

# The hidden SUSY face of QCD

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based on work done with

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and reviewed in

ASV, [hep-th/0403071](#)

NB: mostly from a QFT perspective

# Outline

1. Large- $N$  exp.<sup>ns</sup> in QCD: need one more?
2.  $\text{QCD}_F$  vs.  $\text{QCD}_{OR}$
3. Planar equivalence in PT and beyond
4. SUSY relics in  $N_f=1$  QCD
5. Analytic estimate of  $\langle \underline{\psi}\psi \rangle$  in QCD
6. Extensions

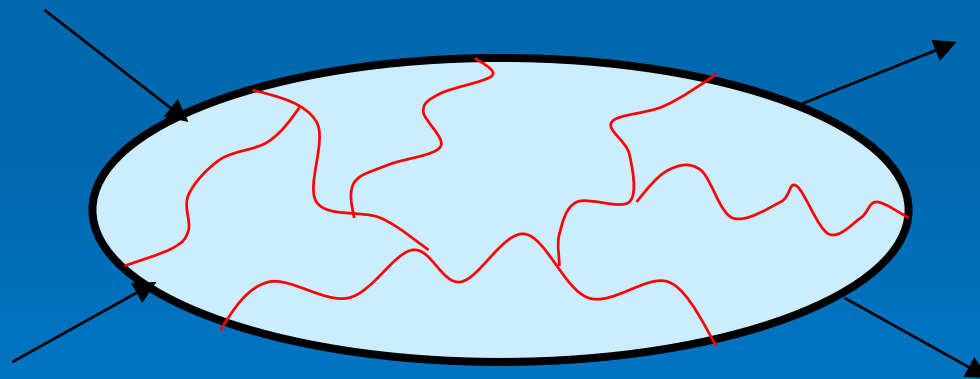
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Unrelated Appendix:

Isospin mixing of tetra and pentaquark states?

# Large- $N$ expansions in QCD: who needs one more?

⇒ Planar + quenched limit ('tHooft, 1974)  
=  $1/N_c$  expansion @ fixed  $\lambda = g^2 N_c$  and  $N_f$   
Leading diagrams



Corrections:  $O(N_f / N_c)$  from  $q$ -loops,  
 $O(1/N_c^2)$  from non-planar diagrams

## Properties at leading order

1. Resonance have zero width +
2. U(1) problem not solved, WV holds @ N LO -?
3. Multiparticle production not allowed -

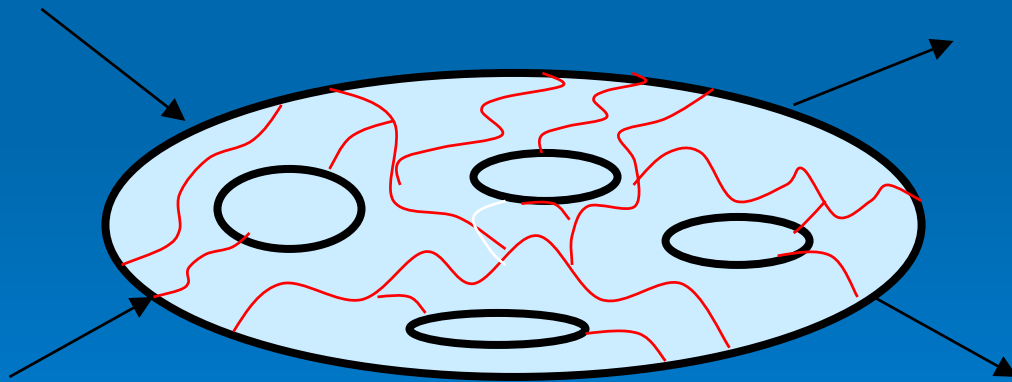
Theoretically, if not phenomenologically, appealing:  
should give the tree-level of some string theory  
(reason for the "accidental" discovery of the  
string theory we are now considering as a TOE?)

Proved hard to solve, except in  $D=2$ ....

✦ Planar unquenched limit (GV '74--'76) = TE  
=  $1/N$  expansion @ fixed  $\lambda = g^2 N$  and  $N_f / N_c$   
Corrections

$O(1/N^2)$  from non-planar diagrams

Leading diagrams include "empty" q-loops



# Properties

1. Widths become  $O(1)$  -
2.  $U(1)$  problem solved to leading order, no reason for  $WV$  to be good \*) +?
3. Multiparticle production allowed  
=> Bare Pomeron & Gribov's RFT +

Perhaps phenomenologically more appealing than 'tHooft's but even harder to solve...

\*) Better justified through a small- $N_f$  expansion?

We can generalize QCD to an  $SU(N)$  gauge group in different ways by playing with matter rep.

The conventional way,  $QCD_F$ , is to keep the quarks in fundamental + antifundamental ( $N + N^*$ )

The one we shall consider is called, for stringy reasons,  $QCD_{OR}$  (OR for Orientifold: see e.g. P. Di Vecchia et al. hep-th/0407038)

Put quarks in the 2-index-antisymmetric (AS)-tensor rep. of  $SU(N)$  (+ its complex conjugate)

As in 'tHooft's expansion (and unlike in TE)  $N_f$  fixed

NB. For  $N=3$  this is still ordinary QCD

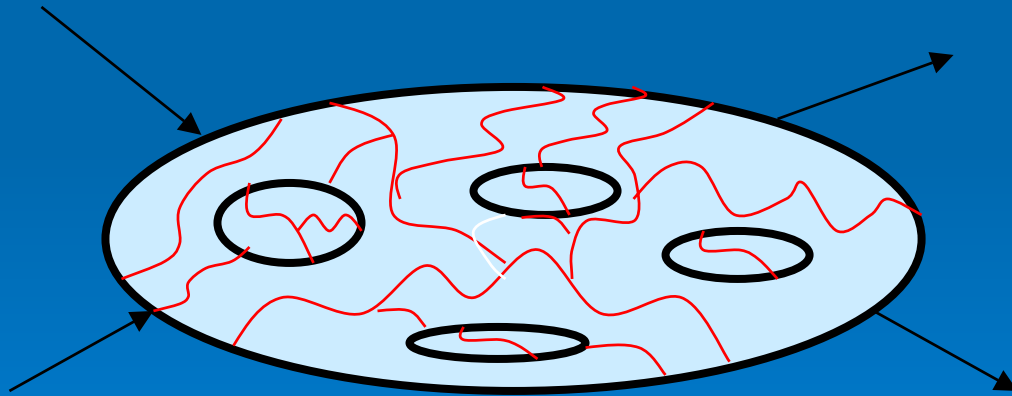
NB: In string construction: both S and AS tensor reps. are possible, but the former is never  $\sim$  QCD

Leading diagrams are planar, include "filled" q-loops since there are  $O(N^2)$  quarks

Widths are zero, U(1) problem solved, no p.pr.

Phenomenologically interesting?

Theoretically manageable? Yes, I claim.





# QCD<sub>F</sub> vs. QCD<sub>OR</sub>

coeff \ th	YM	QCD <sub>F</sub>	QCD <sub>OR</sub>	Large-N, N <sub>f</sub> =1
$\beta_0$	$11N/3$	$(11N-2N_f)/3$	$(11N-2(N-2)N_f)/3$	$3N$
$\beta_1$	$17N^2/3$	$17N^2/3 - N_f(13N/6 - 1/2N)$	$17N^2/3 - N_f(N-2) \times (5N + 3(N-2)(N+1)/N)/3$	$3N^2$
$\gamma_0$	X	$3(N^2-1)/2N$	$3(N-2)(N+1)/N$	$3N$

QCD<sub>OR</sub> as an interpolating theory:

@ N=2 it coincides with pure YM (fermions decouple)

@ N=3 it coincides with QCD

... and at large N?

# ASV claim of Planar Equivalence

In the large- $N$  limit the bosonic sector of  $\text{QCD}_{\text{OR}}$  is equivalent to that of  $\text{QCD}_{\text{Adj}}$  i.e. of QCD with  $N_f$  Majorana fermions in the adjoint representation

Important corollary

For  $N_f = 1$  and  $m = 0$ ,  $\text{QCD}_{\text{OR}}$  is planar-equivalent to Supersymmetric Yang-Mills (SYM) theory

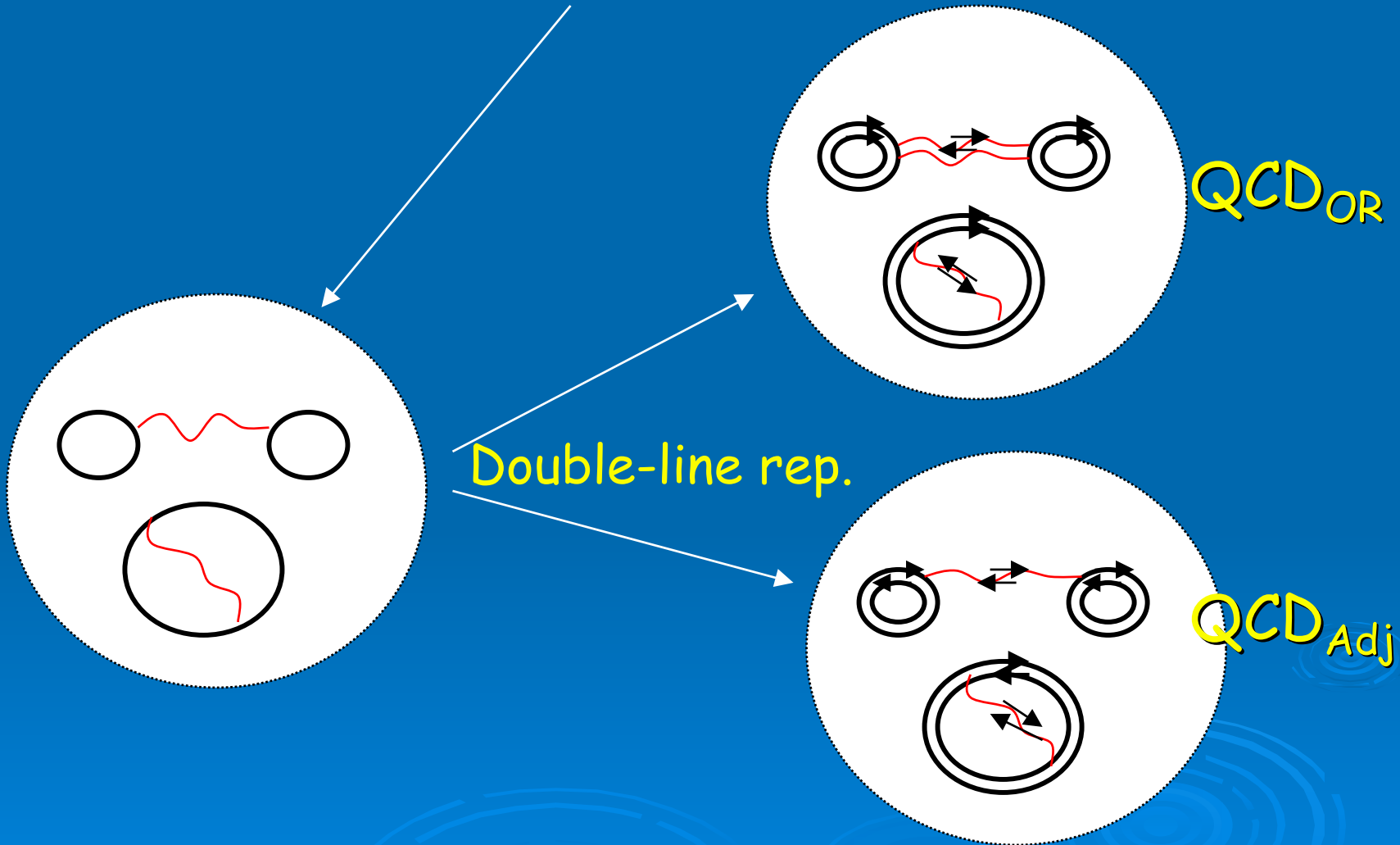
Some properties of the latter should show up in  $N_f = 1$  QCD ... if  $N=3$  is large enough

NB: Expected accuracy is only  $1/N$ ...

NB': For us  $N_f = 1, m = 0$  defines a rather special point in parameter space... unlike for Creutz..

# Perturbative Argument

Draw a planar diagram on sphere



Differ by an even number of - signs...

# Non-perturbative Argument (sketch)

- Integrate out fermions (after having included masses, bilinear sources)
- Use gauge invariance of  $\det(D+m+J)$  to express it in terms of Wilson-loops
- Use large- $N$  factorization to write adjoint and OR Wilson loop as product of fundamental and/or antifundamental Wilson loops
- Use equality of fundamental and antifundamental Wilson loops

# Before moving to SUSY..

It would be interesting to check numerically what happens to  $\text{QCD}_{\text{OR}}$  and to  $\text{QCD}_{\text{Adj}}$  as we increase  $N$  even for

- $m \neq 0, N_f \neq 1,$
- quenched limit

The two theories should approach each other

Another numerical (analytic?) check could be comparing fermionic determinants in both theories as  $N$  is increased

# SUSY relics in QCD<sub>OR</sub>



Approximate parity doublets. Indeed:

$$\text{SYM: } m_S = m_P = m_F \Rightarrow \text{OR: } m_S \sim m_P \ll m_F$$

Looks OK if can we make use of:

a) Experiments for  $m_S$  ( $\sigma$  @ 600MeV),

b)  $WV$  for  $m_P$  ( $m_P \sim \sqrt{2(180)^2/95} \text{ MeV} \sim 480 \text{ MeV}$   
excluding quark masses)



Related to this: approximate absence of "activity  
in certain chiral correlators

$$\langle \Psi_R \Psi_L(x) \Psi_R \Psi_L(y) \rangle \sim \text{constant}$$

while  $\langle \overline{\Psi}_R \Psi_L(x) \overline{\Psi}_L \Psi_R(y) \rangle$  has much activity

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- ⌚ A mass gap, no Nambu-Goldstone bosons (the only continuous axial symmetry is broken by anomaly/instantons even @ large  $N$ )
- ↩  $N + O(1)$  distinct vacua characterized by the phase of the quark condensate. Indeed one expects  $N-2$  distinct vacua. Except at  $N=3$ , there is an enhanced symmetry @  $m=0$ !
- ↩ Vanishing cosmological constant at leading order in spite of the fact that the planar spectrum of the OR theory is purely bosonic

Dulcis in fundo..

An analytic estimate of the quark condensate

# The quark condensate in $N_f=1$ QCD

Claim (ASV, hep-th/0309013):

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_\mu = -\frac{3}{2\pi^2} \mu^3 \lambda_\mu^{-1578/961} \exp\left(-\frac{27}{31\lambda_\mu}\right) k(1/3)$$

where (all in MS)

$$\lambda_\mu = \alpha_s(\mu)N/2\pi, \quad k(0) = 1, \quad k(1/3) \sim 1 \pm 0.30$$



Sketch of argument: define

$$\Lambda^* = \mu \exp \left[ -\frac{N}{\beta_0} (1/\lambda_\mu - 1/\lambda^*) \right] \left( \frac{\lambda_\mu}{\lambda^*} \right)^{\beta_1/\beta_0^2}$$

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle^* = \left( \frac{\lambda_\mu}{\lambda^*} \right)^{\gamma_0/\beta_0} \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_\mu = \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{\Lambda^*}$$

$$R^* = \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle^* / \Lambda^{*3}$$

both in QCD<sub>OR</sub> and in SYM. we want to compute the former from the latter

Ratio of ratios,  $R^*(OR) / R^*(SYM)$ , is a function of  $1/N$ ,  $K(1/N, \lambda^*)$  w/  $K(0, \lambda^*) = 1$

$R^*(SYM)$  is exactly known either from weak-coupling instanton calculations or from softly broken SW:

$$R^*(SYM) = -\frac{N^2}{2\pi^2\lambda^{*2}} \exp(-1/\lambda^*)$$

Using previous formulae we get

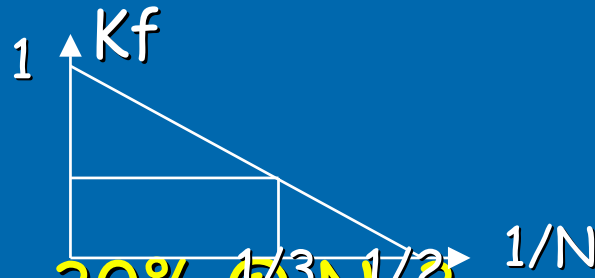
$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{\mu}^{OR} = -\frac{N^2\mu^3}{2\pi^2} \exp\left(-\frac{3N}{\beta_0\lambda_{\mu}}\right) \lambda_{\mu}^{-3\beta_1/\beta_0^2 - \gamma_0/\beta_0} K(1/N, \lambda^*) f(\lambda^*)$$

$$\frac{3N}{\beta_0} = \frac{1}{1 + 4/9N} \Rightarrow 1, \quad \frac{\gamma_0}{\beta_0} = \frac{(1 + 1/N)(1 - 2/N)}{1 + 4/9N} \Rightarrow 1$$

$$3\frac{\beta_1}{\beta_0^2} = \frac{(1 + 19/9N - 4/3N^3)}{(1 + 4/9N)^2} \Rightarrow 1$$

$$f(\lambda^*) = \exp\left[-\frac{1}{\lambda^*}\left(1 - \frac{3N}{\beta_0}\right)\right] (\lambda^*)^{3\beta_1/\beta_0^2 + \gamma_0/\beta_0 - 2} \Rightarrow 1$$

Making the assumption that  $K_f = (1 - 2/N)k(1/N)$   
 (NB: @  $N=2$  fermion decouples..)



with  $k \sim 1 \pm 30\%$  @  $N=3$  gives the quoted result.  
 This can also be written as

$$\langle (g^2)^{12/31} \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle = -1.1k(1/3)\Lambda_{st}^3$$

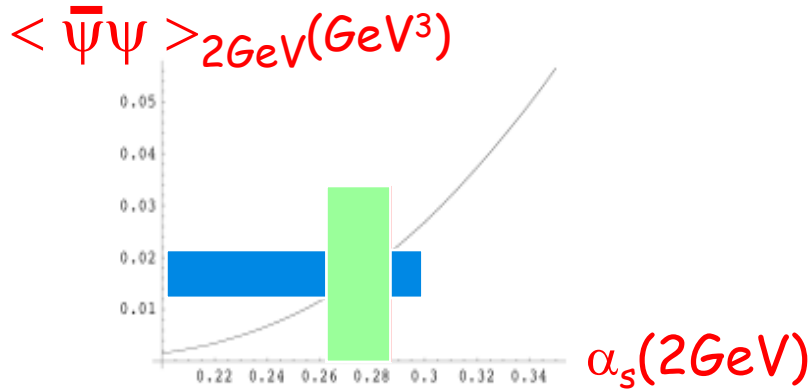
$$\Lambda_{st} = \mu \exp \left[ -\frac{N}{\beta_0 \lambda_\mu} \right] \left( \frac{2N}{\beta_0 \lambda_\mu} \right)^{\beta_1/\beta_0^2}$$

# Comparison with "data"

- There are of course no real data on  $N_f = 1$  QCD
- Unfortunately there are no fake data either...PLEASE..
- We can try to argue about relation between  $N_f = 1$  condensate and the one of real QCD (from phenomenology or quenched lattice calculations). A typical value of latter is

$$\text{to } \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{2GeV} = -0.016 \pm 0.005 \text{GeV}^3$$

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle_{\mu} = -\frac{3}{2\pi^2} \mu^3 (\lambda_{\mu})^{-1.63} \exp(-1/\lambda_{\mu})$$



Quark condensate at 2 GeV vs  $\alpha_s(2\text{GeV})$

Agreement reached for  $\alpha_s(2\text{GeV}) \sim 0.275 \pm 0.015$  (see graph) a value compatible with experiments... Encouraging but dedicated lattice calculation appears to be needed

# Extension #1: $N_f = 3$

- Take OR theory and add to it two flavours in  $N+N^*$
- At  $N=3$  this is  $N_f=3$  QCD, at  $N=2$  it's  $N_f=2$  QCD
- At large  $N$  it cannot be distinguished from OR, fits SYM  $\beta$ -functions better at finite  $N$
- Correlators for which dictionary can be established between the two theories should still coincide in large- $N$  limit. These do not include F-condensate
- Vacuum manifold, NG bosons etc. are different!
- May still work for AS condensate: if so the result used above for  $N_f=3$  QCD is justified...

# Extension #2: More SUSY

Natural question to ask is whether we can play a similar trick in order to relate  $N=1$  and  $N=2$  theories

Example: add to SYM a chiral multiplet in the  $AS+AS^*$  representation

If, at large  $N$ , this is like adding an adjoint one should recover SW theory and could copy exact results from the latter for SQCD<sub>OR</sub> (e.g. get Kahler of  $N=1$  theory from  $N=2$  pre-potential) or, at  $N=3$ , for SQCD tout court.

- Also in this case moduli spaces are different. One has to work with softly broken  $N=2$  and compare it with  $N = 1$  with massive matter
- Chiral and large- $N$  limit do not commute
- If due care is taken, the comparison of the results for the condensates (here known exactly in both theories) is quite instructive and provides an example where our procedure for SYM and QCD would be fully justified including the factor  $(1-2/N)$  here due to the ratio of the Konishi anomaly coeff.s in the two theories



# Another possible application: “techni-orientifold”

- Recent work by F. Sannino and K. Tuominen (hep-ph/0405209)
- Instead of making TC similar to  $\text{QCD}_F$  they propose to make it similar to  $\text{QCD}_{OR}$
- However, in order to make it most unlike  $\text{QCD}_F$ , they chose to work with  $S$ , rather than  $AS$ , reps.
- Can have walking TC with fewer flavours (possibly solving the FCNC problem while keeping small corrections to  $S, T$  parameters...)

**NB: NO obvious SUSY limit for this theory!**

# Conclusions, part I

- The orientifold large- $N$  expansion is arguably the first example where large- $N$  considerations lead to quantitative predictions in non-SUSY,  $D=4$ , strongly coupled gauge theories
- More work is needed, particularly on
  - ◆ Tightening the NP proof of planar equivalence
    - ◆ Estimating  $1/N$  corrections
    - ◆ Providing numerical checks
  - ◆ Extending the equivalence in various directions

# Part II: Isospin mixing in narrow multiquark states?

1. Isospin mixing of narrow pentaquark states

G. C. Rossi and G. Veneziano, [hep-ph/0404262](#)

2. Has isospin mixing being seen in decay of  $D_{sJ}(2632)$ ?

L. Maiani et al. [hep-ph/0407025](#)

# 1. Isospin mixing of narrow pentaquark states

G. C. Rossi and G. Veneziano, hep-ph/0404262

- Extend to pentaquarks old work on I-mixing in narrow tetraquark (baryonium) states, Phys. Lett. 70B (1980) 507
- Warning: Experimental status of pentaquarks is still unclear...

Use (for the sake of illustration) the Jaffe-Wilczek (Nussinov) assignement of Pentaquark states to an ideally mixed  $8+10$

=> six  $S=-2$  ( $\Xi$ ) states filling an  $I=1/2$  and an  $I=3/2$  multiplet

If they are narrow and degenerate to within a few MeV, large  $I$ -mixing can arise (from quark masses and EM effects) in the  $Q=-1$  and  $Q=0$  sectors (two states mix in each  $Q$  sector)

Splitting and mixing angles can be computed from a small number of parameters => predictions

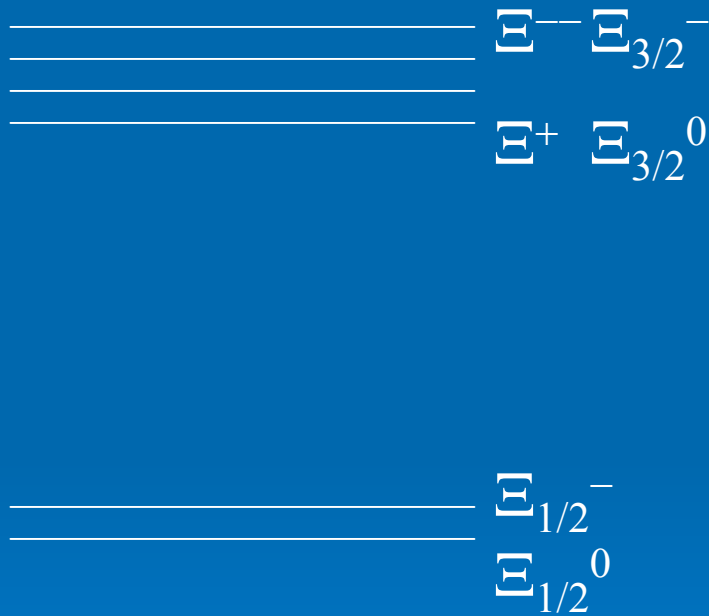
# OZI violating diagrams prefer/split pure I-eigenstates



$\delta m$  and  $O(\alpha)$  effects prefer/split pure-flavour eigenstates

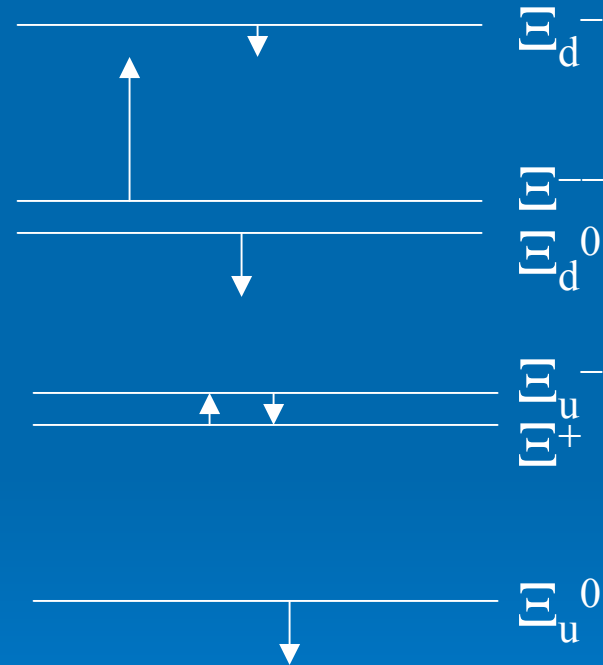
# Two extreme pictures of $\Xi$ spectrum

Small I-mixing



(a)

Nearly "ideal" I-mixing



(b)

L. Maiani, F. Piccinini, AD Polosa & V.Riquer,  
hep-ph/0407025

- Interpret  $D_{sJ}(2632)$  as a  $[cd][\bar{d}\bar{s}]$  tetraquark state that is relatively unmixed with  $[cu][\bar{u}\bar{s}]$
- Explains why this state does not like to decay into  $D^0 K^+$
- Predictions for  $D^+ K^0$ ,  $D_s \pi^0$  channels

A striking example of a phenomenon suggested  
24 years ago ?