



On compositeness of $D_{s0}^*(2317)$ and its decay to $D_s\pi^0$

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The $D_{s0}^*(2317)$ Puzzle

Experiments

- BaBar: $D_{s0}^*(2317)^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^0$
- Belle: $D_{s0}^*(2317)^+ \rightarrow D_s^{*+} \gamma$

Its nature remains unclear.

- ? **Low mass:** below GI predictions
 $m(c\bar{s}^3 P_0) = 2.480 \text{ GeV}$
- ? **Subthreshold:** below the DK threshold
- ? **Isospin violation:** observed in $D_s \pi^0$
- ? **Narrow width:** too small to be precisely measured

Theoretical interpretations

- Conventional $c\bar{s}$
- Compact tetraquark
- DK hadronic molecule

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Belle: } \mathcal{R} &= \frac{\mathcal{B}(D_{s0}^*(2317)^+ \rightarrow D_s^{*+} \gamma)}{\mathcal{B}(D_{s0}^*(2317)^+ \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^0)} \\ &= [7.14 \pm 0.70(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.23(\text{syst.})]\% \end{aligned}$$

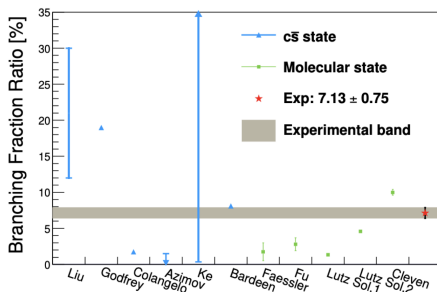


Fig. 1: $\mathcal{R}$ values for different scenarios. Adapted from Jiasen's presentation.

Can we describe the $D_{s0}^*(2317)$ and its decay within a unified framework incorporating both the $c\bar{s}$ state and the DK continuum?



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Lee-Friedrichs model

- The total Hamiltonian:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H = & m_0 |0\rangle\langle 0| + \sum_{n,S,L} \int_{M_n}^{\infty} dE |E, [n]_{SL}\rangle \langle E, [n]_{SL}| \\
 & + \sum_{n,S,L} \int_{M_n}^{\infty} dE f_n^{SL}(E) |0\rangle \langle E, [n]_{SL}| + h.c.,
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- $H\Psi(x) = x\Psi(x)$ can be exactly solved. The $D_{s0}^*(2317)$ could be represented as a **bound-state** pole in this picture.
- The wave function of $D_{s0}^*(2317)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |D_{s0}^*(2317)^+\rangle = & N_B \left(|c\bar{s}(1^3P_0)\rangle + \int_{M_{0+}}^{\infty} \frac{\boxed{f_{0+}(E)}}{z_X - E} |E, [D^0 K^+]\rangle dE \right. \\
 & \left. + \int_{M_{+0}}^{\infty} \frac{f_{+0}(E)}{z_X - E} |E, [D^+ K^0]\rangle dE \right),
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

The physical $D_{s0}^*(2317)$ emerges from the coupling between a bare $c\bar{s}$ state and the DK continuum within L-F scheme.

The isospin violated decay amplitude

- With the wave function of $D_{s0}^*(2317)$, the strong decay amplitude can be obtained

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{S'L'}(D_{s0}^*(2317) \rightarrow D_s \pi^0) &= \langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S'L'} | H_I | D_{s0}^*(2317)^+ \rangle \\
 &= N_B \left(\langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S'L'} | H_I | c\bar{s}(1^3P_0) \rangle \Rightarrow \text{bare } c\bar{s} \text{ state} \quad (c\bar{s} \rightarrow D_s \eta \rightarrow \pi^0 - \eta \text{ mixing}) \right. \\
 &+ \int_{M_{0+}}^{\infty} \sum_{SL} \frac{f_{0+}^{SL}(E)}{z_X - E} \langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S'L'} | H_I | [D^0 K^+]_{SL} \rangle dE \\
 &\left. + \int_{M_{+0}}^{\infty} \sum_{SL} \frac{f_{+0}^{SL}(E)}{z_X - E} \langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S'L'} | H_I | [D^+ K^0]_{SL} \rangle dE \right) \Rightarrow DK \text{ continuum state}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3}$$

mass difference between $D^0 K^+$ and $D^+ K^0$ thresholds

- Construct the coupling vertex $f_{c\bar{s} \rightarrow DK}^{SL}(E)$
- Construct the $c\bar{s} \rightarrow D_s \pi^0$, $DK \rightarrow D_s \pi^0$ transition amplitude

The coupling vertex $f^{SL}(E)$

• The transition operator T

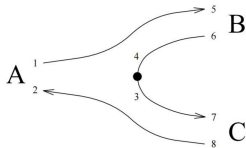


Fig. 2: QPC model

$$T = -3\gamma \sum_m \langle 1m, 1-m | 00 \rangle \int d^3 p_3 d^3 p_4 \delta^3(\vec{p}_3 + \vec{p}_4) \\ \times \mathcal{Y}_1^m \left(\frac{\vec{p}_3 - \vec{p}_4}{2} \right) \chi_{1-m}^{34} \phi_0^{34} \omega_0^{34} b_3^\dagger(\vec{p}_3) d_4^\dagger(\vec{p}_4).$$

- The helicity amplitude $\langle BC | T | A \rangle = \delta^3(\vec{P}_f - \vec{P}_i) \mathcal{M}^{\sigma_A \sigma_B \sigma_C},$
- The partial-wave amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}^{SL}(P) = \sum_{\substack{\sigma_B, \sigma_C \\ M_S, M_L}} \langle LM_L SM_S | j_A \sigma_A \rangle \langle j_B \sigma_B j_C \sigma_C | SM_S \rangle \int d\Omega Y_{LM_L}^*(\Omega) M^{\sigma_A \sigma_B \sigma_C}(\vec{P}).$$

- The coupling vertex

$$f^{SL}(E) = \rho^{1/2} \mathcal{M}^{SL}(P)$$

The $c\bar{s} \rightarrow D_s^+ \pi^0$

$$c\bar{s}(1^3P_0) \xrightarrow[\text{QPC model}]{\text{Strong decay}} D_s^+ \eta \xrightarrow[\text{isospin breaking}]{\pi^0-\eta \text{ mixing}} D_s^+ \pi^0$$

isospin-conserving isospin breaking

$$\langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S' L'} | H_I | c\bar{s}(1^3P_0) \rangle = \epsilon_{\pi^0 \eta} \rho_{D_s \pi}^{1/2} \mathcal{M}_{D_s \eta}^{SL}(P') \quad (5)$$

$\epsilon_{\pi^0 \eta}$ denotes the π^0 - η mixing parameter.

The $\epsilon_{\pi^0 \eta}$ was estimated in **the leading order** of chiral perturbation theory as to be

$$\epsilon_{\pi^0 \eta} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \frac{m_u - m_d}{m_s - (m_u + m_d)/2}. \quad (6)$$

The $DK \rightarrow D_s \pi^0$ scattering amplitude

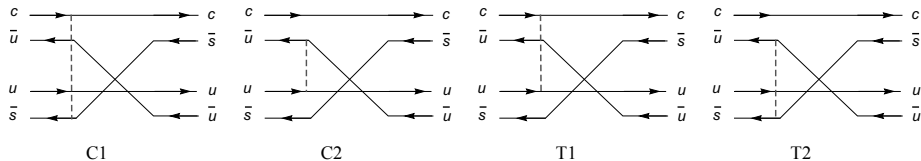


Fig. 3: Barnes-Swanson(BS) model

• The $AB \rightarrow CD$ scattering matrix element

$$S_{fi} = 2\pi i \delta^{(3)}(\vec{P}_f - \vec{P}_i) \delta(E_f - E_i) \mathcal{M}^{\sigma_C \sigma_D, \sigma_A \sigma_B}(\vec{k}', \vec{k}), \quad (7)$$

$\vec{k}/\vec{k}'$: the relative momenta of the initial/final meson pairs

• The helicity amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}^{\sigma_C \sigma_D, \sigma_A \sigma_B} = h_{fi}^{C_1} + h_{fi}^{C_2} + h_{fi}^{T_1} + h_{fi}^{T_2}, \quad (8)$$

• Factorization of each quark-interchange diagram

$$h_{fi}^X = (-1) I_{\text{flavor}}^X I_{\text{color}}^X I_{\text{spin}}^X I_{\text{space}}^X, \quad X = C_1, C_2, T_1, T_2. \quad (9)$$

Same potential and wave functions used $\rightarrow$ No additional parameters introduced



The $DK \rightarrow D_s \pi^0$ transition amplitude

• Partial-wave projection

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{M}_j^{S' L', SL} &= \rho_{AB}^{1/2} \rho_{CD}^{1/2} \sum_{\substack{M_S, M_{S'}, M_L, M_{L'} \\ \sigma_A, \sigma_B, \sigma_C, \sigma_D}} \langle j_A \sigma_A j_B \sigma_B | S M_S \rangle \langle j_C \sigma_C j_D \sigma_D | S' M_{S'} \rangle \\
&\times \langle S M_S L M_L | j M \rangle \langle S' M_{S'} L' M_{L'} | j M \rangle \\
&\times \int d\Omega_{\vec{k}} d\Omega_{\vec{k}'} \mathcal{M}^{\sigma_C \sigma_D, \sigma_A \sigma_B}(\vec{k}', \vec{k}) Y_{L M_L}(\hat{k}) Y_{L' M_{L'}}^*(\hat{k}')
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

• Decay width

- $d\Gamma(A \rightarrow BC) = 2\pi |M_{BC,A}|^2 \delta^{(4)}(p_A - p_B - p_C) d^3\vec{p}_B d^3\vec{p}_C.$
- $\langle E | E' \rangle = \delta(E - E') \implies$ **Phase-space factor absorbed into $f^{SL}(E)$ and $\langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S' L'} | H_I | [D^+ K^0]_{SL} \rangle$**
- **No extra phase-space factor** in the final decay-width formula

$$\Gamma = 2\pi \sum_{S', L'} |M_{S' L'}(D_{s0}^*(2317) \rightarrow D_s \pi^0)|^2 \tag{11}$$



Isospin-violating contribution from the DK continuum

● Decay amplitude

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&= N_B \left(\langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S'L'} | H_I | c\bar{s}(1^3P_0) \rangle \Rightarrow \text{bare } c\bar{s} \text{ state} \quad (c\bar{s} \rightarrow D_s \eta \rightarrow \pi^0 - \eta \text{ mixing}) \right. \\
&\quad + \int_{M_{0+}}^{\infty} \sum_{SL} \frac{f_{0+}^{SL}(E)}{z_X - E} \langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S'L'} | H_I | [D^0 K^+]_{SL} \rangle dE \\
&\quad \left. + \int_{M_{+0}}^{\infty} \sum_{SL} \frac{f_{+0}^{SL}(E)}{z_X - E} \langle [D_s^+ \pi^0]_{S'L'} | H_I | [D^+ K^0]_{SL} \rangle dE \right) \Rightarrow DK \text{ continuum state}
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

● Origin of isospin violation

$$I_{\text{flavor}}^{D^0 K^+} = +\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad I_{\text{flavor}}^{D^+ K^0} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}. \tag{13}$$

If $M_{0+} = M_{+0}$,

$$\langle D_s \pi^0 | H_I | D^0 K^+ \rangle = -\langle D_s \pi^0 | H_I | D^+ K^0 \rangle. \tag{14}$$



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Stable bound-state below threshold

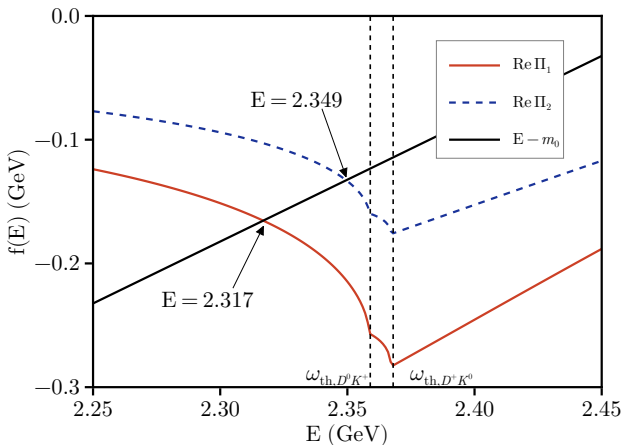


Fig. 4: The intersection of the real part of $\Pi(E)$ and $E - m_0$ curves.

- $\gamma = 8.75$ $z_0 = 2.317$ GeV
- $\gamma = 6.90$ $z_0 = 2.349$ GeV

Adopt $\gamma = 8.75$ for subsequent calculations.



Compositeness and Decay Width

Weinberg compositeness relation

$$Z = N_B^2, \quad X_n = N_B^2 \int \frac{|f_n^{SL}(E)|^2}{(z_X - E)^2} dE. \quad (15)$$

Z : bare $c\bar{s}(1^3P_0)$, X : DK continuum.

Our results

$$Z = \mathbf{51.1\%} \quad X_{DK} = \mathbf{48.9\%}$$

Consistent with Z.-L. Zhang *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **110**, 094037 (2024): $Z = 42\%$, $X_{DK} = 58\%$.

Strong decay width

$$\Gamma(D_{s0}^*(2317) \rightarrow D_s \pi^0) = \mathbf{40.3 \text{ keV}}$$



Strong decay widths in different works

Reference	Structure	$\Gamma(D_{s0}^* \rightarrow D_s \pi^0)$ (keV)
Lu et al. (2006)	$c\bar{s}$	32
Bardeen et al. (2003)	$c\bar{s}$	21.5
Godfrey et al. (2003)	$c\bar{s}$	~ 10
Wei et al. (2005)	$c\bar{s}$	$34 \sim 44$
Fajfer et al. (2015)	$c\bar{s}$	$2.4 \sim 4.7$
Colangelo et al. (2003)	$c\bar{s}$	7 ± 1
Ishida et al. (2003)	$c\bar{s}$	150 ± 70
Faessler et al. (2007)	DK	79.3 ± 32.6
Yue et al. (2025)	DK	$63.0 \sim 209$
Fu et al. (2021)	DK	132 ± 7
Zhou et al. (2025)	DK	$10.3^{+3.0}_{-2.9}$
Su et al. (2025)	DK	140 ± 10
Nielsen et al. (2005)	tetraquark	6 ± 2
This work	$c\bar{s} + DK$	$40.3^{+9.3}_{-4.9}$

Table 1: Strong decay widths of $D_{s0}^* (2317) \rightarrow D_s \pi^0$ predicted in different theoretical approaches.



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- $D_{s0}^*(2317)$ is generated as a **bound-state** pole in the extended Lee–Friedrichs model.
- The wave function of this state as $c\bar{s} + DK$ state can be **explicitly constructed**.
- Within this framework, **the elementariness and compositeness** of the bound state are obtained simultaneously with the physical wave function.
- The isospin-violated **strong decay** width is calculated self-consistently with **no additional free parameters**.

- ✓ **Self-consistent**
- ✓ **No additional free parameter**
- ✓ **Predictive power**

Thanks for your attention!