# Recent Results in Hadron Spectroscopy

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### Outline

- I. Hadron Spectroscopy: Why and How
  - I.I.Unique features of QCD
  - I.2. Why use spectroscopy as a tool to study QCD?
  - I.3. How do we classify mesons?
  - I.4. Introduction to experiment
- 2. Recent Results in Hadron Spectroscopy
  - 2.1. Heavy Quark Spectroscopy
  - 2.2. Light Quark Spectroscopy
  - 2.3. Summary and Outlook



### The charmonium spectrum

- Why do we believe this is a spectrum of charm anti-charm mesons?
- How can we study QCD through properties of the states?



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### Producing Charmonium



• Probes the ratio of quark to lepton couplings in QED:  $Q_q^2 / Q_{\mu^2}$ 

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## **Producing Charmonium**



An ideal machine for charmonium study: e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> collisions measured with BESIII at BEPCII





### **Electromagnetic Transitions**



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# $\chi_{cJ}$ Decays to Hadrons

- Study:
  - $\psi' \rightarrow \gamma \pi^+ \pi^-$
  - $\psi' \to \gamma p \bar{p}$
- Quiz: why does a third peak appear in  $p\bar{p}$  but not  $\pi^+\pi^-$ ?
  - $J^P$  of a pion:  $0^-$
  - $J^P$  of a proton:  $\frac{1}{2}$
  - $J^{PC}$  of the  $\chi_{cJ}$ :  $(0,1,2)^{++}$



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### **Bottom Quarks**

- Similar production
- All state below 2  $M_B$  with  $L \le I$  experimentally established (recently)
- Probe of QCD at different mass scale





### Discovery of the $\eta_b$



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#### Things are not as simple as they seem...

- Heavy quarkonia systems provide an opportunity to study the QCD interaction between two quarks
- There is little debate about the quark content and spin configuration of the lowest lying heavy quarkonium states -- almost all quark model states below open flavor threshold has been identified and they behave as expected

#### from the 2021 edition of the Review of Particle Physics:

#### 77. Spectroscopy of Mesons Containing Two Heavy Quarks

Revised March 2020 by S. Eidelman (Budker Inst., Novosibirsk; Novosibirsk U.), C. Hanhart (Jülich), J. J. Hernández-Rey (IFIC, Valencia), R.E. Mitchell (Indiana U.), S. Navas (Dp.de Fisica. U. de Granada) and C. Patrignani (Bologna U.).

A golden age for heavy quarkonium physics dawned at the turn of this century, initiated by the confluence of exciting advances in quantum chromodynamics (QCD) and an explosion of related experimental activity. The subsequent broad spectrum of breakthroughs, surprises, and continuing puzzles had not been anticipated. Since that time CLEO-c, BESIII and the B-factories, recently



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### A very brief story...



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## Almost twenty years ago

- Discovery of X(3872) in  $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$  decays, by Belle, an experiment built for studying CP-violation in B mesons
- Peculiar properties:
  - very narrow
  - right at  $DD^*$  mass threshold
  - not well-matched to potential model predictions of charmonium mesons
- At the time  $J^{PC}$  was unknown



(1950+ citations as of this week, the most cited Belle result by a ~900 citation margin)

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# Now: $X(3872) \to \chi_{c1}(3872)$

- observed by multiple experiments in multiple production modes
- very narrow  $\Gamma(\chi_{c1}(38720)) = 1 \text{ MeV}$ compare:  $\Gamma(\psi(3770)) = 27 \text{ MeV}$
- $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$
- behaves like  $c\bar{c}$  in some ways but not in others
  - identify with radial excitation of the  $\chi_{c1}$ ?
- presence of DD\* threshold seems more than just coincidence

2021 Review of Particle Physics. P.A. Zyla et al. (Particle Data Group), Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. 2020, 083C01 (2020) and 2021 update

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS		DOCUMENT ID		TECN	COMMENT
$871.65 \pm 0.06$	OUR AVERAG	3E				
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873.3 ±1.1 ±1.0	45	8	ABLIKIM	2019V	BES	$e^+ e^- \rightarrow \gamma \alpha J/\psi$
860.0 ±10.4	13.6	9,8	AGHASYAN	2018A	COMP	$\gamma^* N \to X \pi^{\pm} N'$
868.6 ±1.2 ±0.2	8	10	AUBERT	2006	BABR	$B^0 \rightarrow K^0_S \ H \psi \pi^+ \pi^-$
871.3 ±0.6 ±0.1	61	10	AUBERT	2006	BABR	$B^- \rightarrow K^- J h \psi \pi^+ \pi^-$
873.4 ±1.4	25	- 11	AUBERT	2005R	BABR	$B^+ \rightarrow K^+ Jh \mu x^+ \pi^-$
871.3 ±0.7 ±0.4	730	3, 12	ACOSTA	2004	CDF2	$p \bar{p} \rightarrow J/p \pi^+ \pi^- X$
872.0 ±0.6 ±0.5	36	18	CHOI	2003	BELL	$B \rightarrow K \pi^+ \pi^- M g$

 $M(D^0) + M(D^{*0}) = 3871.69 \pm 0.07 \text{ MeV}$ 

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### A very brief story...



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#### Looking for X(3872) uncovered the "Y(4260)"



I<sup>--</sup> state produced in e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>

 mass greater than 2M(D) so we expect OZI favored decay:





CLEO Collaboration, PRD 80, 072001 (2009)

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(Y(4260) \to D\bar{D})}{\mathcal{B}(Y(4260) \to \pi\pi J/\psi)} < 4$$

compare with  $\approx$ 500 for  $\psi(3770)$ 

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### Production of $1^{--}$ Charmonia in $e^+e^-$ Collisions



All  $1^{--}$  quark model states have been identified. No obvious place in the spectrum for the Y(4260).

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## Direct production of Y(4260)

- Discovery of Y(4260) came via enormous samples of B meson data collected at  $E_{cm} \approx 10 \text{ GeV}$
- BESIII and BEPC could collide  $e^+e^$ beams at  $E_{cm} = 4.26 \text{ GeV}$ 
  - higher Y(4260) statistics but
  - no easy "scanning" of Y(4260) shape
- In 2012, BESIII collects first data with machine tuned to produce Y(4260)
  - ...an interesting decade of discovery follows





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### A very brief story...

Mass (MeV) ...because there is no complete  $\chi_{_{\rm c0}}(4700)$  $\psi$  (4660) 4700 coherent picture.... yet. ππ  $\chi_{c0}^{}(4500)$ Z<sub>c</sub> (4430) 4500 ψ(4415) π ψ(4390) ----Thresholds:  $\chi_{_{\rm c1}}^{}$ (4274) w(4360) 4300  $\psi(4260)$  $D_s^* \overline{D}_s^* \dots$ Z<sub>c</sub> (4200)  $\chi_{c1}^{(4140)}$  $\psi(4230)$ W (\*\*\* 7 4100  $D_s^* \overline{D}_s \dots \dots$ X (4020) ψ(4040)  $D^* \overline{D}^* \dots$  $\chi_{_{\rm C2}}$  (3930) X (3915)  $\chi_{_{\rm c1}}^{}(3872)$  $D_s \overline{D}_s \dots \dots$ πл [2\*\*?] Z<sub>c</sub> (3900)  $\psi_{2}^{}(3823)$  $\psi_{_{3}}$  (3842) 3900 D D\* ..... χ<sub>00</sub>(3860) ψ(3770) **π**<sup>0</sup> ψ(26) 🕌  $\eta_{\rm c}$  (2S) 3700  $\chi_{_{\rm C2}}$  (1P) **π**<sup>0</sup> χ<sub>c1</sub> (1Ρ) ππ  $\chi_{_{
m c0}}$  (1P) h<sub>c</sub> (1P) 3500 η ππ 3300 **π**<sup>0</sup> ππ ππ,ω KK η 3100  $\eta_{\rm c}$  (1S)  $J/\psi$  (1S) 2900  $J^{PC} =$  $0^{-+}$ 1++ 1--1+- $0^{++}$  $2^{++}$ 2--3--**DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS** 

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#### $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi J/\psi$ at $E_{cm} = 4260$ MeV uncovers the $Z_c^+(3900)$



- Discovered at both BESIII and Belle
- Heavy, narrow ( $\approx$ 50 MeV) and charged suggests a minimal quark content of  $c\bar{c}u\bar{d}$
- Not conventional charmonium: tetraquark?
- Evidence of neutral partner [T. Xiao et al., PLB 727, 366 (2013)]



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### But there is much much more....

- Observation of the  $Z_c$  in open charm decays as well as  $\pi J/\psi$  -- established:  $J^P = 1^+$
- Analogous  $Z_c$  state at higher mass observed in  $\pi h_c$
- Additional  $Z_c$  states observed in B decay
- A stranger version:  $Z_{cs}(3985)$  was discovered this year
- Analogous states in the bottomonium system have been identified:  $Z_b$ , which couple to  $\pi \Upsilon$  and  $\pi h_c$



Spectroscopy! What is the underlying fundamental physics? 1<sup>--</sup> 1<sup>+-</sup>

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## What is Z(3900)?



How is it connected to Y(4260)?



#### The "Y(4260)" is more complicated than it seems...

- Detailed scan of the Y(4260) indicates a lineshape that is not consistent with a single resonance
- About the X(3872)... BESIII observed  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma X(3872)$  at  $E_{cm} = 4.26 \text{ GeV}$





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# Heavy Quarks Recap

- exciting and confusing
- not experimental statistical fluctuations
- some patterns are emerging
  - similarities in different quark flavors
  - presence of hadron thresholds seems important
  - few states observed in multiple production environments (??)
- demands a better understanding of
  - experimental signatures for resonances
  - the particles generated by QCD
- effort must be driven by the search for the simplest explanation for all observations



from T. Skwarnicki at Charm 2021:

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#### Heavy and Light Systems and Hybrid Mesons

- Production of a heavy quark system with exotic  $J^{PC}$  seems challenging
  - no direct production in any annihilation process
- No evidence of exotic  $J^{PC}$  states in charmonium or bottomonium
- What about light quarks?
  - characterized by broad overlapping states
  - access to small amplitudes and phases through interference effects



### A familiar analogy in one dimension



$$I(x) = I_0 \left(\frac{\sin(d\pi x/\lambda L)}{d\pi x/\lambda L}\right)^2 \cos^2(2D\pi x/\lambda L)$$

theoretical model with parameters to optimized based on data

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## Connecting to Spectroscopy

• Suppose we have  $\pi p \rightarrow \eta \pi p$ , and we produce two different resonances



- Each of these can be related to an independent quantum mechanical *amplitude* that, on its own, would generate a unique angular distribution
- Given any single event with fixed kinematic variables we do not know which process occurred -- they are indistinguishable

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### Signature of a resonance



- Experiment:
  - $s = [M(\pi\pi)]^2$  (real)
  - only sensitive to phase differences through interference





## An example with simulated data

- Fake data:  $\pi p \rightarrow \eta \pi p$
- How many resonances?
- What are their spins?





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### Partial Wave Decomposition



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### Meson Spectrum from Lattice QCD

Dudek, Edwards, Guo, and Thomas, PRD 88, 094505 (2013)



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### Hybrid Mesons



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### Where to find exotic quantum numbers?

- Production of  $\eta^{(\prime)}\pi$  studied by COMPASS using a 190 GeV pion beam:  $\pi^- p \to \eta^{(\prime)}\pi^- p$
- consider  $X \rightarrow \eta \pi^-$  where the two particles have relative orbital angular momentum L -- what are the properties of X?
  - total isospin = 1
  - both  $\eta$  and  $\pi$  have J = 0 so the spin of X obeys J = L
  - both  $\eta$  and  $\pi$  have P = so the parity of X depends only on L and is negative if L is odd
  - G-parity is (+)(-) = -
  - recall  $C = G(-1)^I = +$
- For L = 0, 1, 2, ..., we have for X $J^{PC} = 0^{++}, 1^{-+}, 2^{++}, ...$ 
  - PDG nomenclature:  $a_0, \pi_1, a_2, \dots$

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### Meson Spectrum from Lattice QCD

Dudek, Edwards, Guo, and Thomas, PRD 88, 094505 (2013)

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COMPASS Collab., PLB 740, 303 (2015)

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### Resonances in $\eta^{(\prime)}\pi$

Coupled-channel analysis that enforces unitarity and analyticity of the S matrix.

A. Rodas et al. [Joint Physics Analysis Center], PRL 122, 042002 (2019)

[using data from COMPASS Collab., PLB 740, 303 (2015)] 3.0⊨<sup>×10³</sup> 220 nt P-wave nπ P-D ph. nπ D-wave  $\pi_1(1400)?$ 120 200 2.5 Events/40 MeV 180 Events/40 MeV 2.0 160 © ⊉140 1.5 1.7 1.8 1.6 1.5 120 100 0.520 80 0.0E Ob 60<sup>6</sup> 2.0 0.8 1.0 1.0 1.2 8.0 1.2 1.8 0.8 1.4 2.0 1.0 1.2 1.4 1.8 2.0 1.4 1.6 1.6 1.8 1.6 Vs (GeV) (GeV) (GeV)  $\times 10^3$ η'π P-wave η'π D-wave  $\eta'\pi P-D ph$ 250 4.0 AC 3.5 Events/40 MeV MeV 200 3.0 3 25 € ♦150 20 1.5  $\pi_1(1600)?$ 1.0 100 0.5 0.0 50 0.8 1.2 1.4 0.8 1.8 2.0 0.8 1.0 1.2 2.0 1.0 1.6 1.8 2.0 1.0 1.2 1.41.6 1.4 1.6 1.8 (GeV) (GeV) Vs (GeV)

Two  $\pi_1$  states are reported in the literature (see PDG review), but only one  $\pi_1$  pole is needed in the JPAC analysis. (And only one  $\pi_1$  is predicted by Lattice QCD.)

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### Light Quarks and Looking Forward

- Precision data has converged with precision theory
  - analysis of high-data benefits from rigorous theoretical constraints
  - emerging picture: experimental data support the existence of a single exotic  $J^{PC} = 1^{-+}$  isovector hybrid, the  $\pi_1$
- Need a spectrum of states to conclusively establish the existence of hybrids (exotic and non-exotic) -- patterns of resonances are much more important than the idea of a single smoking gun
- Primary goals of current and future experiments:
  - observing the  $\pi_1$  in different production modes
  - searching for other states in the hybrid spectrum

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### Meson Spectroscopy: A Global Approach

#### hadron probes

electromagnetic probes

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ongoing/future

completed/analysis

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### Asymmetry of Pseudoscalar Production

- Angle between beam polarization plane and reaction plane  $\phi$  is sensitive to  $J^P$  of exchange
  - $\sigma(\phi) = \sigma_0 [1 P_\gamma \Sigma \cos(2\phi)]$
  - $\Sigma = +1 \implies 0^+, 1^-, 2^+, \dots$
  - $\Sigma = -1 \implies 0^{-}, 1^{+}, 2^{-}, \dots$
- Asymmetry Σ depends on a t in general
- Goal: understand and develop models for photoproduction of known mesons
  - learn about available production mechanisms
  - leverage in search for hybrid mesons

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## Photoproduction of π

- Charge exchange process
- Dominated by  $\pi$  exchange at low t and  $\rho$  or  $a_2$  exchange at high t

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GlueX Collaboration, PRC 103, L022201 (2021)

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## **Final Thoughts**

- Overarching goal: understand how the features of QCD leave their imprint on the spectrum of hadrons
- A very active field:
  - 10+ years of new additions to the "particle zoo" with no end in sight
  - tremendous advancement in theoretical techniques for data analysis
- A bright outlook:
  - expect new results from running experiments and future planned experiments
  - continued growth of theory/experiment collaboration on data analysis
  - new advances in lattice QCD enhance our ability to connect experimental results about the hadron spectrum to the fundamental theory of the strong interaction
- An exciting time for graduate students to get involved in the field!

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