Experimental Review of Heavy Exotic Hadrons

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Heavy-flavor hadrons are special

- Strong interactions are flavor independent (SU(3)_f \rightarrow QCD), thus why?
- Marek Karliner: "all quarks are created equal, but heavy quarks are more equal than others"
 - $m_Q/\Lambda_{QCD} \gg 1 \rightarrow$ decreased kinetic energy of heavy quarks, increased binding energy ($V_{Q\bar{Q}} \sim m_Q$)
 - quark velocity v_Q/c becomes an expansion parameters in effective theories (potential models, NRQCD,...)
 - heavy quark content self-evident from hadron masses; no mixing with different flavor hadrons
 - many lower excitations forced below threshold for OZI favored decays making them narrow (longlived) Ω_c excitations





Why heavy flavor hadrons: two chamonium revolutions



Mesons are simple $(q\bar{q})$ bound states.

 Almost all excited states for light hadrons are above "open flavor threshold"



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Mesons/baryons are **predominantly** $(q\bar{q}/qqq)$ bound states below the open flavor threshold. **They are more complex structures above it**, and we have not yet understood them.

Don't we need to revisit our concept of light hadrons?



LQCD is only learning now how to simulate strongly decaying hadrons

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In fact, we do find evidence for multiquark effects among excited hadrons!

$(udsq\bar{q} \text{ states})$

Mass of $\Lambda(1405)$ significantly shifted relative the expectations to below the KN threshold. Molecular components? Compact pentaquark component?

Status of our understanding of hadron spectroscopy

- We know the lightest hadrons in each quark configuration are predominantly bound states of $q\overline{q}$ or qqq
- We are not sure if nuclear-type forces can bind mesons to other mesons or baryons (loosely bound "molecular" states)
- We don't know if diquarks, strongly motivated by QCD, are good building blocks for more complex quark structures (tightly bound multiquark states), and in which situations: $(qq)(\bar{q}\bar{q})$?, $(qq)(qq)\bar{q}$?, ...
- We are not even sure about the role of diquarks in baryons q(qq)?
- We don't know if gluon can be among dominant hadron constituents, as motivated by QCD: glueballs gg? hybrids gqq?, gqqq?

Present limitations in understanding are both of theoretical (e.g. difficult to simulate in LQCD full dynamics of multiquark or unstable states) or experimental nature (e.g. insufficient sensitivity to all possible decay modes, difficulty in producing and reconstruction of hadrons with key quark content like $bb\bar{u}\bar{d}$)

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hard to explain)

The first and most experimentally studied state – X(3872) aka $\chi_{c1}(3872)$

• Experimentally accessible via $b \to c(\bar{c}s), gg \to c\bar{c}, ...$

Belle 2003: discovery of X(3872) PRL 91, 262001 (2003)

Large isospin violation rules out pure $c\bar{c}$ interpretation

 $\underline{e^+e^-} \to B + \cdots$ LHCb-PAPER-2021-045 arXiv:2204.12597 (B. Batsukh Ph.D. thesis, Syracuse 2021) $B \rightarrow (\pi^+\pi^- J/\psi)K$ 300 $pp \rightarrow B^+ + \cdots$ / 5 MeV ~36 signal events LHCb 350 — total fit $B^+ \rightarrow (\pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi) K^+$ $\psi(2S)$ 300 A 1600 W 1400 DD* ~6.800 Decays / LHCb 9 fb⁻¹ 200 total fit 250 signal events **ρ** ~ 79% $D\overline{D}$ $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$ ω 1200 χ_{c1}(3872) LHCb 9 fb⁻¹ 200 $I^{G} = 0^{+}$ õ 1000 preliminary didat $\cdots \rho$ - ω interference ···· background 800 150 600 100 400 $\rho - \omega \sim 19\%$ 100 2.00 X(3872) 50 3850 3800 3900 $m_{\pi^+\pi^- I/W}$ [MeV] $\omega \sim 2\%$ 0 700 400 500 600 3500 4250 3750 $m_{\pi^+\pi^-}$ [MeV] $M(\pi^+\pi^- J/\psi)$ [MeV] Isospin-violating / Isospin-conserving couplings $\Gamma = 1.2 \pm 0.2 \, MeV \, (PDG \, 2021)$ $2^{3}P_{1}$ $\frac{g_{\chi_{c1}(3872)\to\rho^0 J/\psi}}{0.29\pm0.04} = 0.29\pm0.04$ $\frac{g_{\psi(2S)\to\pi^0 J/\psi}}{g_{\psi(2S)\to\pi^0 J/\psi}} = 0.045 \pm 0.001$ o diquark tetraguark $g_{\chi_{c1}(3872) \rightarrow \omega J/\psi}$ $g_{\psi(2S) \to \eta J/\psi}$ (coincidence with threshold and narrow width

Natural explanation via large $D^0\overline{D}^{*0}$ component (the mass 8 MeV below $D^+\overline{D}^{*-}$)

Event multiplicity dependence of prompt production of X(3872)

Dependence of X(3872) prompt production crosssection on event multiplicity is significantly different (5σ) then the one for $\psi(2S)$

How $\chi_{c1}(2P) - D^0 \overline{D}^{*0}$ mixture model would look like on this plot?

 \propto number of particles produced in pp collision

Evidence for X(3872) production in Pb-Pb collisions

 $\frac{\sigma(PbPb \rightarrow (X(3872) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi)) + \cdots)}{\sigma(PbPb \rightarrow (\psi(2S) \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- J/\psi)) + \cdots)}$ = 1.08 ± 0.49 ± 0.52

vs ~ 0.1 in pp collisions

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Very consequential if the central value persists with more data

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Narrow $P_{c(s)}^+$ states

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Narrow states near hadron-hadron thresholds

Not all heavy exotic hadrons are near hadron-hadron thresholds

Many broader exotic states not near thresholds

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0.2 Re A^Z

-0.4

-0.2

Amplitude analysis reveals large number of $J/\psi\phi$ states, and two $J/\psi K^+$ states ($Z_{cs}^+(4000), Z_{cs}^+(4216)$)

A lot of $c\bar{c}q\bar{q}$ structures. Amplitude analyses very complex,

but still naïve, since coupled-channels $(D_{(s)}^{(*)}\overline{D}_{(s)}^{(*)})$ neglected.

Anomalous charmonium-like vector states

Charming and strange exotic states

LHCb 9 fb⁻¹ PRD102, 112003 (2020) amplitude analysis PRL 125, 242001 (2020) model-independent

 $1.3k B^+ \rightarrow D^+ D^- K^+$

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Amplitude analysis

 The 0⁺ X₀(2900) state is a good candidate for a "nearly"-doublyheavy tetraquark

 $m^2(D^+D^-)$ [GeV²/

Proximity of the thresholds motivates other explanations - molecular or triangle diagrams

Hidden double-charm tetraquarks ?

 $pp \rightarrow (J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)(J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) + \cdots$

Science Bulletin 65, 1983 (2020), arXiv:2006.16957 9 fb⁻¹

- Very significant structure in $J/\psi J/\psi$ mass
- Interpretation of data is not clear:
 - One, or more (interfering?) resonances
 - X(6900) peak seems too wide to be loosely-bound (Γ~80 MeV or more), tightlybound tetraquark state?
 - Possible effects due to nearby $J/\psi\psi'$, $J/\psi\psi''$ thresholds via coupled channel effects, see Dong,Baru,Fen-Kun Guo,Hanhart,Nefediev PRL 126,132001 (2021)
- Likely theoretical interpretation: (cc)(cc) tetraquark state(s), but the coupled channel effects may be important in shaping the mass spectrum

Eighten, Quigg PRL 119, 202002 (2017)

Czarnecki, Leng, Voloshin PLB 778, 233 (2018)

Meng, Hiyama, Hosaka, Oka, Guber, Can, Takahashi, Zong PLB 814, 136095 (2021)

consistent results predicted by LQCD: Francis,Hudspith,Lewis,Maltman PRL 1118,142001 (2017)

LHCb-PAPER-2021-031,-032 arXiv:2109.01038,2109.01113 Sept. 02, 2021

 $M_{T_{cc}^+} = 2M_{D^0} + M_{\pi^+} + \sim 6 \text{MeV}$ Very small phase-space for $D^0 D^0 \pi^+$, or any other strong decay

- Very narrow state, very close to the meson-meson threshold. It could be a loosely-bound $D^{*+/0}D^{0/+}$ state.
- Very little phase-space for any strong decay! It could also be a tightly-bound $(cc)(\bar{u}\bar{d})$ diquark state!
- Detecting $bb\bar{u}\bar{d}$ can separate these two mechanisms, but it will be very challenging experimentally. $bc\bar{u}\bar{d}$ easier?

Experimental prospects for the next decade

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$b \rightarrow c$ major source of spectroscopic data on charm

• Unique features of LHC:

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- enormous strong production rates (before trigger)
- access to b-baryons (also serves pathway to charm pentaquarks)
- access to doubly-flavored states ($b\bar{c}, ccq, cc\bar{q}\bar{q}, cc\bar{c}\bar{c}, \ldots$)
- Expect many new measurements/discoveries from LHCb
 - triggering optimized to flavor physics
 - good hadrons ID ($\pi/K/p$ separation)

ATLAS/CMS potential:

- best flavor rates, but triggering on them is a challenge, no hadron ID
- can be competitive in certain channels $(\mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-?)$
- the only experiments which may have a chance to confirm some of LHCb claims

- Expect many new measurements/discoveries from Belle II. Unique features:
 - good γ, π^0, η detection
 - access to precision $b\overline{b}$ spectroscopy below and above $B\overline{B}$ threshold (via dedicated runs)
 - − production also via $\gamma\gamma$ collisions, and $e^+e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c}c\bar{c}\bar{c}$

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Luminosity

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23 Peak Luminosity Trends (e⁺e⁻ collider) Super Tau-Charm Factory Past and future: dedicated Proposed at Hefei and Novosibirsk *c* –quark experiments (in R&D phase) energy up to $\sqrt{s} \sim 7 \ GeV$ $\sqrt{s} \sim 10 \ GeV$ KEKB Energy & lumi upgrade BES-III: highest luminosity PEP-II $e^+e^- \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ experiment near $\sqrt{s} \sim 5 \rightarrow 5.6 \ GeV$ $\sqrt{s} \sim 4 \ GeV$ the charm threshold (precision $c\bar{c}$ spectroscopy below and above $D\bar{D}$ CESR DAONE threshold, light-hadron spectroscopy including glue-rich BEPC-II $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma g g$) **BEPC-II** PFF TRISTAI **PANDA**: highest luminosity $p\bar{p} \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ SPEAR experiment near the charm threshold LEP I (2025-?) OR. Precision scans of charmonium-like states? BFP 2010 BESHI 1980 1990 2000 2020 2030

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Experimental prospects at JLab and EIC

JLab: 12 GeV e⁻ beam (2017-...) Photoproduction of charmonium(-like) states

If detected offers a good insight into their substructure

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JLab upgrade to 20-24 GeV e⁻ beam? Would greatly increase a chance to detect charmonium-like states

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Statistical errors will be improved

Search for light hybrid mesons

Electron Ion Collider e⁻p, e⁻A (2030-...)

 $\sqrt{s} = 20 - 141 \,\,\mathrm{GeV}$ $\mathcal{L} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

Photoproduction of charmonium exotics possible

Summary

- The experimental discoveries in the last two decades in the heavy flavor sector showed us that we
 understand very little from hadron spectroscopy.
- Many heavy hadron exotics are narrow, and near hadron-hadron thresholds, pointing to hadronhadron interactions playing an important role in their creation (molecular states?)
- There are also many exotic hadron candidates not fitting this pattern, leaving room for tetraquark and pentaquark state tightly bound directly by color interactions (diquarks or other color schemes?)
- The states of mixed nature, certainly must exist too
- We need a broad spectroscopy program to continue:
 - in the coming decade LHCb upgrades are likely to produce the largest amount of experimental information in the biggest variety of heavy quark configurations
 - the BESIII, and later new tau-charm factory, have their own variety of charmonium-like states to study above the open charm threshold. They also have unique access to light hadron spectroscopy, including glueballs.
 - Belle II has similar unique access to bottomonium-like states
 - Photoproduction of charmonium-like states at JLab or EIC can play an important role, if such states are produced with sufficient rates