

On the $\eta_1(1855)$ as a hadronic molecular state and its SU(3) partners

Mao-Jun Yan ¹ Jorgivan M. Dias ¹ Feng-Kun Guo ¹ and Bing-Song Zou ¹

¹CAS Key Laboratory of Theoretical Physics, Institute of Theoretical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing 100190, China

Introduction

Regarding the newly observed $\eta_1(1855)$ [3] is interpreted to be $K_1(1400)\bar{K}$ bound state in OBE [5], $SU(3)$ symmetry is introduced to $K_1(1400)\bar{K}$ scattering in the framework of Chiral unitary approach. In the low energy scattering involving $\phi^8(\pi, K\eta)$ mesons, the interaction are described in chiral perturbation theory, where the leading order in S-wave scattering is the famous Weinberg-Tomozawa term (WT),

$$\mathcal{L}_I = -\frac{1}{4f_\pi^2}\langle[\Phi^\mu, \partial^\nu\Phi_\mu][\phi^8, \partial_\nu\phi^8]\rangle, \quad (1)$$

with $\Phi = (A_1, B_1)$ and $f_\pi = 92.1$ MeV, and Φ reads

$$A_1(1^{++}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{f_1^8}{\sqrt{6}} & a_1^+ & K_{1A}^+ \\ a_1^- & -\frac{a_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{f_1^8}{\sqrt{6}} & K_{1A}^0 \\ K_{1A}^- & \bar{K}_{1A}^0 & -\frac{2f_1^8}{\sqrt{6}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_1(1^{+-}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{b_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{h_1}{\sqrt{6}} & b_1^+ & K_{1B}^+ \\ b_1^- & -\frac{b_1^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{h_1}{\sqrt{6}} & K_{1B}^0 \\ K_{1B}^- & \bar{K}_{1B}^0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}h_1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2)$$

From this Lagrangian we obtain the S -wave transition amplitude among the channels that is

$$V_{ij}(s) = -\frac{\epsilon \cdot \epsilon'}{8F_\pi^2} C_{ij} \left[3s - (M^2 + m^2 + M'^2 + m'^2) - \frac{1}{s} (M^2 - m^2) (M'^2 - m'^2) \right], \quad (3)$$

where ϵ (ϵ') stands for the polarization four-vector of the incoming (outgoing) axial-vector meson. The masses M (M'), m (m') correspond to the initial (final) axial-vector mesons and initial (final) pseudoscalar mesons respectively. The indices i and j represent the initial and final PA states, respectively.

The unitarization procedure of the scattering amplitude (V in Eq. 3) is referenced to ChUA,

$$T = (1 - V G)^{-1} V \quad (4)$$

where the G loop function is dimensional regularized and the subtraction is matched at threshold from loop function regularized by three-momentum cut-off ($q_{max} = 0.7$ GeV).

Flavor symmetries in mesons

The physical axial-vector mesons are mixtures of singlet and octet,

$$\begin{aligned} \eta &= \cos\theta_P \eta^8 - \sin\theta_P \eta^1, & \eta' &= \sin\theta_P \eta^8 + \cos\theta_P \eta^1, \\ f_1(1285) &= \cos\theta_{3P_1} f_1^1 + \sin\theta_{3P_1} f_1^8, & f_1(1420) &= -\sin\theta_{3P_1} f_1^1 + \cos\theta_{3P_1} f_1^8, \\ h_1(1170) &= \cos\theta_{1P_1} h_1^1 + \sin\theta_{1P_1} h_1^8, & h_1(1415) &= -\sin\theta_{1P_1} h_1^1 + \cos\theta_{1P_1} h_1^8, \\ K_1(1270) &= K_{1A} \sin\theta_{K_1} + K_{1B} \cos\theta_{K_1}, & K_1(1400) &= K_{1A} \cos\theta_{K_1} - K_{1B} \sin\theta_{K_1}, \end{aligned}$$

where the mixing angles are listed as follows,

	θ_{K_1}	θ_{3P_1}	θ_{1P_1}	θ_P
<i>Set - A</i>	57°	52.0°	-17.5°	-11.5°
<i>Set - B</i>	34°	23.1°	28.0°	-11.5°

Table 1. The mixing angles $\theta_{K_1, 1P_1, 3P_1}$ are correlated in Ref.[4].

Isoscalar scattering

The isoscalar coupled scattering begins with axial-vector meson are in zero width, where the thresholds are listed as follows

Channel	$a_1\pi$	$K_1(1270)\bar{K}$	$f_1(1285)\eta$	$K_1(1400)\bar{K}$	$f_1(1420)\eta$
Threshold	1368	1748	1829	1898	1973

Isoscalar scattering

Solving the Bethe-Salpeter equation in Eq. 4, there are poles in the T-matrix, where the poles and corresponding coupling with respect to channels are presented in Table. 1.

Poles (Set A)	Channels				
1.84 −i0.00 (− − − + +)	$a_1\pi$	$K_1(1270)\bar{K}$	$f_1(1285)\eta$	$K_1(1400)\bar{K}$	$f_1(1420)\eta$
g_I	−0.02 − i0.01	0.05 − i0.2	0.77 − i0.07	23.63 − i0.72	0.36 − i0.04
Poles (Set B)	Channels				
1.84 −i0.00 (− − − + +)	$a_1\pi$	$K_1(1270)\bar{K}$	$f_1(1285)\eta$	$K_1(1400)\bar{K}$	$f_1(1420)\eta$
g_I	−0.10 − i0.05	0.01 − i0.05	0.91 − i0.09	22.24 − i0.81	3.93 − i0.41

Comparing to the scattering without including axial-vector meson width, the inclusion of meson width modifies the line shapes of $|T_{44}|^2$ and nontrivial line shapes appear around 1900 MeV.

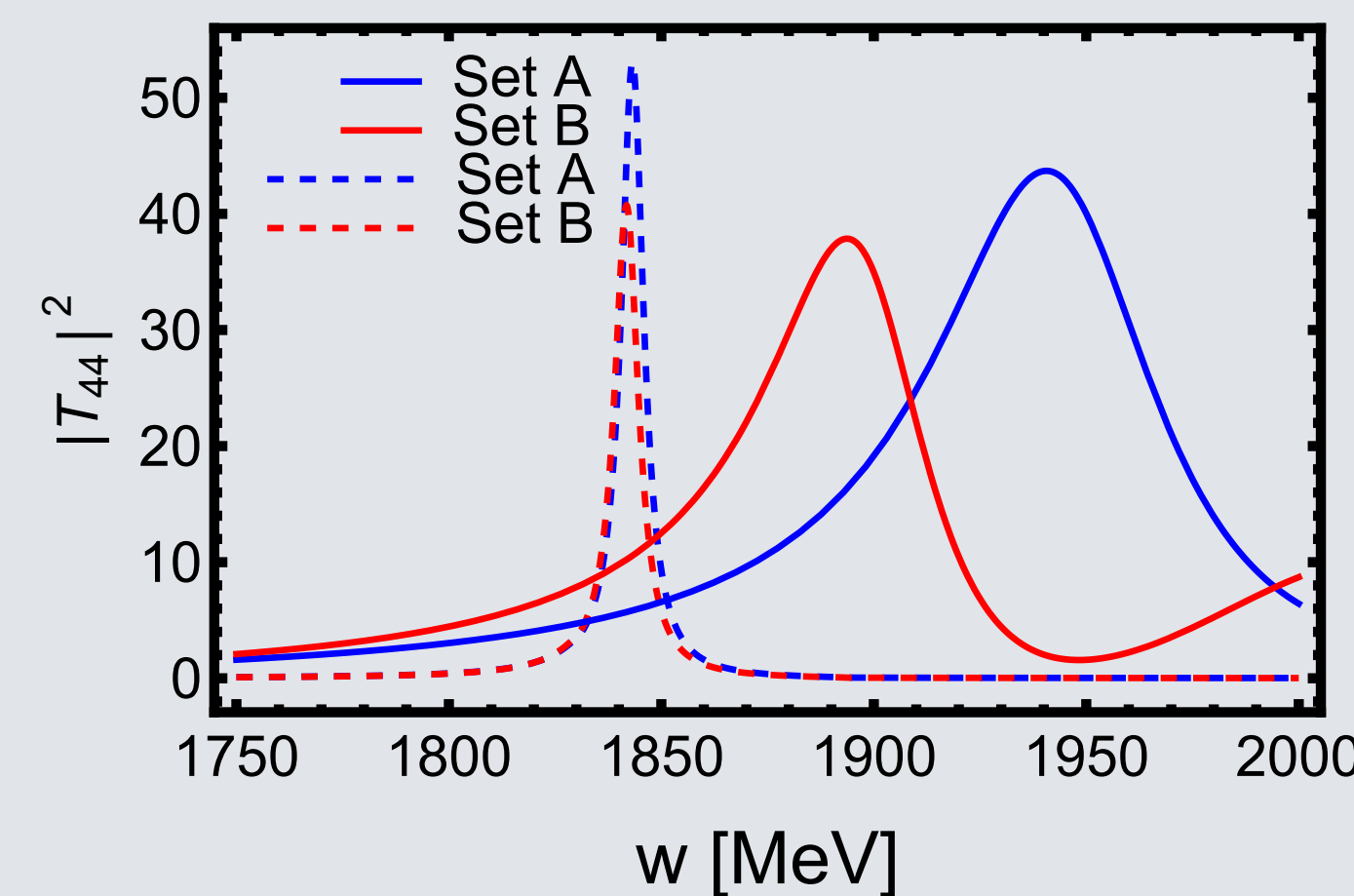
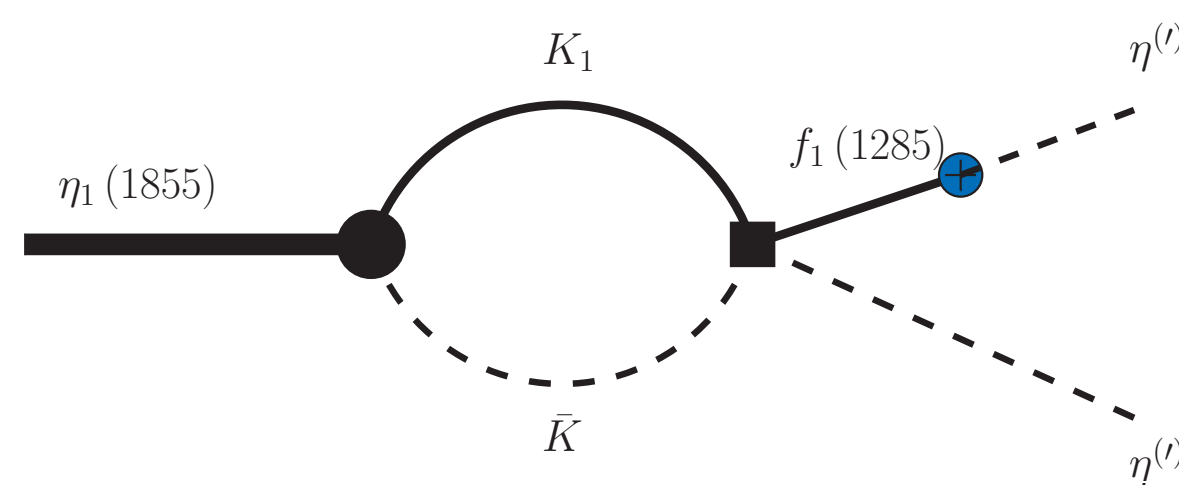


Figure 1. The dashed and solid lines correspond to zero and full widths ($\omega_i \rightarrow \omega_i - i\Gamma_i/2$) of the axial-vector mesons in G^{Cut} .

Isoscalar scattering: $a_1 - \pi$ mixing in two-body decay of $\eta_1(1855)$

Considering $\eta_1(1855)$ is observed in $\eta\eta'$ invariant mass distribution, the decay width of $\eta_1 \rightarrow \eta\eta'$ can be predicted via $a_1 - \pi$ in Fig. 1.



Referencing the mixing,

$$\partial_\mu \pi \rightarrow \partial_\mu \pi + \lambda_1 m_{a1} a_{1\mu},$$

the transition between $K_1(1400)\bar{K}$ and $\eta'\eta$ reads

$$\mathcal{A}^p \propto -\lambda_1 \frac{C_{ij}}{4f_\pi^2} \epsilon_{K_1} (2m_{K_1} E_K + 2m_{f_1} E_\eta) \vec{\epsilon}_{f_1},$$

which contributes to the decay width,

$$\Gamma_{\eta\eta'} = \left(29.76_{-8.67}^{+9.78} \text{ MeV} \right)^A \text{ or } \left(15.72_{-4.30}^{+5.01} \text{ MeV} \right)^B, \quad \lambda_1 = 1.6.$$

Isovector scattering

In the coupled channel scattering in $I = 1$ sector, there are poles being candidates of $\pi_1(1400/1600)$.

Poles (Set A)	Channels					
1.47 −i0.12 (− + + + +)	$b_1\pi$	$f_1(1285)\pi$	$f_1(1420)\pi$	$K_1(1270)\bar{K}$	$a_1\eta$	$K_1(1400)\bar{K}$
g_I	$3.94 - i15.31$	$-0.00 + i0.00$	$-0.00 + i0.00$	$0.09 - i1.05$	$-0.00 + i0.00$	$-0.20 - i1.50$
1.52 −i0.04 (− − − − +)	$b_1\pi$	$f_1(1285)\pi$	$f_1(1420)\pi$	$K_1(1270)\bar{K}$	$a_1\eta$	$K_1(1400)\bar{K}$
g_I	$2.14 - i2.98$	$4.27 - i0.93$	$1.36 + i0.43$	$7.07 + i2.37$	$7.52 - i1.51$	$0.95 - i2.15$
Poles (Set B)	Channels					
1.47 −i0.12 (− + + + +)	$b_1\pi$	$f_1(1285)\pi$	$f_1(1420)\pi$	$K_1(1270)\bar{K}$	$a_1\eta$	$K_1(1400)\bar{K}$
g_I	$4.31 - i15.18$	$-0.00 + i0.00$	$-0.00 + i0.00$	$3.67 - i2.41$	$-0.00 + i0.00$	$-0.05 - i0.66$
1.57 −i0.02 (− − − − +)	$b_1\pi$	$f_1(1285)\pi$	$f_1(1420)\pi$	$K_1(1270)\bar{K}$	$a_1\eta$	$K_1(1400)\bar{K}$
g_I	$-0.36 - i0.96$	$1.26 - i4.33$	$3.94 - i1.51$	$3.96 - i1.07$	$8.93 - i2.96$	$4.28 + i2.81$

Besides the poles in T-matrix, the ratio of $\pi_1(1600)$ decay into $f_1(1285)\pi$ and $\eta'\pi$ can be evaluated via $a_1 - \pi$ mixing, which is similar to the one in Fig. 1, where the predicted ratio is

$$\mathcal{R}_1 = \left(3.92_{-0.31}^{+0.38} \right)^A, \left(4.76_{-0.28}^{+0.31} \right)^B$$

and the one listed in PDG is 3.80 ± 0.78 .

Scattering in $I = 1/2$ sector

In $f_1 K - K_1(1270)\eta$ ($\Gamma_i = 0$) coupled channel scattering may relate to the jump around 1770 MeV in ϕK^+ invariant mass distribution in $B \rightarrow J/\psi \phi K$ [1, 2].

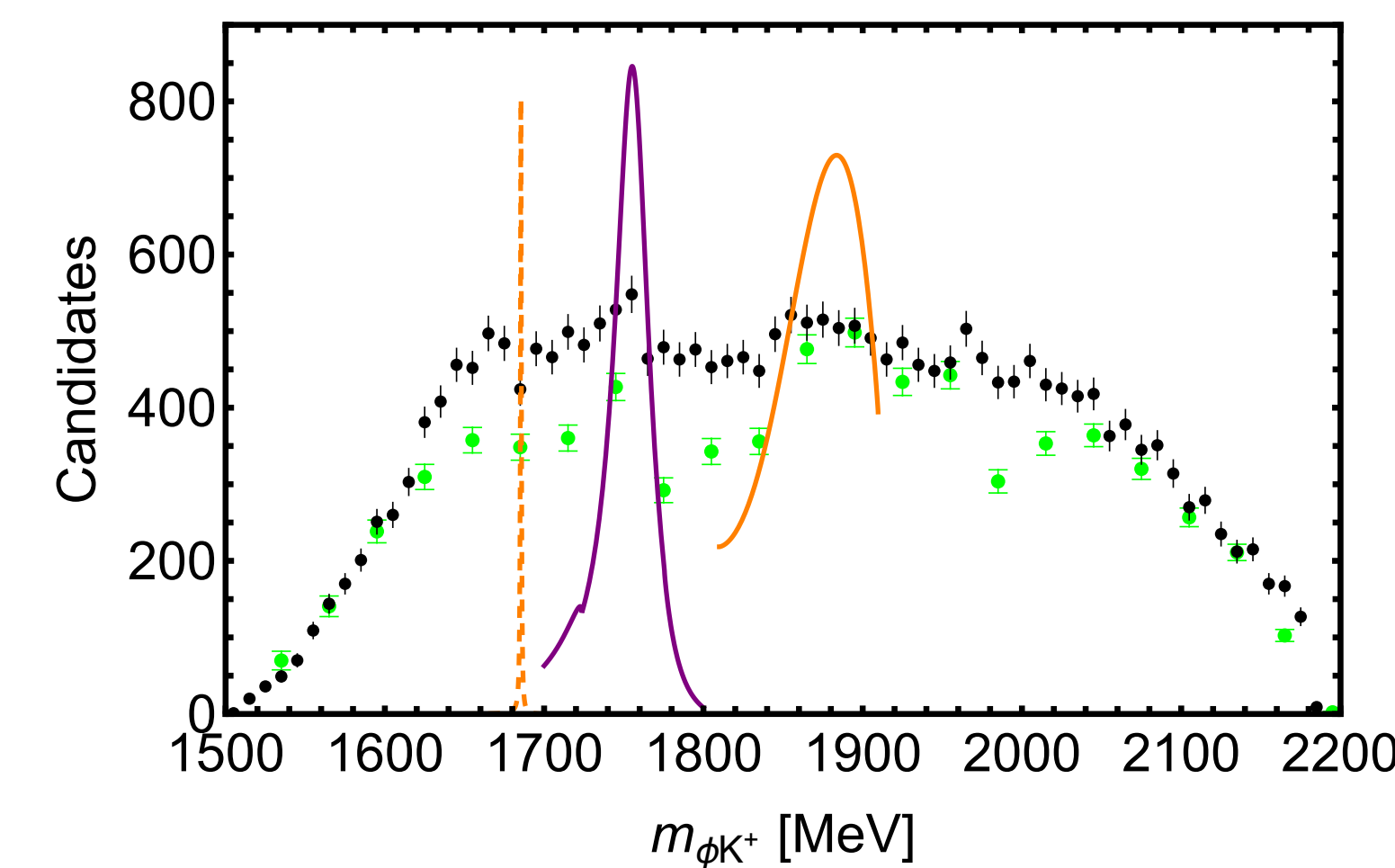


Figure 2. In set-B, $b_1 K$, $K_1(1270)\eta - f_1 K$ and $K_1(1270)\eta - h_1(1415) K$

References

- [1] R. Aaij et al. Amplitude analysis of $B^+ \rightarrow J/\psi \phi K^+$ decays. *Phys. Rev. D*, 95(1):012002, 2017.
- [2] R. Aaij et al. Observation of New Resonances Decaying to $J/\psi K^{++}$ and $J/\psi \phi$. *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, 127(8):082001, 2021.
- [3] M. Ablikim et al. Observation of an isoscalar resonance with exotic $J^{PC} = 1^{+-}$ quantum numbers in $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \eta \eta'$. 2 2022.
- [4] H.-Y. Cheng. Revisiting Axial-Vector Meson Mixing. *Phys. Lett. B*, 707:116–120, 2012.
- [5] X.-K. Dong, Y.-H. Lin, and B.-S. Zou. Interpretation of the $\eta_1(1855)$ as a $KK_1(1400) + \text{c.c.}$ molecule.