Staggered Chiral Perturbation Theory for All-Staggered Heavy-Light Mesons

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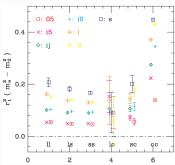


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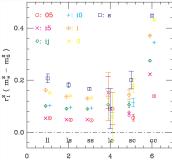


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Chiral Lagrangian in the Continuum Limit (no taste)

- Consider a heavy quark with no taste degree of freedom:
- Due to the spin symmetry of heavy quarks, one can combine the spin zero and spin one eigenstates of a heavy-light meson.

The field destroying the heavy-light meson:

$$H_{a}=rac{1+lat{}}{2}\left[\gamma^{\mu}B_{\mu a}^{st}+i\gamma_{5}B_{a}
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The creating field:

$$\overline{H}_a \equiv \gamma_0 H_a^\dagger \gamma_0$$

"a" is the combined flavor-taste index of the light quark and v is the meson's velocity.

The H-field chiral Lagrangian at LO is:

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• The tastes of a meson can be represented with the Hermitian taste generators:

$$T_{\Xi} = \{\xi_5, i\xi_{\mu 5}, i\xi_{\mu \nu}, \xi_{\mu}, \xi_{I}\}$$

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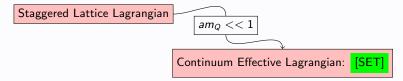
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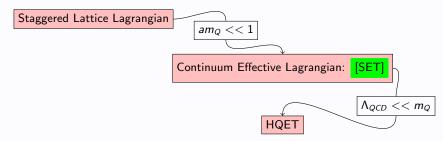
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Staggered Lattice Lagrangian

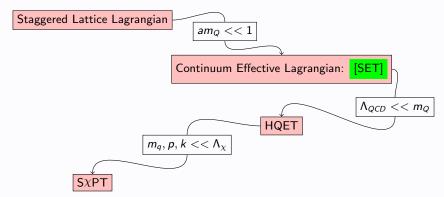
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- We use Symanzik effective action to derive NLO terms for $m_Q a << 1$, which leads to heavy quark taste (or spin) symmetry violation.
- Three different types of operators in the SET at order a^2 :

$$\begin{array}{lll} a^2 \mathcal{O}_{ss'tt'} = & c_1 & a^2 \overline{q}_l(\gamma_s \otimes \xi_t) q_l \overline{q}_{l'}(\gamma_{s'} \otimes \xi_{t'}) q_{l'} \\ & + & c_2 & a^2 \overline{q}_l(\gamma_s \otimes \xi_t) q_l \overline{q}_h(\gamma_{s'} \otimes \xi_{t'}) q_h \\ & + & c_3 & a^2 \overline{q}_h(\gamma_s \otimes \xi_t) q_h \overline{q}_{h'}(\gamma_{s'} \otimes \xi_{t'}) q_{h'} \end{array}$$

- The first type doesn't break the heavy taste symmetry.
- The third type doesn't lead to any new terms. (Since we don't consider heavy-light scatterings.)
- We now proceed to determine the chiral representatives of the second type.

• Using Spurion analysis, we obtain:

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Type-A operators are invariant over the full Euclidean space-time rotation group, SO(4), as well as a corresponding SO(4) of taste.

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- Due to the terms of \mathcal{L}^{A2}_{2,a^2} and \mathcal{L}^{B2}_{2,a^2} , different tastes of the D meson get different corrections to their mass.
 - Type-A: gives different masses to different representations of SO(4) taste symmetry group, labeled by S, P, V, A, T.
 - Type-B: gives different masses to time and spatial components of a representation such as ξ_0 and ξ_i .

 The following terms are corresponded to the dominant terms in taste splittings of light mesons (pions)

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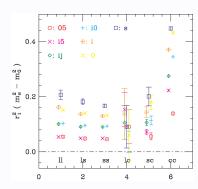
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The following pattern of mass splitting is common between the light and heavy-light mesons.

$\triangle M(.)$	ξ5	$\xi_{5\mu}$	$\xi_{\mu\nu}$	ξ_{μ}	1
$8a^2(K_{A3} + 4K_{A8})$	-4	-2	0	+2	+4

In heavy-light mesons the following pattern of mass splitting appears at the same order as the previous one.

$\triangle M(.)$	ξ5	ξ50	ξ5 <i>i</i>	ξij	ξ0 <i>i</i>	ξi	ξ0	I
8a ² K _{B2}	-6	-6	-2	-2	+2	+2	+6	+6



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- $C_{\Xi,a}$ is the only coefficient depending on the taste of the meson.
- 1-loop chiral logs are the same in a paper by Aubin and Bernard, where heavy quarks have no degree of freedom corresponding to taste.

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• Taste-independence of 1-loop chiral logs follows from the residual discrete taste symmetry of the light quarks and SU(4) taste symmetry of the heavy quarks at LO.

Conclusion

In summary:

- We generalized the chiral Lagrangian of a heavy-light meson so that each heavy quark has four tastes.
- We derived the NLO chiral Lagrangian which breaks the SU(4) heavy taste symmetry.
- We derived the NLO decay constants and the taste splittings in the heavy-light masses.

Our future work:

- to fit MILC HISQ data for heavy-light decay constants to the NLO chiral form we derived
 - Even though HISQ ensembles have physical light quark masses, the chiral fits should help control the extrapolation to the continuum, as well as allowing us to use additional ensembles with heavier masses.

Thanks for your attention