

# Relativistic description of triply heavy tetraquarks

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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):
    - $QQ'$ ,
    - $Qq$ .



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- ◇ 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 and another hidden heavy flavors  
(without/with strangeness):

**Table 1:** Masses  $M_{QQ'Q\bar{q}}$  of the ground states and orbital excitations of triply heavy tetraquarks with a pair of open and hidden heavy flavors and without/with strangeness ( $cb\bar{c}\bar{u}$ ,  $cb\bar{c}\bar{s}$ ,  $bc\bar{b}\bar{u}$ ,  $bc\bar{b}\bar{s}$  + c.c.).

$d\bar{d}'$	nL	$n_r$	L	S	J	$J^P$	$M_{cbb\bar{u}}$	$M_{cbb\bar{s}}$	$M_{bc\bar{b}\bar{u}}$	$M_{bc\bar{b}\bar{s}}$		
$A\bar{A}$	1S	0	0	0	0	$0^+$	8383	8503	11668	11770		
				1	1	$1^+$	8396	8515	11675	11777		
				2	2	$2^+$	8420	8538	11689	11791		
	1P		1	0	1	0	$0^-$	8723	8838	11961	12061	
					0	1	$1^-$	8724	8838	11963	12063	
					1	1	$1^-$	8728	8843	11965	12065	
				2	2	2	2	$2^-$	8734	8847	11966	12065
						1	2	$2^-$	8731	8845	11969	12068
						2	2	$2^-$	8739	8853	11970	12069
		2				3	$3^-$	8742	8856	11974	12074	
		2				0	$0^+$	9009	9118	12179	12278	
		1				1	$1^+$	9006	9115	12181	12279	
	1D	2	0	2	1	$1^+$	9013	9122	12181	12280		
				0	2	$2^+$	9001	9112	12183	12281		
				1	2	$2^+$	9011	9120	12183	12282		
			2	3	2	2	$2^+$	9021	9129	12184	12283	
					1	3	$3^+$	9006	9116	12185	12283	
					2	3	$3^+$	9017	9126	12186	12284	
					2	4	$4^+$	9011	9122	12187	12286	



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Table 1: table continues.

$d\bar{d}'$	$nL$	$n_r$	L	S	J	$J^P$	$M_{cb\bar{c}\bar{u}}$	$M_{cb\bar{c}\bar{s}}$	$M_{bc\bar{b}\bar{u}}$	$M_{bc\bar{b}\bar{s}}$
$A\bar{S}$	1S	0	0	1	1	$1^+$	8344	8460	11660	11764
					0	$0^-$	8666	8777	11943	12045
					1	$1^-$	8671	8781	11945	12047
	1P		1		2	$2^-$	8679	8789	11949	12051
					1	$1^+$	8948	9054	12160	12261
					2	$2^+$	8952	9058	12162	12262
	1D		2		3	$3^+$	8959	9064	12164	12265
					1	$1^+$	8401	8520	11675	11777
					0	$0^-$	8726	8840	11958	12058
$S\bar{A}$	1S	0	1	1	1	$1^-$	8727	8841	11960	12060
					2	$2^-$	8728	8842	11964	12063
					1	$1^+$	9010	9118	12176	12274
	1P		1		2	$2^+$	9006	9115	12177	12275
					3	$3^+$	9000	9110	12179	12277
					0	$0^+$	8337	8453	11653	11757
	1D		2		0	$0^-$	8668	8778	11940	12042
					1	$1^-$	8668	8778	11940	12042
					2	$2^+$	8948	9053	12156	12256
$S\bar{S}$	1S	0	0	$0^+$	8337	8453	11653	11757		
	1P	1	1	$1^-$	8668	8778	11940	12042		
	1D	2	2	$2^+$	8948	9053	12156	12256		



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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 and another hidden heavy flavors (without/with strangeness):

**Table 2:** Ground and orbitally excited states of the triply heavy tetraquarks with one open and another hidden heavy flavors and without/with strangeness ( $cb\bar{c}\bar{u}$ ,  $cb\bar{c}\bar{s}$ ,  $bc\bar{b}\bar{u}$ ,  $bc\bar{b}\bar{s} + c.c.$ ), 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	
$cb\bar{c}\bar{u}$	$A\bar{A}$	1S	2	$2^+$	8420	8340	80	$D^{*}(2007)^0 B_c(1^3S_1)$	
		1P	2	$3^-$	<b>8742</b>	8768	<b>-26</b>	$D^{*}(2007)^0 B_c(1^3P_2)$	
		1D	2	$4^+$	<b>9011</b>	9036	<b>-25</b>	$D^{*}(2007)^0 B_c(1^3D_3)$	
	$A\bar{S}$	1P	1	$1^-$	8671	8608	63	$D^0 B_c(1^3P_1)$	
				$2^-$	8679	8626	53	$D^0 B_c(1^3P_2)$	
		1D	1	$3^+$	8959	8894	65	$D^0 B_c(1^3D_3)$	
		1P		0	$1^-$	8668	8608	60	$D^0 B_c(1^3P_1)$
	$cb\bar{c}\bar{s}$	$A\bar{S}$	1S	2	$2^+$	8538	8445	93	$D_s^{*} B_c(1^3S_1)$
			1P	2	$3^-$	<b>8856</b>	8873	<b>-17</b>	$D_s^{*} B_c(1^3P_2)$
1D			2	$4^+$	<b>9122</b>	9141	<b>-19</b>	$D_s^{*} B_c(1^3D_3)$	
$A\bar{S}$		1P	1	$2^-$	8789	8729	60	$D_s^+ B_c(1^3P_2)$	
				$3^+$	9064	8997	67	$D_s^+ B_c(1^3D_3)$	
		1D	1	$2^-$	8789	8729	60	$D_s^+ B_c(1^3P_2)$	
				$3^+$	9064	8997	67	$D_s^+ B_c(1^3D_3)$	



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$QQ'\bar{Q}'\bar{q}$	$d\bar{d}'$	nL	S	$J^P$	M	$M_{\text{thr}}$	$\Delta$	meson pair
$bc\bar{b}\bar{u}$	$A\bar{A}$	1P	2	$3^-$	11974	11919	55	$D^*(2007)^0 \chi_{1,2}(1P)$
		1D	1	$3^+$	12185	12162	23	$D_3^*(2750) \eta_b(1S)$
			2	$3^+$	12186	12162	24	
			2	$4^+$	<b>12187</b>	12224	<b>-37</b>	
	$A\bar{S}$	1	$3^+$	12164	12162	2	$D_1^*(2750) \eta_b(1S)$	
	$S\bar{A}$	1	$3^+$	12179	12162	17	$D_3^*(2750) \eta_b(1S)$	
$bc\bar{b}\bar{s}$	$A\bar{A}$	1P	2	$3^-$	12074	12024	50	$D_s^* \chi_{1,2}(1P)$
		1D	1	$3^+$	12283	12259	24	$D_{s3}^*(2860)^+ \eta_b(1S)$
			2	$3^+$	12284	12259	25	
			2	$4^+$	<b>12286</b>	12321	<b>-35</b>	
	$A\bar{S}$	1	$3^+$	12265	12259	6	$D_{s3}^*(2860)^+ \eta_b(1S)$	
	$S\bar{A}$	1	$3^+$	12277	12259	18	$D_{s3}^*(2860)^+ \eta_b(1S)$	



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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
ATLAS		$m_0$ , model A	$6410 \pm 80^{+80}_{-30}$				
ATLAS		$m_0$ , model B	$6650 \pm 20^{+30}_{-20}$	$440 \pm 50^{+60}_{-50}$			
ATLAS		$m_1$ , model A	$6630 \pm 50^{+80}_{-10}$	$350 \pm 110^{+110}_{-40}$			
CMS	$BW_1$ , no interference $BW_1$ , interference	$6552 \pm 10 \pm 12$	$124^{+32}_{-26} \pm 33$	2S	0	$0^{++}$	6782
		$6638^{+43+16}_{-38-31}$	$440^{+230+110}_{-200-240}$				
LHCb	X(6900)	$6905 \pm 11 \pm 7$	$80 \pm 19 \pm 33$	2S	2	$2^{++}$	6868
LHCb		NRSFS, no interference NRSFS, interference	$6886 \pm 11 \pm 11$				
ATLAS		$m_2$ , model A	$6860 \pm 30^{+10}_{-20}$	$110 \pm 50^{+20}_{-10}$			
ATLAS		$m_2$ , model B	$6910 \pm 10 \pm 10$	$150 \pm 30 \pm 10$			
	$m_3$ , model $\beta$	$6960 \pm 50 \pm 30$	$510 \pm 170^{+110}_{-100}$	1D	2	$1^{++}$	6899 6904
CMS	$BW_2$ , no interference $BW_2$ , interference	$6927 \pm 9 \pm 4$	$122^{+24}_{-21} \pm 18$				
		$6847^{+44+48}_{-28-20}$	$191^{+66+25}_{-49-17}$				
LHCb	X(7200)	$7200 \div 7400$		3S	0	$0^{++}$	7259
ATLAS		$m_3$ , model $\alpha$	$7220 \pm 30^{+10}_{-30}$				
		$BW_3$ , no interference	$7287^{+20}_{-18} \pm 5$	$95^{+59}_{-40} \pm 19$			
CMS		$BW_3$ , 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.



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## ◇ Previous publications related to the topic:

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