# MESON PHENOMENOLOGY IN A BETHE-SALPETER EQUATION APPROACH

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#### MOTIVATION

▶ **Goal**: develop a model to study hadrons that is applicable from chiral limit up to  $m_q = m_b$ 

QCD Green's functions
 connected to confinement
 running coupling
 ingredients for hadron phenomenology

Means: Dyson-Schwinger and Bethe-Salpeter Equations

All momentum scales
Both heavy and light (also DCSB)

# Setup

sophisticated Landau gauge effective interaction

simple setup (rainbow ladder truncation)

# MOTIVATION

# Calculate observables

- masses, splittings
- excitations of both radial and angular quantum numbers
- form factors, decays
- exotic states [T. Hilger]
- multiquark states
- heavy-light systems [M. Gomez-Rocha]

# Plan

- > start by describing bottomonium spectrum, continue to charmonium
- adjust the effective interaction

So far: bottomonium spectrum agrees very well with experiment





D

$$S(p) = \frac{Z(p^2)}{i\gamma \cdot p + M(p^2)}$$

Perturbation theory reproduced order by order via weak coupling expansion 5000 Get nonperturbative solution (mass function  $M(p^2)$ )



DCSB

#### HOMOGENEOUS BETHE-SALPETHER EQUATION



Bound state mass  $P^2 = -M^2$ 

Input: https://dressed.guark.propagator *S(q)* (from the gap equation)
 quark-antiquark scattering kernel *K(q,p;P)* (one gluon exchange)
 *Effective quark-gluon interaction* employed in both DSE and BS kernel

#### **RAINBOW LADDER TRUNCATION**

DSE/BSE build up an infinite system of coupled integral eqs
 *truncate the system*

RL approximation:

*Rainbow* truncation for the gap equation

*Ladder* truncation for the BSE

Ward-Takahashi identity satisfied

- Bare quark-gluon vertex
- Bare gluon propagator
- Effective coupling multiplies the product qgv and gp (modeling)
- Well suited for heavy quarks (e.g. Coulomb gauge studies)

Successfully employed in earlier investigations of meson spectra in Landau gauge Blank, Krassnigg PRD84 2011; Krassnigg PRD80 2009

#### EFFECTIVE INTERACTION

#### Requirements

- UV regime determined by perturbative QCD
- **)** Break chiral symmetry dynamically  $\Rightarrow$  IR enhancement
- Fit pion mass and decay constant

 $\Rightarrow$  effective strength is essential

Ansatz at low and intermediate momentum

### Model

- P. Maris, P. C. Tandy: [Maris, Tandy, PRC 60 1999] and following series of papers
- Successful description of light pseudoscalar and vector mesons
- Charge radii, strong and radiative decay etc.

$$\mathcal{D}(p^{2}) = \frac{D}{2} \frac{(2\pi)^{2}}{\omega^{6}} p^{2} e^{-p^{2}/\omega^{2}} + \mathcal{F}_{UV}(p^{2})$$

$$\mathcal{K}(p;q;P) \Rightarrow \gamma_{\nu} \mathcal{D}((p-q)^2) D_{\mu\nu}^{free}(p-q) \gamma_{\mu}$$



preserves confinement

- gives the right amount of χSB
  provides the correct one-loop renormalization group behaviour of QCD via *F<sub>UV</sub>*
  - intermediate momentum range relevant for phenomenology

) parameters: width  $\omega$ , strength D

[Krassnigg PRD 80 2009]

$$S^{-1}(p) = S_0^{-1}(p) + \frac{4}{3} \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4} g^2 D_{\mu\nu}(p-q) \gamma_{\nu} S(q) \Gamma_{\mu}(q;p)$$

Coupled nonlinear integral equations for quark propagator dressing functions

$$S^{-1}(p) = i \gamma \cdot p A(p^2) + B(p^2)$$

Solve iteratively on the real  $p^2$  axis

• On-shell condition  $P^2 = -M^2$  leads to imaginary momentum  $\Rightarrow$  analytical continuation of  $A(p^2)$  and  $B(p^2)$  into complex plane

#### NUMMERICAL SOLUTIONS: BSE

Recast BSE into an eigenvalue problem and solve it for the largest few eigenvalues

$$\lambda(P^2)\Gamma(p;P) = \tilde{K}(p;q;P)\Gamma(q;P)$$

Obtain curves for the chosen eigenvaluesMass determined from the condition

 $\lambda(\mathbf{P}^2 = -\mathbf{M}^2) = 1$ 

Read off the optimal set of parameters by intersecting the surface determined by (ω, D) with the experimental value (horizontal plane)

 $\triangleright \omega \cdot D$  not necessarily constant



# BOTTOMONIUM SPECTRUM (PRELIMINARY)



Ground states and radial excitations

Vector channel ground state fitted to experiment

Good agreement with available experimental data

▶ Unclear whether all excitations appearing as solutions of BSE are physical
⇒ spurious states?

# SUMMARY

- Comprehensive RL truncated model based on DSE/BSE
- Thorough analysis of the effective interaction
- Gap equation: solve iteratively on the real axis and perform analytical continuation in the complex plane
- BSE: Solve eigenvalue problem and obtain meson masses from the eigenvalues
- Bottomonium spectrum agrees remarkably well with experiment (still need to understand spuriosities)
- Charmonium in preparation

# OUTLOOK

- Fix the parameters of the interaction (quark mass dependence?)
- Meson states with exotic quantum numbers
- ▶ Hadronic, leptonic, electromagnetic transitions (from the BS amplitudes, i.e. eigenvectors of BSA)

# Other directions:

- Finite temperature and chemical potential
- Baryons