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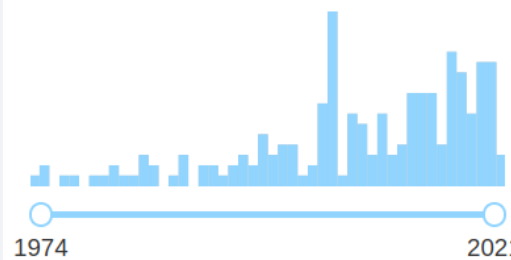
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- And second, I will mostly focus this talk on what can we can learn from the constituent quark model approach for exotic states from the double heavy four-quark sector.
- Topics I will not cover
  - QCD sum rules.
  - Lattice QCD.
  - Dynamically generated resonances.
  - Phenomenological mass-based relations.
  - etc...



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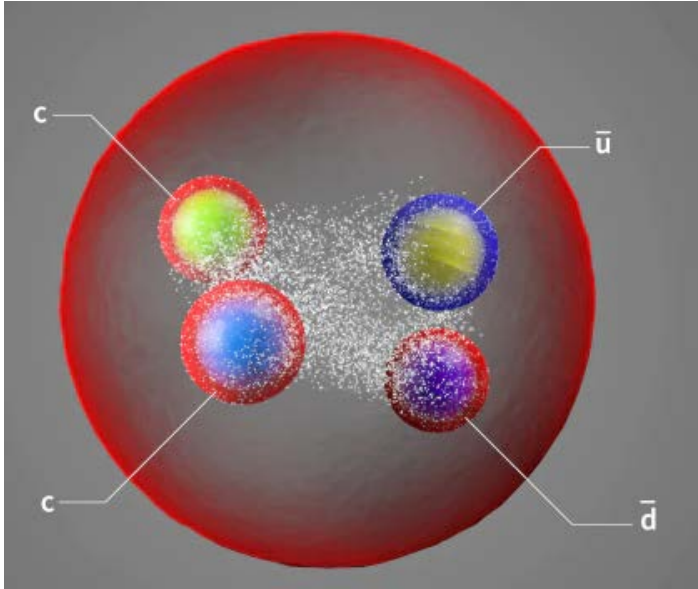
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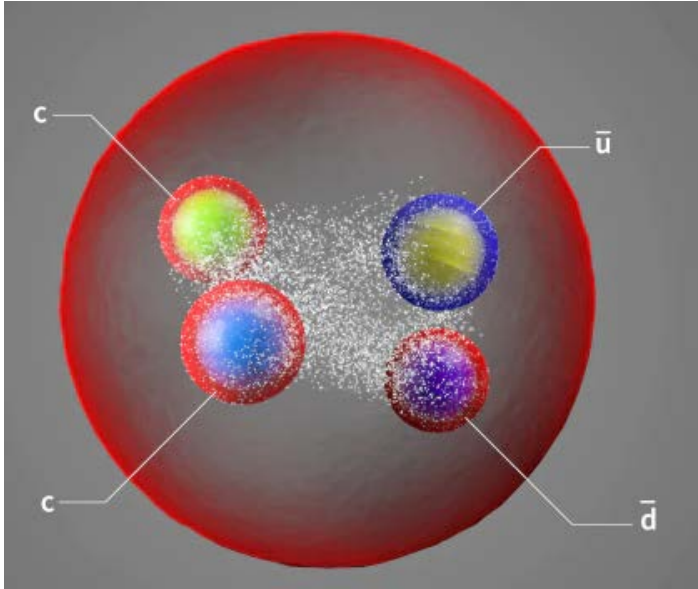
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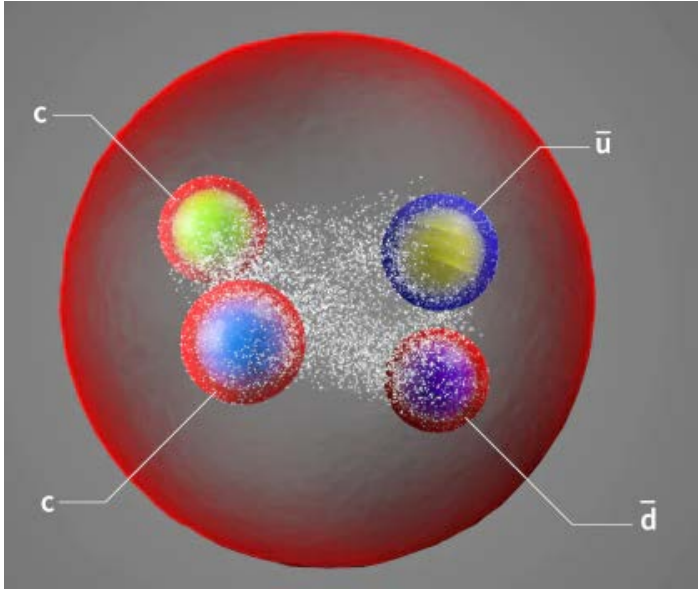
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$$|meson\rangle = \alpha_1 |q\bar{q}\rangle + \alpha_2 |qq\bar{q}\bar{q}\rangle + \alpha_3 |qqq\bar{q}\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

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But for charm equal  $\pm 2 \rightarrow$

$$|T_{cc}\rangle = \alpha_2 |cc\bar{q}\bar{q}\rangle + \alpha_3 |ccq\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

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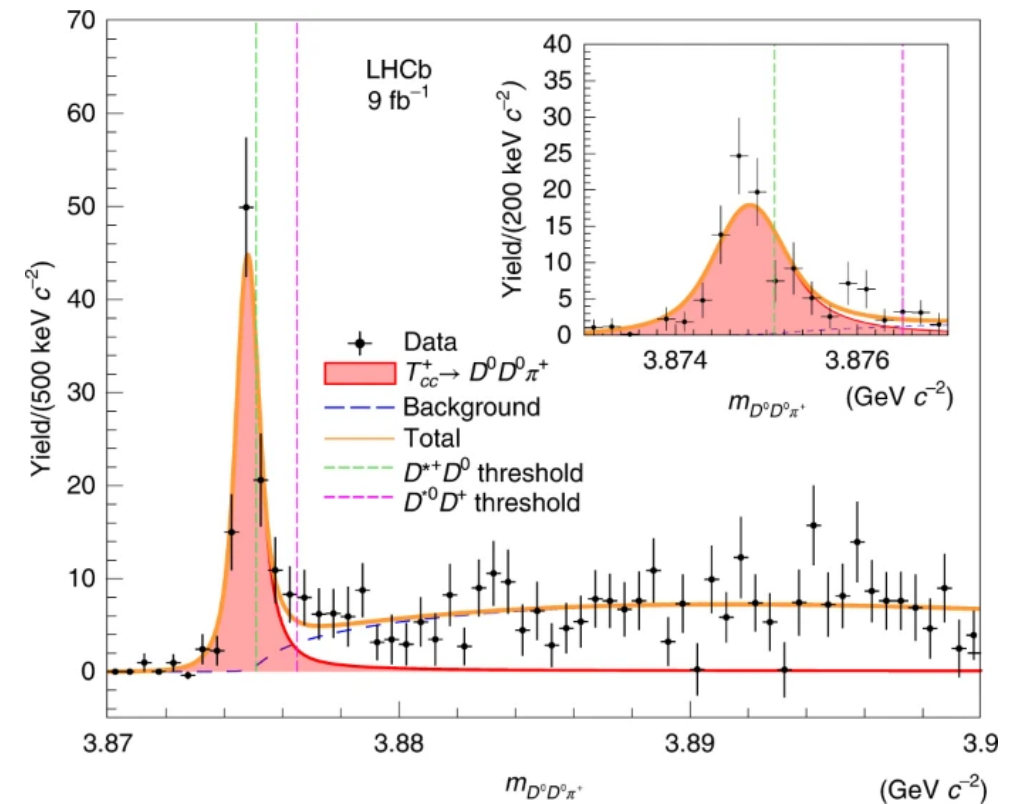
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#### Abstract

Conventional, hadronic matter consists of baryons and mesons made of three quarks and a quark–antiquark pair, respectively<sup>1,2</sup>. Here, we report the observation of a hadronic state containing four quarks in the Large Hadron Collider beauty experiment. This so-called tetraquark contains two charm quarks, a  $\bar{u}$  and a  $\bar{d}$  quark. This exotic state has a mass of approximately 3,875 MeV and manifests as a narrow peak in the mass spectrum of  $D^0 D^0 \pi^+$  mesons just below the  $D^{*+} D^0$  mass threshold. The near-threshold mass together with the narrow width reveals the resonance nature of the state.



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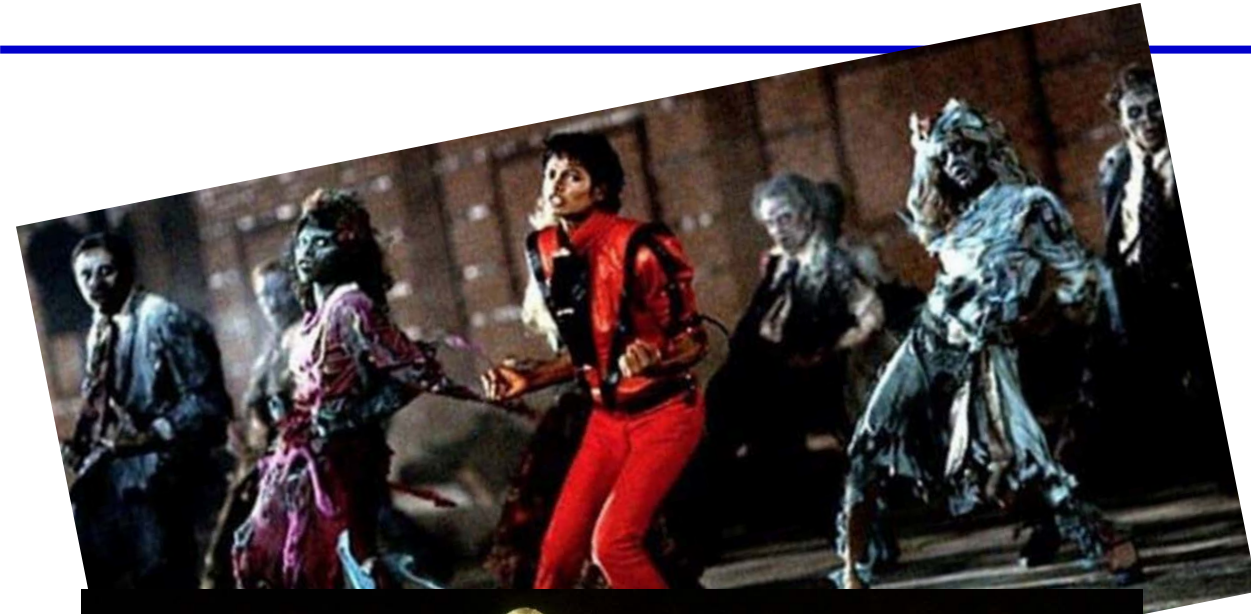


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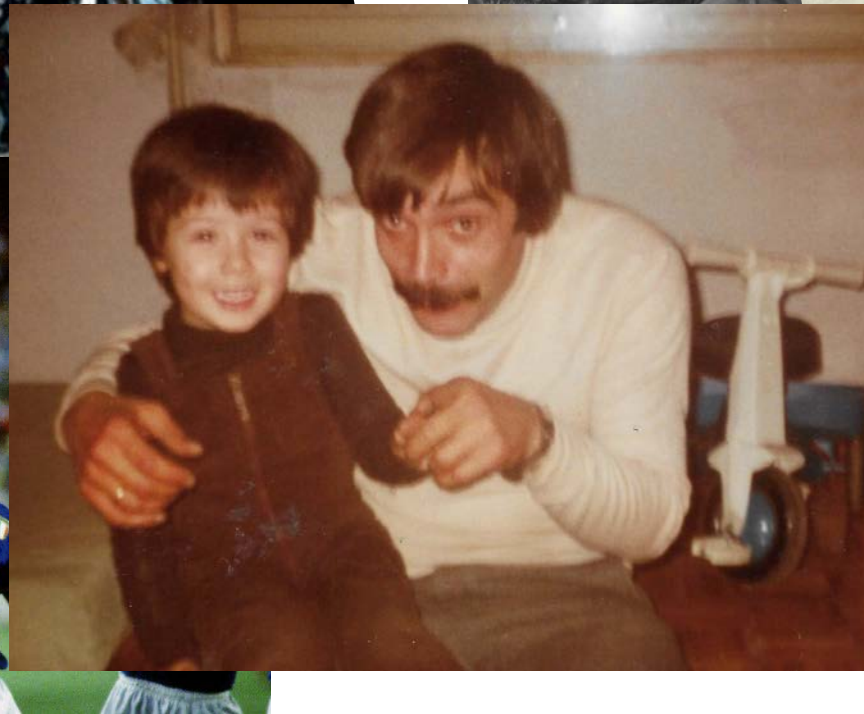
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The authors consider **linear+coulomb** and **power-law** potentials and a **variational approach** using a harmonic oscillator wave function .

More complex options are included for the all-heavy four-quark states (chromomagnetic interaction, bag model, negative parity states, etc...)

$$V_{Q\bar{Q}}^I(r) = -\frac{16}{3} V_8^I(r)$$
$$= -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} + \lambda r ,$$
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our qualitative conclusions are certainly rather general. The cryptoexotic configuration  $QQ'\bar{Q}\bar{Q}'$ , lies above its lowest dissociation threshold  $Q\bar{Q} + Q'\bar{Q}'$ . On the other hand, the genuine exotic  $QQ\bar{Q}'\bar{Q}'$  can be stable against dissociation if the ratio of the quark masses is large enough. Our predictions

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$nn\bar{b}\bar{b}$	0	1	10525	-131
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$nn\bar{c}\bar{b}$	0	1	7244	1
$nn\bar{c}\bar{b}$	0	0	7206	11
$nn\bar{c}\bar{c}$	0	1	3931	19
$nn\bar{b}\bar{b}$	1	2	10735	30
$ns\bar{b}\bar{b}$	1/2	2	10816	48
$nn\bar{s}\bar{c}$	0	2	2975	49
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$nn\bar{n}\bar{n}$	0	2	1605	51
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## Exotic meson-meson molecules and compact four-quark states

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We revisit the same sector using more powerful numerical techniques:

- A hyperspherical harmonic formalism (up to  $K = 30$ )
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$$R_s(1234) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_s^{(i)} R_s^{(i)} =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \beta_s^{(i)} e^{-a_s^{(i)} \bar{x}^2 - b_s^{(i)} \bar{y}^2 - c_s^{(i)} \bar{z}^2 - d_s^{(i)} \bar{x}\bar{y} - e_s^{(i)} \bar{x}\bar{z} - f_s^{(i)} \bar{y}\bar{z}}$$

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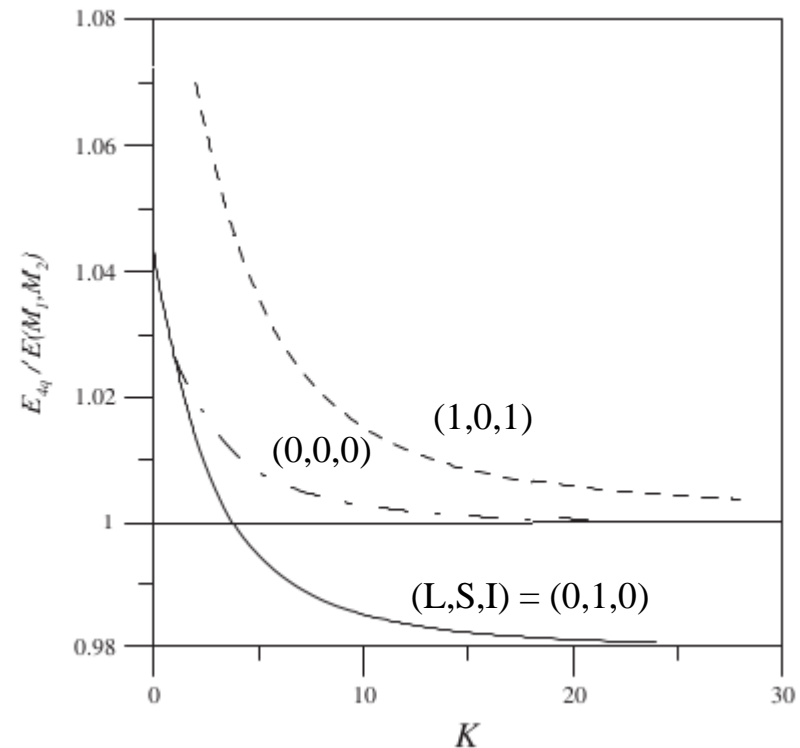
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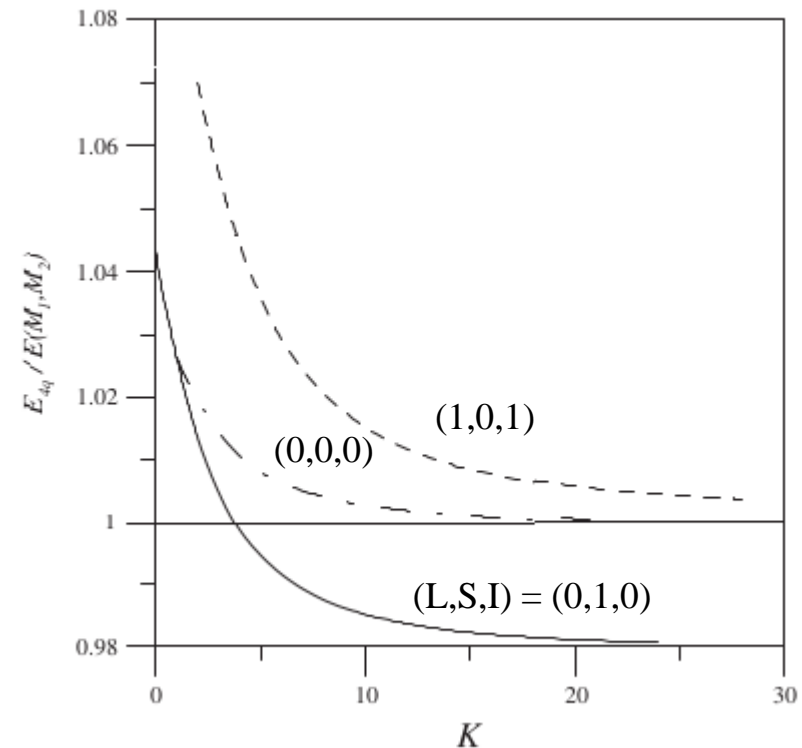
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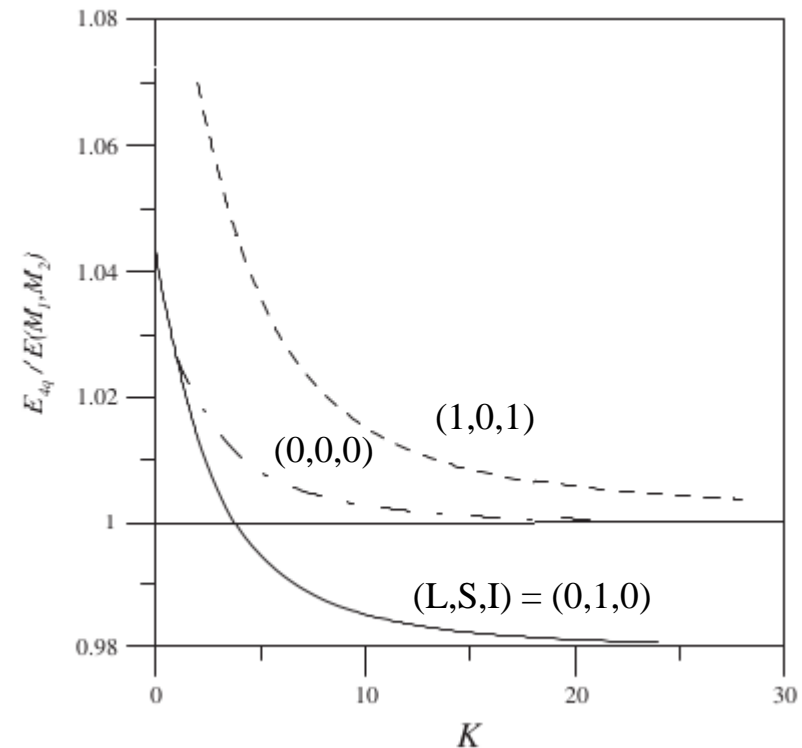
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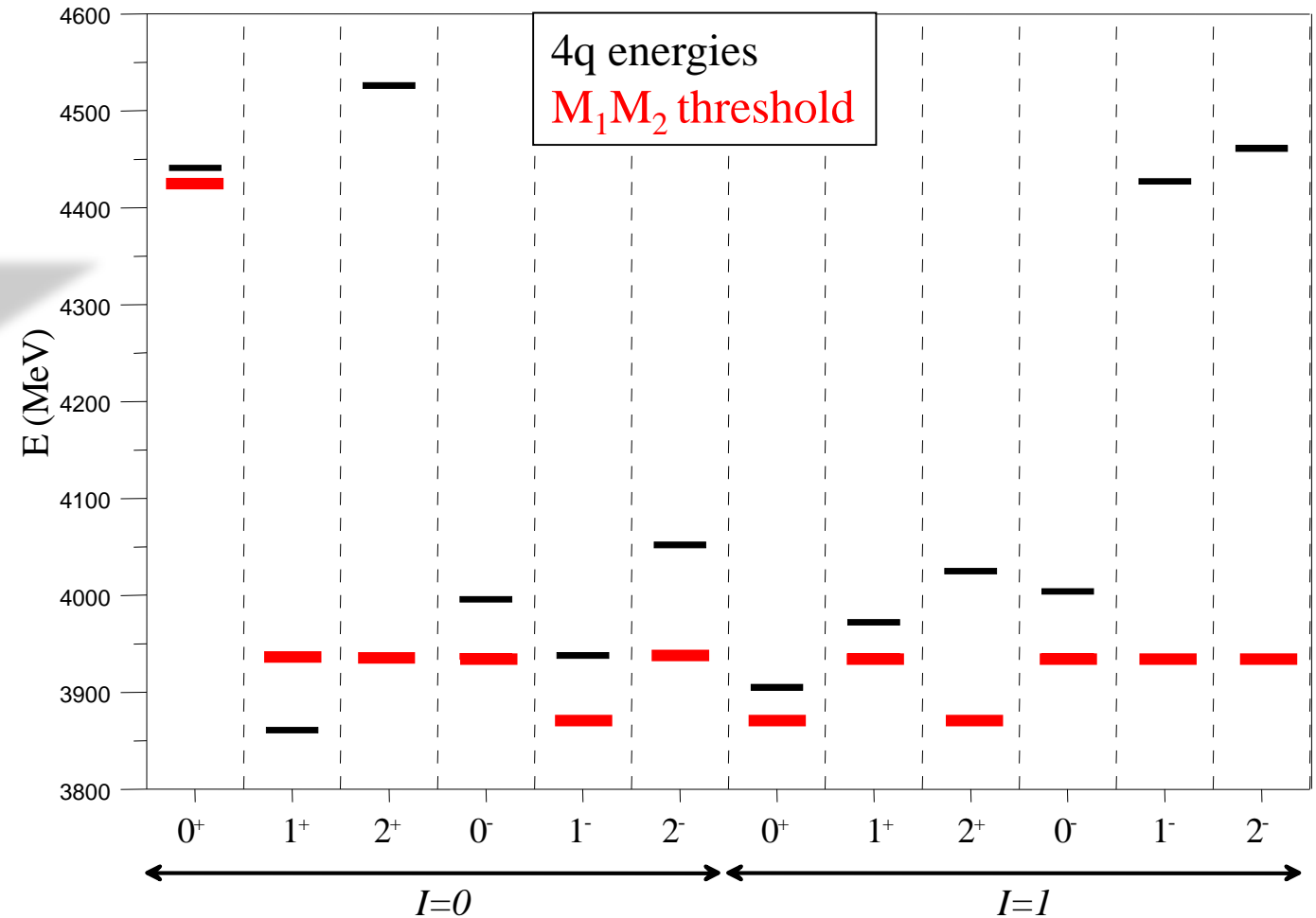
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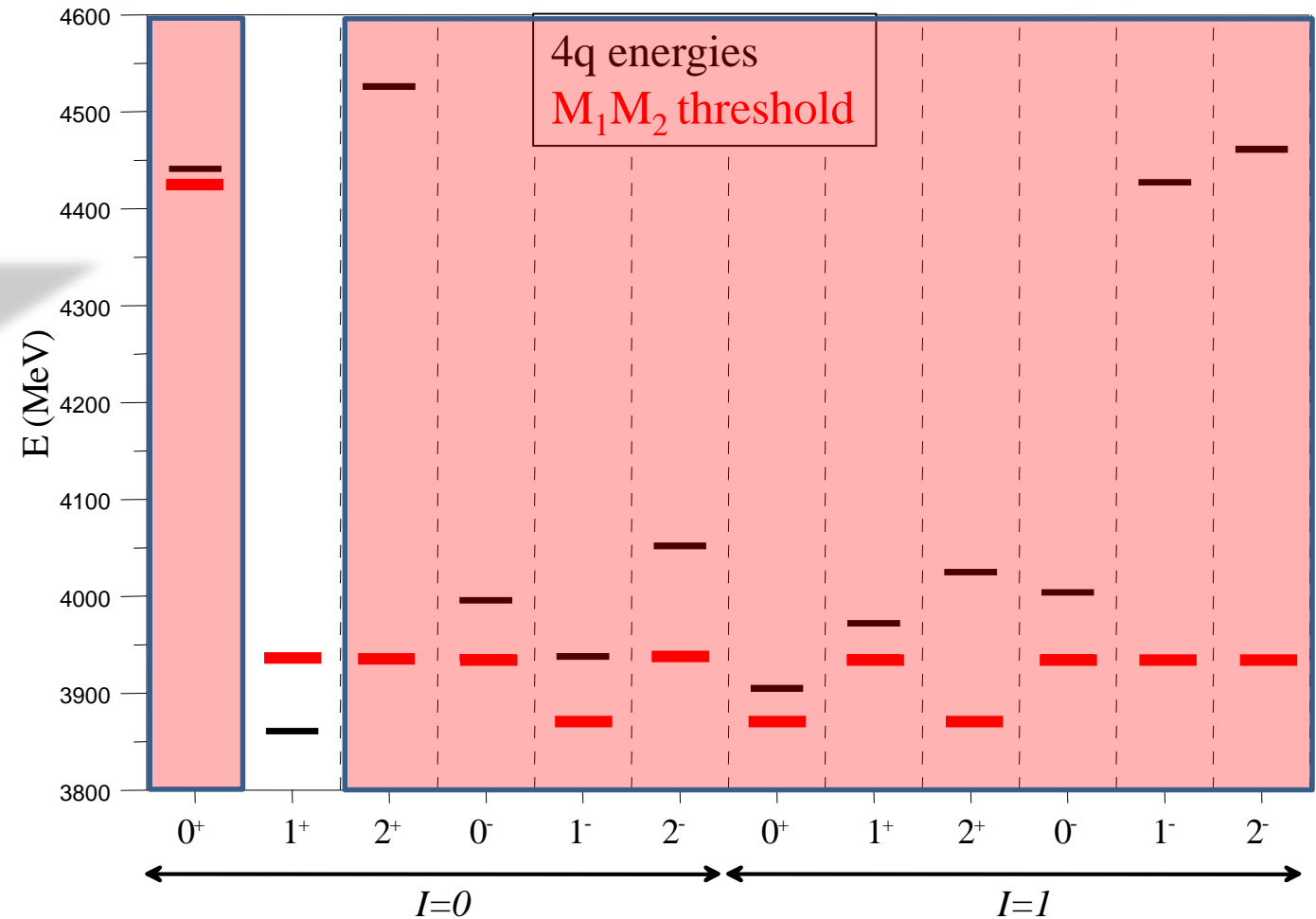
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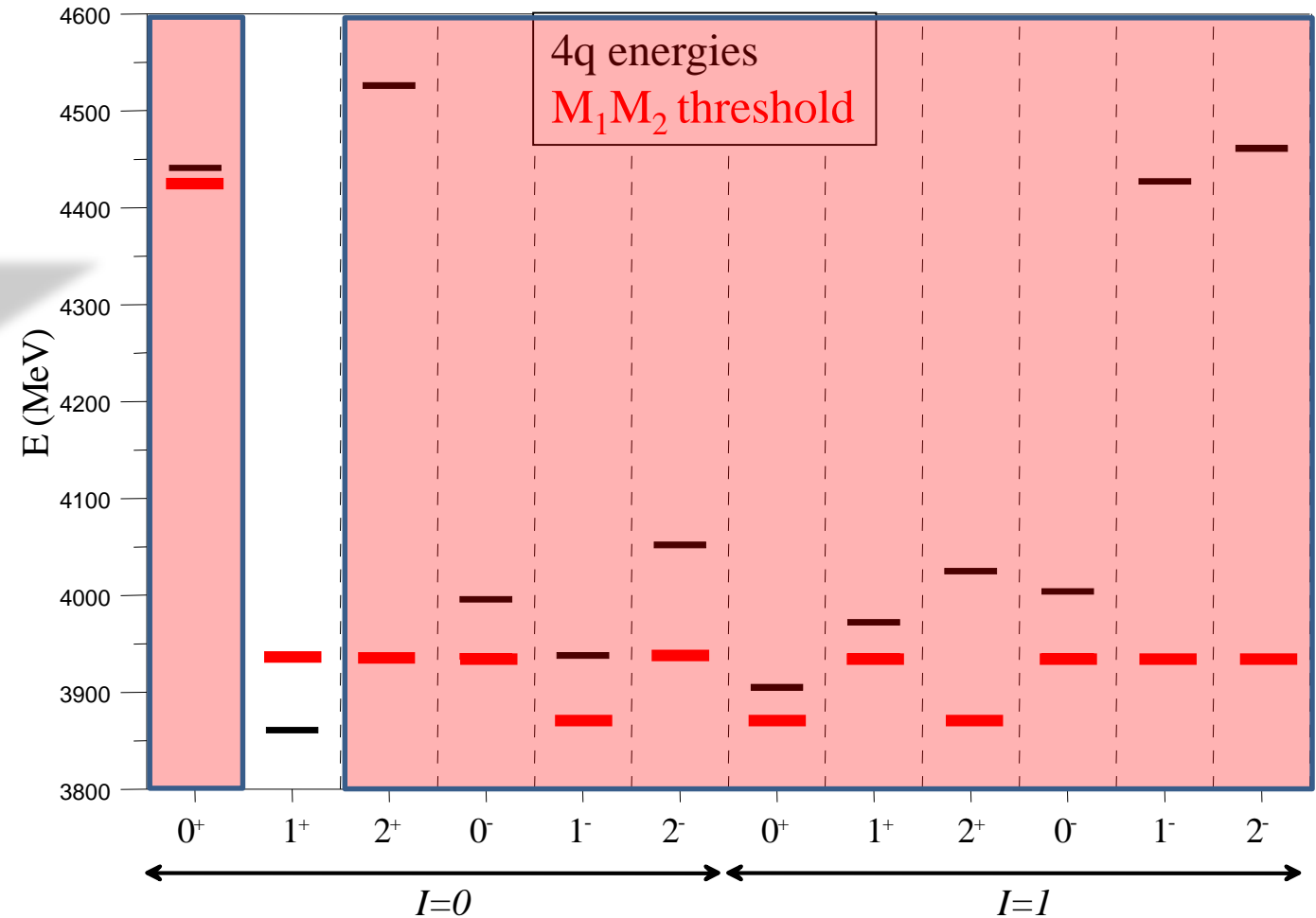
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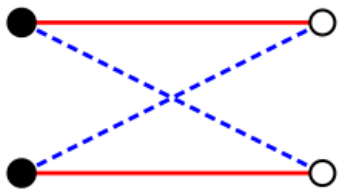


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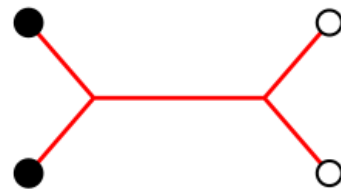
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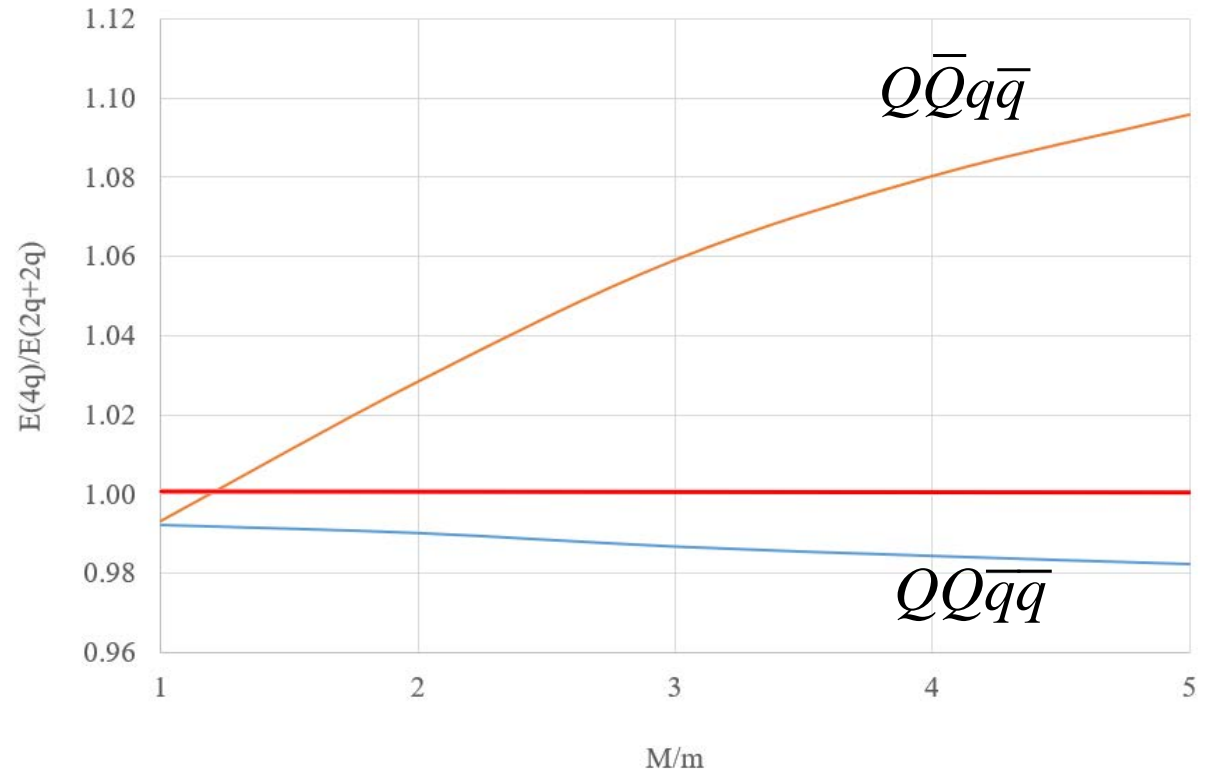
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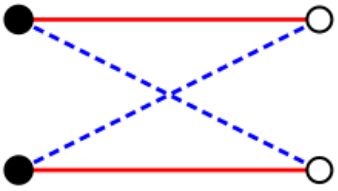
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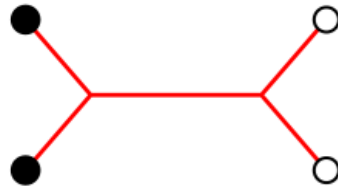


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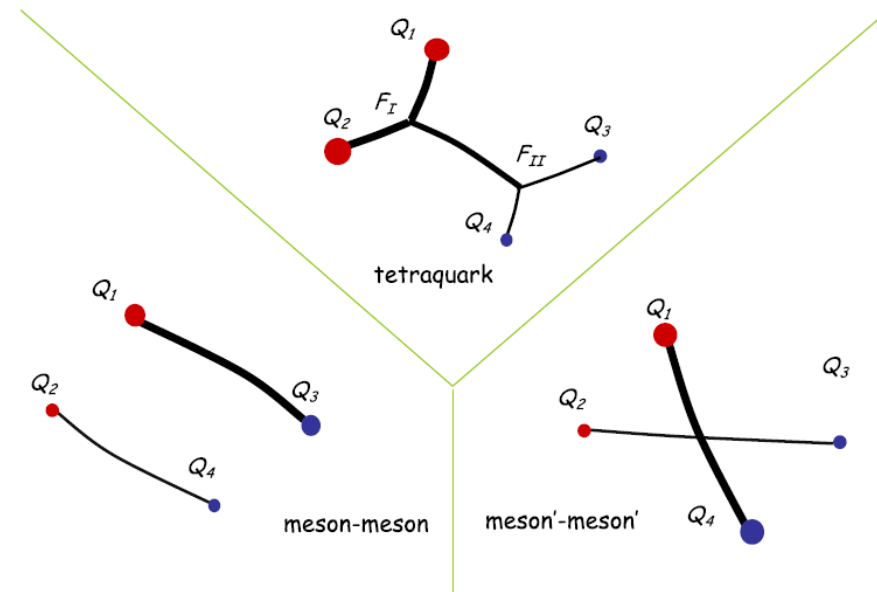
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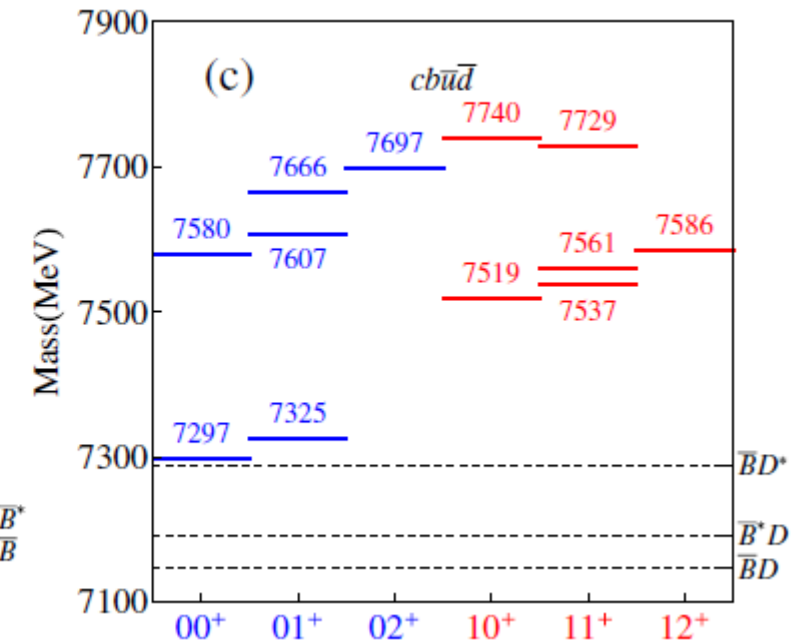
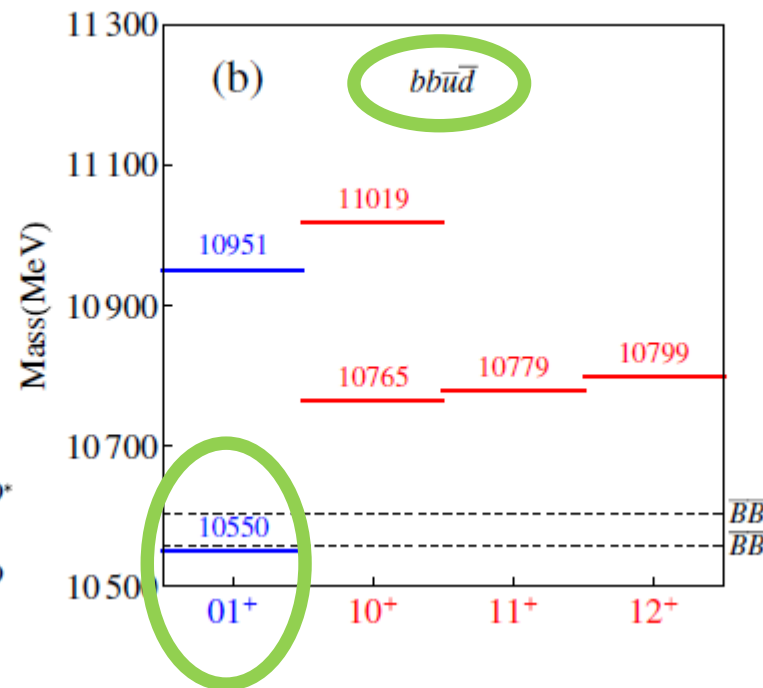
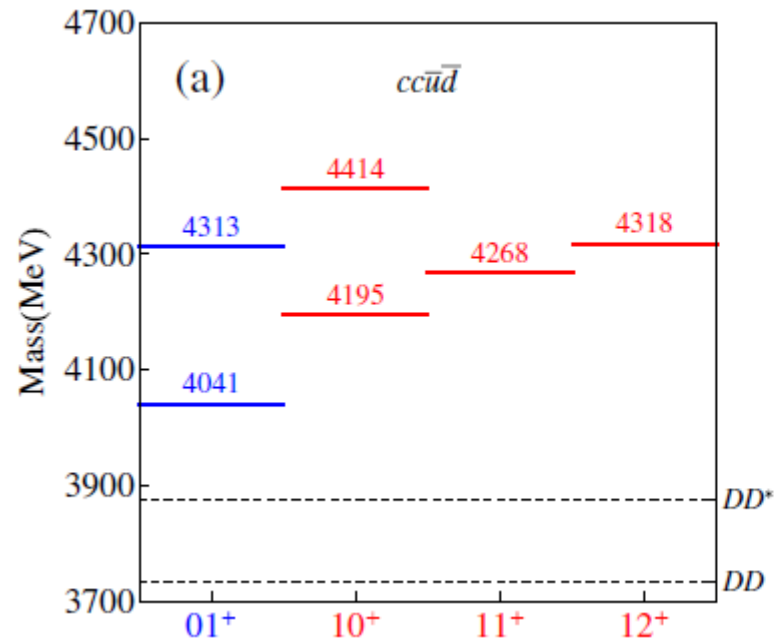
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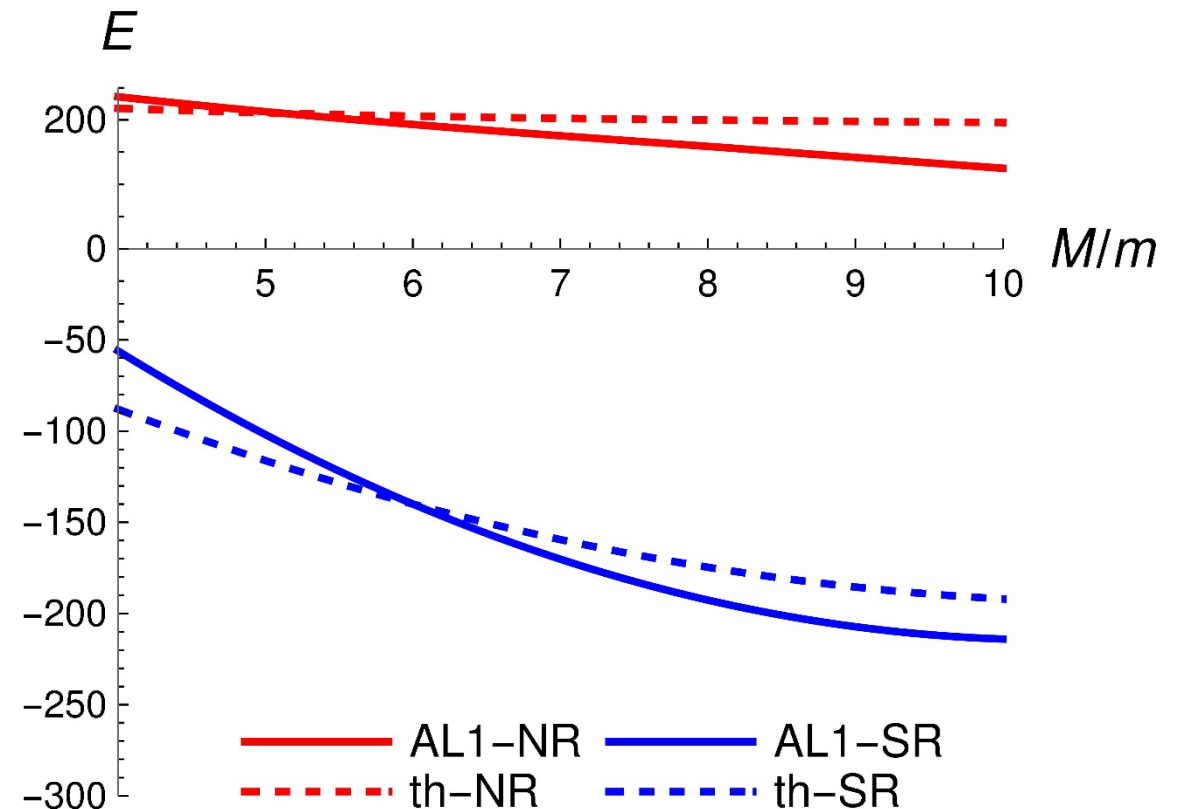
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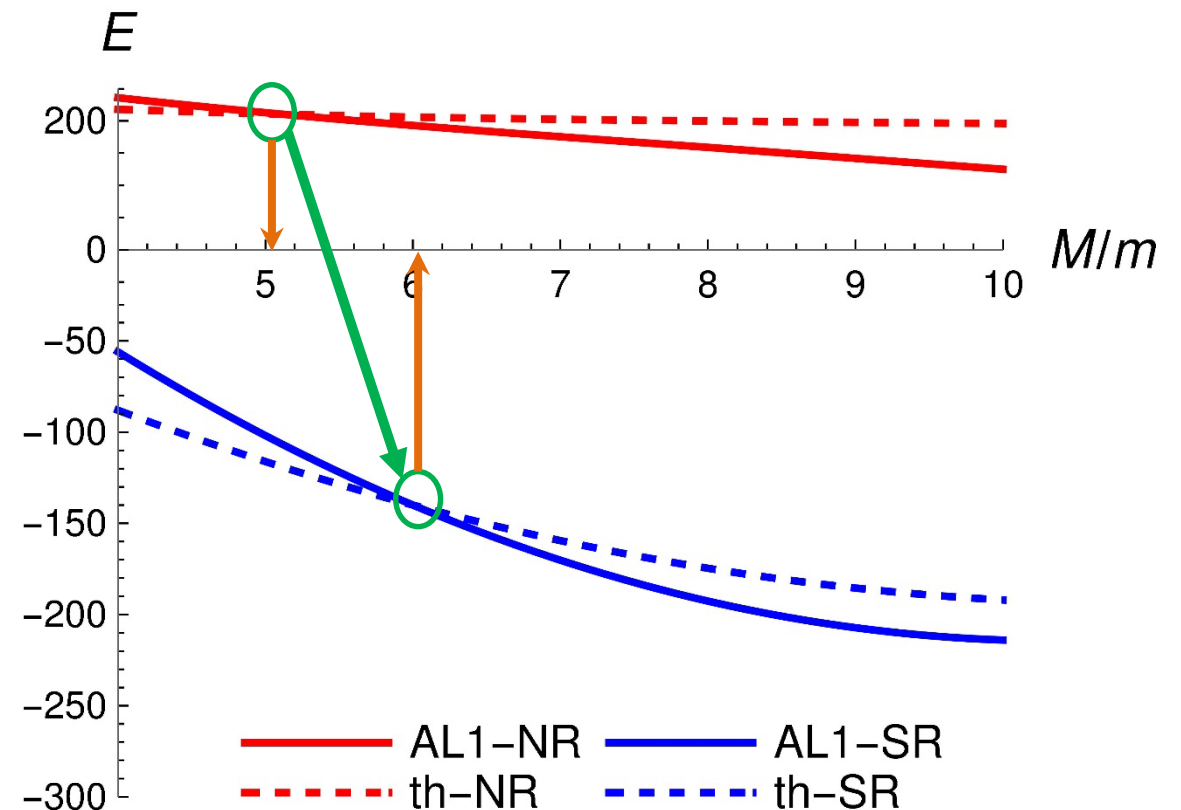
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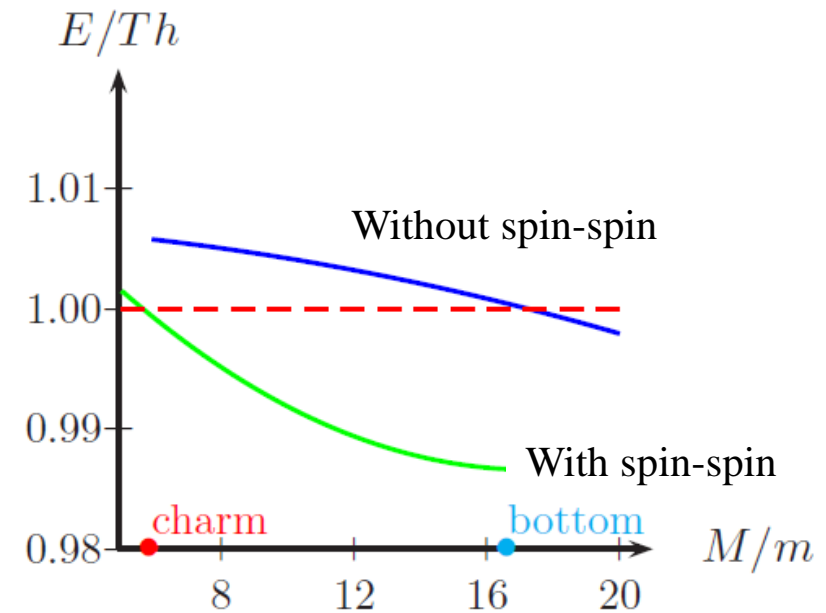
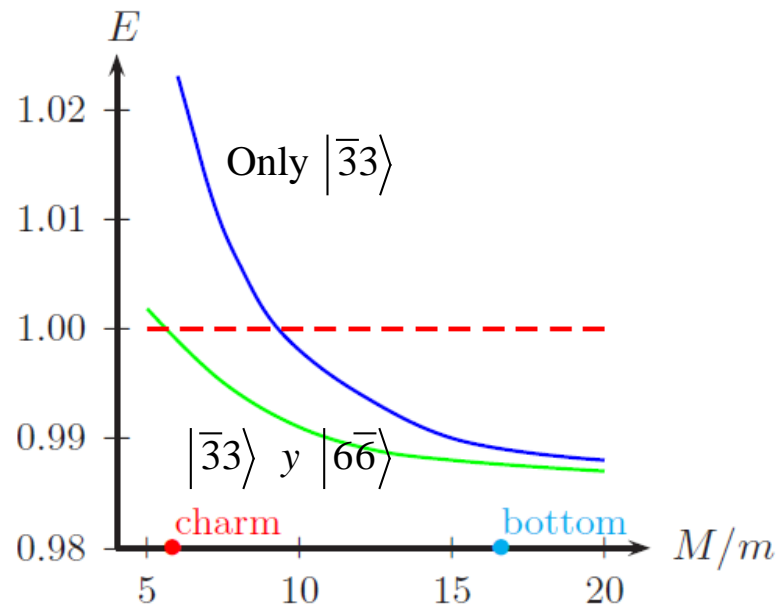
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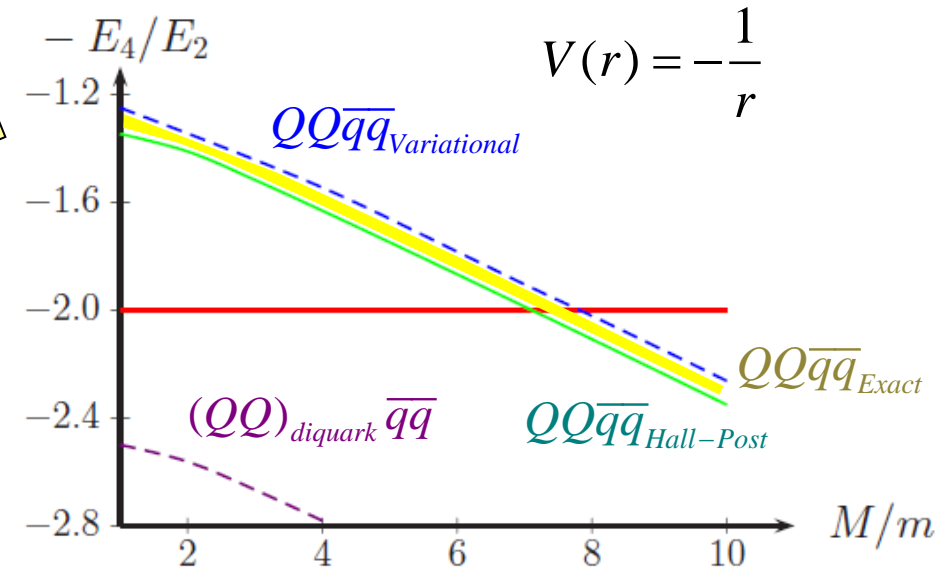
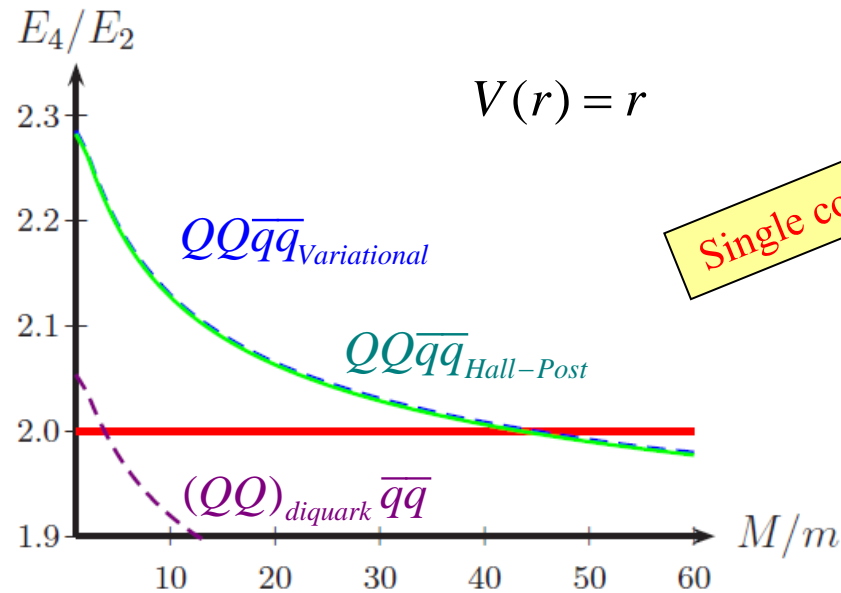
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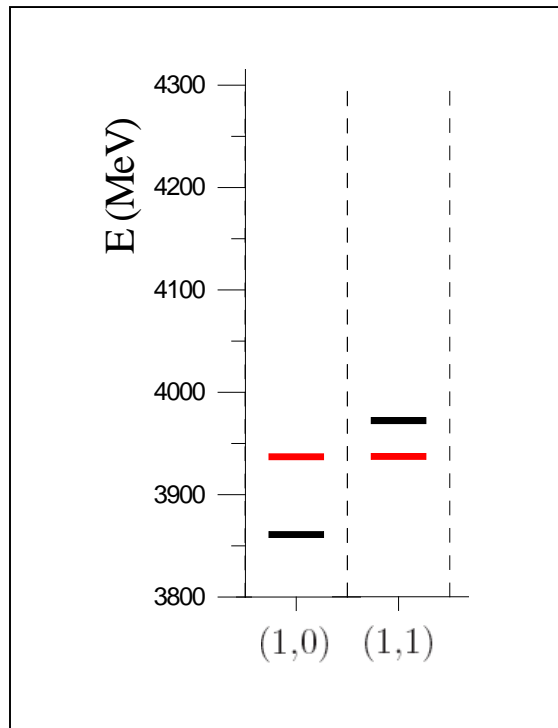
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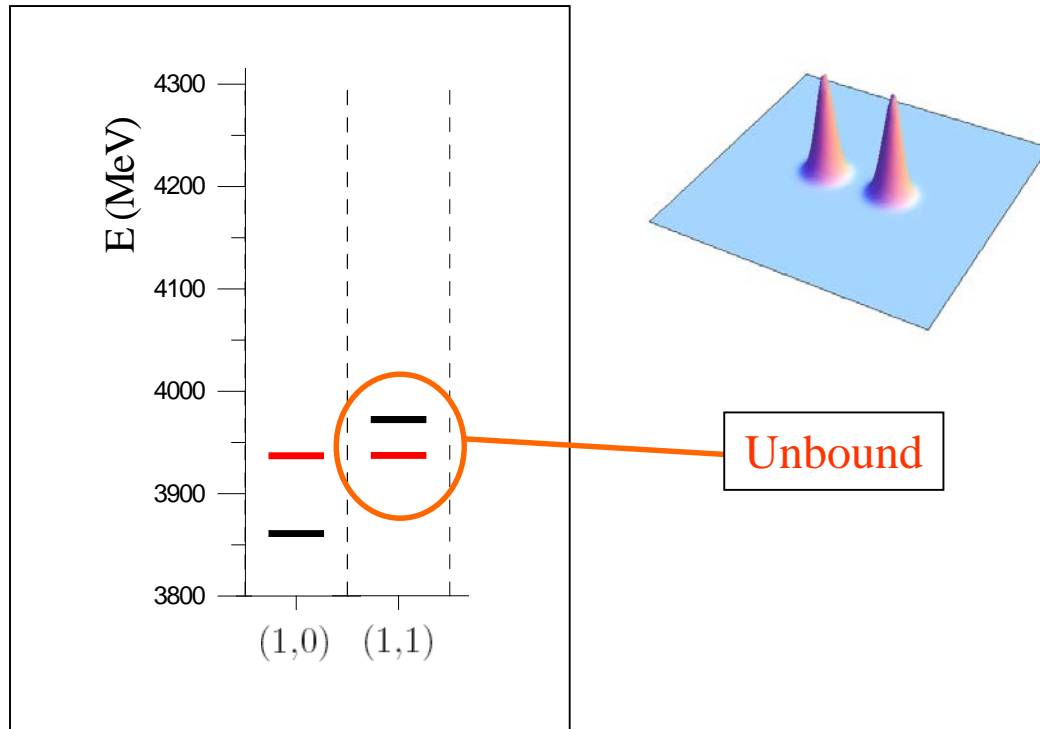
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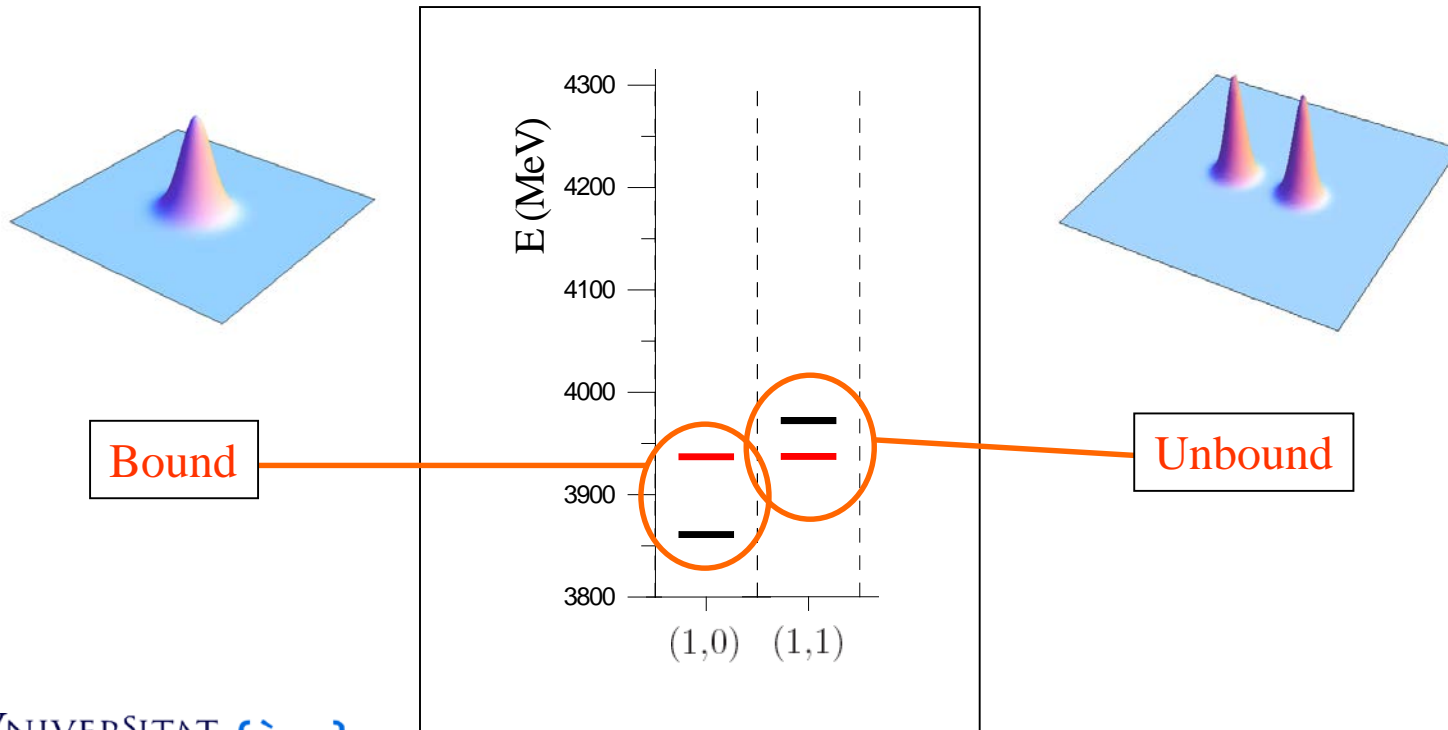
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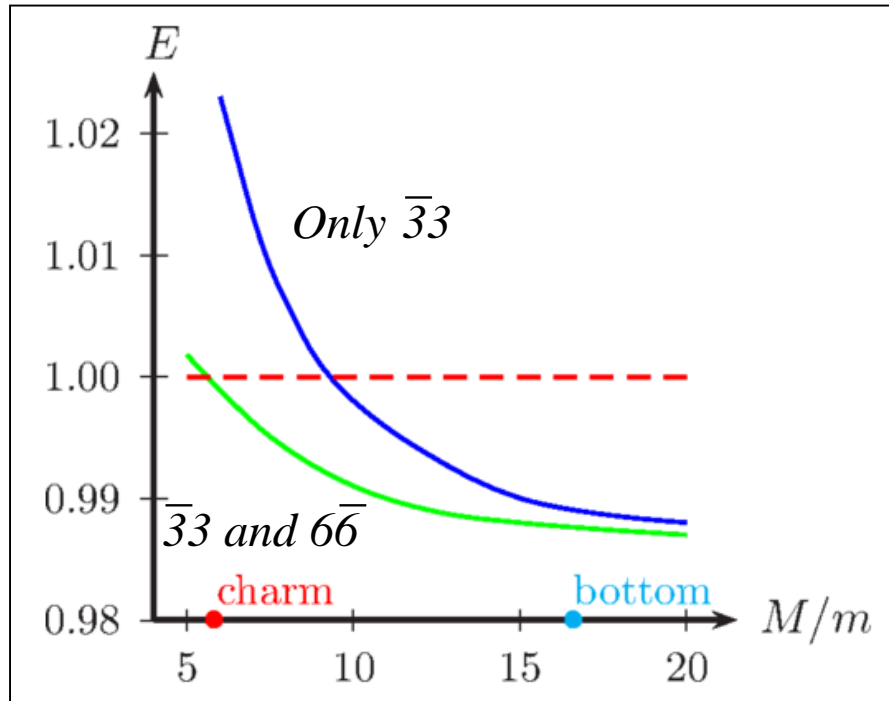
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$P[ 6\bar{6}\rangle_c^{12}]$	0.667	0.667	0.119	0.026	0.019
$P[ 11\rangle_c]$	0.556	0.556	0.374	0.342	0.340
$P[ 88\rangle_c]$	0.444	0.444	0.626	0.658	0.660
$P_{MM}$	1.000	—	—	—	0.254
$P_{MM^*}$	—	1.000	0.505	0.531	—
$P_{M^*M^*}$	0.000	0.000	0.495	0.469	0.746
$\langle x^2 \rangle^{1/2}$	60.988	13.804	0.787	0.684	0.740
$\langle y^2 \rangle^{1/2}$	60.988	13.687	0.590	0.336	0.542
$\langle z^2 \rangle^{1/2}$	0.433	0.617	0.515	0.503	0.763
$RMS_{4q}$	30.492	6.856	0.363	0.217	0.330
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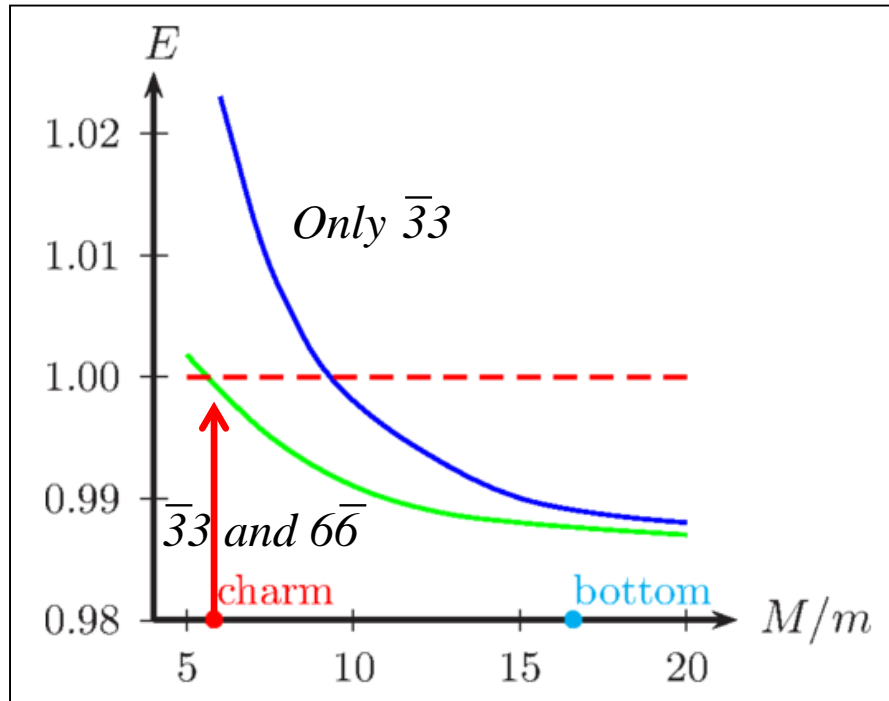


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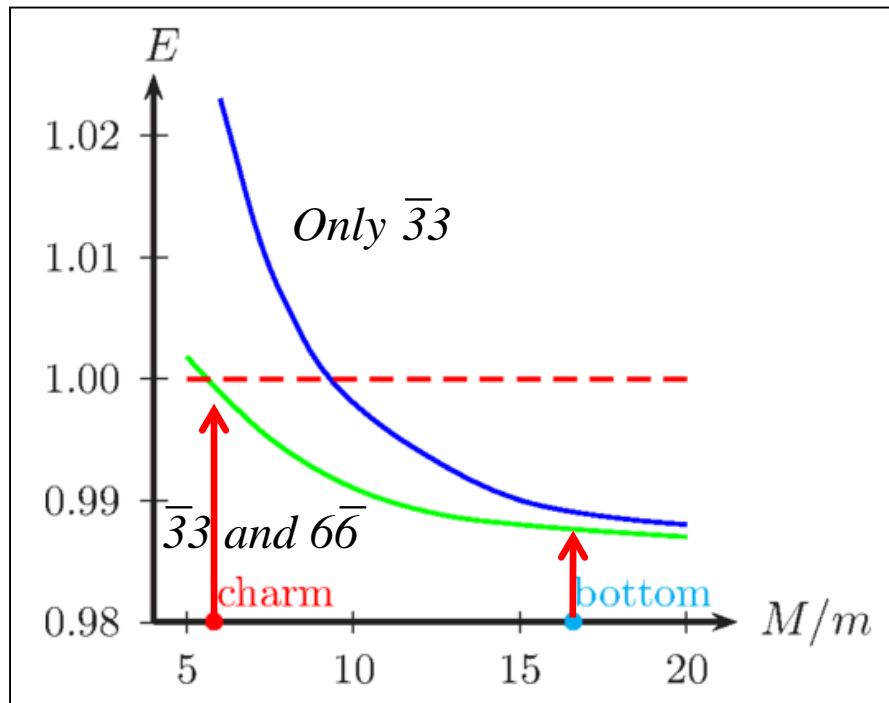
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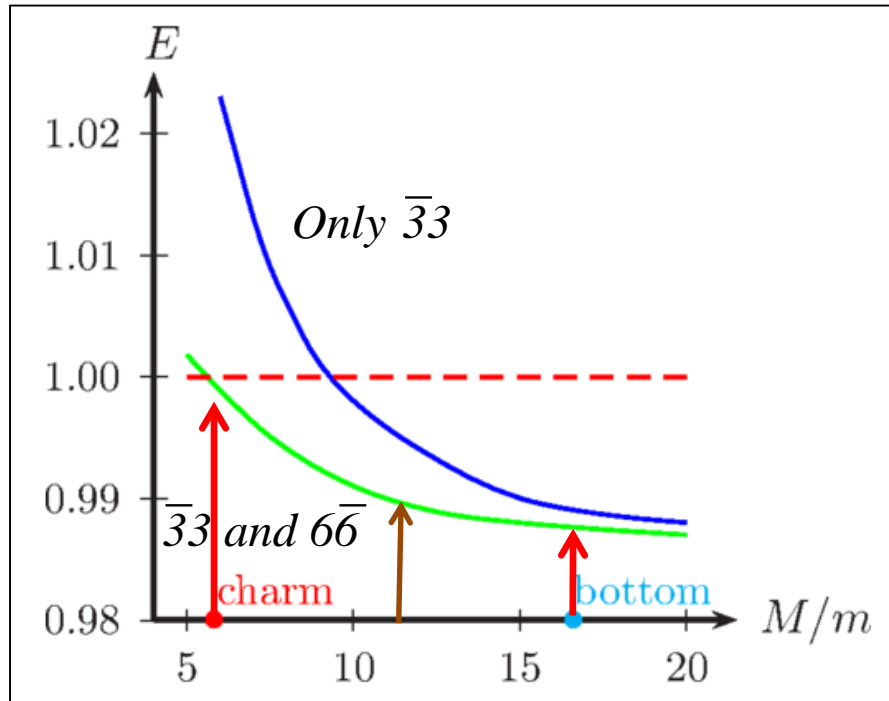
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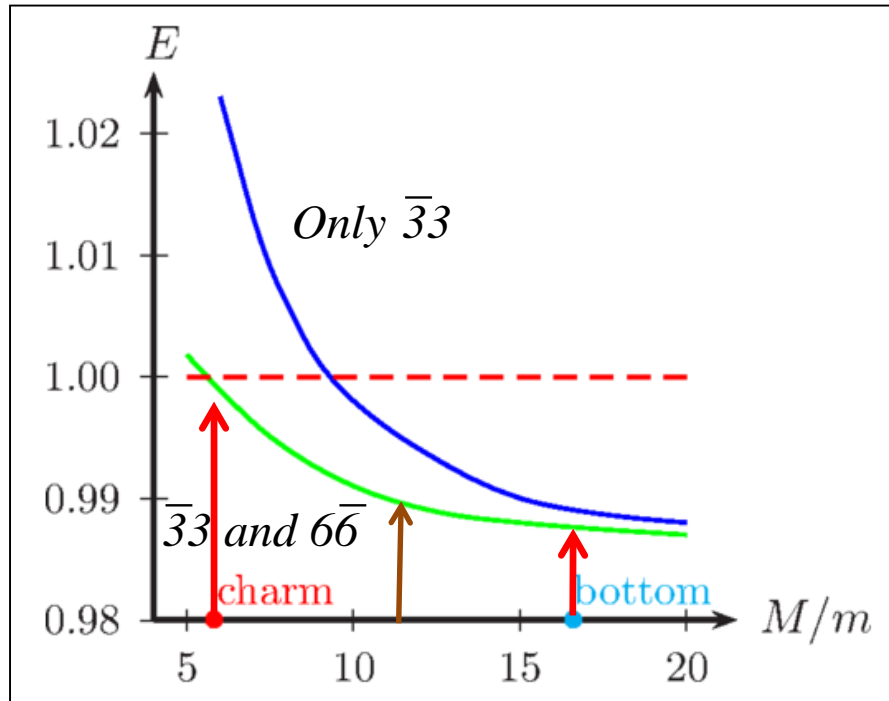
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Is just an intermediate state?

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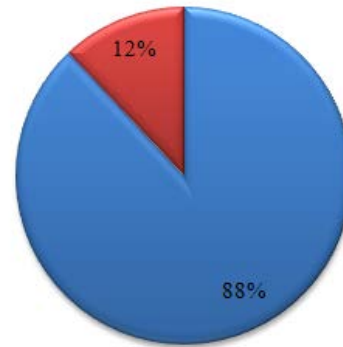
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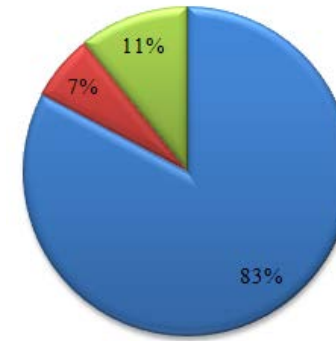
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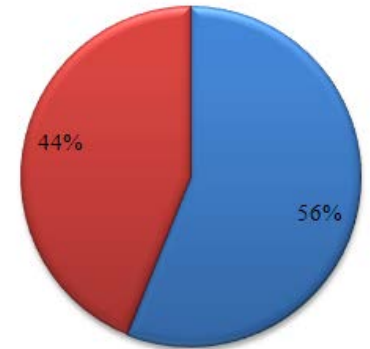
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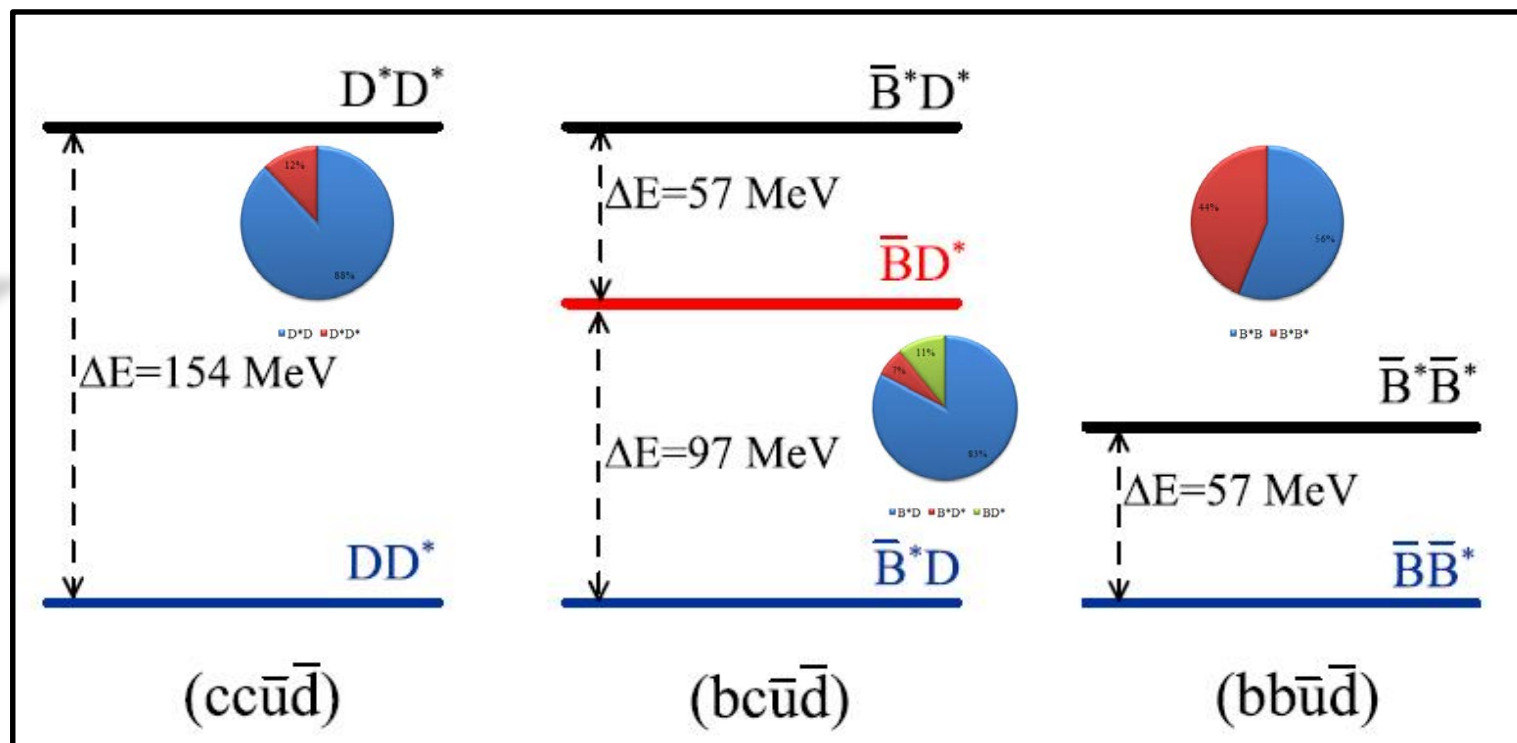
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# What about resonances?

- Once again, quite a few experimental data....
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Using proton-proton collision data at centre-of-mass energies of  $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8$  and 13 TeV recorded by the LHCb experiment at the Large Hadron Collider, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of  $9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , the invariant mass spectrum of  $J/\psi$  pairs is studied. A narrow structure around  $6.9 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  matching the line-shape of a resonance and a broad structure just above twice the  $J/\psi$  mass are observed. The deviation of the data from nonresonant  $J/\psi$ -pair production is above five standard deviations in the mass region between 6.2 and  $7.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , covering predicted masses of states composed of four charm quarks. The mass and natural width of the narrow  $X(6900)$  structure are measured assuming a Breit-Wigner lineshape.

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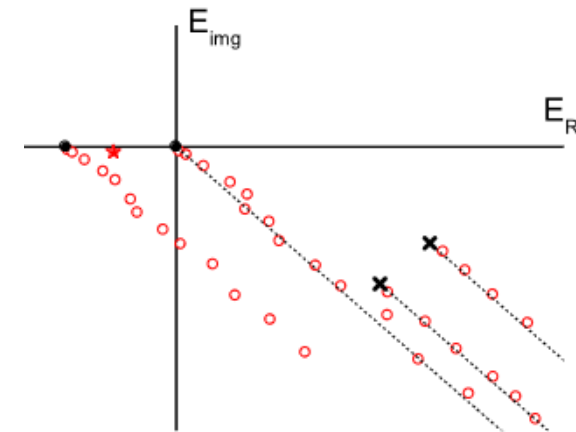
# What about resonances?

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## Numerical Aspects of Resonant States in Quantum Mechanics



**Fig. 4** Typical spectrum of the complex scaled Hamiltonian. Solid black points indicate positions of the thresholds and by crosses position of resonant states in the subsystems. From these points extends lines, rotated clockwise by angle  $2\theta$  relative to real energy axis. Complex-Hamiltonian eigenvalues corresponding to discretized continuum are scattered along these lines. Genuine resonant state is marked by a star symbol – it is separated from the rotated continuum lines

# What about resonances?

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## **S-wave fully charmed tetraquark resonant states**

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We calculate the mass spectrum of the  $S$ -wave fully-charmed tetraquark resonant states  $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$  in the nonrelativistic quark model, which successfully describes the charmonium spectrum. The four-body system is solved with the Gaussian expansion method. The **complex scaling technique** is used to identify the genuine resonances. With the nonrelativistic quark model, our results show the existence of two  $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$  resonances in each of the  $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ ,  $1^{+-}$ , and  $2^{++}$  sectors, respectively. In the  $S$ -wave sector, no resonance is found at the energy region of the  $X(6200)$  and  $X(6600)$  states. The lower  $0^{++}$  and  $2^{++}$  resonances are located around 100 MeV higher than the  $X(6900)$  state observed in experiments but have the decay widths consistent with the experiment. The higher  $0^{++}$  and  $2^{++}$  resonances are found at around 7.2 GeV with the widths of 60.6 MeV and 91.2 MeV, respectively, and they may be good candidates for the  $X(7200)$  state.

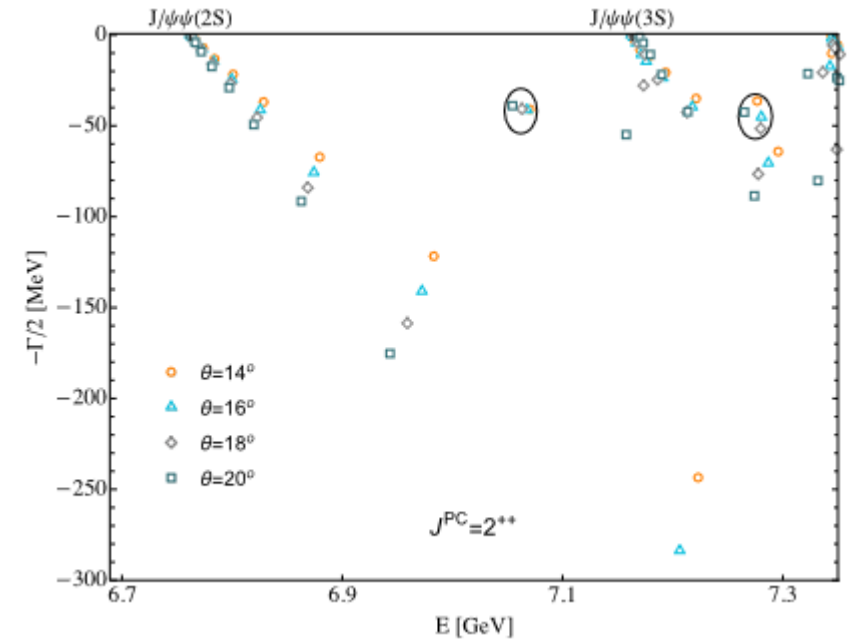


TABLE IV. The masses and half decay widths  $E_r - i\frac{\Gamma}{2}$  (in unit of MeV) of the  $cc\bar{c}\bar{c}$  resonances obtained with the BGS quark model [86].

$J^{PC}$	1st	2nd
$0^{++}$	$7035.1 - i38.9$	$7202.2 - i30.3$
$1^{+-}$	$7049.6 - i34.7$	$7273.5 - i24.9$
$2^{++}$	$7068.5 - i41.8$	$7281.3 - i45.6$



# What about resonances?

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## Doubly heavy tetraquark resonant states

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Spectrum of the doubly heavy tetraquarks,  $bb\bar{q}\bar{q}$ , is studied in a constituent quark model. Four-body problem is solved in a variational method where the real scaling technique is used to identify resonant states above the fall-apart decay thresholds. In addition to the two bound states that were reported in the previous study we have found several narrow resonant states above the  $BB^*$  and  $B^*B^*$  thresholds. Their structures are studied and are interpreted by the quark dynamics. A narrow resonance with spin-parity  $J^P = 1^+$  is found to be a mixed state of a compact tetraquark and a  $B^*B^*$  scattering state. This is driven by a strong color Coulombic attraction between the  $bb$  quarks. Negative-parity excited resonances with  $J^P = 0^-, 1^-$  and  $2^-$  form a triplet under the heavy-quark spin symmetry. It turns out that they share a similar structure to the  $\lambda$ -mode of a singly heavy baryon as a result of the strongly attractive correlation for the doubly heavy diquark.

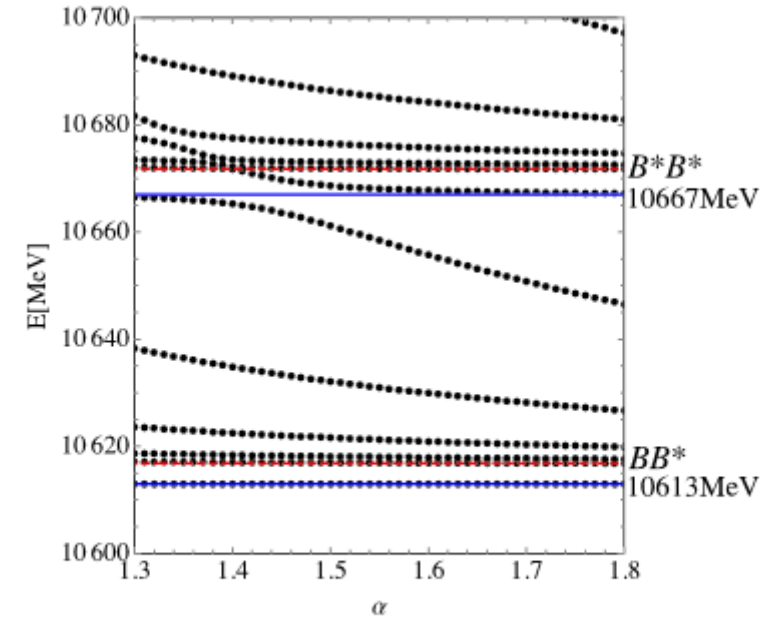
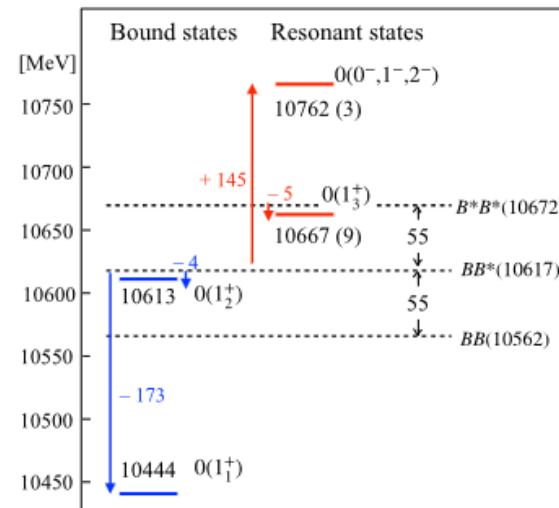


Fig. 3. The stabilization plots of the energy eigenvalues of  $I(J^P) = 0(1^+)$  states by changing the scaling parameter  $\alpha$ .



# Conclusions

- The constituent quark model predicts a clear bound state,  $bb\bar{u}\bar{d}$ , and another one,  $cc\bar{u}\bar{d}$ , just below threshold with  $(I)J^P=(0)1^+$ . Some particular models may point to the existence of about five more bound states.
- A few resonances may exist in the heavy sector (probably too soon to say with certainty).
  - **There is not an overwhelming abundance of bound states or resonances within the constituent quark model.**
- The numerical methods required should be able to handle short- and long-range correlations, i.e. a meson-meson structures together with a more *clusterized* behaviour.
- Approximations and simplifications in the colour-spin structure should be done carefully.
  - **We should double check whether our findings are entirely due to our hypothesis and approximations before extracting any general conclusion.**



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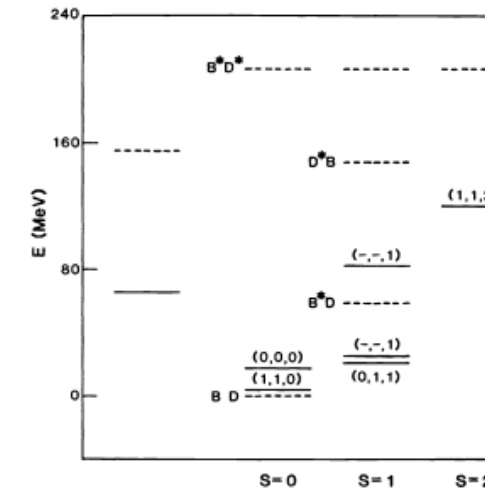
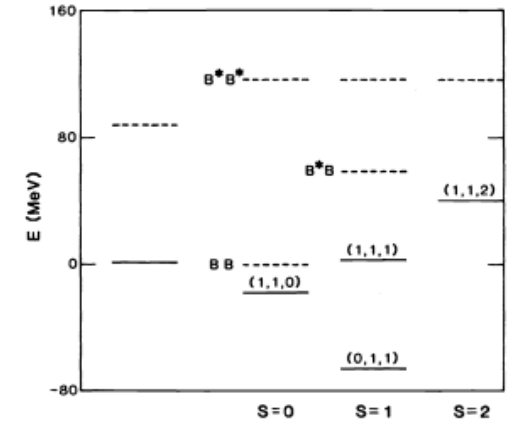
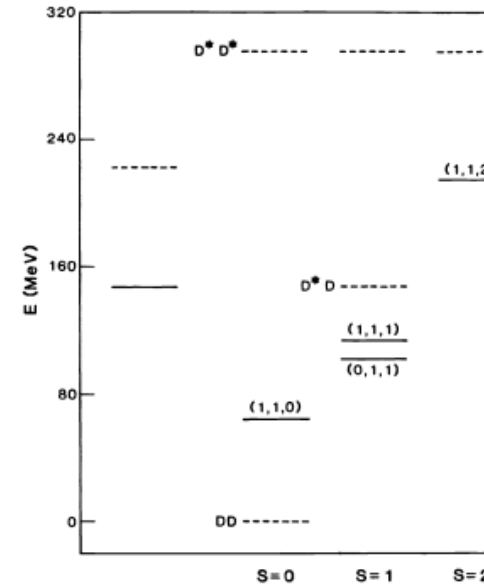
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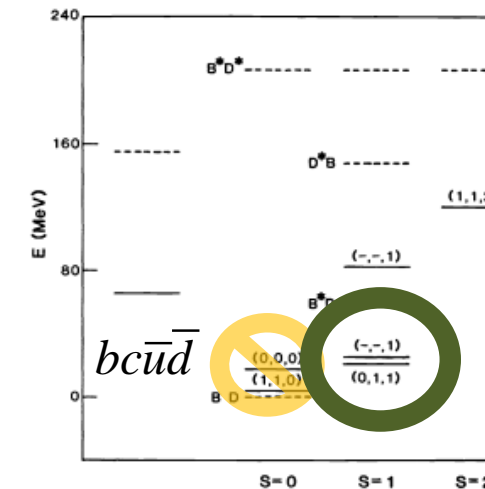
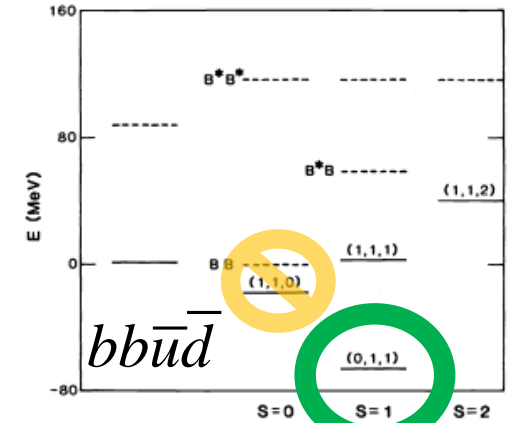
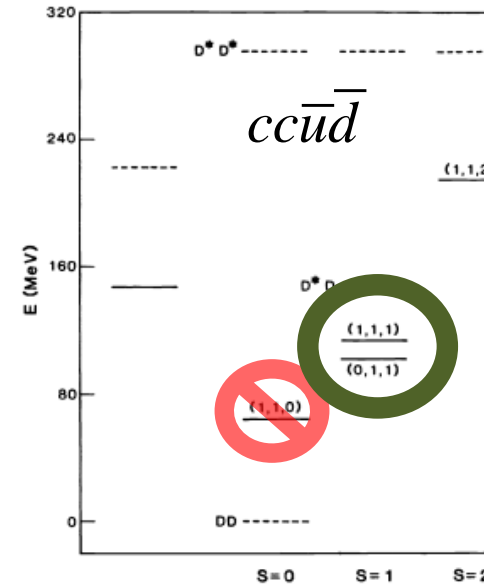
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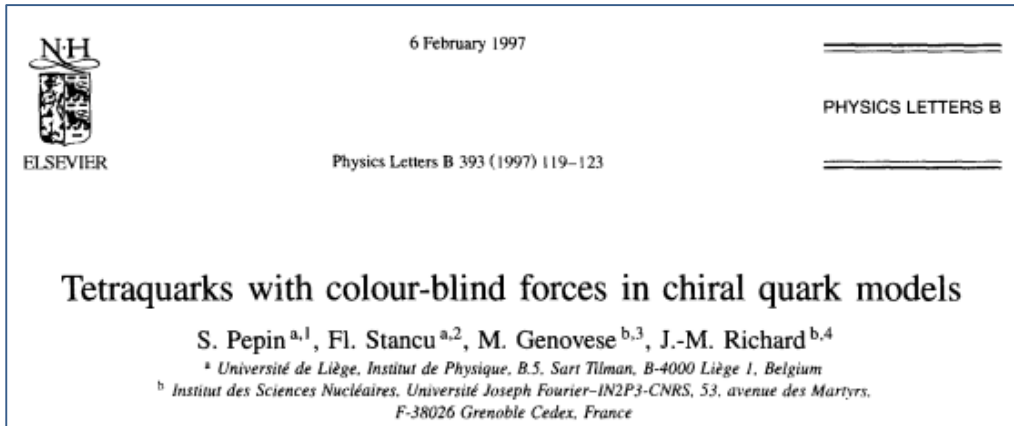
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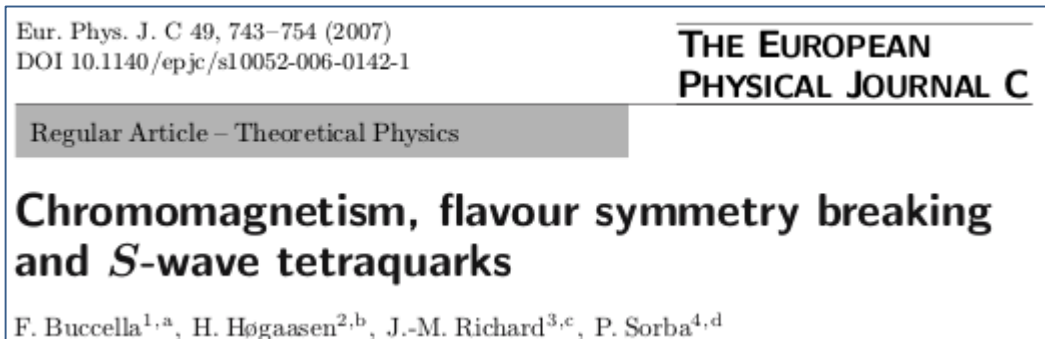


# Exploring constituent quark models



These systems were studied with a potential model fitted in the baryon spectrum that includes meson-exchange forces between quarks and entirely neglects the chromomagnetic interaction.

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$nn\bar{s}\bar{s}$	$E_T$	2396	1858	1696	1934	2672	1993
	$\Delta E$	+1404	+866	+291	+530	+852	+173
$nn\bar{c}\bar{c}$	$E_T$	4508	4155	3927	4176	4852	4195
	$\Delta E$	+742	+389	+34	+283	+833	+175
$nn\bar{b}\bar{b}$	$E_T$	10975	10682	10424	10685	11321	10693
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# Compact or meson-meson configuration?

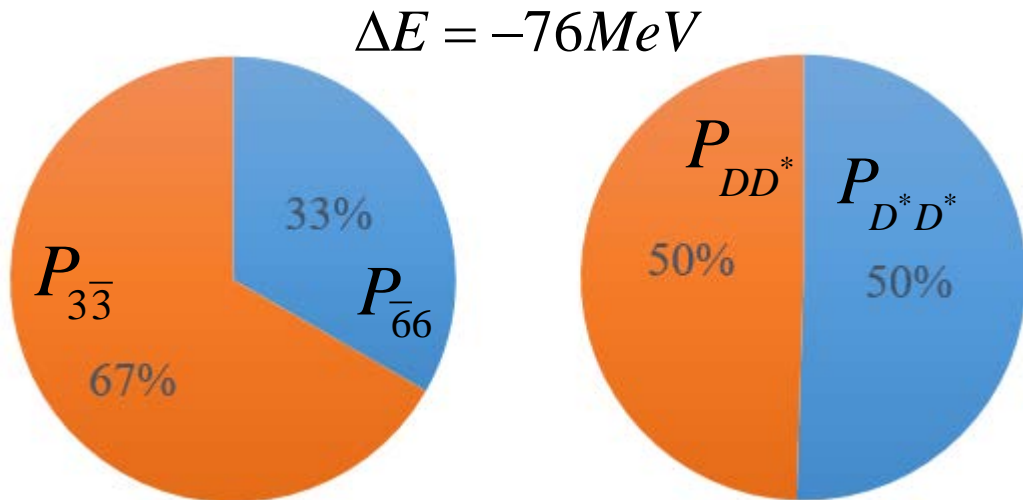
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Doubly charmed exotic mesons: A gift of nature?

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$$|cc\bar{n}\bar{n}\rangle = \alpha_1 |\bar{3}\bar{3}\rangle + \dots + \alpha_2 |\bar{6}\bar{6}\rangle + \dots \stackrel{????}{=} \alpha_1 |DD^*\rangle + \alpha_2 |D^*D^*\rangle + \dots$$

In this work the meson-meson configuration is solved by means of the Lippmann-Schwinger equation using the same interaction as the four-quark problem.



Four-quark states

