

Unitarized Chiral Dynamics in Three-body systems

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We have used unitary chiral dynamics in a coupled channel approach to solve the Faddeev equations for different two meson-one baryon and three meson systems. We have found many resonances in the strangeness S = 0, -1 and 1 sector which can be identified with many of the $1/2^+$ states listed by the Particle Data Group (PDG). In concrete, in the strangeness S=0 sector, we have studied the $\pi\pi N$ system and its coupled channels and we report three N^* states, $N^*(1710)$, $N^*(1920), N^*(2100)$ and one Δ resonance, $\Delta(1910)$, with $J^P = 1/2^+$. The state at 1920 MeV is not listed by the PDG and it was predicted by the authors of [1]. In the strangeness S = -1 sector, we have solved the equations for the $\pi \bar{K}N$ system and its coupled channels and we find four Σ 's and two Λ 's, in the 1500 – 1800 MeV region, as two meson-one baryon S-wave $1/2^+$ resonances, which correspond to all the low-lying S = -1 and $J^P = 1/2^+$ states listed by the PDG. We have investigated the possibility to generate dynamically states with S=1 in the πKN system and we have observed a broad structure around 1700 MeV with a width of 200 MeV which could be observed in reactions involving the πKN channel in the final state interaction. We have also studied three meson systems like $\phi K \bar{K}$, $\phi \pi \pi$ and $J/\psi K \bar{K}$, $J/\psi \pi \pi$ and found, in the first one, dynamical generation of a resonance with $\phi f_0(980)$ structure, $J^{PC} = 1^{--}$ and a mass around 2150 MeV, which can be identified with the X(2175) resonance and, for the second one, a peak close to 4200 MeV which can be identified with the Y(4260) state observed by different experimental groups

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1. Introduction

During the last twenty years non-perturbative approaches based on chiral Lagrangians and unitarity in coupled channels have been a very important tool in order to reproduce and understand many properties of the low-lying $1/2^-$ baryon resonances as well as the 0^+ states in the meson sector. For example, the study with this technique of different two-body meson-baryon and meson-meson systems in S-wave, like $\bar{K}N$, $\pi\Sigma$, $\pi\Lambda$, πN , $\pi\pi$, $K\bar{K}$, $\pi\eta$, etc., has led to the dynamical generation of the $\Lambda(1405)$, $\Lambda(1520)$, $N^*(1535)$, etc., in the baryon sector and the $f_0(980)$, $a_0(980)$, $\sigma(600)$, etc., in the meson sector [2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]. However, while the properties of many baryon states in the $J^P=1/2^-$ sector are well understood within the unitary chiral models, the $J^P=1/2^+$ domain remains far less understood, both experimentally and theoretically. The situation becomes worse for the $1/2^+$ hyperon resonances as compared to the $1/2^+$ nucleon ones.

The good reproduction of the low lying $1/2^-$ and 0^+ states in the *S*-wave meson-baryon and meson-meson interaction, respectively, using unitary chiral dynamics and the strongly attractive interaction in these two-body systems, suggests that the addition of a pseudoscalar meson in S-wave could lead to a description of the $1/2^+$ resonances. There exist many findings which hint towards this possibility. For example, the $\Sigma(1660)$ state shows up as a clear signal in the reaction $K^-p \to \pi^0\pi^0\Sigma^0$ [11], the $N^*(1710)$ decays with 40-90 % branching ratio to $\pi\pi N$ and with 10-40% for that $\pi\pi N$ system in which the $\pi-\pi$ interaction is in s wave, with isospin zero [12], etc.

Recently, the existence of a new meson resonance, X(2175), has been claimed by BABAR and BES [13, 14, 15] in the $e^+e^- \to \phi f_0(980)$ and $J/\psi \to \eta \phi f_0(980)$ reactions with quantum numbers 1^{--} . Further, an enhancement in the data for the $\pi^+\pi^-J/\psi$ invariant mass spectrum was found near 4.26 GeV by several experimental groups [16, 17, 18, 19], indicating the presence of a resonance which was named as Y(4260) and it was found to be of $J^{PC}=1^{--}$ nature. Since in the chiral models the $f_0(980)$ gets dynamically generated in the $K\bar{K}$ and $\pi\pi$ interaction [4, 8], there is a possibility to explain the X(2175) and the Y(4260) states as resonances in the $\phi K\bar{K}$ and $J/\psi K\bar{K}$ systems, respectively, and its coupled channels.

All these findings demand, thus, a study of two meson and one baryon systems, like $\pi\pi N$, $\pi\pi\Sigma$, $\pi\bar{K}N$, etc., and three-meson systems like, $\phi\pi\pi$, $\phi K\bar{K}$, $J/\psi K\bar{K}$, $J/\psi\pi\pi$, etc.,

2. Formalism

Our objective is to calculate the three-body *T*-matrix which describes the interaction between the different particles and search for peaks in the squared amplitude which could be identified with physical states. In order to get the three-body *T* matrix we follow the procedure developed in [20, 21, 22, 23, 24]. One of the important features of this approach is an explicit cancellation between the contribution of the off-shell part of the chiral *t*-matrices to the Faddeev equations with a three-body contact term originating from the chiral Lagrangian, which renders the integral Faddeev equations into the following algebraic ones

$$T_R^{12} = t^1 g^{12} t^2 + t^1 \left[G^{121} T_R^{21} + G^{123} T_R^{23} \right]$$

$$T_R^{13} = t^1 g^{13} t^3 + t^1 \left[G^{131} T_R^{31} + G^{132} T_R^{32} \right]$$

$$T_{R}^{21} = t^{2}g^{21}t^{1} + t^{2}\left[G^{212}T_{R}^{12} + G^{213}T_{R}^{13}\right]$$

$$T_{R}^{23} = t^{2}g^{23}t^{3} + t^{2}\left[G^{231}T_{R}^{31} + G^{232}T_{R}^{32}\right]$$

$$T_{R}^{31} = t^{3}g^{31}t^{1} + t^{3}\left[G^{312}T_{R}^{12} + G^{313}T_{R}^{13}\right]$$

$$T_{R}^{32} = t^{3}g^{32}t^{2} + t^{3}\left[G^{321}T_{R}^{21} + G^{323}T_{R}^{23}\right]$$
(2.1)

The T_R^{ij} partitions include all the different contributions to the three-body T- matrix in which the last interactions are given in terms of the two-body t-matrices t^j and t^i , respectively. The T_R^{ij} matrices are connected to the Faddeev partitions T^i through

$$T^{i} = t^{i} \delta^{3}(\vec{k}_{i}' - \vec{k}_{i}) + \sum_{j \neq i=1}^{3} T_{R}^{ij}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$
(2.2)

with \vec{k}_i (\vec{k}'_i) being the initial (final) momentum of the particle *i*. Therefore, the full three-body T-matrix is expressed in terms of T_R^{ij} as

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^{3} T^{i} = \sum_{i=1}^{3} t^{i} \delta^{3} (\vec{k}'_{i} - \vec{k}_{i}) + T_{R}$$

$$T_{R} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j \neq i=1}^{3} T_{R}^{ij}$$
(2.3)

In Eq. (2.1), g^{ij} is the three-body Green's function of the system and G^{ijk} is a loop function of three-particles (for more details see [20, 21, 22, 23, 24]). All the matrices involved in Eq. (2.1) are projected in S -wave, thus giving total $J^{\pi} = 1/2^{+}$.

3. Results

3.1 Two pseudoscalar mesons and one baryon with S=0

We solve Eqs. (2.1) for the $\pi\pi N$ system and coupled channels, i.e, $\pi\pi N$, $\pi K\Sigma$, $\pi K\Lambda$ and $\pi\eta N$, taking into account fourteen coupled channels for total charge zero [22, 23]. The calculated three-body T-matrix reveals dynamical generation of four resonances which can be identified with several $1/2^+ N^*$ states listed by the PDG:

- 1. $N^*(1710)$: we obtain a peak with mass around 1704 MeV and 375 MeV of width, when the two pions are resonating close to the $\sigma(600)$ region, which we identify with the $N^*(1710)$. This finding of the $\sigma(600)N$ structure gives a natural interpretation for the large width of the $N^*(1710)$.
- 2. $N^*(2100)$: another peak with mass around that of the $N^*(2100)$, with one of the πN pairs simultaneously resonating as the $N^*(1650)$, implying a $\pi N^*(1650)$ structure, is found after solving Eqs. (2.1).
- 3. $\Delta(1910)$: we observe a peak in the $\pi K\Lambda$ channel whose properties correspond to the $\Delta(1910)$.

4. $N^*(1920)$?: a peak around 1920 MeV shows up in the T-matrix for the $K\bar{K}N$ channel with total isospin 1/2, $J^{\pi}=1/2^+$, when the $K\bar{K}$ system clusters to generate the $f_0(980)$ and the $a_0(980)$ resonances. This state is not listed by the PDG and it was already suggested by the authors of [1]. In fact, there are some experimental findings which favor the existence of a N^* with spin-parity $1/2^+$ at an energy close to 1910 MeV, although better experimental studies are needed to confirm this state (see more arguments in [25]).

3.2 Two pseudoscalar mesons and one baryon system with S=-1

It is well known that the $\Lambda(1405)$ S_{01} resonance gets dynamically generated in the $\pi\Sigma$ system and its coupled channels [2, 7]. Since the interaction in the $\pi\Sigma$ region is attractive and the two pion interaction is also strongly attractive in nature around the $\sigma(600)$ and $f_0(980)$ mass [4, 8], the addition of one more pion to the $\pi\Sigma$ system will result into a system in which the interaction between the different pairs is attractive in some energy range. This means that systems as $\pi\pi\Sigma$, $\pi\pi\Lambda$, etc., can get bound through the mutual interaction between the three particles. We have solved Eqs. (2.1) for the $\pi\pi\Sigma$ system and coupled channels considering twenty-two coupled channels for total charge of the three particles equal to zero [20]. As result, all the low-lying $1/2^+$ Σ and Λ states known so far along with some controversial states, i.e, $\Sigma(1770)$, $\Sigma(1660)$, $\Sigma(1620)$, $\Sigma(1560)$, $\Lambda(1810)$ and $\Lambda(1600)$, get dynamically generated as two meson-one baryon resonances.

3.3 Baryon S = 1 resonances in the $N\pi K$ system

Since the KN interaction obtained from chiral Lagrangians is repulsive in nature [26], it is appealing to think that the addition of a pion, which acts like a "glue" between the K and the N since the πN and KN interactions are attractive in some energy range [3, 4, 8], could lead to a bound state around a mass close to $m_{\pi} + m_{K} + m_{N} = 1540$ MeV. This is exactly the energy region in which a peak in the $K^{+}n$ invariant mass for the $\gamma n \to K^{+}K^{-}n$ reaction was observed on a ^{12}C target at Spring8/Osaka [27], raising great hopes that for the first time a strangeness S=1 narrow exotic baryon could be found, the Θ^{+} . Some investigations of the $N\pi K$ system were already made and they weakly concluded the difficulty to get this system as a bound state [28, 29].

However our finding of several resonances in the corresponding S=-1 system motivated us to use the same formalism and calculate the amplitude for the $N\pi K$ system. In agreement with the previous works, we do not find any structure in the energy region close to 1542 MeV, but we get a bump around 1720 MeV with about 200 MeV of width and with isospin zero [24], which we expect to be studied experimentally in the future.

3.4 Three meson systems with S=0

In [30] a study of the $e^+e^- \to \phi f_0(980)$ reaction was made through a loop mechanism involving pseudoscalar and vector meson loops, and by keeping the final state as plane waves, which could explain the background observed by different experimental groups [13, 14, 15], but not the experimental peak obtained around an energy of 2175 MeV in the invariant mass of $\phi f_0(980)$ [13, 14, 15]. In the chiral models, the $f_0(980)$ resonance appears in the $K\bar{K}$ interaction with a strong coupling to that channel [4]. Therefore, a study of the $\phi K\bar{K}$ system could explain the experimental results. We solved Eqs. (2.1) taking as coupled channels $\phi K\bar{K}$ and $\phi \pi \pi$ with total charge zero and we obtain

a peak around 2150 MeV [21] with a width of 27 MeV when the $K\bar{K}$ and $\pi\pi$ system is resonating close to the $f_0(980)$ region, thus, confirming the experimental finding. We implemented the result of [30] as the final state interaction for the $e^+e^- \to \phi f_0(980)$ and calculated the cross section for that process. The result is a peak in the cross section around 2175 MeV which is in agreement with the experimental cross section obtained by different experimental groups [13, 14, 15].

We have also investigated the possibility to generate dynamically a resonance in the $J/\psi K\bar{K}$, $J/\psi\pi\pi$ system. To do that, we have consider $J/\psi K\bar{K}$ and $J/\psi\pi\pi$ as coupled channels and we have solved Eqs. (2.1). As a result we get a peak close to 4200 MeV, when the $K\bar{K}$ system generate the $f_0(980)$ resonance, which can be identified with the Y(4260) state observed by several experimental groups [15, 16, 17, 18, 19]

4. Conclusions

Using unitary chiral dynamics, we have developed a formalism where the integral Faddeev equations become algebraic ones and which can be solved by inverting matrices. We have used this formalism to investigate possible generation of resonances in the $\pi\pi N$ system and coupled channels, which resulted into dynamical generation of two N^* 's and one Δ states, corresponding to the $N^*(1710)$, $N^*(2100)$ and $\Delta(1910)$, respectively, and a new N^* state with a mass close to 1920 MeV and $J^P = 1/2^+$. We have also studied the $\pi\pi\Sigma$ system and its coupled channels and we have obtained the dynamical generation of four Σ 's and two Λ 's with $J^P = 1/2^+$, which can be identified with the low lying $1/2^+$ Σ and Λ states listed by the PDG in the energy region 1500-1800 MeV. We also investigated the πKN system to search for possible S=1 states. In the meson sector, we have studied the $\phi K\bar{K}$ and $\phi \pi\pi$ systems getting the dynamical generation of the X(2175) resonance, which was observed by several experimental groups, and the $J/\psi K\bar{K}$, $J/\psi \pi\pi$ system obtaining a peak around 4200 MeV which can be identified with the Y(4260) state.

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