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J/ψ -Nucleon Scattering Length

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J/ψ -nucleon scattering and photoproduction



• OZI suppressed scattering

 \square Relatively suppressed by $O(1/N_c)$

\Box General mechanisms (take $J/\psi - N$ as an example)

➢ Gluon exchanges





Gluonic matrix elements
 ↓ ⟨J/ψ|GG|J/ψ⟩ ~Chromopolarizabilities,
 ↓ ⟨N|GG|N⟩ : trace anomaly contribution to the nucleon mass

talks by Yun-Hua Chen and Alexey Nefediev

≻ Coupled-channel:
$$J/\psi N - \Lambda_c \overline{D}^{(*)} / \Sigma_c^{(*)} \overline{D}^{(*)} - J/\psi N$$



Importance of coupled-channel mechanism in evading OZI suppression in mesonic sector: H. Lipkin, B.-S. Zou, PRD 53 (1996) 6693

J/ψ -nucleon scattering and photoproduction



• The J/ψ photoproduction probes the gluonic contribution to the nucleon mass

□ if the mechanism of gluon exchanges is dominant

 \Box if the J/ψ photoproduction can be modeled by vector-meson dominance

D. Kharzeev, H. Satz, A. Syamtomov, G. Zinovjev, EPJC 9 (1999) 459



Scattering length from VMD and photoproduction: 3 – 25 am
 L. Pentchev, I. Strakovsky, EPJA 57 (2021) 56
 21.3 ± 8.2 am
 GlueX, PRC 108 (2023) 025201

 J/ψ in the VMD model would be highly off-shell, but the scattering length and cross section are defined for real J/ψ

J/ψ -nucleon scattering and photoproduction



• For the near-threshold photoproduction, possible importance of the coupled-channel mechanism

Unique feature: threshold cusps

M.-L. Du et al., EPJC 80 (2020) 1053

Talks by M.-L. Du and A. Pilloni



Current data are still not conclusive

• J/ ψ -nucleon scattering

Coupled-channel mechanism

 $\wedge \Lambda_c \overline{D}^{(*)}$ contribution: $\mathcal{O}(0.2 \dots 3 \text{ am})$ M.-L. Du et al., EPJC 80 (2020) 1053

 $\succ \Sigma_c^{(*)} \overline{D}^{(*)} \text{ contribution: } \mathcal{O}(0.1 \dots 10 \text{ am}), \text{ from coupled-channel fits to LHCb data}$

□ How about gluon exchange?



GlueX, PRC 108 (2023) 025201; talk by Zhenyu Zhang



J/ψ -nucleon scattering: contribution from gluon exchange



• We focus on the $J/\psi - N$ scattering at low energies, the scattering length

Gluon exchange from the unitarity point of view



\Box The longest-distance (lightest exchange particles) contribution: $\pi\pi$

 \succ contribution of correlated $\pi\pi$ exchanges

 $\frac{5/\psi}{\sqrt{7}}$ isoscalar scalar $\pi\pi$ rescattering: can be computed using dispersive approach $\frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}$

Dispersive approach



• $J/\psi N \rightarrow J/\psi N$ scattering amplitude satisfies the dispersion relation

D Lowest intermediate states from gluon exchange: $\pi\pi \Rightarrow$ cut from the $\pi\pi$ threshold



Dispersive approach

- $J/\psi J/\psi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ amplitude
 - $\Box \pi \pi$ scattering well-known
 - **\Box** equation for $T_{J/\psi J/\psi \rightarrow \pi\pi}$ in a closed form
 - Solution is formally known as the Muskhelishvili-Omnès (MO) representation
- $N\overline{N} \rightarrow \pi\pi$ amplitude can be similarly obtained **D** The MO solution with both $\pi\pi$ and $K\overline{K}$ channels

$$\vec{T}_0(s) = \vec{L}_0(s) + \Omega_0(s) \left[\vec{P}_{n-1}(s) - \frac{s^n}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{+\infty} \mathrm{d}z \frac{\mathrm{Im} \left[\Omega_0^{-1}(z) \right] \vec{L}_0(z)}{(z-s)z^n} \right],$$

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with

$$\vec{T}_{0}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} T_{N\bar{N} \to \pi\pi,0}(s) \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} T_{N\bar{N} \to K\bar{K},0}(s) \end{pmatrix}, \ \vec{L}_{0}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} L_{N\bar{N} \to \pi\pi,0}(s) \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} L_{N\bar{N} \to K\bar{K},0}(s) \end{pmatrix}, \ \vec{P}_{n-1}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} P_{n-1}^{N\bar{N} \to \pi\pi}(s) \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} P_{n-1}^{N\bar{N} \to K\bar{K}}(s) \end{pmatrix}$$

Do not have the right-hand cut

Subtraction polynomials, fixed by matching to chiral amplitudes



 $\Omega_0: \pi\pi - K\overline{K}$ Omnès matrix

Inputs to the dispersive approach: Omnès matrix





• $\pi\pi - K\overline{K}$ Omnès matrix: the $f_0(500)$ or σ , $f_0(980)$ contributions are included automatically



Red: S. Ropertz et al., EPJC 78 (2018) 1000; blue: M. Hoferichter et al., JHEP 06 (2012) 063

Inputs to the dispersive approach: $NN\pi\pi$



• The hadron-hadron- σ couplings can be systematically derived in this way; results for octet baryons

B. Wu, X.-H. Cao, X.-K. Dong, FKG, PRD (2024) in press [arXiv:2312.01013]

	LHC	RHC	Total	[33]	[18]	[34]	[37]	[36]	[24]	[23]	m_{σ}
$g_{\Sigma\Sigma\sigma}$	$1.8^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$	$3.5^{+2.0+0.8}_{-1.8-0.9}$	$3.5^{+1.8+0.4}_{-1.3-0.4}$			10.85(8.92)	4.65			••••	519^{+50}_{-48}
$g_{\Xi\Xi\sigma}$	$0.2^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$2.6^{+1.5+0.5}_{-1.4-0.6}$	$2.5^{+1.5+0.5}_{-1.3-0.6}$						3.4		614_{-81}^{+56}
$g_{\Lambda\Lambda\sigma}$	$1.2^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$	$6.7^{+1.0+1.4}_{-1.1-1.7}$	$6.8^{+1.0+1.1}_{-1.0-1.4}$			8.18(6.54)	4.37			6.59	596^{+41}_{-51}
9 _{NN} _o	$2.9^{+0.9}_{-0.8}$	$8.8^{+1.4+1.9}_{-1.4-2.3}$	$8.7^{+1.3+1.1}_{-1.3-1.4}$	12.78	8.46	8.46	8.58	13.85	10.2	9.86	558^{+33}_{-42}
$g_{NN\sigma}^{{ m SU}(2)}$	$2.7^{+0.8}_{-0.8}$	$12.5^{+0.2+2.6}_{-0.2-3.2}$	$12.2^{+0.2+1.9}_{-0.2-2.3}$								586^{+38}_{-48}

Inputs to the dispersive approach: $\psi\psi\pi\pi$ vertex

- Two LECs for the $J/\psi\pi \rightarrow J/\psi\pi$ scattering:
 - $\Box J/\psi\pi \rightarrow J/\psi\pi$ scattering unknown
 - \Box Use $\psi' \rightarrow J/\psi \pi \pi$ data to extract similar LECs (off-diagonal from $\psi(2S)$ to J/ψ)



X.-K. Dong et al., Sci.Bull. 66 (2021) 1577; See also talk by Yun-Hua Chen

- Fit to BESII data for $\psi' \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+ \pi^ \checkmark \pi^+ \pi^-$ invariant mass distribution
 - ✓ helicity angular distribution
 - ✓ $\pi\pi$ final state interaction considered using dispersion relation
- Solution Assume the LECs for $J/\psi\pi \rightarrow J/\psi\pi$ scattering to be the same as those for $\psi'\pi \rightarrow J/\psi\pi$ (in reality, the former should be even larger)

$J/\psi J/\psi$ scattering



• $J/\psi J/\psi$ scattering calculated in the same manner

X.-K. Dong et al., Sci.Bull. 66 (2021) 1577

 $\Box J/\psi J/\psi$ scattering potential given by a dispersive integral (regularized with a form factor)

$$V_{\rm exch}(r,\Lambda) = -\frac{1}{4\pi M_{J/\psi}^2} \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} d\mu^2 \frac{{\rm Im}\mathcal{M}_{J/\psi J/\psi}(\mu^2)}{\mu^2 + q^2} e^{-\frac{q^2 + \mu^2}{\Lambda^2}},$$



Results on the $J/\psi N$ scattering length

• S-wave scattering length: $\propto J/\psi N$ S-wave scattering amplitude at the threshold

 $\Box |a_{I/\psi N,0}|$ from the gluon exchange mechanism: $\mathcal{O}(0.4 \text{ fm})$

□ Significantly larger than that from the coupled-channel mechanism ($\leq O(0.01 \text{ fm})$)



Summary and outlook

- $J/\psi N$ scattering length from the gluon-exchange mechanism estimated using dispersive approach by identifying it to the exchange of correlated $\pi\pi$ and $K\overline{K}$
- Significantly larger than that from the open-charm coupled-channel mechanism
- Possible check:
 - Behavior of the long-distance potential from lattice QCD (HAL QCD did that for DD^* scattering)
 - □ We expect that the long-distance potential from gluon exchange for OZI suppressed scattering potential should always behave as $e^{-2m_{\pi}r}/r$







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