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I. Difficulty with $\bar{c}s$ Assignment and SU(3) Flavor Symmetry

The experimental discovery of narrow low-lying charm-strange mesons $D_s\{sJ\}(2317)$ and $D_s\{sJ\}(2457)$ represents an important event in heavy meson spectroscopy [?, ?, ?, ?]. Many theoretical interpretations have been proposed [?, ?, ?, ?, ?]. However, the large electromagnetic branching ratio of $D_s\{sJ\}(2457)$ observed by the BELLE Collaboration favors assigning these two states as conventional $\bar{c}s$ mesons [?, ?, ?]. These two states belong to the $(0^+, 1^+)$ doublet with $j_1 = 1$ in heavy quark effective field theory.

Recently, the SELEX Collaboration observed an exotic charm-strange meson $D_s\{sJ\}(2632)$. Its decay width is very narrow, $\Gamma < 17$ MeV at 90% C.L. The decay channels are D_s^- and $D^0 K^+$ with the unusual relative branching ratio: $\Gamma(D^0 K^+)/\Gamma(D_s^-) = 0.16 \pm 0.06$ [?]. This observation has inspired numerous theoretical papers [?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?].

To understand why this relative branching ratio is abnormal, let us first assume (1) SU(3) flavor symmetry and (2) that $D^+\{sJ\}(2632)$ is a $\bar{c}s$ state. The charge conjugate state $D^-\{sJ\}(2632)$ belongs to an SU(3)_F triplet when the heavy quark transforms as an SU(3)_F singlet. We denote the triplet as $(T) = (D^0_- J, D^- J, D^-\{sJ\}(2632))$, where $D^0_- J$ and $D^- J$ are SU(3) flavor partners of $D^-\{sJ\}(2632)$.

The decay of the heavy meson triplet T' can be described with the effective Lagrangian in the SU(3)_F symmetry limit:

$$\mathcal{L}_8 = g_8 T'^{\dagger}_i M^i_j T^j + \text{H.c.}$$

where M_j is the matrix of pseudoscalar meson octet and T is the final-state heavy pseudoscalar meson triplet. We have suppressed the Lorentz indices for mesons.

The two-body decay width of a meson reads:

$$\Gamma = \frac{g^2 k^{2L+1}}{8\pi m_0^2}$$

where g is the dimensionless effective coupling constant, L is the angular momentum for the decay, m_0 is the parent mass, and k is the decay momentum in the center-of-mass frame:

$$k = \frac{\sqrt{[m_0^2 - (m_1 + m_2)^2][m_0^2 - (m_1 - m_2)^2]}}{2m_0}$$

where m_1 and m_2 are the masses of the final mesons. The ratio of decay widths of these two channels for $D_{sJ}^+(2632)$ is:

$$\frac{\Gamma(D_{sJ}^{0K^+})}{\Gamma(D_{sJ}\eta)} = \frac{g_{D_{sJ}^{0K^+}}^2}{g_{D_{sJ}\eta}^2} \frac{k_{D_{sJ}^{0K^+}}^{2L+1}}{k_{D_{sJ}\eta}^{2L+1}}$$

Using SU(3) symmetry, we have $g_{D_{sJ}^{0K^+}}/g_{D_{sJ}} = 2$, $k_{D_{sJ}^{0K^+}} = 499$ MeV, and $k_{D_{sJ}} = 325$ MeV. We obtain:

$$\frac{\Gamma(D_{sJ}^{0K^+})}{\Gamma(D_{sJ}\eta)} = 2.3 \left(\frac{1.54}{1} \right)^{2L}$$

which is nearly 15 times larger than the experimental value [?].

Clearly, either some important physics is missing or one of the above two assumptions—SU(3) symmetry or $D_{sJ}(2632)$ as a $\bar{c}s$ state—is wrong. In the following sections, we analyze four different interpretations of this charming state and the resulting phenomenology.

II. Tetraquarks

One intriguing possibility is that $D_{sJ}(2632)$ is a tetraquark [?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?]. In this case, there should be other tetraquark partners of $D_{sJ}(2632)$. Moreover, its narrow width may require that quarks inside $D_{sJ}(2632)$ form tightly bound clusters like diquarks [?]. We provide a brief review of different versions of tetraquark interpretations.

Tetraquarks with quark content $\bar{c}\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ form four multiplets: two triplets, one anti-sextet, and one 15-plet:

$$\mathbf{3} \otimes \bar{\mathbf{3}} = \mathbf{3}_1 \oplus \mathbf{3}_2 \oplus \bar{\mathbf{6}} \oplus \mathbf{15}$$

The wave functions of these states can be found in Ref. [?]. Identifying $D_{sJ}(2632)$ as the $J^P = 0^+$ isoscalar member of the 15 tetraquarks with quark content $(d\bar{s}d + s\bar{d}d + s\bar{u}u + u\bar{s}u - 2s\bar{s}s)\bar{c}$ leads to the relative branching ratio [?]:

$$\frac{\Gamma(D^{0K^+})}{\Gamma(D_s\eta)} = 0.25$$

This decay pattern arises very naturally from the SU(3) Clebsch-Gordan coefficients.

Another possibility is that $D^+_{[sJ]}(2632)$ is dominated by $\bar{c}s\bar{s}s$ with $J^P = 0^+$ [?, ?]. The $\bar{s}s$ fluctuates into $\sqrt{3} \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{8}$. Hence, its decay mode is mainly D^+_s . The final states D^0K^+ and D^+K^0 are produced through the annihilation of $\bar{s}s$ into $\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d$, which requires the $\mathbf{1}$ component. Thus this process is OZI suppressed. In this way, the anomalous decay pattern is achieved.

In the diquark correlation configuration [?], $D^+_{[sJ]}(2632)$ is suggested to be a $(cs)_3^* (\bar{s}\bar{s})_3$ state, where the subscript numbers are color representations. With the assumption that $(cs)_3^*$ has small mixing with $(\bar{c}s)_1 - (\bar{s}s)_1$, one can provide a nice interpretation for the narrow width. The mixing between $\bar{s}s$ and $\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d$ can lead to the unusual branching ratio.

All three tetraquark interpretations above predict the same production rates for D^+K^0 and D^0K^+ final states. A serious challenge is that the SELEX Collaboration found no signal in the D^+K^0 channel [?].

A very different tetraquark version $c\bar{d}ds$ is proposed in Refs. [?, ?]. Naively, one would expect D^0K^+ decay to dominate. Ref. [?] invoked isospin symmetry breaking to explain the relative branching ratio. It was proposed that the mass eigenstate $D^+_{[sJ]}(2632)$ is a mixture between the two flavor eigenstates a^+ and f^+ , where a^+ is the $I = 1, I_3 = 0$ state in SU(3)_F 6 representation and f^+ is the $I = 0$ state in $\mathbf{3}_1$ with our notation. With some special mixing scheme, the D^0K^+ channel is suppressed while D^+K^0 and D_s modes are both important. Interestingly, Ref. [?] predicted:

$$\frac{\Gamma(D^{0K^+})}{\Gamma(D_s\eta)} = 0.16$$

At the same time, the authors of Ref. [?] predicted $4 < \Gamma(D^+K^0) < 7.6$ and $1.7 < \Gamma(D_s\pi^0) < 6.5$.

III. Large SU(3)_F Breaking and $D\{sJ\}(2632)$ as a $\bar{c}s$ State

Some authors have suggested that $D_{[sJ]}(2632)$ might be the first radial excitation of $D_s(2112)$ with $J^P = 1^-$. The nodal structure of the radial wave function of $D_s(2632)$ ensures the narrow width while different decay momenta in the two channels lead to the anomalous decay pattern [?, ?].

We emphasize that two new narrow states D^0J and D^+J should also exist as flavor partners of $D\{sJ\}(2632)$ within this scheme. The mass difference between $D\{sJ\}(2632)$ and $D^{0+}J$ should roughly be the strange quark mass $m_s \sim 100$ MeV. Therefore, their masses are around 2532 MeV. If $D\{sJ\}(2632)$ is interpreted as

the first radial excitation of $D_{s1}(2112)$, $D^{0+}_s(2532)$ should be the first radial excitation of $D^*(2010)$. Similarly, one expects the following B-meson analogues: $B^{0+}_{s1}(5940)$. Moreover, the branching ratio of S -wave two-pion decay modes may be significant if $D\{sJ\}(2632)$ is the radial excitation.

We point out that the decay momenta of the two channels D^{0+}_s and D^0K^+ are identical in the exact $SU(3)_F$ symmetry limit. Consequently, there would be no anomalous decay pattern. In other words, the origin of this explanation for the anomalous decay pattern can be traced back to $SU(3)$ flavor symmetry breaking effects. In the following, we use the effective Lagrangian formalism to analyze this effect in a model-independent way.

The symmetry breaking is caused by the quark mass matrix $m = \text{diag}(\hat{m}, \hat{m}, m_s)$. We assume isospin symmetry. The symmetry-breaking Lagrangian reads:

$$\mathcal{L}_m = \alpha T'^{\dagger}_i m^i_j (S_3)^j + \beta T'^{\dagger}_i m^l_j (\bar{S}_6)_{lk} \epsilon^{ijk} + \gamma T'^{\dagger}_i m^k_j (S_{15})^i_j$$

where:

$$(S_3)^i = M^i_j T^j, \quad (\bar{S}_6)_{ij} = M^a_j T^b \epsilon_{iab} + M^a_i T^b \epsilon_{jab}, \quad (S_{15})^i_j = M^i_k T^k_j + M^k_j T^i_k - \frac{1}{3} \delta^i_j M^a_k T^k_a$$

For $D^-_s\{sJ\}(2632)$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{D_{sJ}} = & (g_8 + \alpha m_s) \bar{D}^0_J K^- D^+_s + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (g_8 + \alpha m_s) D^+_J \bar{K}^0 D^+_s + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (g_8 + \alpha m_s) D^+_s \eta_8 D^-_s \\ & + \frac{1}{4} (g_8 + \alpha m_s) D^+_s \eta_1 D^-_s + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \gamma (m_s - \hat{m}) D^+_s \eta_8 D^-_s \end{aligned}$$

Naively, one would expect $|\gamma(m_s - \hat{m})/(g_8 + \alpha m_s)| \sim 1$. From the relative branching ratio $\Gamma(D^0K^+)/\Gamma(D^-_s) = 0.16$, we can extract the value $\gamma(m_s - \hat{m})/(g_8 + \alpha m_s)$. Numerically, there are two possibilities:

1. If we assume the physical η_8 meson is approximately η_8 , we obtain:

$$\left| \frac{\gamma(m_s - \hat{m})}{g_8 + \alpha m_s} \right| = 4.8$$

2. If we assume the physical η_1 meson is approximately η_1 , we obtain:

$$\left| \frac{\gamma(m_s - \hat{m})}{g_8 + \alpha m_s} \right| = 1.1$$

Although these numbers seem quite unnatural, anomalously large $SU(3)F$ breaking can in principle explain the special decay pattern of $D\{sJ\}(2632)$.

For D^0_{-J} and D^-_{-J} :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{D_J} = & (g_8 + \alpha\hat{m})D_J^0\pi^0\bar{D}^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(g_8 + \alpha\hat{m})D_J^0\pi^+D^- + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(g_8 + \alpha\hat{m})D_J^+\pi^-\bar{D}^0 \\ & -(g_8 + \alpha\hat{m})D_J^+\pi^0D^- + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\beta + \gamma)(m_s - \hat{m})D_J^0K^+D_s^- + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\beta + \gamma)(m_s - \hat{m})D_J^+K^0D_s^- \\ & + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\beta - \gamma)(m_s - \hat{m})D_J^0\eta_8\bar{D}^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\beta - \gamma)(m_s - \hat{m})D_J^+\eta_8D^-\end{aligned}$$

In general, $D^{0+}J$ may not have the same decay pattern as $D\{sJ\}(2632)$. For example, in the extreme case $|\gamma(m_s - \hat{m})/(g_8 + \alpha m_s)| \rightarrow 1$, we have the following relative branching ratios:

- For the ratio in Eq. (13): $\Gamma(D^0\pi^+) : \Gamma(D^+\pi^0) : \Gamma(D^+K^0) : \Gamma(D^+) = 1 : 0.5 : 36.6 : 74.8$
- For the ratio in Eq. (14): $\Gamma(D^0\pi^+) : \Gamma(D^+\pi^0) : \Gamma(D^+K^0) : \Gamma(D^+) = 1 : 0.5 : 0.4 : 0.1$

IV. Large Singlet Coupling and $D_{-}\{sJ\}(2632)$ as a $\bar{c}s$ State

As in the previous section, we assume $D_{-}\{sJ\}(2632)$ is a $\bar{c}s$ state with $J^P = 1^-$. Instead of invoking very large $SU(3)$ breaking effects to account for its decay pattern, we introduce the interaction between the $SU(3)$ singlet η_1 and $D_{-}\{sJ\}(2632)$ and consider mixing between η_8 and η_1 . The effective Lagrangian becomes:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = g_8 T'^{\dagger}_i M^i_j T^j + g_1 \eta_1 T'^{\dagger}_i T^i$$

The physical states η and η' are admixtures of η_8 and η_1 :

$$\begin{aligned}\eta &= \eta_8 \cos \theta - \eta_1 \sin \theta \\ \eta' &= \eta_8 \sin \theta + \eta_1 \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

with mixing angle $\theta = 20^\circ$ [?].

For $D_{-}\{sJ\}$:

$$\mathcal{L}_{D_{sJ}} = g_8 \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_{sJ}^+ K^- \bar{D}^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_{sJ}^+ \bar{K}^0 D^- + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} D_{sJ}^+ \eta_8 D_s^- \right\} + g_1 D_{sJ}^+ \eta_1 D_s^-$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{2}} D_{sJ}^+ K^- \bar{D}^0 + \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{2}} D_{sJ}^+ \bar{K}^0 D^- + \left(\frac{g_8}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta + g_1 \sin \theta \right) D_{sJ}^+ \eta D_s^- \\
&\quad + \left(-\frac{g_8}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta + g_1 \cos \theta \right) D_{sJ}^+ \eta' D_s^-
\end{aligned}$$

The Lagrangian involving D^0 and D^- reads:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{D_J} &= g_8 \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^0 \pi^0 \bar{D}^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^0 \pi^+ D^- + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^+ \pi^- \bar{D}^0 - D_J^+ \pi^0 D^- \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^0 K^+ D_s^- + \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^+ K^0 D_s^- + \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{6}} (D_J^0 \eta_8 \bar{D}^0 + D_J^+ \eta_8 D^-) \\
&= g_8 \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^0 \pi^0 \bar{D}^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^0 \pi^+ D^- + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^+ \pi^- \bar{D}^0 - D_J^+ \pi^0 D^- \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^0 K^+ D_s^- + \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{2}} D_J^+ K^0 D_s^- + \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{6}} \cos \theta (D_J^0 \eta \bar{D}^0 + D_J^+ \eta D^-) \\
&\quad - \frac{g_8}{\sqrt{6}} \sin \theta (D_J^0 \eta' \bar{D}^0 + D_J^+ \eta' D^-)
\end{aligned}$$

From the relative decay ratio, we can extract either:

$$\left| \frac{g_1}{g_8} \right| = 16.2$$

or:

$$\left| \frac{g_1}{g_8} \right| = 0.62$$

With these values, we have the following relative branching ratios:

- For the ratio in Eq. (22): $\Gamma(D^0 \pi^+) : \Gamma(D^+ \pi^0) : \Gamma(D^+ K^0) : \Gamma(D^+) = 1 : 0.5 : 0.07 : 6.6$
- For the ratio in Eq. (23): $\Gamma(D^0 \pi^+) : \Gamma(D^+ \pi^0) : \Gamma(D^+ K^0) : \Gamma(D^+) = 1 : 0.5 : 0.07 : 2.4$

It is interesting to note that χ_1 mixes strongly with $G\tilde{G}$ because of the axial anomaly. The anomalously large coupling between χ_1 and $D^+ \{sJ\}(2632)$ may indicate that $D^+ \{sJ\}(2632)$ is a heavy hybrid meson containing explicit glue [?]. This is the subject of the next section.

V. Large N_c Limit and $D_{sJ}^+(2632)$ as a Heavy Hybrid Meson

The large N_c formalism is a very useful and unique tool applicable across the entire energy regime from zero to infinity. In this section, we explore the possibility of $D_{sJ}(2632)$ being a hybrid state containing explicit glue using large N_c expansion. Recall that the normalized interpolating currents for a pure glueball and a conventional meson A in the large N_c limit read:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}_G &= g_s^2 G^2 \\ \mathcal{O}_A &= \bar{q}_i \Gamma_A q_i\end{aligned}$$

The factor $1/\sqrt{N_c}$ is introduced to ensure that the creation amplitude by $\mathcal{O}_A$ from the vacuum is $O(N_c^0)$ in the large N_c limit. That is, the following matrix elements are order unity when $N_c \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_A(0) | \text{meson} \rangle &\sim O(N_c^0) \\ \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_G(0) | \text{glueball} \rangle &\sim O(N_c^0)\end{aligned}$$

We have depicted $q\bar{q}$ mesons, $\bar{q}Gq$ hybrid states, and glueballs in Fig. 1 [Figure 1: see original paper].

To illustrate the formalism, we consider the N_c order of the mixing amplitude between a glueball and a $q\bar{q}$ meson, which can be extracted through the correlation function:

$$\langle T \{ \mathcal{O}_A(x) \mathcal{O}_G(y) \} \rangle$$

The Feynman diagram is presented in Fig. 2 [Figure 2: see original paper], along with the double-line representation in the large N_c approach. There are two independent closed color loops that contribute N_c^2 , while two vertices contribute g_s^2 . Its N_c order reads:

$$\langle T \{ \mathcal{O}_A(x) \mathcal{O}_G(y) \} \rangle \sim \frac{N_c^2}{N_c} \sim N_c$$

In other words, glueballs decouple from conventional mesons when $N_c \rightarrow \infty$.

We consider two kinds of heavy hybrid mesons:

1.

$$\mathcal{O}_{H1} = \bar{s} \gamma_\nu g_s G_{\mu\nu} c$$

with $J^P = 1^-$ and $c\bar{s}$ in the color octet state

2.

$$\mathcal{O}_{H2} = \bar{s} i \gamma_5 c g_s^2 G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$$

with $J^P = 0^+$ and $c\bar{s}$ in the color singlet state

The normalized states are:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{Vector Hybrid State } H_1 | \mathcal{O}_{H_1}^\mu(0) | 0 \rangle &= F_{H_1} \epsilon^\mu \\ \langle \text{Scalar Hybrid State } H_2 | \mathcal{O}_{H_2}(0) | 0 \rangle &\sim O(N_c^0) \end{aligned}$$

For the $J^P = 1^-$ hybrid meson, its decay channels are shown in Fig. 3 [Figure 3: see original paper] using Feynman diagrams and double-line representation. The dominant decay mode in the large N_c limit is for the gluon to split into a color-octet $q\bar{q}$ pair in diagram (a) of Fig. 3. Then the $q\bar{q}$ pair recombines with the $c\bar{s}$ pair to form $D^0 K^+$, $D^+ K^0$, and D_s^- . The N_c order of this decay amplitude is $O(N_c^0)$. When it decays into two $q\bar{q}$ mesons through color-singlet two-gluon intermediate states in diagram (b), the decay amplitude is $O(1/N_c)$. When it decays into a glueball and a $q\bar{q}$ meson, the decay amplitude is $O(1/N_c^2)$, i.e., diagram (c). In other words, assigning $D_{sJ}(2632)$ as a $J^P = 1^-$ hybrid meson does not lead to the abnormal decay pattern observed by the SELEX Collaboration.

Now we turn to the second case. With this configuration, it is possible to understand the narrowness of $D_s(2632)$. When it decays into a glueball and D_s in diagram (b) of Fig. 4 [Figure 4: see original paper], the amplitude is $O(N_c^0)$ in the large N_c limit. Hence, this would be the most probable decay channel if kinematics allowed. However, it cannot occur because the glueball is too heavy.

The decay mode D_{s1} in diagram (c) of Fig. 4 is $O(1/N_c)$ and subleading. However, it is also forbidden by kinematics. Therefore, $D_s(2632)$ is narrow. We note that the meson is a mixture of s_8 and s_1 . The mixing amplitude is $O(1/N_c)$ arising from SU(3) symmetry breaking effects. Hence, the kinematically allowed decay mode D_{s1} becomes the dominant mode, although it is $O(1/N_c)$ suppressed.

The DK channel can occur only when the color-singlet two gluons annihilate into a pair of light quarks, namely after the hybrid becomes a four-quark state. This hybrid-to-four-quark transition is $1/N_c$ suppressed in amplitude. The four-quark state can decay to both D_s and DK, and the latter channel is further suppressed compared to the former due to the color mismatch factor, which is $1/N_c$ in amplitude. The N_c order can be read from diagram (a) in Fig. 4:

$$\frac{\Gamma(D^0 K^+)}{\Gamma(D_s \eta)} \sim \left(\frac{1}{N_c^3} \right)^2 \sim \frac{1}{N_c^6}$$

Naively, there are three closed color loops, so one would expect a factor N_c^3 . However, the charm and strange quarks are in a color-singlet state, so their color indices are identical. In other words, there are only two independent color loops. Finally, we obtain:

$$\frac{\Gamma(D^{0K^+})}{\Gamma(D_s\eta)} \sim \left(\frac{1}{N_c^3}\right)^2 \sim \frac{1}{N_c^6}$$

where the numerical value arises from using $N_c = 3$. The assignment of $D_{sJ}(2632)$ as a $\bar{c}s g_s^2 G\tilde{G}$ state explains the decay pattern quite naturally. A dynamical calculation of the mass of such a heavy hybrid meson would be very desirable but is beyond the scope of this note.

VI. Discussions

In this note, we have considered various possible interpretations of $D_{sJ}(2632)$ and discussed the resulting phenomenology. Future experimental confirmation of this state and discovery of its partners will help unveil the mysterious underlying dynamics of this narrow charm-strange meson.

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