

# 1 Bound States

## Two Types:

- Binding Energy < Rest mass energy: Nonrelativistic bound state e.g. Hydrogen atom (-13.6 eV < 1 GeV rest mass of proton).
- Binding Energy > Rest mass energy: Relativistic bound state e.g. light meson.

**Hydrogen Atom:** The potential energy is given by

$$V(r) = -\frac{e^2}{r}$$

or the coulomb potential. The Hamiltonian is given by the Schrödinger equation

$$H\psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2\psi(\mathbf{r}) + V(r)\psi(\mathbf{r}) = E\psi(\mathbf{r})$$

where  $V(r)$  is the central potential with spherical symmetry  $SO(3)$ . But there also is an enhanced symmetry.

**Noether's Theorem:** Symmetry  $\leftrightarrow$  Conservation Law. e.g.

- $SO(3) \leftrightarrow$  Conservation of Angular momentum.
- $SO(1,3) \leftrightarrow$  linear momentum (Poincare symmetry)
- T-reversal  $\leftrightarrow$  energy
- $U(1)_{em} \leftrightarrow$  electric charge

so from the central potential, we know that angular momentum  $\mathbf{L}$  is conserved. But for  $1/r$  there is a  $SO(4)$  symmetry from the LRL (Laplace-Runge-Lenz) vector

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{m}\mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{p} + \frac{\kappa\mathbf{r}}{r}$$

where

$$V(r) = -\frac{\kappa}{r}$$

the energy eigenvalues of the hydrogen atom are given by

$$E_n = -\frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{n^2} = -\frac{me^4}{2\hbar^2 n^2} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha m_e c^2}{n^2}$$

where  $\alpha = \frac{e^2}{\hbar c} \approx \frac{1}{137}$  is the fine structure constant.

**Degeneracy**  $n^2$  e.g. For  $SO(3)$ ,  $(2l+1)$  degeneracy

$$\sum_{l=0}^{n-1} (2l+1) = 2 \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} l + n = 2 \frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} + n = n^2$$

n	l	m	degeneracy
1	0	0	1
2	0	0	1
	1	-1,0,1	3
3	0	0	1
	1	-1,0,1	3
	2	-2,-1,0,1,2	5

**Positronium** ( $e^+e^-$  bound state) has the same energy levels as the hydrogen atom the energy eigenvalue is given by first looking at the reduced mass

$$\mu = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2}} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \approx m_1 \quad \text{if } m_1 \ll m_2$$

but here  $m_1 = m_2 = m_e$  so  $\mu = \frac{m_e}{2}$ . The energy eigenvalues are given by

$$E_n = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{n^2} = -\frac{6.8 \text{ eV}}{n^2}$$

We can do this for Muonium ( $\mu^+e^-$  bound state) and Pionic Hydrogen ( $\pi^+e^-$  bound state).

### Fine Structure

1. Relativistic Correction

$$T = E - m_e c^2$$

2. Spin-Orbit Coupling
3. Lamb Shift (QED)
4. Hyperfine Splitting aka zeeman effect

### Quiz Review

- For the Positronium:

$$C : (-1)^{l+s} = (-1)^n$$

where  $l + s = n$  (the selection rule for Positronium decay). \*for  $n$  photons,  $C = (-1)^n$ . For the ground states  $l = 0$  so the spin is

$$S : \frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} = 1 \oplus 0$$

where we have a triplet state  $S = 1$  and a singlet state  $S = 0$ . For this singlet:

$$S = 0 \implies (-1)^0 = 1 = (-1)^2$$

or two photons can be emitted (para-positronium). For the triplet state:

$$S = 1 \implies (-1)^1 = -1 = (-1)^3$$

or three photons can be emitted (ortho-positronium). The mass of each photon for two photons is roughly a half of the mass of the positronium  $E_\gamma = 511 \text{ keV}$ . For three photons  $E_\gamma < 511 \text{ keV}$ .

- Binding Energy vs. Rest Mass Energy: Quarkonium ( $q\bar{q}$ ):  $uds$  light quarks,  $c, b, t$  heavy quarks.
  - Heavy Quarkonium:  $c\bar{c}$ : Charmonium ( $J/\psi$ ),  $b\bar{b}$ : Bottomonium ( $\Upsilon$ ),  $t\bar{t}$ : Toponium *does not exist* (very heavy so it decays really fast  $\sim 10^{-25} \text{ s}$  vs  $\tau_{\text{bound state}} \sim 10^{-23} \text{ sec}$ ).

For Charmonium, the reduced mass is

$$\mu = \frac{m_c m_c}{m_c + m_c} \approx \frac{m_c}{2}$$

and the energy of the Hydrogen atom is

$$E_n = -\frac{me^4}{2\hbar^2 n^2} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha m c^2}{n^2}$$

and for the Charmonium:

$$E_n = -\frac{4}{9} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha m_c c^2}{n^2} \quad \text{incorrect}$$

where we have to adjust for the charge of the quark  $e \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}e$  and the potential: For electron coulomb potential we know that

$$V = -\frac{e^2}{r} = -\frac{e^2}{\hbar r} \frac{\hbar c}{r} = -\frac{\alpha \hbar c}{r}$$

but for quarks there is a different potential from the strong interaction (gluon)

$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha_s \hbar c}{r} - \frac{4}{9} \frac{\alpha \hbar c}{r} \quad \alpha_s = \frac{g_s^2}{\hbar c} \gg \alpha$$

which is much larger than the coulomb potential (suppressed second term), but there is a transition to a linear potential as the distance get very large.

$$V(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s \hbar c}{r} + F_o r \quad \text{QCD Potential}$$

there also is a color factor  $\frac{4}{3}$  based on the three colors of the quarks. So the energy is given by

$$E_n = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha_s m_c c^2}{n^2}$$

- Decay of Charmonium:

$$J/\psi \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \quad \text{or} \quad D^+ D^-$$

For the ground state,  $m_{J/\psi} = 3.1 \text{ GeV}$ . And the total rest mass of  $D^+ D^-$  is kinematically forbidden  $m_{D^+} + m_{D^-} = 3.7 \text{ GeV}$ . We have a decay to 3 pions due to the G-parity conservation  $(-1)^I C$  or  $(-1)^n$ .

**OZI rule** (Okubo, Zweig, Iizuka) Cutting a hard gluon line in the Feynman diagram separates the quarks and the decay is suppressed. For soft gluon lines, cutting a line does not separate the quarks and the decay is not suppressed.

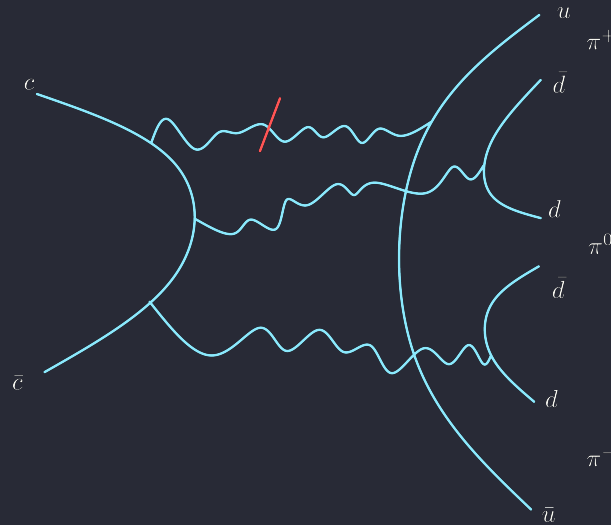


Figure 1.1: OZI Rule

- Light Mesons:  $q\bar{q}$  where  $q = u, d, s$ . There are nine spin-0 (pseudo scalar) mesons and nine spin-1 (vector) mesons. (insert figure 5.11 from Griffiths). From the lie algebra of the spin-0 nonet

$$3 \otimes \bar{3} = 8 \oplus 1$$

where the 1 is the  $\eta'$  meson. and we break down the 8 into

$$8 \rightarrow 2 \oplus 3 \oplus 2 \oplus 1$$

where they refer to the top row, middle row pions, bottom row and  $\eta$  meson. For the vector mesons. For the isospin doublet:

$$u = \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \quad d = \left| \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

and for the antiquarks:

$$\bar{u} = \left| \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \quad \bar{d} = -\left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

and the pions are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^+ &= \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \otimes \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = -u\bar{d} \\ \pi^- &= \left| \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \otimes \left| \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = d\bar{u} \\ \pi^0 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \left| \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \otimes \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle + \left| \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \otimes \left| \frac{1}{2} -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}) \end{aligned}$$

for the corner mesons:

$$K^0 = d\bar{s} \quad \bar{K}^0 = \bar{d}s \quad K^+ = u\bar{s} \quad K^- = \bar{u}s$$



**Quiz Review:** For the kinetic energy of a particle

$$\begin{aligned} T &= E - mc^2 \\ &= \sqrt{|\mathbf{p}|^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4} - mc^2 \\ &= mc^2 \left( 1 + \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{m^2 c^2} \right)^{1/2} - mc^2 \end{aligned}$$

and using the binomial expansion

$$(1+x)^n \approx 1 + nx + \frac{1}{2} \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^2 \dots \quad \text{for } x \ll 1$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} T &= mc^2 \left( 1 + \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m^2 c^2} - \frac{\mathbf{p}^4}{8m^4 c^4} + \dots \right) - mc^2 \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{\mathbf{p}^4}{m^3 c^2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

From last time: Light mesons ( $u, d, s$ ) with  $q\bar{q}$  bound states and spin

$$\frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} = 1 \oplus 0$$

where we for the spin-0 pseudoscalar mesons:  $\pi, K, \eta$  we have 9 states. And for the spin-1 vector mesons:  $\rho, K^*, \omega, \phi$  we have 9 states. The flavor states of  $K$  mesons:

$$K^+ : (u\bar{s}) \quad K^- : (\bar{u}s) \quad K^0 : (d\bar{s}) \quad \bar{K}^0 : (\bar{d}s)$$

and for vector  $K$  mesons

$$K^{*+} : (u\bar{s}) \quad \text{etc.}$$

so the Isospin states

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \bar{d} \\ \bar{u} \end{pmatrix} = 1 \oplus 0$$

so

- spin-0:  $1 \sim \pi^+, \pi^-, \pi^0, 0 \sim \eta$
- spin-1:  $1 \sim \rho^+, \rho^0, \rho^-, 0 \sim \omega$

and in  $SU(3)$ :

$$3 \otimes \bar{3} = 8 \oplus 1$$

where  $\eta'$  is the spin-0 singlet (1). We can break down the spin algebra to isospin

$$\begin{pmatrix} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \bar{d} \\ \bar{u} \end{pmatrix} = 1 \oplus 0$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} |1, 1\rangle &= |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \\ |1, 0\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) \\ |1, -1\rangle &= |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \\ |0, 0\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) \end{aligned}$$

and the charge conjugation operator

$$Cu \rightarrow \bar{u} \quad Cd \rightarrow \bar{d}$$

$$C = i\sigma^2 = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} -\bar{d} \\ \bar{u} \end{pmatrix}$$

so

$$|1, 1\rangle = -u\bar{d} = |\pi^+\rangle, |\rho^+\rangle$$

$$|1, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}) = |\pi^0\rangle, |\rho^0\rangle$$

$$|1, -1\rangle = \bar{u}d = |\pi^-\rangle, |\rho^-\rangle$$

$$|0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}) = \cancel{|\eta\rangle}, |\omega\rangle$$

where the  $\eta$  is not correct. We know that  $\psi$  is orthogonal to  $\omega$  so

$$|\psi\rangle = |s\bar{s}\rangle$$

we know that  $\eta'$  is an  $SU(3)$  singlet so

$$|\eta'\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d} + s\bar{s})$$

and since  $\eta$  is orthogonal to  $\eta'$  and all other states:

$$|\eta\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d} - 2s\bar{s})$$

this is a special case for the pseudoscalar light mesons. Even though the spin-0 and spin-1 particles are made of the same quarks, their masses are very different! So the true meson mass is

$$M = m_1 + m_2 + A \frac{\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2}{m_1 m_2}$$

this third term is the spin-spin interaction from the Hydrogen Atom ( $n^2$  degeneracy) hyperfine splitting. The spin-spin interaction breaks the degeneracy of the  $n^2$  states. Finding

$$\mathbf{S}_T = \mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2$$

$$\mathbf{S}^2 = (\mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2)^2$$

$$= \mathbf{S}_1^2 + \mathbf{S}_2^2 + 2\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2$$

Where from the operator

$$[J^2, J_z] = 0 \quad |j, m\rangle$$

$$J_z |j, m\rangle = \hbar m |j, m\rangle$$

$$J^2 |j, m\rangle = \hbar^2 j(j+1) |j, m\rangle$$

so the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{S}$  are  $\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2} + 1)\hbar^2$ :

$$\mathbf{S}^2 = \frac{3}{2}\hbar^2 + \frac{3}{2}\hbar^2 + 2\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}\hbar^2 + 2\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2$$

so for the scalar case  $s = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{S}^2 = 0$ :

$$\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 = -\frac{3}{4}\hbar^2$$

and for the vector case  $s = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{S}^2 = 2\hbar^2$ :

$$\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 = \frac{1}{2}\left(2 - \frac{3}{2}\hbar^2\right)$$

So

$$\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 = \begin{cases} -\frac{3}{4}\hbar^2 & \text{spin-0} \\ \frac{1}{4}\hbar^2 & \text{spin-1} \end{cases}$$

e.g. we have meson masses

- $(u, d) : m_\rho = 775 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- $(u, d) : m_\pi = 140 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

And we have an effective mass (MIT bag model):

$$m_{eff} \geq \Lambda_{QCD} \sim 200 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$

Quarks are always in bound states, and do not feel the strong interaction. And the bare mass is different from the effective mass. Some bare masses:

$$\begin{aligned} m_{u,d} &\sim 300 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \\ m_s &\sim 400 \text{ MeV}/c^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Baryons...** (light):  $qqq$  bound states. We can treat the 3 body system as a 2 body system(CM of 2 quarks plus the third quark). For the ground state,  $l = l' = 0$  for simplicity.

### Spin configurations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} &= (1 \oplus 0) \otimes \frac{1}{2} \\ &= (1 \otimes \frac{1}{2}) \oplus (0 \otimes \frac{1}{2}) \\ &= (\frac{3}{2} \oplus \frac{1}{2}) \oplus (\frac{1}{2}) \\ &= 4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2 \end{aligned}$$

(the  $3/2$  spin has 4 states:  $3/2, 1/2, -1/2, -3/2$ ) where

$$j_1 \otimes j_2 = (j_1 + j_2), \dots, |j_1 - j_2|$$

we also have 8 spin states for the 3 quarks:

$$\begin{aligned} &\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow \\ &\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow, \uparrow\downarrow\uparrow, \downarrow\uparrow\uparrow \\ &\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow, \downarrow\uparrow\downarrow, \downarrow\downarrow\uparrow \\ &\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow \end{aligned}$$



so

$$\begin{aligned}\left|\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right\rangle &= |\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle \\ \left|\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle) \\ \left|\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle) \\ \left|\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\right\rangle &= |\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle\end{aligned}$$

which are all symmetric states! But Baryons are fermions so the wavefunction must be antisymmetric! And from 3 spins, we cant make an antisymmetric state, but we can make a partially antisymmetric state

$$\begin{aligned}\left|\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right\rangle_{12} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow) \uparrow \\ \left|\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right\rangle_{12} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow) \downarrow\end{aligned}$$

where the subscript 12 denotes that the first two spins are antisymmetric and the third spin is free. So we can also get

$$\begin{aligned}\left|\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right\rangle_{23} &= \uparrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow) \\ \left|\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right\rangle_{23} &= \downarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow)\end{aligned}$$

but we cant get an antisymmetric state for the first and third spins:

$$\begin{aligned}\left|\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right\rangle_{13} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow\uparrow) \\ \left|\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right\rangle_{13} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow\uparrow)\end{aligned}$$

this is just a linear combination of the other states:

$$|\rangle_{13} = |\rangle_{12} + |\rangle_{23}$$

**Pauli Exclusion Principle:** For probability of wavefunction to be the same

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(1, 2) &\rightarrow \psi(2, 1) \\ |\psi(1, 2)|^2 &= |\psi(2, 1)|^2 \\ \implies \psi(1, 2) &= e^{i\phi} \psi(2, 1) \\ \psi(1, 2) &\rightarrow \psi(2, 1)e^{i\phi} \rightarrow \psi(1, 2)e^{2i\phi} \\ \implies e^{2i\phi} &= 1 \implies e^{i\phi} = \pm 1\end{aligned}$$

so

$$\psi(1, 2) = \begin{cases} +\psi(2, 1) & \text{even} \\ -\psi(2, 1) & \text{odd} \end{cases}$$

And distinguishable particles

$$\psi_\alpha(1)\psi_\beta(2)$$



**Quiz Review:**

- For the baryon wavefunction its a little more complicated:
  - Fermion  $\rightarrow$  Pauli Exclusion Principle
  - Three body system
  - Color Quantum Number

\*The baryon wavefunction must be antisymmetric under the interchange of any two constituent quarks. So the baryon wavefunction is a combination of 4 parts:

$$\psi(baryon) = \psi(space)\psi(spin)\psi(flavor)\psi(color)$$

So for total antisymmetry

- For the space part, we can assume a ground state where  $\ell = 0$  thus spherically symmetric.
- The spin part can be symmetric (3/2) or partially antisymmetric (1/2).
- For the flavor part we have  $n^3 = 27$  states, or from group theory we have a SU(3):

$$3 \otimes 3 \otimes 3 = 10 \oplus 8 \oplus 8 \oplus 1$$

or from Young Tableaux for mesons

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \boxed{\phantom{0}} \otimes \boxed{\phantom{0}} \boxed{\phantom{0}} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & \\ \hline \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \\
 \\
 = \frac{3 * 4 * 2}{1 * 3 * 1} \oplus \frac{3 * 2 * 1}{1 * 2 * 3} = 8 \oplus 1
 \end{array}$$

but for the Bosons

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \boxed{\phantom{0}} \otimes \boxed{\phantom{0}} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 & 4 \\ \hline & \\ \hline \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline 2 \\ \hline \end{array} \\
 \\
 = \frac{3 * 4}{1 * 2} \oplus \frac{3 * 2}{1 * 2} = 6 \oplus \bar{3}
 \end{array}$$

where the  $\bar{3}$  comes from the antisymmetric part of now expanding again

$$6 \otimes 3 = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 3 & 4 \\ \hline \end{array} \otimes \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 3 \\ \hline \end{array} = 10 \oplus 8$$

thus

$$3 \otimes 3 \otimes 3 = 10 \oplus 8 \oplus 8 \oplus 1$$

How do we arrange this 10 states? From the mesons we know that the octet splits like

$$8 \rightarrow 2 + 3 + 2 + 1$$

and we are told that the decuplet splits to

$$10 \rightarrow 4 + 3 + 2 + 1$$

The figure has isospin  $I_3$  on the x-axis and spin  $S$  on the y-axis. We know that the quark charges are

$$u = \frac{2}{3} \quad d = -\frac{1}{3} \quad s = -\frac{1}{3}$$

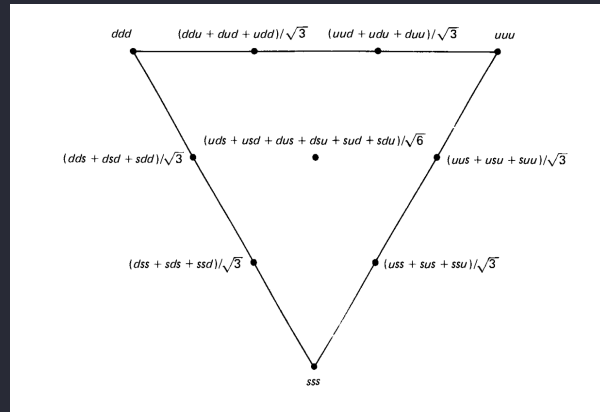


Figure 1.2: Decuplet

So the top right is (uuu) and etc. for the other corners. But these states are symmetric and the spin is also symmetric so we need something else that needs to be antisymmetric. Thus we have colors in  $SU(3)_c$ :

$$q = \begin{pmatrix} r \\ g \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

this also by  $SU(3)$  algebra has 27 states of color:

$$3 \otimes 3 \otimes 3 = 10 \oplus 8 \oplus 8 \oplus 1$$

but....

**Every Naturally Occuring Particle is a Color Singlet - Griffiths**

AKA the *Color Confinement* principle. So the singlet is always antisymmetric:

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(rgb - rbg + gbr - grb + brg - bgr)$$

So since everything except color is must be symmetric for the total to be antisymmetric i.e.

$$\psi(\text{spin})\psi(\text{flavor}) = \text{symmetric}$$

So how do we get from  $\Delta^{++}$  to  $\Delta^+$ ? We use the  $I_-$  operator: From the lowering operator

$$J_- |j, m\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{(j+m)(j-m+1)} |j, m-1\rangle$$

so in isospin-space

$$u = \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

thus

$$I_- u = I_- \left| \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}+1) - \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)} \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \hbar \sqrt{1} \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = d$$

and we also get

$$I_- d = 0 \quad \text{lowest } I_3 \text{ state}$$

$$I_- s = 0 \quad \text{singlet}$$

SO

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_- \Delta^{++} &= I_-(uuu) = (uud + udu + duu) \\
 I_- \left| \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right\rangle &= \sqrt{3} \left| \frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle \\
 &= \sqrt{3} \Delta^+ \\
 \implies \Delta^+ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(uud + udu + duu)
 \end{aligned}$$

applying the lowering operator again we get

$$\Delta^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(udd + dud + ddu)$$

and again

$$\Delta^- = ddd$$

and for the  $\Sigma$  (strangeness  $S = -1$ ) states we have the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Sigma^{*+} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(uus + usu + suu) \\
 \Sigma^{*0} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(uds + dus + dsu + sud + sdu + uds) \\
 \Sigma^{*-} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(dds + dsd + sdd)
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $S = -2$  we have the 2  $\Xi$  states:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Xi^{*0} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(uss + sus + ssu) \\
 \Xi^{*-} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(dss + sds + ssd)
 \end{aligned}$$

and a singlet

$$\Omega^- = sss$$

so the flavor is symmetric for the decuplet states

**Octet States** In the first octet we have 8 states

- n, p
- $\Sigma^+, \Sigma^0, \Sigma^-$
- $\Xi^0, \Xi^-$
- $\Lambda^0$

now we need to do the same partial antisymmetry thing we did for spins onto the flavor states:

$$\psi(flavor) = | \rangle_{12} \quad \text{or} \quad | \rangle_{23} \quad \text{or} \quad | \rangle_{13}$$

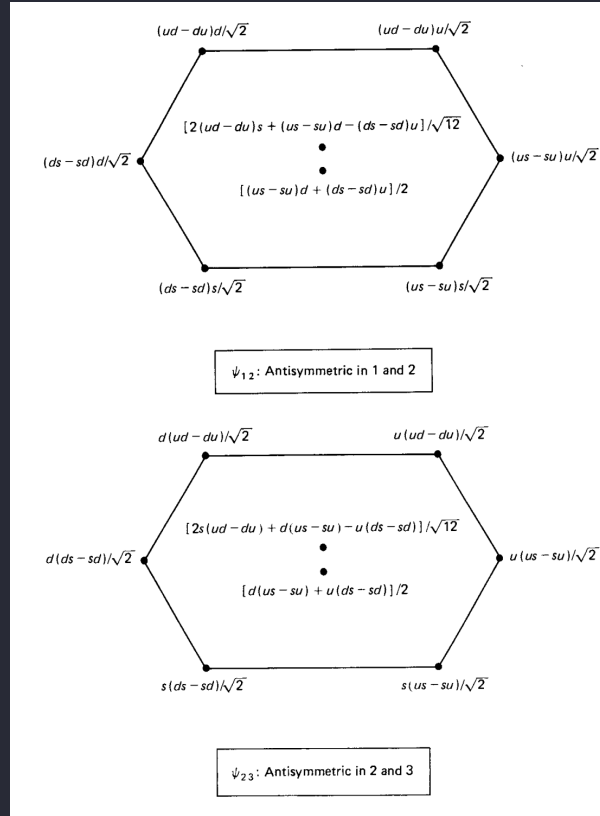


Figure 1.3: 1st and 2nd Octets

since the proton is a quark made of  $uud$  we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
 | \rangle_{12} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(ud - du)u \\
 \left| p(s_z = \frac{1}{2}) \right\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(ud - du)u \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow) \uparrow \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} [u(\uparrow)d(\downarrow)u(\uparrow) \\
 &\quad - u(\downarrow)d(\uparrow)u(\uparrow) \\
 &\quad - d(\uparrow)u(\downarrow)u(\uparrow) \\
 &\quad + d(\downarrow)u(\uparrow)u(\uparrow)]
 \end{aligned}$$

and we can do this for the flavor and spin wavefunctions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(flavor)\psi(spin) &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} [\psi_{12}(f)\psi_{12}(s) \\
 &\quad + \psi_{23}(f)\psi_{23}(s) \\
 &\quad + \psi_{13}(f)\psi_{13}(s)]
 \end{aligned}$$

