leftrightarrow B_0$

- Eigenstates of H_{free}

$$H_{\text{free}} |B_0\rangle = \omega_0 |B_0\rangle \quad (\text{discrete state } B_0, \text{ elementary component}) \quad (123)$$

$$H_{\text{free}} |\mathbf{p}\rangle = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2\mu} |\mathbf{p}\rangle \quad (\psi\phi \text{ scattering states with } \mathbf{p}, \text{ composite component}) \quad (124)$$

$$\langle B_0 | B_0 \rangle = 1, \quad \langle B_0 | \mathbf{p} \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \mathbf{p}' | \mathbf{p} \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p}) \quad (125)$$

- Complete set: (from particle number conservation)

$$1 = |B_0\rangle \langle B_0| + \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} |\mathbf{p}\rangle \langle \mathbf{p}| \quad (126)$$

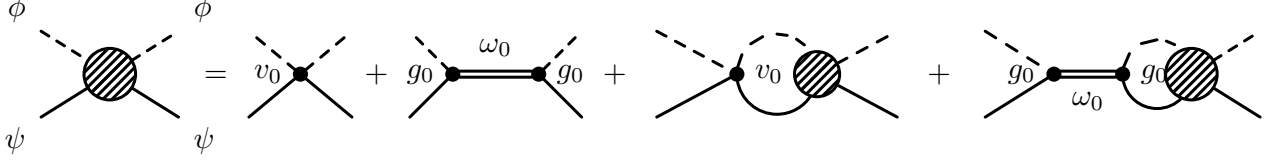


Figure 18: Feynman diagrams of the $\psi\phi$ scattering amplitude.

Relation to Feshbach projection [45] ($\hat{P} + \hat{Q} = \hat{I}$)

$$\hat{P} = \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} |\mathbf{p}\rangle \langle \mathbf{p}| \quad (\text{projection onto } \psi\phi \text{ scattering states}) \quad (127)$$

$$\hat{Q} = |B_0\rangle \langle B_0| \quad (\text{projection onto discrete state } B_0) \quad (128)$$

Field theory equivalent to the single-resonance approximation of Q channel in §5

- Bound state $|B\rangle$ with binding energy B as an eigenstate of H (physical state)

$$H |B\rangle = -B |B\rangle \quad (129)$$

Compositeness X , elementarity Z

$$X \equiv \langle B | \hat{P} | B \rangle = \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} |\langle \mathbf{p} | B \rangle|^2 \geq 0 \quad (\text{overlap with scattering states}) \quad (130)$$

$$Z \equiv \langle B | \hat{Q} | B \rangle = |\langle B_0 | B \rangle|^2 \geq 0 \quad (\text{overlap with discrete state}) \quad (131)$$

- From the normalization $\langle B | B \rangle = 1$ and the completeness relation (126),

$$Z + X = 1 \quad (132)$$

X and Z can be interpreted as **probabilities** $\leftarrow$ (130), (131), and (132)

7.4 Weak-binding relation in effective field theory

- $\psi\phi$ scattering amplitude (derived as in §6, see Fig. 18)

$$f(E) = -\frac{\mu}{2\pi} \frac{1}{1/v(E) - G(E)} \quad (133)$$

$$v(E) = v_0 + \frac{g_0^2}{E - \omega_0}, \quad (134)$$

$$G(E) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\Lambda dq \frac{q^2}{E - q^2/(2\mu) + i0^+} \quad (135)$$

- Cutoff Λ : momentum scale at which the hadron interaction can be regarded as pointlike

$$\Rightarrow R_{\text{typ}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda} \quad (136)$$

- Expression for the compositeness in terms of the scattering amplitude

$$X = \frac{G'(E)}{G'(E) - [1/v(E)]'} \Big|_{E=-B}, \quad A'(E) = \frac{dA(E)}{dE} \quad (137)$$

- Expansion of the scattering length in powers of (R_{typ}/R)

$$a_0 = -f(E=0) = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} [1/v(0) - G(0)]^{-1} \quad (138)$$

$$= \dots = R \left\{ \frac{2X}{1+X} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{R_{\text{typ}}}{R}\right) \right\}, \quad R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu B}} \quad (139)$$

- If $\mathcal{O}(R_{\text{typ}}/R)$ is negligible, **compositeness** $X \leftarrow (a_0, B)$

7.5 Generalization to unstable states

- For applications to hadron resonances, a generalization to unstable states is necessary

- Inclusion of a decay channel (Fig. [19](#))

Fields: $\phi_1, \psi_1, \phi_2, \psi_2, B_0$

Four-point contact interactions: $\psi_1\phi_1 \leftrightarrow \psi_1\phi_1, \psi_1\phi_1 \leftrightarrow \psi_2\phi_2, \psi_2\phi_2 \leftrightarrow \psi_2\phi_2$

Three-point contact interactions: $\psi_1\phi_1 \leftrightarrow B_0, \psi_2\phi_2 \leftrightarrow B_0$

- When the threshold energy $-\nu$ of the additional channel 2 ($\psi_2\phi_2$) is lower than B ([5](#)),

$$H|R\rangle = E_h|R\rangle, \quad E_h \in \mathbb{C} \quad (140)$$

- Normalization condition for resonances ($\langle R|R\rangle$ diverges)

$$\langle \tilde{R}|R\rangle = 1 \quad (141)$$

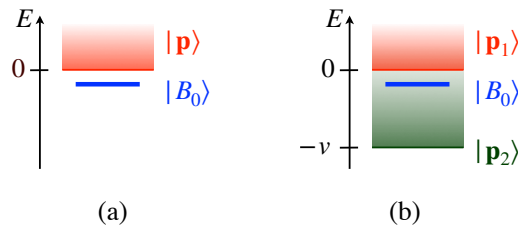


Figure 19: Spectrum of free Hamiltonian. (a): EFT in Sec. [3](#) and [4](#), (b): EFT in Sec. [5](#).

$\langle \tilde{R} |$ is the left eigenvector with the same complex eigenvalue

$$\langle \tilde{R} | H = E_h \langle \tilde{R} | \quad (142)$$

(Because of the non-hermiticity, left eigenvector is not conjugate of right eigenvector)

- Complete set

$$1 = \hat{P} + \hat{Q} \quad (143)$$

$$\hat{P} = \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} |\mathbf{p}_1\rangle \langle \mathbf{p}_1| \quad (\text{projection onto } \psi_1\phi_1 \text{ scattering states}) \quad (144)$$

$$\hat{Q} = |B_0\rangle \langle B_0| + \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} |\mathbf{p}_2\rangle \langle \mathbf{p}_2| \quad (\text{projection onto } B_0 \text{ and } \psi_2\phi_2) \quad (145)$$

- Compositeness X , elementarity Z

$$X = \langle \tilde{R} | P | R \rangle = \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \langle \tilde{R} | \mathbf{p}_1 \rangle \langle \mathbf{p}_1 | R \rangle \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$Z = \langle \tilde{R} | Q | R \rangle = \langle \tilde{R} | B_0 \rangle \langle B_0 | R \rangle + \int \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \langle \tilde{R} | \mathbf{p}_2 \rangle \langle \mathbf{p}_2 | R \rangle \in \mathbb{C}$$

- While $X + Z = 1$ still holds, each term is **complex** and cannot be interpreted as a probability
- Expand the scattering length of channel 1 by (R_{typ}/R) (R, a_0 are complex)

$$a_0 = R \left\{ \frac{2X}{1+X} + \mathcal{O}\left(\left|\frac{R_{\text{typ}}}{R}\right|\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left|\frac{l}{R}\right|^3\right) \right\}, \quad R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-2\mu E_h}}, \quad l = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\mu\nu}} \quad (146)$$

ν : threshold energy difference, l : corresponding length scale

- If $\mathcal{O}(R_{\text{typ}}/R)$ and $\mathcal{O}(|l/R|^3)$ are negligible, **compositeness** $X \leftarrow (a_0, E_h)$
- Several interpretation of complex X [33, 34, 46, 47, 48, 29], but no consensus is reached
- $\Lambda(1405)$ case:
 - Channel 1 is $\bar{K}N$, channel 2 is $\pi\Sigma$
 - Inputs: $E_h = -10 - 26i$ MeV, $a_0 = 1.39 - 0.85i$ fm [49, 50]
 - For $|R| \sim 2$ fm, $R_{\text{typ}} \sim 0.25$ fm (ρ -meson exchange), $l \sim 1.08$ fm ($\pi\Sigma$ channel)

Neglecting the correction terms, we obtain

$$X = 1.2 + i0.1 \quad (147)$$

X is close to 1 $\Rightarrow$ **the $\bar{K}N$ molecular component is dominant**