

Mapping the Spectrum of Light Quark Mesons and Gluonic Excitations with Linearly Polarized Photons

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Models of Gluonic Excitations



- the flux-tube model has historically dominated the field
- has a rather complete phenomenological coverage
 - mass spectrum estimates (Isgur & Paton)





Lattice QCD



- lattice QCD is, in principle, a controlled approximation to QCD
- computational power limits
 - the fineness of the lattice spacing $a \ge 0.06 \, {\rm fm}$
 - the size of the box $L \lesssim 3 \, {
 m fm}$
 - + the light quark mass $\,\,m_\pi\gtrsim 250\,{
 m MeV}$
- in the years before and during GlueX expect to see all the flux-tube model predictions tested using lattice QCD







Lightest 1⁻⁺ from Lattice QCD

summary of world simulation data







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 JLab effort over next two years will significantly improve this picture

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Wider Meson Spectrum

- GlueX will be a meson spectrometer of broad scope
- JLab lattice QCD spectrum program has same aim
 - excited states in a given J^{PC} via variational method

e.g. baryon sector work by LHPC claims 9 excited states !

large set of J^{PC} using big operator set

 $\bar{\psi}\Gamma D_{\mu}D_{\nu} \psi$

 $\Gamma F^{\mu
u}\psi$





Hadronic Decays

- challenging topic in lattice QCD, currently two approaches
 - Lüscher method uses the volume dependence of energy levels to extract a phase shift & hence a decay width
 - Michael method ^E
 tunes the quark mass to put the two-particle decay at threshold & extracts a strong coupling









GlueX will photoproduce mesons



 couplings virtually unknown even for conventional mesons - clear target for Lattice QCD predictions







 work is underway - initially in comparison to the good charmonium radiative transition data

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Radiative transitions in charmonium from lattice QCD

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Phenomenology of PWA / Reactions 🛀

- 'bump-hunting' in cross-section data will not suffice
- partial wave analysis is the required tool
- considerable experience within the GlueX collaboration, analyzing data from
 - ► E852

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- CLAS
- Crystal Barrel
- new, independent, code development at IU and CMU

see e.g. www-meg.phys.cmu.edu/~pwa





Phenomenology of PWA

conventional analyses of multi-particle final states adopt isobar model, e.g. in $\pi N o \pi \pi \pi \pi N$ isobar

factorised

production/decay

- simplifies analysis considerably $A_{\rm wave} =$
- but not totally general

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 $I(m_{3\pi}, t, ...) =$

wave

 $\left|\sum C_{\text{wave}}(m_{3\pi},t)A_{\text{wave}}(\ldots)\right|^2$

 $P_{\text{isobar}}(m_{2\pi})D(\theta_1,\phi_1)D(\theta_2,\phi_2)$

fixed isobar propagator

prod. decay



Beyond the Isobar Model

- known since the beginning of multiparticle analysis that 'factorised' assumption can be violated
 - e.g. the Deck effect



 modeling this diagram one gets a threshold peak in the isobar - π S-wave





Deck Effect in πN→πππN



- to fit data phenomenologists have assumed that isobar-model (factorized) analysis puts most of the Deck amplitude in the right partial wave
- then have plausible explanations for
 - 'distorted' line-shape of a1 meson



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shifted π_2 peak in $f_2\pi$ S, D-waves





Deck Effect & Isobar Model

- we don't know exactly how the isobar model distributes the non-factorized Deck amplitude amongst 'isobar partial waves'
- it may be that some amplitude from a strong wave ends up in a minor wave - real physics 'leakage'
- slightly modified version of Deck will appear in photoproduction - added complication/benefit of polarization?
- future efforts will attempt more varied amplitude analyses







GlueX Theory Support

- GlueX relevant theory/phenomenology work is thriving
 - lattice QCD now addressing relevant model predictions
 - increased interest in amplitude analysis set to make GlueX results definitive









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Lightest 2⁺⁻ from Lattice QCD

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Lattice QCD & model testing

- quark masses will decrease in the future, but even now we can make good use of lattice data
- we can compare lattice QCD calculations with 'heavier' quarks vs model calculations with 'heavier' quarks







UKQCD '97 Lacock, Michael, Boyle & Rowland





π_ι vs ρ



lightest 1^- 7

★ multi-hadron states lightest at low pion mass



quenched at low m_{π} ?

★ extra caution required - theory is non-unitary

 \star shows up strongly with the η ' meson





Variational Method



