

Mass spectrum of mesons containing charm quarks – continuum limit results from twisted mass fermions

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Charm mesons spectrum



- Several charm-containing mesons known experimentally:
 - \star some of them well established and in good agreement with quark models,
 - * some of them known with large errors and with masses and/or widths not well predicted by quark models (e.g. D_{s0}^* , D_{s1} tetraquarks?).
- Hence, an *ab initio* investigation highly interesting lattice.
- Charm physics on the lattice complicated due to the values of the lattice spacing if too coarse, charm quark mass large in lattice units.
- Nevertheless, with current computing resources many questions can be addressed, including the spectrum of charmed mesons.
- Moreover, charm quarks can be treated as dynamical, so all systematic effects can be controlled with reasonable precision.
- Our aim: compute the spectrum of *D* (charm-light) mesons, *D_s* (charm-strange) mesons and charmonium (charm-charm) using fully dynamical twisted mass ensembles generated by ETMC.





- We use dynamical twisted mass configurations generated by ETMC with $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ dynamical quark flavours [R. Baron et al., 2010, 2011].
- Gauge action Iwasaki action [Y. Iwasaki, 1985], i.e. $b_1 = -0.331$, $b_0 = 1 8b_1$,

$$S_G[U] = \frac{\beta}{3} \sum_x \left(b_0 \sum_{\mu,\nu=1} \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \left(1 - P_{x;\mu,\nu}^{1 \times 1} \right) + b_1 \sum_{\mu \neq \nu} \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \left(1 - P_{x;\mu,\nu}^{1 \times 2} \right) \right).$$

• Wilson twisted mass fermion action for the light sector [R. Frezzotti, P.A. Grassi, G.C. Rossi, S. Sint, P. Weisz, 2000-2004]

$$S_{l}[\psi, \bar{\psi}, U] = a^{4} \sum_{x} \bar{\chi}_{l}(x) \left(D_{W} + m_{0,l} + i\mu_{l}\gamma_{5}\tau_{3} \right) \chi_{l}(x),$$

 $\chi_l = (\chi_u, \chi_d)$, $m_{0,l}$ and μ_l are the bare untwisted and twisted light quark masses.

• Twisted mass action for the heavy doublet [R. Frezzotti, G.C. Rossi, 2003, 2004]

$$S_{h}[\psi,\bar{\psi},U] = a^{4} \sum_{x} \bar{\chi}_{h}(x) \big(D_{W} + m_{0,h} + i\mu_{\sigma}\gamma_{5}\tau_{1} + \mu_{\delta}\tau_{3} \big) \chi_{h}(x),$$

 $\chi_h = (\chi_c, \chi_s), m_{0,h}$ – bare untwisted heavy quark mass, μ_{σ} – bare twisted mass with the twist along the τ_1 direction, μ_{δ} – mass splitting along the τ_3 direction that makes the strange and charm quark masses non-degenerate.

Renormalized strange and charm quark masses: $m_R^{s,c} = Z_P^{-1} (\mu_\sigma \mp (Z_P/Z_S)\mu_\delta).$

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- Light quarks the same action as in the sea.
- Strange and charm introduce 2 strange (s, s') and 2 charm (c, c') quark flavours with the action for a single flavour f:

$$D_f = D_W + m_0 + i\mu_f\gamma_5.$$

- We take:
 - * either $\mu_{s/c} = -\mu_{s'/c'}$ call this TM setup (however, it is still non-unitary)

* or $\mu_{s/c} = \mu_{s'/c'}$ – call this Osterwalder-Seiler (OS) setup.

In this way, we avoid the mixing of strange and charm quarks, which would make the computations problematic.

- Formally, the lattice action includes a ghost action that exactly cancels the contributions of the additional valence quarks to the fermionic determinant.
- Such setup still guarantees **automatic** O(a) **improvement**.
- However, the non-unitarity has to be taken care of by appropriate matching.



Ensembles used



Ensemble	eta	lattice	$a\mu_l$	$\mu_{l,R}$ [MeV]	κ_c	L [fm]	$m_{\pi}L$	a [fm]
A30.32	1.90	$32^3 \times 64$	0.0030	13	0.163272	2.8	3.5	0.0885
A40.32	1.90	$32^3 \times 64$	0.0040	17	0.163270	2.8	4.1	0.0885
A80.24	1.90	$24^3 \times 48$	0.0080	34	0.163260	2.1	4.3	0.0885
B25.32	1.95	$32^3 \times 64$	0.0025	12	0.161240	2.6	3.2	0.0815
B55.32	1.95	$32^3 \times 64$	0.0055	26	0.161236	2.6	4.6	0.0815
B85.24	1.95	$24^3 \times 48$	0.0085	40	0.161231	2.0	4.3	0.0815
D15.48	2.10	$48^3 \times 96$	0.0015	9	0.156361	3.0	3.2	0.0619
D20.48	2.10	$48^3 \times 96$	0.0020	12	0.156357	3.0	3.7	0.0619
D30.48	2.10	$48^3 \times 96$	0.0030	19	0.156355	3.0	4.5	0.0619

Values of the lattice spacings, $\mu_{l,R}$ ($\overline{\mathrm{MS}}$, 2 GeV) and $m_{\pi}L$ from:

N. Carrasco et al. (ETM Collaboration), Up, down, strange and charm quark masses with $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ twisted mass lattice QCD, Nucl. Phys. B887 (2014) 19-68, arXiv: 1403.4504 [hep-lat].



Meson creation operators in tmLQCD



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Our lattice meson creation operators are of the following from:

 $O_{\Gamma,\bar{\chi}^{(1)}\chi^{(2)}}^{\mathsf{twisted}} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{V/a^3}} \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \bar{\chi}^{(1)}(\mathbf{n}) \sum_{\Delta \mathbf{n}=\pm \mathbf{e}_x, \pm \mathbf{e}_y, \pm \mathbf{e}_z} U(\mathbf{n};\mathbf{n}+\Delta \mathbf{n})\Gamma(\Delta \mathbf{n})\chi^{(2)}(\mathbf{n}+\Delta \mathbf{n}),$

where:

- \sum_{n} gives zero total momentum,
- $\sum_{\Delta n=\pm e_x,\pm e_y,\pm e_z}$ realizes spatial separation between quarks, such that the meson can have angular momentum,
- $\Gamma(\Delta n)$ is a suitable combination of spherical harmonics and γ matrices (determines total angular momentum, parity and charge conjugation properties (for charmonium)),
- $U(\mathbf{n};\mathbf{n}+\Delta\mathbf{n})$ is a gauge link,
- $\chi^{(1)}$, $\chi^{(2)}$ are twisted basis quark operators.



Smearing of gauge links and quark fields



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- We use standard smearing techniques to enhance the overlap between our trial states and low lying meson states:
 - * first, APE smearing of links, e.g. for A-ensembles: $N_{\rm APE} = 10$, $\alpha_{\rm APE} = 0.5$,
 - * second, Gaussian smearing of quark fields, e.g. for A-ensembles: $N_{\rm Gauss}=30,\ \kappa_{\rm Gauss}=0.5.$
- Smearing does not affect the irreducible representation of the cubic group and the total angular momentum O^J, parity *P* and charge conjugation *C* that are all determined by the meson creation operators.



Correlation matrices

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For each sector, i.e. the same

- flavours $ar{\chi}^{(1)}\chi^{(2)}$,
- cubic representation O^J
- and $(\bar{c}c) \ \mathcal{C}$ (OS) or $\mathcal{C} \circ \mathcal{P}^{(\mathsf{tm})}$ (TM),

we compute temporal correlation matrices of meson creation operators.

 \longrightarrow Correlators in a given correlation matrix have different \mathcal{P} (parity broken by TM!) and spin (Γ structure).





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For each ensemble, we compute:

- m_K at 2 different values of the strange quark mass μ_s ,
- m_D at 2 different values of the charm quark mass μ_c .

This allows to extrapolate to the physical μ_s and μ_c quark masses by requiring that:

- $2m_K^2 m_\pi^2$ takes its physical value of $0.477 \,\mathrm{GeV}^2$,
- m_D takes its physical value of 1.865 GeV

for each ensemble in the TM non-unitary setup $(\mu_{s,c} = -\mu_{s',c'})$.

After this procedure, the OS non-unitary setup $(\mu_{s,c} = \mu_{s',c'})$ should give the same masses $2m_K^2 - m_\pi^2$ and m_D , but only in the continuum limit.

Other meson masses should also be the physical ones after extrapolating to the physical pion mass and to the continuum limit.

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To extract the physical meson masses, we use the following procedure:

- 1. We compute the relevant TM/OS correlation functions for:
 - 3 lattice spacings,
 - 3 light quark masses for each lattice spacing,
 - 2 strange quark masses per light quark mass,
 - 2 charm quark masses per strange quark mass (i.e. 4 pairs (μ_{s,1}, μ_{c,1}), (μ_{s,1}, μ_{c,2}), (μ_{s,2}, μ_{c,1}), (μ_{s,2}, μ_{c,2}) for each light quark mass μ_l).
- 2. We perform extra-/interpolations in strange/charm quark masses to obtain the correlators at the physical strange and charm quark masses (use jackknife with binning to account for autocorrelations and propagate the error from this tuning).
- 3. This gives us a set of 18 points per correlator (3 lattice spacings \times 3 quark masses \times 2 discretizations).



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Having this set of 18 points per correlator, we perform a combined **chiral and continuum extrapolation**, using the following fitting ansatz:

$$M^{TM}(a, m_{\pi}) = M + c^{TM}a^2 + \alpha^{TM}(m_{\pi}^2 - m_{\pi, phys}^2)$$

$$M^{OS}(a, m_{\pi}) = M + c^{OS}a^2 + \alpha^{OS}(m_{\pi}^2 - m_{\pi, phys}^2)$$

with 5 fitting parameters: M, c^{TM} , c^{OS} , α^{TM} , α^{OS} .

Note that we **enforce** a common continuum and physical pion mass limit for both discretizations.



Example extrapolations: J/ψ ($J^{PC} = 1^{--}$)







PDG value of the mass: 3096.920(10) GeV Our value of the mass: 3096(6) GeV χ^2 /d.o.f. of our fit: 0.36

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Example extrapolations: η_c ($J^{\mathcal{PC}} = 0^{-+}$)







PDG value of the mass: 2981.1(1.1) GeV Our value of the mass: 2985(6) GeV χ^2 /d.o.f. of our fit: 0.54

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Example extrapolations: χ_{c2} ($J^{\mathcal{PC}} = 2^{++}$)







PDG value of the mass: 3556.20(9) GeV Our value of the mass: 3560(12) GeV χ^2 /d.o.f. of our fit: 0.53

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Example extrapolations: $\eta_c[2S]$ $(J^{\mathcal{PC}} = 0^{-+})^{\text{GOETHE}}_{\text{UNIVERS}}$



PDG value of the mass: 3638.9(1.3) GeV Our value of the mass: 3726(38) GeV χ^2 /d.o.f. of our fit: 0.85

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Example extrapolations: D_s ($J^{\mathcal{P}} = 0^-$)







PDG value of the mass: 1968.49(32) GeV Our value of the mass: 1964.8(3.6) GeV χ^2 /d.o.f. of our fit: 1.24

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Example extrapolations: D_s^* ($J^P = 1^-$)







PDG value of the mass: 2112.3(5) GeV Our value of the mass: 2110.7(5.2) GeV χ^2 /d.o.f. of our fit: 1.08

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Summary – *D* spectrum





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- We have shown a computation of the spectrum of D mesons, D_s mesons and charmonium, using maximally twisted mass sea quarks and 2 different valence quark discretizations.
- We have rather good control over the light quark mass dependence and cut-off effects.
- Problems with plateaus in certain cases needs a systematic analysis.
- Our plans:
 - * different fitting ansätze for chiral/continuum extrapolation,
 - systematic analysis of plateaus (assign systematic error from plateau choice),
 - \star comparison of TM/OS not enforcing a common continuum value,
 - \star 3rd light quark mass missing at one of the lattice spacings.





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