

Predicting $B^{(*)}\bar{D}^{(*)}$ states from a reanalysis of lattice QCD data

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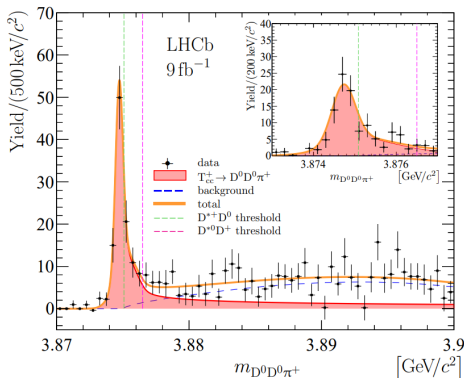


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T_{cc}^+ and its flavor partners

- T_{cc}^+ state LHCb, Nature Commun.13(2022)3351, Nature Phys.18(2022)751



- Pole position: this pole lies $-273 \pm 61 \pm 5^{+11}_{-14}$ keV (Breit-Wigner fit) below the $D^{*+} D^0$ threshold with width $410 \pm 165 \pm 43^{+18}_{-38}$ keV
- Minimal quark content: $cc\bar{u}\bar{d}$ without isospin partner
- Compositeness: $Z < 0.52(0.58)$ at 90(95)% CL
- Based on the heavy quark flavor symmetry, T_{cc}^+ should have heavy quark partner with quark content $cb\bar{u}\bar{d}/bb\bar{u}\bar{d}$ S. Sakai, et al, PRD96(2017)054023; Luciano M. Abreu, NPB 985(2022)115994; M. Abolnikov, et al, PRD 113(2026)114041

Lattice results in the $B^{(*)}\bar{D}^{(*)}/D^{(*)}\bar{B}^{(*)}$ system

- Signal for $I(J^P) = 0(1^+)$: the ground-state EL below the $\bar{D}B^*$ threshold [-61,-15] MeV with $m_\pi \simeq 164, 299$, and 415 MeV ($[ud][\bar{c}\bar{b}]$ + local $\bar{D}B^*$ operators) [A. Francis, et al, PRD99\(2019\)054505](#)
- No signal for $0(0^+, 1^+)$ systems: the ground-states EL above the corresponding $\bar{D}B$ and $\bar{D}B^*$ thresholds with $m_\pi \simeq 192$ MeV ($[ud][\bar{c}\bar{b}]$ + local $\bar{D}B^*$ operators) [R.J. Hudspith, et al, PRD102 \(2020\) 114506](#)
- No signal for $0(1^+)$ system: the ground-state EL is compatible with the $\bar{D}B^*$ threshold with $m_\pi \simeq 139 - 431$ MeV ($[ud][\bar{c}\bar{b}]$ + local/nonlocal $\bar{D}B^*$ operators) [S. Meinel, et al, PRD106\(2022\)034507](#)
- Bound states in the $0(0^+, 1^+)$ systems: $B\bar{D}$ and $B^*\bar{D}$ bound states with binding energies $E_b = -0.5_{-1.5}^{+0.4}$ and $-2.4_{-0.7}^{+2.0}$ at $m_\pi \simeq 220$ MeV ($[ud][\bar{c}\bar{b}]$ + local/nonlocal $\bar{D}B^*$ operators) [C. Alexandrou, et al, PRL132\(2024\)151902](#)
- Extrapolation of $\bar{u}\bar{d}cb$ system with $0(0^+, 1^+)$: $\bar{B}D$ and $\bar{B}^*D$ bound states with binding energies $E_b = -39_{-6-18}^{+4+8}$ and -43_{-6-24}^{+6+14} MeV at the physical pion mass ($[ud][\bar{c}\bar{b}]$ + local $\bar{B}D/\bar{B}^*D$ operators at $m_\pi \sim 0.5 - 3.0$ GeV) [M. Padmanath, et al, PRL132\(2024\)201902, PRD 110\(2024\)034506](#)

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T-matrix in the infinite volume

- Isoscalar $B^{(*)}\bar{D}^{(*)}$ systems

$$0^+ : \{B\bar{D}, B^*\bar{D}^*\},$$

$$1^+ : \{B\bar{D}^*, B^*\bar{D}, B^*\bar{D}^*\},$$

$$2^+ : \{B^*\bar{D}^*\}.$$

- T-matrix in the infinite volume (Lippmann-Schwinger equation)

$$T_{\eta\delta}(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\alpha\beta} F_{\eta\alpha}^\Lambda(\mathbf{p}) T'_{\alpha\beta}(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) F_{\beta\delta}^\Lambda(\mathbf{k}),$$

with

$$T'_{\alpha\beta}(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) = V_{\alpha\beta}(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) + \sum_{\gamma} \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}^3}{(2\pi)^3} V_{\alpha\gamma}(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) I_{\gamma\gamma}^\Lambda(E, \mathbf{q}) T'_{\gamma\beta}(E, \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{k}).$$

Here the Gaussian form factor $F_\Lambda(p_i) = \exp(-p_i^2/\Lambda^2)$ for heavy-meson channels is used to ensure **unitarity** of T-matrix. The Green's function is

$$I_{\alpha\beta}^\Lambda(E, \mathbf{q}) = \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta} e^{-2\mathbf{q}^2/\Lambda^2}}{E - (\omega_1(\mathbf{q}) + \omega_2(\mathbf{q})) + i\varepsilon}.$$

Short-range interactions from HQSS

At LO, the interactions between heavy mesons are described by the contact term

- Isoscalar 0^+ systems: $\{B\bar{D}, B^*\bar{D}^*\}$

$$V_C^0(B\bar{D}) = C_{0a},$$

$$V_C^0(B^*\bar{D}^*) = C_{0a} - 2C_{0b}.$$

- Isoscalar 1^+ systems: $\{B\bar{D}^*, B^*\bar{D}, B^*\bar{D}^*\}$

$$V_C^1\{B\bar{D}^*, B^*\bar{D}\} = \begin{pmatrix} C_{0a} & -C_{0b} \\ -C_{0b} & C_{0a} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$V_C^1(B^*\bar{D}^*) = C_{0a} - C_{0b}.$$

- Isoscalar 2^+ system: $\{B^*\bar{D}^*\}$

$$V_C^2(B^*\bar{D}^*) = C_{0a} + C_{0b}.$$

C_{0a} and C_{0b} are low-energy constants fixed from the lattice data.

Long-range interaction in the ChPT

The one-pion-exchange potentials between the heavy mesons are obtained from ChPT

- For the isoscalar $B^* \bar{D} - B \bar{D}^*$ coupled-channel system

$$V_{\text{OPE}}(B^* \bar{D}) = -\frac{3g^2}{4F_\pi^2} D_\pi(E) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & [\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*(\mathbf{k}_1)][\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{p}_2)] \\ [\mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*(\mathbf{k}_2)][\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{p}_1)] & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- For the isospin $B^* \bar{D}^*$ system with $J^P = 0^+, 1^+, 2^+$

$$V_{\text{OPE}}(B^* \bar{D}^*) = \frac{3g^2}{4F_\pi^2} D_\pi(E) [\mathbf{q} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*(\mathbf{k}_1) \times \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{p}_1))] [\mathbf{q} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*(\mathbf{k}_2) \times \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{p}_2))].$$

$D_\pi(E)$ is the pion propagator in the time-ordered perturbation theory (TOPT)



T-matrix in the finite-volume

- For the A_1^+ irrep ($B\bar{D}$ system), only the contact potential, which is the normal finite-volume framework
- In the T_1^+ irrep, the coupled-channel Lippmann-Schwinger equation for the $B^*\bar{D}-B\bar{D}^*$ system is

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{T}'_{\alpha\lambda_1 r_1, \beta\lambda_2 r_2}{}^\Gamma(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) &= \tilde{V}_{\alpha\lambda_1 r_1, \beta\lambda_2 r_2}{}^\Gamma(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) \\ &+ \sum_{\gamma, \lambda_3, r_3, \mathbf{q}_n} \tilde{V}_{\alpha\lambda_1 r_1, \gamma\lambda_3 r_3}{}^\Gamma(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}_n) \tilde{I}_{\gamma\lambda_3 r_3, \gamma\lambda_3 r_3}{}^\Lambda(E, \mathbf{q}_n) \tilde{T}'_{\gamma\lambda_3 r_3, \beta\lambda_2 r_2}{}^\Gamma(E, \mathbf{q}_n, \mathbf{k}), \end{aligned}$$

where λ_i is the helicity of vector mesons, and r_i are the row of irrep Γ . $\tilde{V}_{\alpha\lambda_1 r_1, \gamma\lambda_3 r_3}{}^\Gamma(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}_n)$ is the potential projected into the irrep Γ . The finite-volume Green's function is

$$\tilde{I}_{\alpha\lambda_1 r_1, \beta\lambda_2 r_2}{}^\Lambda(E, \mathbf{q}_n) = \frac{1}{L^3} \frac{\delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} \delta_{r_1 r_2} e^{-2\mathbf{q}_n^2/\Lambda^2}}{E - \tilde{\omega}_{B(*)}(\mathbf{q}_n) - \tilde{\omega}_{\bar{D}(*)}(\mathbf{q}_n)}.$$

- The coupled-channel contact potentials

$$V_C^1\{B\bar{D}^*, B^*\bar{D}\} = \begin{pmatrix} C_{0a}\varepsilon^*(\mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \varepsilon(\mathbf{p}_2) & -C_{0b}\varepsilon^*(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot \varepsilon(\mathbf{p}_2) \\ -C_{0b}\varepsilon^*(\mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \varepsilon(\mathbf{p}_1) & C_{0a}\varepsilon^*(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot \varepsilon(\mathbf{p}_1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Projection of potential into the irrep Γ

- The potentials are reduced to the specific irrep with the projection operator

$$\tilde{V}_{\alpha\lambda_1 r_1, \beta\lambda_2 r_2}^\Gamma(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\mu} \langle \mathbf{p}, \Gamma, \lambda_1, r_1, \mu | \hat{V}_{\alpha\beta}(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) | \mathbf{k}, \Gamma, \lambda_2, r_2, \mu \rangle,$$

where the orthonormal basis of the Γ irrep is

$$|\mathbf{p}, \Gamma, \lambda, r, \mu\rangle = N_{\mathbf{p}\lambda}^\Gamma \sum_{\nu} \left[c_{\mathbf{p}, \lambda}^{\Gamma, r} \right]_{\nu} P_{\mu\nu}^\Gamma |\mathbf{p}, \lambda\rangle \quad \text{with} \quad P_{\mu\nu}^\Gamma = \frac{\dim(\Gamma)}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \bar{D}_{\mu\nu}^\Gamma(g) g.$$

Kang Yu, et al, JHEP04(2025)108

- The potential is reduced to

$$V_{\alpha\lambda_1 r_1, \beta\lambda_2 r_2}^\Gamma(E, \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{N_{\mathbf{p}, \lambda_1}}{N_{\mathbf{k}, \lambda_2}} \sum_{g \in O_H^2} \left(\left[c_{\mathbf{p}, \lambda_1}^{\Gamma, r} \right]^\dagger \bar{D}^\Gamma \left[c_{\mathbf{k}, \lambda_2}^{\Gamma, r} \right] \langle \mathbf{p}, \lambda_1 | \hat{V}^L g | \mathbf{k}, \lambda_2 \rangle \right)$$

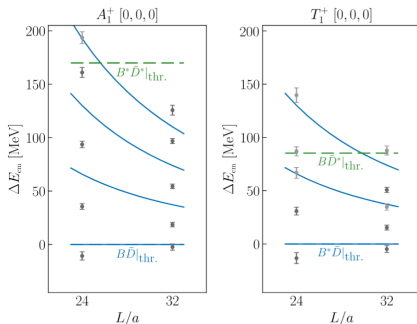
In the potential, the polarization vectors are in the helicity basis.

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Determination of the LECs from the lattice data

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Model IA/IB: Contact potential with $\Lambda = 0.8/1.2$ GeV;

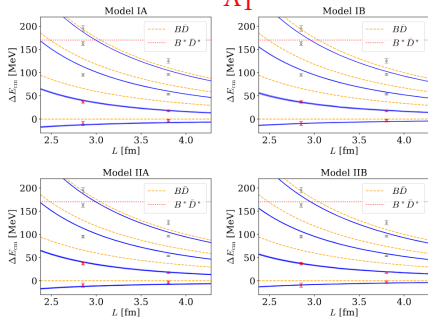
Model IIA/IIB: Contact + OPE potentials with $\Lambda = 0.8/1.2$ GeV;

Fitting results

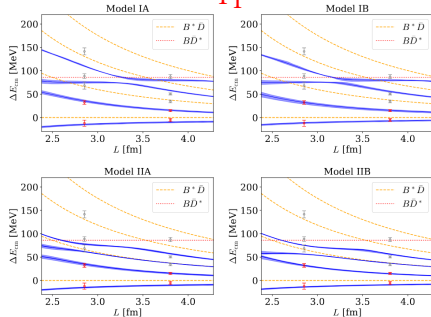
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A_1^+



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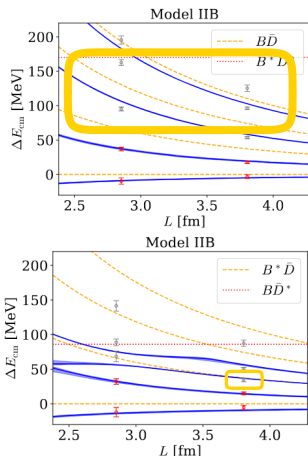
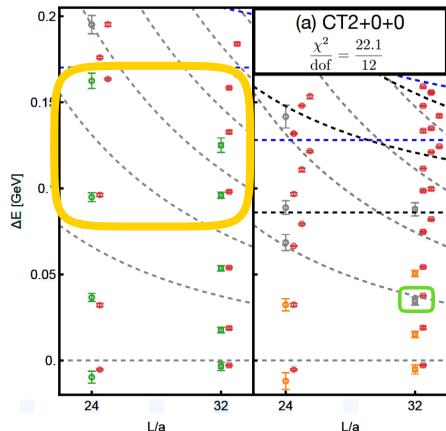


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Energy spectra

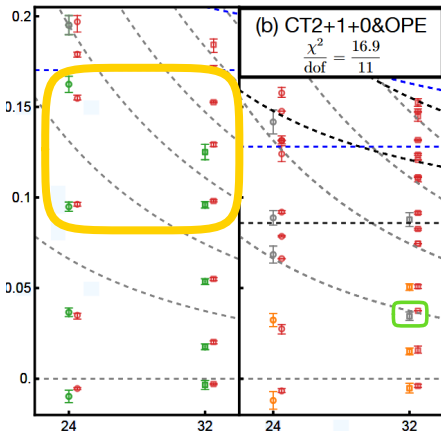
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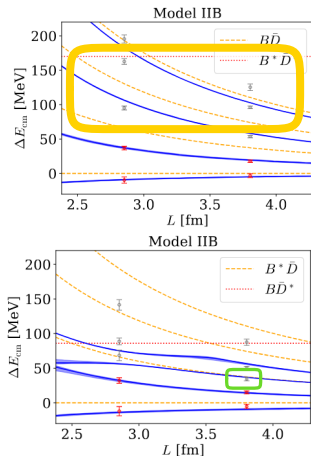
- Left panel: $B\bar{D}-B^*\bar{D}^*$ in A_1^+ irrep, $B^*\bar{D}-B\bar{D}^*-B^*\bar{D}^*$ in T_1^+ irrep
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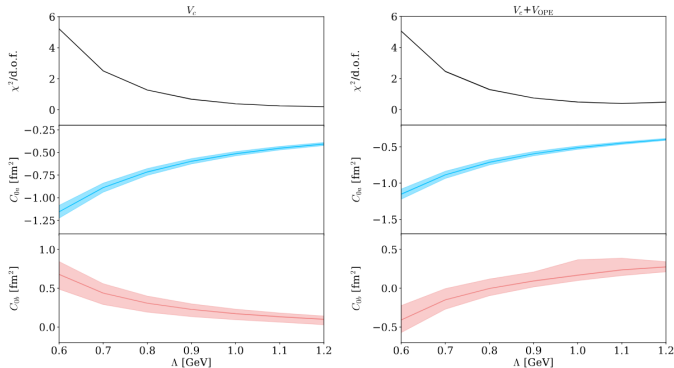


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Cutoff dependence of parameters

Varying the cutoff in the region of $[0.6, 1.2]$ GeV, we fit the C_{0a} and C_{0b} with the four energy levels both in A_1^+ and T_1^+ irreps



- The C_{0a} exhibits the same trend for both the **Contact** and **Contact + OPE** potentials, whereas C_{0b} exhibits the opposite trend
- The OPE potential is sensitive to the variation of the cutoff

Pole positions for the S -wave $B^{(*)}\bar{D}^{(*)}$ system

Using the fitted C_{0a} and C_{0b} , we calculate the physical pole positions

Table 1: Predicted pole position in units of MeV.

J^{PC}	IA	IB	IIA	IIB	Thr.
0^+	7144_{-1}^{+1}	7146_{-1}^{+1}	7144_{-1}^{+1}	7146_{-1}^{+0}	7147
1^+	7187_{-2}^{+1}	7190_{-2}^{+1}	7187_{-2}^{+1}	7191_{-1}^{+0}	7192
	$7287_{-2}^{+3} - 2_{-1}^{+1}i$	$7287_{-2}^{+3} - 1_{-1}^{+1}i$	$7287_{-2}^{+3} - 2_{-1}^{+0}i$	$7287_{-1}^{+1} - 0_{-0}^{+1}i$	7288
0^+	7293_{-13}^{+14}	7303_{-24}^{+20}	7296_{-19}^{+17}	7081_{-37}^{+36}	7333
1^+	7314_{-5}^{+5}	7320_{-8}^{+7}	7315_{-9}^{+8}	7224_{-17}^{+17}	7333
2^+	7331_{-10}^{+2}	7332_{-11}^{+1}	7333_{-1}^{+1}	7332_{-0}^{+0}	7333

- $J^P = 1^+$ pole in the $B\bar{D}^*$ system is located on the $(-, +)$ RS
- $J^P = 2^+$ pole in the $B^*\bar{D}^*$ system is located on the $(-)$ RS
- For IIB, the poles in the 0^+ and 1^+ $B^*\bar{D}^*$ systems have deep E_b
- The original LQCD results shows other two poles: $m - m_{B\bar{D}} = 138(13)$ MeV $\Leftrightarrow 146 - 156$ MeV for 0^+ $B^*\bar{D}^*$; $m - m_{B^*D} = 67(24)$ MeV $\Leftrightarrow 95$ MeV for 1^+ $B\bar{D}^*$

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Summary

The lattice data of the 0^+ and 1^+ $bc\bar{q}\bar{q}$ systems are reanalyzed in the EFT framework with/without the long-range OPE potential; Possible structures in the $B^{(*)}\bar{D}^{(*)}$ systems are predicted in terms of HQSS

- 0^+ : two bound states close to $B\bar{D}$ and $B^*\bar{D}^*$ thresholds; the mass of one state near $B^*\bar{D}^*$ is consistent with the one in original LQCD calculation in A_1^+ irrep
- 1^+ : three states close to $B^*\bar{D}$, $B\bar{D}^*$, and $B^*\bar{D}^*$ thresholds; the mass of the one close to the $B\bar{D}^*$ threshold is consistent with the one calculated by LQCD in the T_1^+ irrep
- 2^+ : a virtual state near $B^*\bar{D}^*$ threshold

Our results suggest that the off-diagonal OPE potential does not affect the S -wave scattering information when the $B\bar{D}\pi$ three-body cut outside the energy region, but changes the higher-wave information, like finite-volume spectrum

Thanks for your attention!

Backup

The r -orthonormal eigenvector $c_{\vec{n}_o, \underline{\lambda}}^\Gamma$ is calculated by solving the eigen value problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 g|\vec{n}, \underline{\lambda}\rangle &= \sum_{\lambda} D_{\lambda \underline{\lambda}}^s(R_{\text{st}}(\vec{n})) g|\vec{n}, \lambda\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} D_{\lambda \lambda'}^s(R_{\text{st}}(g\vec{n})) D_{\lambda' \underline{\lambda}}^s(R_{\text{st}}^{-1}(g\vec{n})gR_{\text{st}}(\vec{n})) |g\vec{n}, \lambda\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{\lambda} D_{\lambda \underline{\lambda}}^s(R_{\text{st}}(g\vec{n})) e^{-i\underline{\lambda}\varphi_w(\vec{n}, g)} |g\vec{n}, \lambda\rangle \\
 &= e^{-i\underline{\lambda}\varphi_w(\vec{n}, g)} |g\vec{n}, \underline{\lambda}\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$I_{\underline{\lambda}}^\Gamma(\vec{n}_o) = \sum_{g \in \text{LG}(\vec{n}_o)} \bar{D}^\Gamma(g) \langle \vec{n}_o, \underline{\lambda} | g | \vec{n}_o, \underline{\lambda} \rangle = \begin{cases} C_{\vec{n}_o}^\Gamma \sum_{g \in \text{LG}(\vec{n}_o)^+} \bar{D}^\Gamma(g) & \text{if } \underline{\lambda} = 0 \\ \sum_{g \in \text{LG}(\vec{n}_o)^+} e^{-i\underline{\lambda}\varphi_w(\vec{n}_o, g)} \bar{D}^\Gamma(g) & \text{if } \underline{\lambda} \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Here φ is the Wigner angle.

Projection of the effective potential Kang Yu, et al, JHEP04(2025)108

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{\vec{n}'_o r', \vec{n}_o r}^\Gamma &= N_{\vec{n}_o} N_{\vec{n}'_o} \sum_{\nu, \nu'} \left[c_{\vec{n}'_o}^{r'} \right]_{\nu'}^* [c_{\vec{n}_o}^r]_\nu \langle \vec{n}'_o | P_{\mu\nu}^{\Gamma\dagger} \hat{V}^L P_{\mu\nu}^\Gamma | \vec{n}_o \rangle \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{|\text{LG}(\vec{n}_o)| |\text{LG}(\vec{n}'_o)|}} \sum_{g \in G} \left(\left[c_{\vec{n}'_o}^{r'} \right]^\dagger \cdot \bar{D}^\Gamma(g) \cdot [c_{\vec{n}_o}^r] \right) \langle \vec{n}'_o | \hat{V}^L g | \vec{n}_o \rangle \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{1}{|\text{LG}(\vec{n}_o)| |\text{LG}(\vec{n}'_o)|}} \sum_{\substack{g \in \frac{G}{\text{LG}(\vec{n}_o)} \\ h \in \text{LG}(\vec{n}_o)}} \left(\left[c_{\vec{n}'_o}^{r'} \right]^\dagger \cdot \bar{D}^\Gamma(g) \cdot \bar{D}^\Gamma(h) \cdot [c_{\vec{n}_o}^r] \right) \langle \vec{n}'_o | \hat{V}^L gh | \vec{n}_o \rangle \\
 &= \frac{N_{\vec{n}'_o}}{N_{\vec{n}_o}} \sum_{g \in \text{LC}(\vec{n}_o)} \left(\left[c_{\vec{n}'_o}^{r'} \right]^\dagger \cdot \bar{D}^\Gamma(g) \cdot [c_{\vec{n}_o}^r] \right) \langle \vec{n}'_o | \hat{V}^L g | \vec{n}_o \rangle \\
 &= \frac{N_{\vec{n}'_o}}{N_{\vec{n}_o}} \sum_{g \in \text{LC}(\vec{n}_o)} \left(\left[c_{\vec{n}'_o}^{r'} \right]^\dagger \cdot \bar{D}^{\Gamma_\eta}(g) \cdot [c_{\vec{n}_o}^r] \right) V^L(\vec{n}'_o, g\vec{n}_o).
 \end{aligned}$$

Pion-mass dependence of f_π and g in the OPE potential V. Baru, et al,

PLB726(2013)537

$$f_\pi(\xi) = f_\pi^{\text{ph}} \left[1 + \left(1 - \frac{f_0}{f_\pi^{\text{ph}}} \right) (\xi^2 - 1) - \frac{(m_\pi^{\text{ph}})^2}{8\pi^2 f_0^2} \xi^2 \log \xi \right]$$
$$g(\xi) = g^{\text{ph}} [1 + C_1 (\xi^2 - 1) + C_2 \xi^2 \log \xi],$$

with

$$C_1 = 1 - \left[1 - \frac{1 + 2g_0^2}{8\pi^2 f_0^2} (m_\pi^{\text{ph}})^2 \log \frac{m_\pi^{\text{ph}}}{\mu_{\text{lat}}} + \alpha_{\text{lat}} (m_\pi^{\text{ph}})^2 \right]^{-1} \quad (1)$$

$$C_2 = -\frac{1 + 2g_0^2}{8\pi^2 f_0^2} (m_\pi^{\text{ph}})^2 (1 - C_1). \quad (2)$$

Parameters: $f_0 = 85$ MeV; $f_\pi^{\text{ph}} = 92.1$ MeV; $\xi = m_\pi/m_\pi^{\text{ph}}$; $g_0 = 0.46$,
 $\alpha_{\text{lat}} = -0.16\text{GeV}^{-2}$, $\mu_{\text{lat}} = 1\text{GeV}$. D. Becirevic, et al, PLB721(2013)94