

# Triply heavy tetraquark spectroscopy

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- ◇ “Ordinary” hadrons:
  - baryons  $qqq$ ,
  - mesons  $q\bar{q}$ .
- ◇ Exotic hadrons:
  - tetraquarks  $qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$ ,
  - pentaquarks  $qqqq\bar{q}$ , etc.
- ◇ Searches for the  $X_{cccc}$ ,  $X_{bbbb}$  are conducted on the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) by the LHCb, ATLAS and CMS Collaborations.



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- ◇ All parameters of the model (including the constituent masses of quarks) are fixed from previous studies of the properties of mesons and baryons.
- ◇ Quarks under the consideration:
  - $m_u = m_d = 0.33 \text{ GeV}$ ,
  - $m_s = 0.50 \text{ GeV}$ ,
  - $m_c = 1.55 \text{ GeV}$ ,
  - $m_b = 4.88 \text{ GeV}$ .



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## ◇ Quark content:

- $Q, Q' = c, b, Q \neq Q'$ .
- $q = u, d, s$ .
- with one open heavy flavor (without/with strangeness):
  - $QQ\bar{Q}\bar{q}$  (+ c.c.).
- with one open and another hidden heavy flavors (without/with strangeness):
  - $QQ'\bar{Q}\bar{q}$  (+ c.c.).
- with two open heavy flavors (without/with strangeness):
  - $QQ\bar{Q}'\bar{q}$  (+ c.c.).



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◇ Diquark–antidiquark bound state:

- $\{(Q_1 Q_2) - (\bar{Q}_3 \bar{Q}_4)\} (+ \text{c.c.})$ .

◇ Diquarks under the consideration:

- nonpoint–like (the internal structure is taken into account)
- ground state (1S),
- color-antitriplet ( $\bar{3}_c$ ),
- all masses and form factors of diquarks were calculated earlier during analyzing the properties of baryons.



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- ◇ Ground state diquark spin:
  - $J = 0$  — scalar (S),
  - $J = 1$  — axialvector (A).
- ◇ Allowed diquark states:
  - only axialvector (A):
    - $QQ$ .
  - both axialvector and scalar (A, S):
    - $QQ'$ ,
    - $Qq$ .



- ◇ Tetraquark's possible configurations:
- $A\bar{A}$  — any composition,
  - $A\bar{S}$  — any composition,
  - $S\bar{A}$  —  $QQ'\bar{Q}\bar{q}$  (+ c.c.),
  - $S\bar{S}$  —  $QQ'\bar{Q}\bar{q}$  (+ c.c.).



- ◇ Relativistic Schrödinger-type quasipotential equation:

$$\left( \frac{b^2(M)}{2\mu_R(M)} - \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2\mu_R(M)} \right) \Psi_{d,T}(\mathbf{p}) = \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} V(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; M) \Psi_{d,T}(\mathbf{q})$$

$$\mu_R = \frac{E_1 E_2}{E_1 + E_2} = \frac{M^4 - (m_1^2 - m_2^2)^2}{4M^3}$$

$$b^2(M) = \frac{[M^2 - (m_1 + m_2)^2][M^2 - (m_1 - m_2)^2]}{4M^2}$$





## ◇ Diquark–antidiquark interaction quasipotential:

$$V(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}; M) = \frac{\langle d(\mathcal{P}) | J_\mu | d(\mathcal{Q}) \rangle}{2\sqrt{E_d} \sqrt{E_d}} \frac{4}{3} \alpha_s D^{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{k}) \frac{\langle d'(\mathcal{P}') | J_\nu | d'(\mathcal{Q}') \rangle}{2\sqrt{E_{d'}} \sqrt{E_{d'}}}$$
$$+ \Psi_d^*(\mathcal{P}) \Psi_{d'}^*(\mathcal{P}') [J_{d;\mu} J_{d'}^\mu V_{\text{conf.}}^V(\mathbf{k}) + V_{\text{conf.}}^S(\mathbf{k})] \Psi_d(\mathcal{Q}) \Psi_{d'}(\mathcal{Q}')$$



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◇ with one open heavy flavor (without/with strangeness):

**Table 1:** Masses  $M_{QQ\bar{Q}\bar{S}}$  of the ground states and orbital excitations of triply heavy tetraquarks with one open heavy flavor and without/with strangeness ( $ccc\bar{u}$ ,  $cccs$ ,  $bbb\bar{u}$ ,  $bbbs$  + c.c.).

$d\bar{d}'$	$nL$	$n_r$	$L$	$S$	$J$	$J^P$	$M_{ccc\bar{u}}$	$M_{cccs}$	$M_{bbb\bar{u}}$	$M_{bbbs}$		
$A\bar{A}$	1S	0	0	0	0	$0^+$	5080	5205	14895	14998		
				1	1	$1^+$	5104	5227	14901	15003		
				2	2	$2^+$	5147	5267	14913	15014		
	1P		1	1	0	$0^-$	5477	5593	15181	15281		
				0	1	$1^-$	5480	5596	15183	15282		
				1	1	$1^-$	5486	5601	15184	15284		
			2	2	2	$2^-$	5490	5605	15185	15284		
				1	2	$2^-$	5492	5607	15188	15287		
				2	2	$2^-$	5501	5616	15188	15287		
				2	3	$3^-$	5509	5623	15193	15292		
				2	0	$0^+$	5816	5925	15390	15489		
				1	1	$1^+$	5821	5930	15391	15490		
	1D		2	0	2	$2^+$	5815	5926	15392	15490		
				1	2	$2^+$	5822	5931	15392	15491		
			2	2	$2^+$	5830	5938	15394	15492			
			1	3	$3^+$	5821	5931	15394	15492			
			2	3	$3^+$	5831	5939	15395	15493			
			2	4	$4^+$	5829	5938	15396	15495			
			$A\bar{S}$	1S	1	1	1	$1^+$	5060	5180	14885	14989
				0			$0^-$	5424	5537	15162	15263	
	1			$1^-$			5430	5542	15164	15265		
1P	1	1		2	$2^-$	5441	5552	15168	15269			
				1	$1^+$	5760	5866	15370	15470			
				2	$2^+$	5765	5871	15372	15472			
1D	2	1		3	$3^+$	5773	5878	15374	15474			



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- ◇ If energetically possible, the tetraquark will fall-apart into a meson pair through the quark rearrangement.

$$\Delta = M_{QQ'\bar{Q}\bar{q}} - M_{\text{threshold}}^{\text{lowest}}$$

- ◇ If  $\Delta < 0$ , state is stable against fall-apart strong decays.
- ◇ The smaller  $\Delta > 0$ , the narrower is the state.



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- ◇ Most states lie well above thresholds with  $\Delta > 100$  MeV.
- ◇ Some states lie above thresholds with  $50 < \Delta < 100$  MeV.
- ◇ Several states lie slightly above thresholds with  $0 < \Delta < 50$  MeV.
- ◇ A number of states lie below thresholds with  $\Delta < 0$ .



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- ◇ The most promising to be stable states:
  - with one open heavy flavor (without/with strangeness):

**Table 2:** Ground and orbitally excited states of the triply heavy tetraquarks with one open heavy flavor and without/with strangeness ( $cc\bar{c}\bar{u}$ ,  $cc\bar{c}\bar{s}$ ,  $bb\bar{b}\bar{u}$ ,  $bb\bar{b}\bar{s}$  + c.c.), which lie slightly above or below the meson-meson fall-apart strong decay thresholds.

$QQ'\bar{Q}'\bar{Q}$	$d\bar{d}'$	nL	S	$J^P$	M	$M_{thr}$	$\Delta$	meson pair
$cc\bar{c}\bar{u}$	$A\bar{A}$	1S	2	$2^+$	5147	5104	43	$D_s^{*+} (2007)^0 J/\psi (1S)$
				$2^-$	5492	5421	71	$D_s^0 \chi_{c2} (1P)$
		1P	2	$2^-$	5501		9	
				$3^-$	<b>5509</b>	5558	<b>-49</b>	$D_s^{*+} (2460) J/\psi (1S)$
	1D	2	$4^+$	<b>5829</b>	5850	<b>-21</b>	$D_s^{*+} (2007)^0 \psi_3 (3842)$	
	$A\bar{S}$	1S	1	$1^+$	5060	4962	98	$D_s^0 J/\psi (1S)$
				$1^-$	5430	5376	54	$D_s^0 \chi_{c1} (1P)$
		1P	1	$2^-$	5441	5421	20	$D_s^0 \chi_{c2} (1P)$
				$3^+$	5773	5708	65	$D_s^0 \psi_3 (3842)$
		1D						
$cc\bar{c}\bar{s}$		$A\bar{A}$	1S	2	$2^+$	5267	5209	58
	$2^-$				5607	5525	82	$D_s^{*+} \chi_{c2} (1P)$
	1P		2	$2^-$	5616		91	
				$3^-$	<b>5623</b>	5666	<b>-43</b>	$D_s^{*+} (2573) J/\psi (1S)$
	1D	2	$4^+$	<b>5938</b>	5955	<b>-17</b>	$D_s^{*+} \psi_3 (3842)$	
	$A\bar{S}$	1P	1	$2^-$	5552	5525	27	$D_s^{*+} \chi_{c2} (1P)$
				$3^+$	5878	5811	67	$D_s^{*+} \psi_3 (3842)$
		1D						



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Table 2: table continues.

$QQ'\bar{Q}'\bar{q}$	$d\bar{d}'$	nL	S	$J^P$	M	$M_{thr}$	$\Delta$	meson pair	
$bb\bar{b}\bar{u}$	$A\bar{A}$	1P	1	$0^-$	15181	15139	42	$B^+ \chi_{10}(1P)$	
			0		15183		58		
			1	$1^-$	15184	15125	59	$B_1(5721) \eta_b(1S)$	
			2		15185		60		
		1	$2^-$	15188	15136	52	$B_2^*(5747) \eta_b(1S)$		
		2	$3^-$	<b>15193</b>	15198	<b>-5</b>	$B_2^*(5747) \Upsilon(1S)$		
	1D	1	$3^+$	<b>15394</b>	15488	<b>-94</b>	$B^* \Upsilon_2(1D)$		
		2		<b>15395</b>		<b>-93</b>			
	A $\bar{S}$	1P	1	1	$4^+$	<b>15396</b>	15649	<b>-253</b>	$B_2^*(5747) \chi_{10}(1P)$
				0	$0^-$	15162	15139	23	$B^+ \chi_{10}(1P)$
	1	$1^-$		15164	15125	39	$B_1(5721) \eta_b(1S)$		
	1D	1D	1	2	$2^-$	15168	15136	32	$B_2^*(5747) \eta_b(1S)$
				3	$3^+$	<b>15374</b>	15488	<b>-114</b>	$B^* \Upsilon_2(1D)$
	$bb\bar{b}\bar{s}$	$A\bar{A}$	1P	1	$0^-$	15281	15226	55	$B_s^0 \chi_{10}(1P)$
0					15282		55		
1				$1^-$	15284	15227	57	$B_{s1}(5830)^0 \eta_b(1S)$	
2					15284		57		
1			$2^-$	15287	15239	48	$B_{s2}^*(5840)^0 \eta_b(1S)$		
2			$3^-$	<b>15292</b>	15300	<b>-8</b>	$B_{s2}^*(5840)^0 \Upsilon(1S)$		
1D		1	$3^+$	<b>15492</b>	15579	<b>-87</b>	$B_s^* \Upsilon_2(1D)$		
		2		<b>15493</b>		<b>-86</b>			
A $\bar{S}$		1P	1	2	$4^+$	<b>15495</b>	15752	<b>-257</b>	$B_{s2}^*(5840)^0 \chi_{10}(1P)$
				0	$0^-$	15263	15226	37	$B_s^0 \chi_{10}(1P)$
1		$1^-$		15265	15227	38	$B_{s1}(5830)^0 \eta_b(1S)$		
1D		1D	1	2	$2^-$	15269	15239	30	$B_{s2}^*(5840)^0 \eta_b(1S)$
				3	$3^+$	<b>15474</b>	15579	<b>-105</b>	$B_s^* \Upsilon_2(1D)$



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- ◇ In the fully heavy tetraquark sector there are already experimental advancements:
  - While studying the double charmonium production, in 2020 the LHCb Collaboration announced the discovery of the narrow resonance  $X(6900)$ .
  - Several other broad structures peaking at about 6.4 and 7.2 GeV were reported.
  - In 2022 ATLAS and CMS Collaborations confirmed  $X(6900)$  and hinted on a few more states, including structures at 6.4 and 7.2 GeV.



# Experimental data II

- Current observation status and our predictions:

**Table 3:** Exotic X states observed and hinted by the LHCb, ATLAS and CMS Collaborations in di- $J/\psi$  and  $J/\psi \psi(2S)$  invariant mass spectra and our candidates. All masses  $M$  and total widths  $\Gamma$  are given in MeV.

Collaboration	Resonance	M	$\Gamma$	Our candidates				
				nL	S	$J^{PC}$	M	
LHCb	X(6600)	$6400 \div 6600$		1S	2	$2^{++}$	6367	
$m_0$ , model A		$6410 \pm 80^{+80}_{-30}$	$590 \pm 350^{+120}_{-200}$					
ATLAS		$m_0$ , model B	$6650 \pm 20^{+30}_{-20}$	$440 \pm 50^{+60}_{-50}$	2S	0	$0^{++}$	6782
$m_1$ , model A		$6630 \pm 50^{+80}_{-10}$	$350 \pm 110^{+110}_{-40}$					
CMS	$BW_1$ , no interference	$6552 \pm 10 \pm 12$	$124^{+32}_{-26} \pm 33$	2S	0	$0^{++}$	6782	
$BW_1$ , interference	$6638^{+43+16}_{-38-31}$	$440^{+230+110}_{-200-240}$						
LHCb	X(6900)	$6905 \pm 11 \pm 7$	$80 \pm 19 \pm 33$	2S	2	$2^{++}$	6868	
NRSPS, no interference		$6886 \pm 11 \pm 11$	$168 \pm 33 \pm 69$					
NRSPS, interference		$m_2$ , model A	$6860 \pm 30^{+10}_{-20}$	$110 \pm 50^{+20}_{-10}$	1D	0	$2^{++}$	6921
ATLAS		$m_2$ , model B	$6910 \pm 10 \pm 10$	$150 \pm 30 \pm 10$				
$m_3$ , model $\beta$	$6960 \pm 50 \pm 30$	$510 \pm 170^{+110}_{-100}$	2	$0^{++}$	6899			
CMS	$BW_2$ , no interference	$6927 \pm 9 \pm 4$	$122^{+24}_{-21} \pm 18$	2S	2	$2^{++}$	6915	
$BW_2$ , interference	$6847^{+44+48}_{-28-20}$	$191^{+66+25}_{-49-17}$						
LHCb	X(7200)	$7200 \div 7400$		3S	0	$0^{++}$	7259	
ATLAS		$m_3$ , model $\alpha$	$7220 \pm 30^{+10}_{-30}$					$90 \pm 60^{+60}_{-30}$
CMS		$BW_3$ , no interference	$7287^{+20}_{-18} \pm 5$	$95^{+59}_{-40} \pm 19$	3S	2	$2^{++}$	7333
$BW_3$ , interference		$7134^{+48+41}_{-25-15}$	$97^{+40+29}_{-29-26}$					





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- ◇ Plenty of new experimental data are expected in the near future, including regions and mass sectors of our interest.



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- ◇ Masses of ground and orbitally excited states of all compositions of the triply heavy tetraquarks were calculated.
- ◇ The finite size of a diquark was taken into account.
- ◇ Diquarks and antidiquarks were considered to interact as a whole.



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- ◇ Triply heavy tetraquark states which are the most convenient for the experimental detection were identified.
- ◇ There are already experimental advancements in the fully heavy tetraquark sector, and our previous predictions based on the Relativistic Quark Model are consistent with them.



## ◇ Previous publications related to the topic:

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