

A Description of $q\bar{q}$ and $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ Mesons and High-energy Forward $\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^0\pi^0$ Reaction

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We have recently presented a model for $\pi\pi\rightarrow\pi\pi$ scattering, involving the $q\bar{q}$ and $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ mesonic resonances. The model has a dual term involving the $q\bar{q}$ mesons and a short-range correction term doing the $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ mesons. Here, we discuss how does the correction term modify Regge asymptotic behaviours of the dual term.

Experimental informations on the scalar mesons^{1)~5)} indicate that the meson spectrum can not be understood only by the quark-model $q\bar{q}$ states. In fact, in addition to well-established scalar mesons $S(975)$, $\delta(980)$, $\epsilon(1300)$ and $\kappa(1350)$,¹⁾ there are promising candidates for the scalar mesons, $\epsilon(\sim 800)$,^{2),3)} $\delta'(\sim 1300)$ ⁴⁾ and an $s\bar{s}$ component.⁵⁾ It may be reasonable to assign the $\epsilon(1300)$ and $\kappa(1350)$ and $\delta'(\sim 1300)$ and an $s\bar{s}$ component in Ref. 5) to the $q\bar{q}$ 3P_0 states, because their masses are near to the masses of the $f(1270)$, $K^*(1430)$, $A_2(1320)$ and $f'(1525)$ ¹⁾ (which are assigned to the 3P_2 states) and those of the $D(1285)$, $Q_A(1340)$,^{*} $A(1270)$ and $E(1420)$ ¹⁾ (to the 3P_1 ones).

The remaining low-lying $S(975)$, $\delta(980)$ and $\epsilon(\sim 800)$ do not, however, possess corresponding $q\bar{q}$ states.

An interesting understanding of the low-lying $\epsilon(\sim 800)$, $S(975)$ and $\delta(980)$ is to assign them to the lightest cryptoexotic $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ nonet, supposing the existence of other components κ (and $\bar{\kappa}$) with mass $\simeq 900$ MeV.⁶⁾ Following Jaffe⁶⁾ who has studied the S -wave $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ states in a semi-classical approximation to the MIT bag model, the states are analogous to the usual S -wave $q\bar{q}$ mesons and have large widths in mesonic channels, because they preferentially decay by just falling apart into two $q\bar{q}$ mesons. (They are not baryonium-like states,⁷⁾ and they are often denoted by $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$, which we also use hereafter.) As has been also discussed by Jaffe, the lowest $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ nonet lies, in mass, lower than the $q\bar{q}$ 3P_0 nonet. The lightness of the lowest $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ nonet is mainly due to the short-range spin-spin force mediated by one-gluon exchange.

Recently we have made a discussion about the remaining problem: How is the scattering amplitude involving the $q\bar{q}$ and $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ mesons written?⁸⁾ We have paid attention to that the $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ states, i.e., the S -wave $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ states are quite different from

^{*}) The observed $I=1/2$, $S=1$ axial-vector mesons are the $Q(1280)$ and $Q(1400)$.¹⁾ The Q_A is one of the two G eigenstates.

the $l(\geq 1)$ $qq - \bar{q}\bar{q}$ (diquark-antidiquark) states.^{7),9)} The $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ states are analogous to the usual S -wave $q\bar{q}$ mesons, as already stated above. While, the $l(\geq 1)$ $qq - \bar{q}\bar{q}$ ones are corresponding to elongated bag structures.^{7),9)} Since their couplings to mesonic channels are suppressed by centrifugal barrier effects, only their couplings to baryon-antibaryon channels will be important.^{7),9)} Therefore, as far as the meson-meson scattering is considered, only the $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ states are concerned in the short-range correction to the dual amplitude involving the $q\bar{q}$ resonances. As for the details of the correction term for the $0^-0^- \rightarrow 0^-0^-$ scattering, only the 0^+ $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ states contribute practically to the term. (The 2^+ $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ states can not dissociate into two 0^- mesons.^{6),*)} This is very important. The correction term never spoils the high-energy behaviour of the dual term. However, the correction term somewhat changes high-energy behaviours of the dual term. In this paper, we discuss high-energy behaviours of the amplitude composed of the dual and short-range correction terms.

First, for the $\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ scattering, we state details of the present model. For the $\pi^-\pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^-\pi^+$ scattering, the present model is illustrated by the quark diagram in Fig. 1. A uniquely determined $\pi^-\pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^-\pi^+$ dual resonance amplitude recently obtained by Munakata, Sakamoto and the author¹⁰⁾ is taken as the dual term. It is obtained, starting with the most general Veneziano-type amplitude in terms of the exchange-degenerate ρ - f Regge trajectory, which has just the degree of freedom to provide an arbitrary residue at each of parents and their daughters, and restricting the most general Veneziano-type amplitude by two conditions; the local duality scheme¹¹⁾ involving the harmonic-oscillator spectrum of $SU(6) \otimes O(3)_L$ multiplets, and an asymptotic convergence condition. It is

$$F(s, t) = -\lambda(1-\beta^2) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-1)!(2n-1+\beta)(2n-3+\beta)} \times \left(\frac{\Gamma(n-\alpha_s)\Gamma(n-\alpha_t)}{\Gamma(n-\alpha_s-\alpha_t)} + \frac{(1-\beta)}{2} \frac{\Gamma(n-\alpha_s)\Gamma(n-\alpha_t)}{\Gamma(n+1-\alpha_s-\alpha_t)} \right). \quad (1)$$

Here, $\alpha_s \equiv \alpha' s + \alpha_0$ is the ρ - f trajectory, and λ is a constant, and β is $\beta \equiv 2 - 3\alpha_0 - 4\alpha' m_\pi^2$. As for the correction term, we consider only the lightest multiplet for simplicity, although there are four 0^+ $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ multiplets.⁶⁾ (It is noted that the heavier multiplets (9^* and 36^*) couple only weakly to 0^-0^- channels.⁶⁾) The lightest multiplet is a nonet, to which the $\varepsilon(\sim 800)$, $\kappa(\sim 900)$, $\delta(980)$ and $S(975)$ are assigned. We note also that the $\delta(980)$ and $S(975)$ components of the lightest nonet, whose quark contents are $\{u\bar{d}s\bar{s}$ etc. $\}$ and $s\bar{s}(u\bar{u} + d\bar{d})/\sqrt{2}$, are forbidden to decay into $\pi\pi$ by the OZI rule. We tentatively write down the $\varepsilon(\sim 800)$ exchange amplitude in the narrow-width approximation which is used to construct the dual term,

$$\frac{g_{\varepsilon(\sim 800)\pi\pi}^2 m_{\varepsilon(\sim 800)}^2}{m_{\varepsilon(\sim 800)}^2 - s} + \frac{g_{\varepsilon(\sim 800)\pi\pi}^2 m_{\varepsilon(\sim 800)}^2}{m_{\varepsilon(\sim 800)}^2 - t}. \quad (2)$$

*) The decay products of the $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ mesons must be S -wave $q\bar{q}$ mesons in relative S waves.⁶⁾

The whole amplitude $A(s, t)$ for $\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^-\pi^+$ scattering in the present model is Eq. (1) plus Eq. (2). With input

$$m_\pi=0.140 \text{ GeV}, \quad \alpha'=0.888 (\text{GeV})^{-2}, \quad \alpha_0=0.475, \quad \lambda=-0.743, \quad (3)$$

and $m_{\epsilon(\sim 800)}=0.8 \text{ GeV}$ and the kinematics in $\pi\pi$ scattering, the present model reproduces experiments on partial decay widths and S -wave scattering lengths fairly well and satisfies Adler's PCAC consistency condition¹²⁾ and the Adler-Weisberger sum rule.¹³⁾ (It is noted that λ is adjusted by observed $\rho\rightarrow 2\pi$ width.)

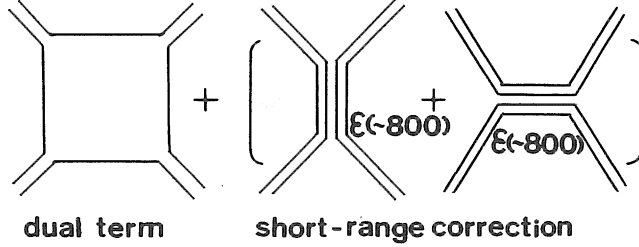


Fig. 1. The present model for $\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^-\pi^+$ scattering. The dual term involves $q\bar{q}$ resonances, and its Regge behaviour reflects the long-range confining force. The correction to it involves the $J^P=0^+$ $qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$ states, i.e., the S -wave 0^+ $qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$ states and has a fixed and short force range.

Now, we discuss high-energy behaviours of the amplitudes in the present model. The charge-exchange $\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^0\pi^0$ amplitude in the present model is

$$A(\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^0\pi^0)=\frac{1}{2}[F(t, u)-F(s, t)-F(s, u)]-\frac{g_{\epsilon(\sim 800)}^2\pi\pi m_{\epsilon(\sim 800)}^2}{m_{\epsilon(\sim 800)}^2-s}, \quad (4)$$

and its dual term has the asymptotic form

$$\frac{1}{2}[F(t, u)-F(s, t)-F(s, u)] \xrightarrow{s\rightarrow\infty, t \text{ fixed}} \frac{1}{2}[\lambda\Gamma(1-\alpha_t)I(\alpha_t)\alpha_s^{\alpha_t}-\lambda\Gamma(1-\alpha_t)e^{-i\pi\alpha_t}I(\alpha_t)\alpha_s^{\alpha_t}]. \quad (5)$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} I(\alpha_t) &= -\frac{(1-\beta^2)}{\Gamma(1-\alpha_t)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n-\alpha_t)}{(n-1)!(2n-1+\beta)(2n-3+\beta)} \\ &= F\left(1-\alpha_t, \frac{\beta-1}{2}, \frac{\beta+3}{2}; 1\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{3+\beta}{2}\right)\Gamma(1+\alpha_t)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1+\beta}{2}+\alpha_t\right)}, \quad (\text{Re}(3+\beta)>0, \text{Re}(1+\alpha_t)>0). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

In Eq. (6), $F(a, b, c; z)$ is Gauss's hypergeometric function.

In Fig. 2, we compare the high-energy behaviour of amplitude (4) with that of its dual term, at a dipion mass of 1.8 GeV and in the forward direction $0 \geq t \geq -1$ (GeV/c)² where the Born amplitude may be dominant.

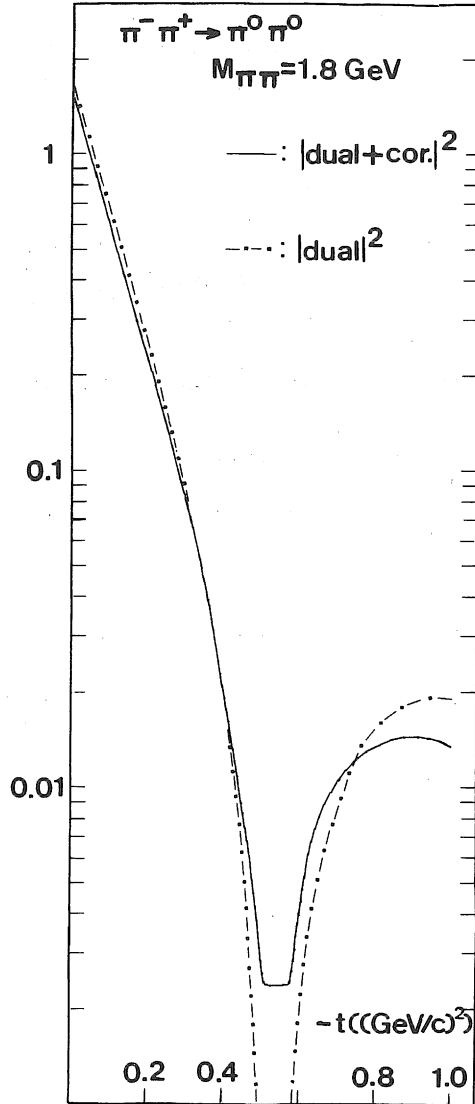


Fig. 2. Comparison of the $\pi^- \pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$ amplitude in the present model with its dual term at a high energy.

Similar comparisons are made for the $\pi^- \pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^+$ and $\pi^+ \pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+$ scattering

in Figs. 3 and 4. As for the $\pi^+\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^+\pi^+$ amplitude in the present model, it is

$$A(\pi^+\pi^+ \longrightarrow \pi^+\pi^+) = F(t, u) + \frac{g_{\tilde{c}(\sim 800)\pi\pi}^2 m_{\tilde{c}(\sim 800)}^2}{m_{\tilde{c}(\sim 800)}^2 - t} + \frac{g_{\tilde{c}(\sim 800)\pi\pi}^2 m_{\tilde{c}(\sim 800)}^2}{m_{\tilde{c}(\sim 800)}^2 - u}. \quad (7)$$

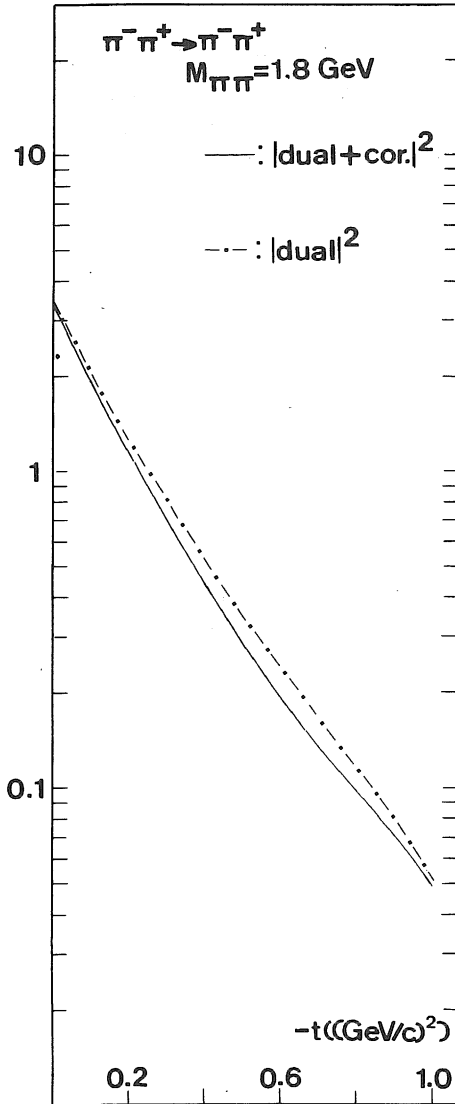


Fig. 3. Comparison of the $\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^-\pi^+$ amplitude in the present model with its dual term at a high energy.

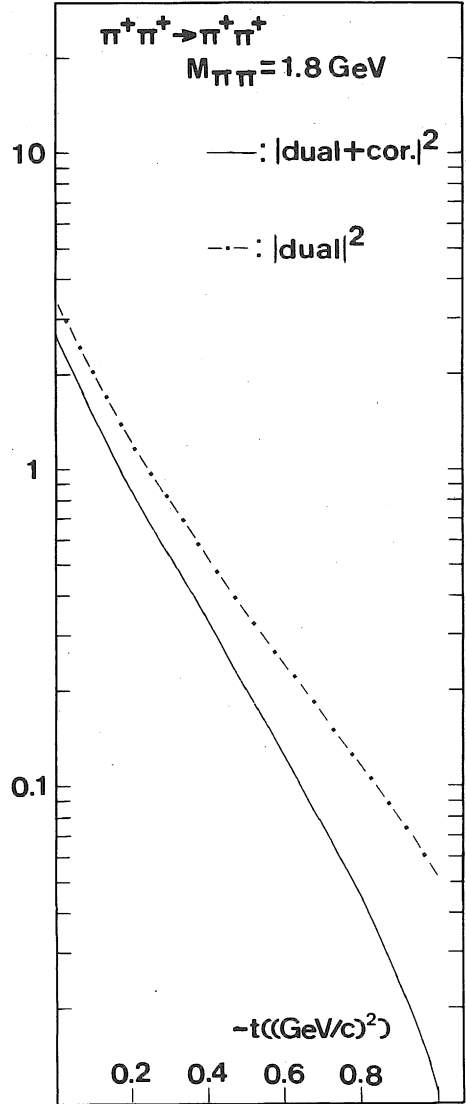


Fig. 4. Comparison of the $\pi^+\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^+\pi^+$ amplitude in the present model with its dual term at a high energy.

From Figs. 2, 3 and 4, we see the following:

- (a) In the charge-exchange $\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^0\pi^0$ process, the high-energy behaviour of the dual term is a little modified by the $\epsilon(\sim 800)$ contribution. At higher energies, such a feature is retained, because the $\epsilon(\sim 800)$ appears only in the s -channel. Therefore, it will be difficult to find effects of the $\epsilon(\sim 800)$ on this process at high energies, although the diffraction scattering is absent from this process.
- (b) In the $\pi^+\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^+\pi^+$ scattering, the high-energy behaviour of the dual term is considerably modified by the $\epsilon(\sim 800)$ exchange. Such modification becomes larger at higher energies. However, the diffraction scattering seems to dominate at higher energies ($M_{\pi\pi} > 2$ GeV), judging from experiments on $\pi^-\pi^+\rightarrow\pi^-\pi^+$ scattering at the dipion masses up to 3.5 GeV.¹⁴⁾

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