

Coupling to the radially excited charm

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Summary

Subject of our study

- Radially excited $D_{(s)}$ meson
- First attempt to determine mass and coupling:
 - on the lattice
 - in the continuum limit
- Caution: results still preliminary!

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Phenomenological motivation

BaBar studies of $D^*\pi$ production invariant mass distribution

Two peaks reported (arXiv:1009.2076):

$$m_1 = 2539 \pm 8 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_1 = 130 \pm 18 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_2 = 2752 \pm 3 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_2 = 71 \pm 13 \text{ MeV}$$

m_1 believed to be the $2S$ radially excited D'

Analysis of $B^- \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+} K^- \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$ and of $B^- \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+} K^- \pi^-$

- BaBar (2010), Belle (2012): $\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow D_s^{(*)+} K^- \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell) \sim 0.06\%$
- Belle: peak in invariant mass distribution of $D_s^{(*)+} K^-$:
 - around 2.6 GeV when associated to leptons
 - around 2.8 – 3.0 GeV when associated to π

Identification of radial excitation

- How to interpret the peaks: which one is the radial excitation?
- What is its coupling?

Phenomenological motivation & Theoretical predictions

Relevance of the D'^0 coupling determination

$$A_{\text{fact.}}(B^- \rightarrow \bar{D}'^0 \pi^-) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* \left[a_1 f_\pi (m_B^2 - m_{D'}^2) F_0^{B \rightarrow D'}(m_\pi^2) + a_2 f_{D'} (m_B^2 - m_\pi^2) F_0^{B \rightarrow \pi}(m_{D'}^2) \right]$$

If the ratio of class-1 and class-3 decays was measured:

→ $f_{D'}$ would be needed for theoretical prediction

Theoretical studies of D' system

- Mass of D' :
 - Godfrey, Isgur, 1985: $m_{D'} = 2.58$ GeV with quark model
 - Mohler and Woloshyn (arXiv:1103.5506) on the lattice:
single lattice spacing, various sea quark masses: $m_{D'} = 2.6(3)$ GeV
- General statement on $f_{D'}$:
 $f_{D'} > f_D$ (from covariant quark model, lattice QCD in the static limit)

Further studies are needed!

Motivation: why to use lattice QCD?

Basically because... Lattice QCD = QCD!

- Non-perturbative computation starting from first principles
- Reach of the method limited only by available computing power

Last years developments (since 2005)

- Unquenching of *Up* and *Down* quarks (assuming isospin symmetry)
- Extrapolation toward physical pion mass (not directly accessible normally)
- Extrapolation toward the continuum limit

Nowadays working area and next-to-come developments

- Full unquenching of all the quarks (also beyond isospin symmetry)
- Calculation performed directly at the physical pion mass
- Improved continuum limit thanks to more sophisticated regularizations
- Electromagnetic corrections taken into account

Our Setup: Simulation Parameters

Fermionic part: Twisted mass QCD at maximal twist

$$S^{ferm} = \bar{\psi}^a \left[(1/2\kappa + K[U]) \delta^{ab} + i\mu\gamma_5\tau_3^{ab} \right] \psi^b, \quad a, b \in \{\psi_{up}, \psi_{down}\}$$

Original Wilson formulation, with **additional mass term**

No additive mass renormalization, automatic $\mathcal{O}(a)$ improvement

Gauge field configurations

- Provided by European Twisted Mass Collaboration
9 countries, ~ 20 universities and research centers
- Unquenched *Up Down* quarks
- Publicly available on International Lattice Data Grid



Subset used for this work

- Single lattice spacing (4 available)
- Single light quark mass (pion mass ~ 400 MeV)

How to compute decay constants

Decay constant computation when $D^{(\prime)}$ at rest

$$\langle 0 | (A + \mathcal{V})_0^{ren} | D^{(\prime)}(p=0) \rangle = M_D f_D, \quad \langle 0 | V_0^{ren} | D^{(\prime)} \rangle = 0$$

With Twisted mass regularization

$$\langle 0 | A_0^{ren} | D^{(\prime)} \rangle = \frac{m_l + m_c}{M_D} \langle 0 | P | D^{(\prime)} \rangle, \quad A_0 = \bar{c} \gamma_0 \gamma_5 d, \quad P = i \bar{c} \gamma_5 d$$

Decay constant is expressed in terms of RGI product

$$f_{D^{(\prime)}} = \frac{(m_l + m_c) \langle 0 | P | D^{(\prime)} \rangle}{M_{D^{(\prime)}}^2}$$

We must compute Pseudoscalar matrix element between $|0\rangle$ and $|D\rangle$:

$$Z_{D^{(\prime)}} \equiv \langle 0 | P | D^{(\prime)} \rangle$$

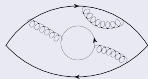
this can be obtained from 2 points correlation function fit

Spectral decomposition of two points functions

Basic ingredient: two points correlation functions

$$O(x) \equiv \bar{c}(x) \gamma_5 q(x). \quad q = \{u/d, s, c\}$$

$$C(\tau) = \sum_{\vec{x}} \left\langle O^\dagger(\vec{x}, \tau) O(\vec{0}, 0) \right\rangle =$$



Determination of ground state properties

Inserting the sum of projectors over all the states $\sum_i |D^{(i)}\rangle \langle D^{(i)}|$:

$$C(\tau) = \sum_i \left| \langle 0 | O | D^{(i)} \rangle \right|^2 \frac{e^{-M_{D^{(i)}} \tau}}{2M_{D^{(i)}}} \xrightarrow{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\left| \langle 0 | O | D \rangle \right|^2}_{Z_D} \frac{e^{-M_D \tau}}{2M_D}$$

Information on excited states extracted by looking at intermediate times:

$$0 \ll t \ll t_{\text{ground}}$$

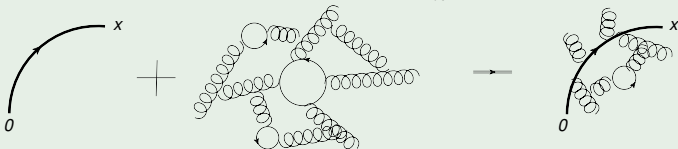
Two points correlation function computation

Wick contraction

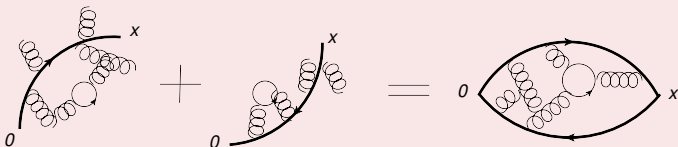
$$C(\tau) = \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle O_{\Gamma}^{\dagger}(\vec{x}, \tau) O_{\Gamma}(\vec{0}, 0) \rangle \stackrel{Wick}{=} \text{Tr} \left[\Gamma S_{l}(\vec{x}, \tau; \vec{0}, 0) \Gamma S_{c}(\vec{0}, 0; \vec{x}, \tau) \right]$$

Solving Dirac equation on gauge background \rightarrow full quark propagator

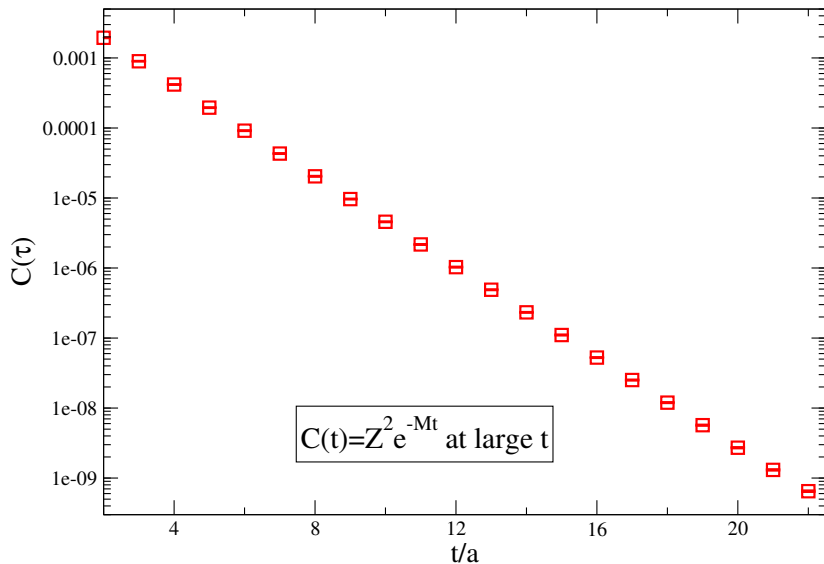
$$D_q(y, x) \cdot S_q(x, 0) = \delta_{y,0} \quad D_q = \left(\frac{1}{2\kappa} + K[U] \right) \mathbf{1} + im_q \gamma_5 \tau_3$$



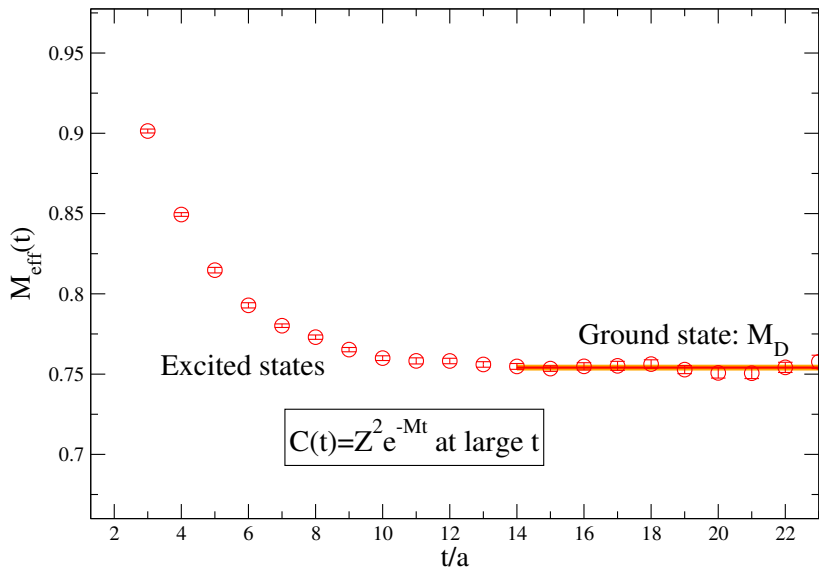
Combine 2 propagators with Dirac structures \rightarrow 2 points functions



Two points correlation function (log scale)



Effective mass: $M_{eff}(\tau) \equiv \log C(\tau + 1) - \log C(\tau)$



How to access to $f_{D'}$?

Access to excited states

Coming back to spectral decomposition

$$C(t) \equiv \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle O^\dagger(\vec{x}, \tau) O(\vec{0}, 0) \rangle = \sum_P \underbrace{|\langle 0 | O | P \rangle|^2}_{Z(P)} \frac{e^{-M_P t}}{2M_P}$$

Limiting to two lightest states

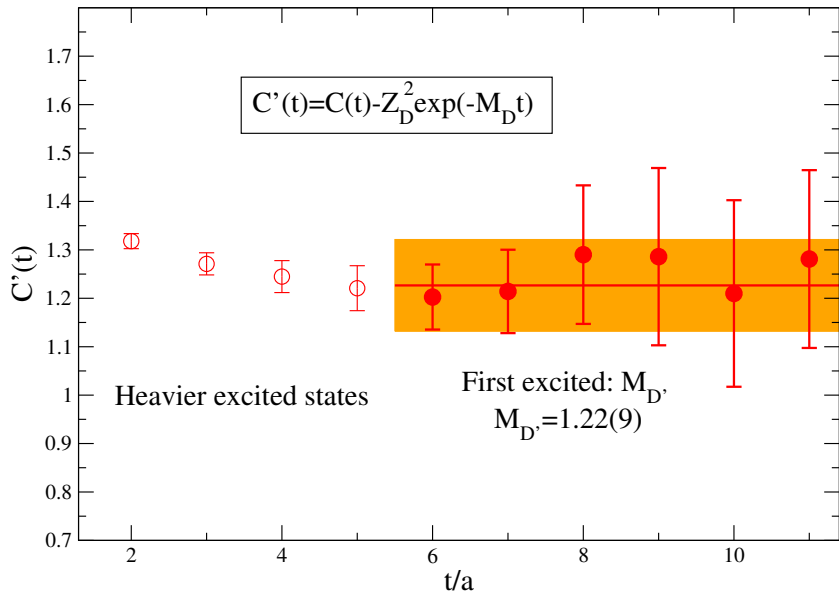
$$C(t) = Z^2(D) \frac{e^{-M_D t}}{2M_D} + Z^2(D') \frac{e^{-M_{D'} t}}{2M_{D'}} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} Z^2(D) \frac{e^{-M_D t}}{2M_D}$$

We determine $Z(D)$ and M_D by fitting $C(t)$ at large time

Subtract D state contribution from $C(t)$

$$C'(t) \equiv C(t) - Z^{2\text{fit}}(D) \frac{e^{-M_D^{\text{fit}} t}}{2M_D^{\text{fit}}} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} Z^2(D') \frac{e^{-M_{D'} t}}{2M_{D'}}$$

$C'(t)$ effective mass



Eigenvalue problem

How to build different interpolating operators

- $O_i(x) = \bar{\Psi}_i(x) \gamma_5 \Psi_i(x)$ built in terms of $\Psi_i(x) = G_i(x, y) \psi(y)$
- G is a convolution operator (smearing)

Consider a $n \times n$ matrix of correlation functions

$$C_{ij}(\tau) \equiv \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle O_i^\dagger(\vec{x}, \tau) O_j(\vec{0}, 0) \rangle = \sum_P \underbrace{\langle 0 | O_i^\dagger | P \rangle}_{Z_i^*(P)} \underbrace{\langle P | O_j | 0 \rangle}_{Z_j(P)} \frac{e^{-M_P \tau}}{2M_P}$$

Diagonalization of correlation matrix

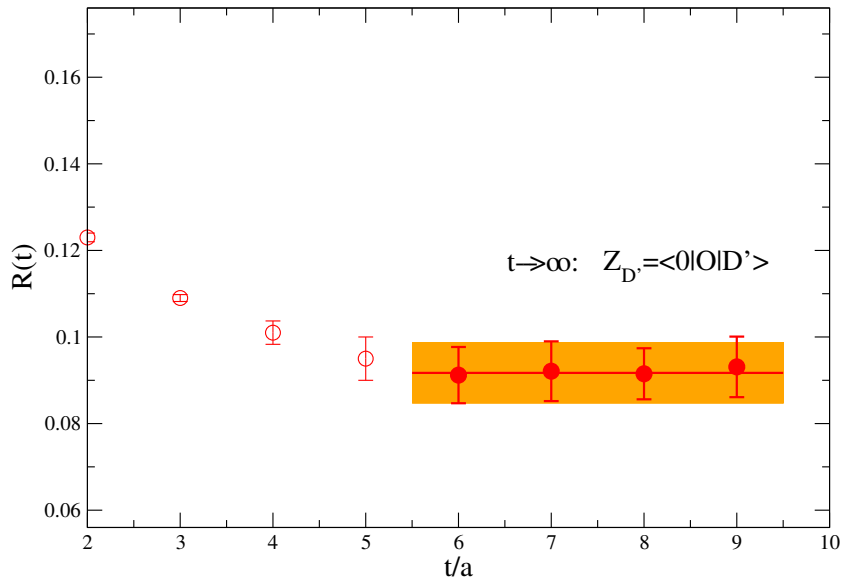
It can be shown that eigenvalues $\lambda_k(t)$ of matrix $C(t)$ behaves like:

$$\lambda_0(\tau) = Z_D^* \exp(-M_D \tau), \quad \lambda_1(\tau) = Z_{D'}^* \exp(-M_{D'} \tau) \dots$$

$\vec{v}_k(t)$ define "optimal" interpolating operator coupling uniquely to state k :

$$O_D = \vec{v}_0 \vec{O}, \quad O_{D'} = \vec{v}_1 \vec{O}, \dots$$

Determining $f_{D'}$: $R_{D'}(\tau) = (\vec{v}_1^T \cdot C(\tau) \cdot \vec{v}_1 \times e^{M_{D'}\tau})^{-1/2}$



Conclusions

Preliminary results

- From the value of $Z_{D'}$ and Z_D : $\frac{f_{D'}}{f_D} = 0.78(6)$
- Relative mass difference: $\frac{M_{D'} - M_D}{M_D} = 59(6)\%$

Caveat: everything very preliminary!

- Single lattice spacing
- Not extrapolated to the physical pion mass

Future development

- Analyze the other 3 lattice spacings and take the chiral extrapolation
- All correlators already computed: expect the results in the next weeks

Thank you!