Charmed-strange tetraquarks and their decays in the potential quark model

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In the framework of a nonrelativistic potential quark model, we investigate the mass spectrum of the 1S-wave charmed-strange tetraquark states of $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ and $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ (n = u or d) systems. The tetraquark system is solved by a correlated Gaussian method. With the same parameters fixed by the meson spectra, we obtained the mass spectra for the 1S-wave tetraquark states. Furthermore, based on the predicted tetraquark spectra we estimate their rearrangement decays in a quark-exchange model. We find that the rearrangement decays of the tetraquarks may be mainly driven by the spin-spin interactions. The resonances $X_0(2900)^0$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++/0}$ reported from LHCb may be assigned to be the lowest 1S-wave tetraquark states $\bar{T}^f_{cs0}(2818)$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)$ classified in the quark model, respectively. It also allows us to extract the couplings for the initial tetraquark states to their nearby S-wave interaction channels. We find that some of these couplings turn out to be sizeable. Following the picture of the wave function renormalization for the near-threshold strong S-wave interactions, the sizeable coupling strengths can be regarded as an indication of their dynamic origins as candidates for hadronic molecules. Furthermore, our predictions suggest that signals for the 1S-wave charmed-strange tetraquark states can also be searched in the other channels, such as D^0K^+ , D^+K^+ , $D^{*+}K^-$, $D^{*+}K^+$, $D^{*0}K^{*+}$, $D^0_{\bar{s}}\rho^0$, etc.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Searching for genuine exotic hadrons beyond the conventional quark model has been one of the most important initiatives since the establishment of nonrelativistic constituent quark model (NRCQM) in 1964 [1,2]. Benefited from great progresses in experiment, strong evidences for exotic hadrons have been collected since the discovery of X(3872) by Belle in 2003 [3]. Recent reviews of the status of experimental and theoretical studies can be found in Refs. [4–11]. While many observed candidates have been found to be located in the vicinity of *S*-wave open thresholds, no signals for overall-color-singlet multiquark states have been indisputably established due to difficulties of distinguishing them from hadronic molecules [10].

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Very recently, the LHCb Collaboration reported their preliminary results on the observations of $cq\bar{s}\bar{q}$ tetraquarks [12]. Two new tetraquark candidates $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++}$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^0$ were observed in the $D^+_s\pi^+$ and $D^+_s\pi^$ invariant mass spectra in two *B*-decay processes $B^+ \rightarrow$ $D^-D_s^+\pi^+$ and $B^0 \to \overline{D}^0D_s^+\pi^-$, respectively. The isospin and spin-parity quantum numbers are determined to be $(I)J^P = (1)0^+$. These two states should correspond to the two different charged states of the isospin triplet. The measured mass and width are $M_{\rm exp} = 2908 \pm 11 \pm 20 \,{\rm MeV}$ and $\Gamma_{exp} = 136 \pm 23 \pm 11$ MeV. The $T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)$ may be a flavor partner of the 0⁺ state $X_0(2900)$ (composed [$\bar{c} \ \bar{s} \ ud$]) observed in the D^-K^+ final state in $B^+ \to D^+D^-K^+$ at LHCb in 2020 [13,14]. The least quark components for $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++}$, $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^0$, and $X_0(2900)$ are $cu\bar{s}\,\bar{d}$, $cd\bar{s}\bar{u}$, and $\bar{c}\bar{s}ud$, respectively. Thus, from the quark contents, these states are ideal candidates of the exotic charmed-strange tetraquarks.

Relevant theoretical studies of the charmed-strange tetraquarks can be found in the literature [15–54], among which most of these works were stimulated by the discovery of $X_0(2900)$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)$. It should be mentioned that for $X_0(2900)$ and/or $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)$, apart

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from the compact tetraquark interpretation [25-37], there are also other possible interpretations, such as hadronic molecule states [38–51], and threshold effects [52–54]. In particular, for the exotic candidate observed in $D_s^+\pi^+$ it is inevitable that its overall color-singlet configuration would couple to those allowed two-body thresholds. If the physical state is close to the nearby S-wave threshold and has strong couplings, it implies that there should exist a sizeable hadronic molecular component within the exotic candidate as the long-range component of the wave function. Meanwhile, the short-range component should be driven by the nonperturbative dynamics among the constituent quarks as a tetraquark [55–58]. This makes it interesting to study the four-body constituent quark system in the quark model and investigate the decays of the tetraquark states into the nearby two-body channels.

In this work, to understand the nature of the newly observed exotic resonances $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)$ and $X_0(2900)$, we carry out a systematic study of the mass spectrum of the 1S-wave charmed-strange tetraquarks in a nonrelativistic potential guark model (NRPOM). The NRPOM is based on the Hamiltonian of the Cornell model [59], which has made great successes in the description of the charmonium and bottomonium spectra with high precision, and been broadly applied to multiquark systems in the literature. It contains a linear confinement and a one-gluon-exchange (OGE) potential for quark-quark and quark-antiquark interactions. To solve the four-body problem accurately, the explicitly correlated Gaussian method is adopted in our calculations. Furthermore, we have analyzed the rearrangement decays of the 1S-states in a quark-exchange model. The transition operators can be extracted from the quarkquark and quark-antiquark interactions in the NRPQM. This guarantees a self-consistent treatment of the eigenstates and their decays. This will allow a better understanding of the dynamic origin of the tetraquark candidates $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++,0}$ and $X_0(2900)$ and their couplings to the continuum states.

As follows, we first give a brief introduction to our framework. We then present the full numerical results for the *S*-wave charmed-strange tetraquark states to compare with the experimental observations. Phenomenological consequence and implications for future experimental studies will be discussed.

II. FRAMEWORK

A. Mass spectrum

1. Hamiltonian

The mass spectrum of the tetraquarks are calculated within the NRPQM, which has been widely adopted to deal with the mass spectra of mesons and baryons. In this model the Hamiltonian is given by [60–62]

$$H = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{4} m_i + T_i\right) - T_G + \sum_{i < j} V_{ij}(r_{ij}), \qquad (1)$$

where m_i and T_i stand for the constituent quark mass and kinetic energy of the *i*th quark, respectively; T_G stands for the center-of-mass (c.m.) kinetic energy of the tetraquark system; $r_{ij} \equiv |\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|$ is the distance between the *i*th and *j*th quark. The two-body effective potentials between quarks, $V_{ij}(r_{ij})$, are given by

$$V_{ij}(r_{ij}) = -\frac{3}{16} (\boldsymbol{\lambda}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\lambda}_j) \left(b_{ij} r_{ij} - \frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_{ij}}{r_{ij}} + C_0 \right) - \frac{\alpha_{ij}}{4} (\boldsymbol{\lambda}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\lambda}_j) \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{ij}^3 e^{-\sigma_{ij}^2 r_{ij}^2}}{\pi^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{16}{3m_i m_j} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) \right\},$$
(2)

where the first term is the confinement potential part, which adopts the standard form of the Cornell potential [59]; while the second term is the spin-spin potential part. In the above equation, the constant C_0 stands for the zero point energy; \mathbf{S}_i stands for the spin of the *i*th quark, λ_i are the color generators of SU(3) group; The parameters b_{ij} and α_{ij} denote the strength of the confinement and strong coupling of the one-gluon-exchange potential, respectively. It should be mentioned that the tensor and spin-orbit potential do not contribute to the 1*S*-wave tetraquarks considered here.

The model parameters $m_{i,j}$, α_{ij} , b_{ij} , σ_{ij} , and C_0 adopted in this work have been listed in Table I, which are extracted by fitting the mass spectra of the nonstrange, strange,

TABLE I. The quark model parameters determined by fitting the meson mass spectra. The unit of the meson masses is MeV.

Parameter	Meson mass spectrum					
		State	Ours	Experiment [63]		
$m_{u/d}$ [GeV]	0.35	π	135	135		
m_s [GeV]	0.5	$\rho(770)$	775	775		
m_c [GeV]	1.5	$a_2(1320)$	1305	1318		
α_{nn}, α_{sn}	0.990	$\rho_3(1690)$	1637	1689		
α_{cn}, α_{cs}	0.635	K	498	498		
b_{nn}, b_{sn} [GeV ²]	0.140	$K^{*}(892)$	892	892		
b_{cn}, b_{cs} [GeV ²]	0.140	$K_{2}^{*}(1430)$	1457	1427		
σ_{nn} [GeV]	0.574	$K_{3}^{*}(1780)$	1785	1779		
σ_{sn} [GeV]	0.506	D	1865	1865		
σ_{cn} [GeV]	0.787	$D^{*}(2007)$	2008	2008		
σ_{cs} [GeV]	0.831	$D_2^*(2460)$	2454	2461		
$C_0(nn)$ [MeV]	-456.0	$D_{3}^{\overline{*}}(2750)$	2746	2763		
$C_0(sn)$ [MeV]	-380.0	D_s	1969	1969		
$C_0(cn)$ [MeV]	-286.0	D_s^*	2112	2112		
$C_0(cs)$ [MeV]	-220.0	$D_{s2}(2573)$	2573	2569		
		$D_{s3}^{*}(2860)$	2861	2860		

charmed, and charm-strange mesons [63] as also shown in Table I.

The NRPQM not only gives successful descriptions of the $b\bar{b}$ and $c\bar{c}$ states, but also obtains acceptable results for the meson spectra containing clearly relativistic light quarks [64,65]. Several studies in the literature [66–68] have been carried out to understand why an ostensibly nonrelativistic treatment works and allows useful predictions to be made for relativistic systems. For a heavy quark with mass of *m* and three-momentum **p**, the relativistic kinetic term can be expanded with the standard expansion in powers of p^2/m^2 , i.e.,

$$\sqrt{m^2 + p^2} = m + \frac{p^2}{2m} - \frac{p^4}{8m^3} + \cdots$$
 (3)

However, this expansion fails for a light quark. A possible solution to this problem is to consider an expansion about a fixed momentum p_0^2 [66],

$$\sqrt{m^2 + p^2} = \sqrt{p^2 - p_0^2 + M^2}$$
$$= M + \frac{p^2 - p_0^2}{2M} - \frac{(p^2 - p_0^2)^2}{8M^3} + \cdots, \quad (4)$$

where $M = \sqrt{m^2 + p_0^2}$ can be considered as an effective quark mass. The expansion will give a good average approximation to the relativistic kinetic energy provided the relevant values of p^2 are concentrated near p_0^2 with $\langle (p^2 - p_0^2)^2 \rangle \ll M^4$. Taking $p_0^2 = \langle (p^2) \rangle$, the relativistic kinetic term for a light quark can be approximated as

$$\sqrt{m^2 + p^2} \simeq M + \frac{p^2}{2M} + \epsilon, \qquad (5)$$

with $\epsilon = -\langle p^2 \rangle / (2M) - \langle p^2 - \langle p^2 \rangle \rangle / (8M)$. In some case the ϵ term can be approximately considered as a constant term, which can be absorbed in the zero point energy parameter C_0 of the potential. Thus, from Eq. (5) one finds that the kinetic term for a light quark still can be expressed as the often used nonrelativistic form, the relativistic effects are absorbed in the parameters of constituent quark mass and zero point energy. Since there is good equivalence between relativistic and nonrelativistic quark models, in this work we adopt the nonrelativistic quark model, with which our calculations for the tetraquarks become more easy than that with relativistic models.

2. Tetraquark configurations

For a tetraquark system $Q_1q_2\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4$ containing a heavy quark Q and three light quarks (u, d, or s), the $\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4$ antiquark pair should satisfy the SU(3) flavor symmetry. As the result, the $Q_1q_2\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4$ system can form two different SU(3) flavor representations: the symmetric sextet 6_F and antisymmetric antitriplet $\bar{3}_F$. By combining the SU(3) TABLE II. Flavor wave functions of the tetraquark systems $cn\bar{s}\,\bar{n}$ and $cs\bar{n}\,\bar{n}$. In the table we define $\{\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4\} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}(\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4 + \bar{q}_4\bar{q}_3)$ and $[\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4] = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}(\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4 - \bar{q}_4\bar{q}_3)$.

	Ι	I_3	6_F	$\bar{\mathfrak{Z}}_F$
cnīs īn	0	0	$\sqrt{\tfrac{1}{2}}cd\{\bar{s}\bar{d}\}+\sqrt{\tfrac{1}{2}}cu\{\bar{s}\bar{u}\}$	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}cd[\bar{s}\bar{d}] + \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}cu[\bar{s}\bar{u}]$
	1	+1	$cu\{\bar{s}\bar{d}\}$	$cu[\bar{s}\bar{d}]$
	1	0	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}cd\{\bar{s}\bar{d}\}-\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}cu\{\bar{s}\bar{u}\}$	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}cd[\bar{s}\bar{d}] - \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}cu[\bar{s}\bar{u}]$
	1	-1	$cd\{ar{s}ar{u}\}$	$cd[ar{s}ar{u}]$
csīn īn	0	0		$cs[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$
	1	+1	$cs\bar{d}\bar{d}$	
	1	0	$cs\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}$	
	1	-1	<i>csū</i> ū	

flavor symmetry and the requirement of the isospin, one can obtain the flavor wave functions of the tetraquark system $Q_1q_2\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4$. In this work, we focus on the charmed-strange systems $cn\bar{s}\,\bar{n}$ and $cs\bar{n}\,\bar{n}$ (n = u or d), whose flavor functions are explicitly given in Table II. For simplicity, here we do not explicitly give the color wave functions and spin wave functions, which can be found in our previous works [60–62].

Considering the Pauli principle and color confinement for the $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ system, we have 12 1S configurations for I = 0 and I = 1, respectively, while for the $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ we have 6 1S configurations for I = 0 and I = 1, respectively. They are listed in Table III. The subscripts and superscripts are the spin quantum numbers and representations of the color SU(3) group, respectively. A symmetric spatial wave function is implied for the ground state.

3. Numerical method

To solve the four-body problem accurately, we adopt the explicitly correlated Gaussian method [69,70]. It is a well-established variational method to solve quantummechanical few-body problems in molecular, atomic, and nuclear physics. For a tetraquark system $Q_1q_2\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4$ with zero angular momentum, the coordinate part of the wave function is expanded in terms of correlated Gaussian basis. Such a basis function can be written as

$$\psi = \exp\left[-\sum_{i$$

where a_{ij} are adjustable parameters. Considering the light antiquark pair $\bar{q}_3\bar{q}_4$ as an identical particle system, we can take $a_{13} = a_{14} \equiv c$ and $a_{23} = a_{24} \equiv d$ in the SU(3) symmetry limit. It is convenient to use a set of the Jacobi coordinates $\boldsymbol{\xi} = (\boldsymbol{\xi}_1, \boldsymbol{\xi}_1, \boldsymbol{\xi}_3)$, instead of the relative distance vectors $(\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j)$. Then the correlated Gaussian basis function can be rewritten as

TABLE III. The 1*S* configurations and the average contributions of each part of the Hamiltonian for the $cn\bar{s}\,\bar{n}$ and $cs\bar{n}\,\bar{n}$ systems. The unit is MeV. In the table, for the I = 0 configurations we define that $cn\{\bar{s}\,\bar{n}\} \equiv (cd\{\bar{s}\,\bar{d}\} + cu\{\bar{s}\,\bar{u}\})/\sqrt{2}$, and $cn[\bar{s}\,\bar{n}] \equiv (cd[\bar{s}\,\bar{d}] + cu[\bar{s}\,\bar{u}])/\sqrt{2}$; while for the I = 1 configurations, we define that $cn\{\bar{s}\,\bar{n}\} \equiv \{cu\{\bar{s}\,\bar{d}\}, (cd\{\bar{s}\,\bar{d}\} - cu\{\bar{s}\,\bar{u}\})/\sqrt{2}, cd\{\bar{s}\,\bar{u}\}\}$ and $cq[\bar{s}\,\bar{q}] \equiv \{cu[\bar{s}\,\bar{d}], (cd[\bar{s}\,\bar{d}] - cu[\bar{s}\,\bar{u}])/\sqrt{2}, cd[\bar{s}\,\bar{u}]\}$.

		cnīs īn s	ystem			
$(I)J^{PC}$	Configuration	Mass	$\langle T \rangle$	$\langle V^{\rm Lin} \rangle$	$\langle V^{\rm Coul} \rangle$	$\langle V^{SS} \rangle$
$(0,1)0^+$	$ (cn)_{0}^{6}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0}$	3181	788	1054	-723	33
	$ (cn)^{\bar{3}}_{1}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}^{3}_{1}\rangle_{0}$	3145	877	1022	-751	-34
	$ (cn)_{0}^{\overline{3}}[\overline{s}\overline{n}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{0}$	3053	984	966	-802	-127
	$ (cn)_1^6[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_1^{\bar{6}}\rangle_0$	2925	1118	889	-859	-250
$(0, 1)1^+$	$ (cn)_{1}^{6}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}$	3167	920	977	-781	23
	$ (cn)_{0}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}$	3168	888	1016	-759	-9
	$ (cn)^{\bar{3}}_{1}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}^{3}_{1}\rangle_{1}$	3178	861	1031	-745	0
	$ (cn)_{1}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{1}$	3093	933	994	-779	-85
	$ (cn)_{0}^{6}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}$	3144	933	970	-786	0
	$ (cn)_{1}^{6}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}$	3030	1001	934	-817	-117
$(0, 1)2^+$	$ (cn)_{1}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{2}$	3239	819	1055	-729	63
	$ (cn)_1^6[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_1^{\bar{6}}\rangle_2$	3214	775	1063	-716	63
		<i>cs</i> nīn s	ystem			
$(I)J^{PC}$	Configuration	Mass	$\langle T \rangle$	$\langle V^{\rm Lin} \rangle$	$\langle V^{\rm Coul} \rangle$	$\langle V^{SS} \rangle$
$(1)0^+$	$ (cs)_{0}^{6}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0}$	3170	799	1035	-739	38
. ,	$ (cs)_{1}^{\bar{3}} \{ \bar{u} \bar{d} \}_{1}^{3} \rangle_{0}$	3136	891	1003	-767	-21
$(0)0^+$	$ (cs)_{0}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{0}$	2992	1017	941	-821	-174
< <i>/</i>	$ (cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0}$	2921	1086	887	-863	-226
$(1)1^{+}$	$ (cs)_{1}^{6}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}$	3159	812	1026	-745	29
	$ (cs)_{0}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}$	3165	870	1016	-757	6
	$ (cs)_{1}^{\bar{3}} \{\bar{u} \bar{d}\}_{1}^{3} \rangle_{1}$	3167	876	1012	-761	11
$(0)1^+$	$ (cs)_{1}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{1}$	3026	1002	949	-815	-139
× /	$ (cs)_{0}^{6}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}$	3124	831	1015	-752	-6
	$ (cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}$	3023	1028	912	-838	-114
$(1)2^{+}$	$ (cs)_{1}^{\bar{3}} \{ \bar{u} \bar{d} \}_{1}^{3} \rangle_{2}$	3226	798	1060	-726	65

$$G(\boldsymbol{\xi}, A) = \exp\left(-\sum_{i,j} A_{ij} \boldsymbol{\xi}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}_j\right) \equiv \exp\left(-\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}} A \boldsymbol{\xi}\right), \quad (7)$$

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where the Jacobi coordinates $\boldsymbol{\xi} = (\boldsymbol{\xi}_1, \boldsymbol{\xi}_2, \boldsymbol{\xi}_3)$ are defined by

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 $|(cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\,\bar{d}]_{1}^{6}\rangle_{2}$

 $(0)2^+$

$$\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\xi}_1 \equiv \mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2 \\ \boldsymbol{\xi}_2 \equiv \mathbf{r}_3 - \mathbf{r}_4 \\ \boldsymbol{\xi}_3 \equiv \frac{m_1 \mathbf{r}_1 + m_2 \mathbf{r}_2}{m_1 + m_2} - \frac{m_3 \mathbf{r}_3 + m_4 \mathbf{r}_4}{m_3 + m_4}, \end{cases}$$
(8)

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and *A* is a 3×3 symmetric positive-definite matrix whose elements are variational parameters. It should be pointed out that in matrix *A* there are only four independent variational parameters $\{g \equiv a_{12}, f \equiv a_{34}, c, d\}$.

The coordinate part of the trial wave function $\Psi(\boldsymbol{\xi}, A)$ can be formed as a linear combination of correlated Gaussians

$$\Psi(\boldsymbol{\xi}, A) = \sum_{k=1}^{\mathcal{N}} c_k G(\boldsymbol{\xi}, A_k).$$
(9)

The accuracy of the trial function depends on the length of the expansion \mathcal{N} and the nonlinear parameters A_k . In our calculations, following the method of Ref. [71], we let the variational parameters form a geometric progression. For example, for a variational parameter d, we take

$$d_n = d_1 a^{n-1} (n = 1, \cdots, n_d^{\max}).$$
 (10)

There are three parameters $\{d_1, d_{n_d^{\max}}, n^{\max}\}$ to be determined through the variation method. The length of the expansion \mathcal{N} is determined to by $\mathcal{N} = n_g^{\max} n_f^{\max} n_c^{\max} n_d^{\max}$. In this work, we take $n_g^{\max} = n_f^{\max} = n_c^{\max} = n_d^{\max} = 4$, then we obtain stable solutions.

B. Rearrangement decay

With the eigenstates obtained in the previous section, we may estimate the rearrangement decays of the $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ and $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ systems in a quark-exchange model [72]. The transition operators are extracted from the quark-quark and quark-antiquark interactions via the quark rearrangement. The decay amplitude $\mathcal{M}(A \rightarrow BC)$ of a tetraquark state is described by

$$\mathcal{M}(A \to BC) = -\sqrt{(2\pi)^3} \sqrt{8M_A E_B E_C} \left\langle BC \left| \sum_{i < j} V_{ij} \right| A \right\rangle,$$
(11)

where A stands for the initial tetraquark state, BC stands for the final hadron pair. V_{ij} are the potentials between inner quarks of final hadrons B and C, they are taken the same as that of the potential model given in Eq. (2). M_A is the mass of the initial state, while E_B and E_C are the energies of the final states B and C, respectively, in the initial-hadron-rest system.

This phenomenological model has been applied to the study of the hidden-charm decay properties for the multiquark states in the literature [25,73–75]. For simplicity, the wave functions of the initial and final state hadrons, i.e., *A*, *B*, *C*, are adopted in the form of single harmonic oscillator. They are determined by fitting the wave functions calculated from our potential model. The partial decay width of $A \rightarrow BC$ is given by

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2J_A + 1} \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{8\pi M_A^2} |\mathcal{M}(A \to BC)|^2, \qquad (12)$$

where \mathbf{q} is the three-vector momentum of the final state B or C in the initial-hadron-rest frame.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

The predicted masses of each configuration for the $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ and $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ systems have been listed in Table III. The contributions from each part of the Hamiltonian to these configurations are further analyzed. The results are listed in Table III as well. It shows that the averaged kinetic energy $\langle T \rangle$, the linear confining potential $\langle V^{\text{Lin}} \rangle$, and the Coulomb potential $\langle V^{\text{Coul}} \rangle$ have the same order of magnitude. Furthermore, it is found that the spin-spin interaction plays an important role in some configurations belonging to $\bar{3}_F$: $|(cn)_{0}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{0}/|(cs)_{0}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{0}, |(cn)_{1}^{6}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0}/|(cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0},$ $|(cn)^{\frac{3}{4}}[\bar{s}\,\bar{n}]^{3}_{0}\rangle_{1}/|(cs)^{\frac{3}{4}}[\bar{u}\,\bar{d}]^{3}_{0}\rangle_{1},$ and $|(cn)_{1}^{6}[\bar{s}\,\bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}/$ $|(cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\,\bar{d}]_{1}^{6}\rangle_{1}$. The predicted masses for these configurations are notably (~100-200 MeV) smaller than the other configurations due to the strong attractive spin-spin interactions $\langle V^{SS} \rangle \simeq -(100-200)$ MeV.

After considering configuration mixing, one can obtain the physical states. The predicted mass spectrum for the $cs\bar{n} \bar{n}$ and $cn\bar{s} \bar{n}$ systems have been given in Table IV and also shown in Fig. 1. For the physical states with $J^P = 0^+$ and 1⁺, there is strong mixing between different color configurations. The configuration mixing effects can cause notable mass shifts to the physical states. For example, the two 0⁺ configurations $|(cu)_0^6 \{\bar{s} \bar{d}\}_0^{\bar{6}}\rangle_0$ and $|(cu)_1^{\bar{3}} \{\bar{s} \bar{d}\}_1^3\rangle_0$ have comparable masses 3181 and 3145 MeV, respectively. However, when including the configuration mixing effects the physical masses of the two 0⁺ states are shifted to 3046 and 3279 MeV, respectively, the mass splitting can reach up



FIG. 1. Mass spectra of 1*S*-wave states for the $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ (solid lines) and $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ (dashed lines) systems.

to ~230 MeV. It should be mentioned that the $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ spectrum is slightly different from the $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ spectrum (see Fig. 1). This difference comes from a slight SU(3) breaking effect of the $\bar{s}\bar{n}$ system considered in our calculations.

The rearrangement decay properties for the $cs\bar{n}\,\bar{n}$ and $cn\bar{s}\,\bar{n}$ systems have been given in Tables V and VI, respectively. For the $cn\bar{s}\,\bar{n}$ system, we denote the tetraquark states by $T_{c\bar{s}}^a$ and $T_{c\bar{s}}^f$ with the superscripts "a" and "f" labeling their isospin I = 1 and I = 0, respectively. There are some interesting features arising from the width calculations. It is found that all the states of 6_F have a relatively narrow width within the range of ~1–30 MeV. While for the states of $\bar{3}_F$, except the state with $J^P = 2^+$, they have a width within the range of ~20–100 MeV. For the 0⁺ and 1⁺ states, the rearrangement decay is mainly driven by the spin-spin interactions. The decay amplitude caused by the confinement potential part $V_{ij}^{cof} = -\frac{3}{16}(\lambda_i \cdot \lambda_j)(b_{ij}r_{ij} - \frac{4}{3}\frac{\alpha_{ij}}{r_{ij}} + C_0)$ is negligibly small.

TABLE IV. Predicted mass spectra of 1S states for the $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ and $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ systems.

cnīs īn					$cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$				
$(I)J^P$	Configuration	Eigenvector	Mass (MeV)	$(I)J^P$	Configuration	Eigenvector	Mass (MeV)		
$(0,1)0^+$	$\frac{ (cn)_{0}^{6}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0}}{ (cn)_{1}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{0}}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.65 & -0.76 \\ -0.76 & 0.65 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3046\\ 3279 \end{pmatrix}$	$(1)0^+$	$\frac{ (cs)_{0}^{6}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0}}{ (cs)_{1}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{0}}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.65 & -0.76 \\ -0.76 & 0.65 \end{pmatrix}$	$ \left(\begin{array}{c} 3046\\ 3260 \end{array}\right) $		
	$\frac{ (cn)_{0}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{0}^{3}}{ (cn)_{0}^{6}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{0}^{\bar{5}}\rangle_{0}}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.55 & -0.84 \\ -0.84 & 0.55 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 2828\\ 3150 \end{pmatrix}$	$(0)0^{+}$	$\frac{ (cs)_{0}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{0}}{ (cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{0}}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.61 & -0.79 \\ -0.79 & 0.61 \end{pmatrix}$	$\left(\begin{array}{c}2818\\3095\end{array}\right)$		
$(0,1)1^+$	$\frac{ (cn)_{1}^{6}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}{ (cn)_{0}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}}$ $\frac{ (cn)_{0}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}}{ (cn)_{1}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.66 & -0.59 & 0.46 \\ -0.04 & 0.58 & 0.81 \\ -0.75 & -0.56 & 0.36 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 3067\\ 3201\\ 3245 \end{pmatrix}$	$(1)1^+$	$\frac{ (cs)_{1}^{6}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{0}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}{ (cs)_{0}^{3}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}}$ $\frac{ (cs)_{1}^{3}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}}{ (cs)_{1}^{3}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{1}}$	$ \begin{pmatrix} 0.67 & -0.59 & 0.44 \\ -0.12 & 0.50 & 0.86 \\ 0.73 & 0.63 & -0.27 \end{pmatrix} $	$\begin{pmatrix} 3079\\ 3185\\ 3227 \end{pmatrix}$		
	$\frac{ (cn)_{1}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{s}\ \bar{n}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{1}}{ (cn)_{0}^{6}[\bar{s}\ \bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}$ $\frac{ (cn)_{0}^{6}[\bar{s}\ \bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}{ (cn)_{1}^{6}[\bar{s}\ \bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}$	$ \begin{pmatrix} 0.51 & -0.44 & 0.73 \\ -0.70 & 0.27 & 0.66 \\ 0.49 & 0.85 & 0.17 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix}2949\\3119\\3199\end{pmatrix}$	(0)1+	$\frac{ (cs)_{1}^{\bar{3}}[\bar{u}\ \bar{d}]_{0}^{3}\rangle_{1}}{ (cs)_{0}^{6}[\bar{u}\ \bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}$ $\frac{ (cs)_{0}^{6}[\bar{u}\ \bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}{ (cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\ \bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{1}}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.66 & 0.41 & -0.63 \\ -0.65 & 0.10 & 0.75 \\ -0.37 & -0.91 & -0.20 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 2946\\ 3067\\ 3161 \end{pmatrix}$		
(0,1)2+	$\frac{ (cn)_{1}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{s}\bar{n}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{2}}{ (cn)_{1}^{6}[\bar{s}\bar{n}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{2}}$	(1) (1)	(3239) (3214)	$(1)2^+ (0)2^+$	$\frac{ (cs)_{1}^{\bar{3}}\{\bar{u}\bar{d}\}_{1}^{3}\rangle_{2}}{ (cs)_{1}^{6}[\bar{u}\bar{d}]_{1}^{\bar{6}}\rangle_{2}}$	(1) (1)	(3226) (3188)		

TABLE V. The predicted decay widths Γ (MeV) of the rearrangement decay processes of the ground $cs\bar{n}\bar{n}$ system. T_{cs}^{a} and T_{cs}^{f} stand for the states with I = 1 and I = 0, respectively.

$SU(3)_F$	State	$\Gamma_{T \to DK}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D^* K}$	$\Gamma_{T \to DK^*}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D^* K^*}$	$\Gamma_{\rm sum}$
6 _{<i>F</i>}	$T^a_{cs0}(3046)$	13.86			8.82	22.68
	$T^{a}_{cs0}(3260)$	0.18			20.40	20.57
	$T^a_{cs1}(3079)$		3.55	2.14	0.50	6.18
	$T^{a}_{cs1}(3185)$		2.82	0.69	1.92	5.43
	$T^{a}_{cs1}(3227)$		1.43	7.06	1.61	10.09
	$T^a_{cs2}(3226)$	•••	•••	•••	2.74	2.74
$\bar{3}_F$	$[T^{f}_{cs0}(2818)]$	55.91				55.91
	$T_{cs0}^{f}(2866)$	54.06				54.06
	$T_{cs0}^{f}(3095)$	12.42	• • • •	•••	102.68	115.10
	$T_{cs1}^{f}(2946)$		33.86	0.71	2.88	37.46
	$T_{cs1}^{f}(3067)$		2.71	29.81	20.00	52.52
	$T_{cs1}^{f}(3161)$		4.91	2.27	13.02	20.20
	$T_{cs2}^{f}(3188)$	•••	•••	•••	1.54	1.54

The reason is that the two terms of the decay amplitude, $\langle BC|V_{12}^{cof} + V_{34}^{cof}|A\rangle$ and $\langle BC|V_{14}^{cof} + V_{23}^{cof}|A\rangle$, almost completely cancel out each other. The opposite signs of these two terms come from the color factors. For the 2⁺ states, the rearrangement decay is only driven by the confinement potential part, since the decay amplitudes induced by the spin-spin interactions are zero. One notices that all the $J^P = 2^+$ states for both I = 0 and I = 1 are rather narrow and with a width of a few MeV. The very narrow width nature is due to the strong cancellation between the two terms $\langle BC|V_{12}^{cof} + V_{23}^{cof}|A\rangle$ and $\langle BC|V_{14}^{cof} + V_{23}^{cof}|A\rangle$.

The new spin-0 state $X_0(2900)$ observed in the D^-K^+ channel at LHCb may be assigned as $\overline{T}_{cs0}^f(2818)$ with I = 0, which is the antiparticle of $T_{cs0}^f(2818)$. It shows that both the predicted mass and spin-parity quantum numbers are consistent with the experimental observations. Taking the measured mass $M_{exp} = 2866$ MeV for $\overline{T}_{cs0}^f(2818)$, the width is predicted to be $\Gamma \simeq 54$ MeV, which is in good agreement with the measured width $\Gamma_{exp} \simeq 57 \pm 16$ MeV. With $X_0(2900)$ in the D^-K^+ channel assigned as the $\overline{T}_{cs0}^f(2818)$ state, a narrower state $\overline{T}_{cs0}^a(3046)$ with a width of ~20 MeV and a broader state $\overline{T}_{cs0}^f(3095)$ with a width of ~100 MeV may be observed in the same channel depending on the experimental statistics. Their decay rates of $\overline{T}_{cs0}^a(3046) \rightarrow D^-K^+$ and $\overline{T}_{cs0}^f(3095) \rightarrow D^-K^+$ are estimated to be ~60% and ~10%, respectively.

Note that in Table V, $T^a_{cs0}(3260)$ has a very tiny decay rate (~10⁻²) into the *DK* channel because in the decay amplitude there is a strong cancelation between two different color structures $6\bar{6}$ and $\bar{3}3$. However, it shows that $T^a_{cs0}(3260)$ dominantly decays into D^*K^* which almost saturates its total decay width. This seems to be a unique feature arising from this tetraquark system that a relatively narrow state should appear above the dominant decay channel. Thus, searching for $T^a_{cs0}(3260)$ in the D^*K^* may provide a direct test of the tetraquark scenario and make it distinguishable from the hadronic molecule scenario.

As shown in Table VI, the spin-0 states $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++/0}$ newly observed in the $D_s^+\pi^+/D_s^+\pi^-$ channels at LHCb may be assigned to be $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)$ with I = 1 in our calculations. The predicted mass, spin-parity numbers, and isospin are consistent with the observations. Taking the measured mass $M_{\rm exp} = 2892$ MeV for $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)$, the width is predicted to be $\Gamma \simeq 40$ MeV, which is slightly smaller than the measured width $\Gamma_{exp} \simeq 136 \pm 34$ MeV. Except for $T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)$, the other three states, $T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3046)$, $T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3279)$, and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(3150)$ with the flavor of $cn\bar{s}\,\bar{n}$, can also decay into $D_s \pi$ channel. However, the decay rate of $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(3279) \rightarrow$ $D_s\pi$ turns to be highly suppressed due a large cancelation between the two color structures $6\overline{6}$ and $\overline{3}3$. The other two 0^+ states $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(3150)$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(3046)$ have sizeable decay rates into the $D_s\pi$ channel, their branching fractions may reach up to ~6% and ~20%, respectively. These two 0^+ states are likely to be observed in the $D_s\pi$ channel in future experiments.

If $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++}$ is indeed a tetraquark state predicted in our quark model, it should be observed in the D^+K^+ channel as well, the partial width ratio between D^+K^+ and $D^+_s \pi^+$ is predicted to be

$$\frac{\Gamma[D^+K^+]}{\Gamma[D_s^+\pi^+]} \simeq 1.4,\tag{13}$$

which can be used to test the nature of $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++}$ in future experiments. For the missing isospin triplet $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^+$, the ideal observation channel is D^0K^+ . Furthermore, as the isospin partner of $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^+$, the I = 0 state $T^f_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^+$ mainly decays into $D^+_s\eta$, and D^0K^+/D^+K^0 channels. This state may have potentials to be observed in D^0K^+ as well. It should be mentioned that the $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^+$ state may be broader than $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++,0}$, because the width of $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^+$ may be enhanced by the decay mechanism via $u\bar{u}/d\bar{d}$ annihilations [76].

According to the rearrangement decay properties shown in Tables V and VI, more tetraquark states are expected to be observed in future experiments. For the $cs\bar{u}\,\bar{d}$ system, two I = 1 states $T^a_{cs1}(3079)^0$ and $T^a_{cs1}(3185)^0$, and two I = 0 states $T^f_{cs1}(2946)^0$ and $T^f_{cs1}(3161)^0$ are most likely to be discovered in the $D^{*+}K^-$ channel; while the I = 1 state $T^a_{cs1}(3227)^0$ and the I = 0 state $T^f_{cs1}(3067)^0$ may have potentials to be found in the $D^0\bar{K}^{*0}$ final states.

For the $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ system with I = 1, the medium width states $T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(2949)^{++}$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(2949)^{+}$ are most likely to be observed in the channels $D^{*+}K^+$ and $D^{*0}K^+$, respectively;

$SU(3)_F$	State	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s \pi}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s^* \pi}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s \rho}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s^* \rho}$	$\Gamma_{T \to DK}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D^* K}$	$\Gamma_{T \to DK^*}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D^* K^*}$	$\Gamma_{\rm sum}$
6 _{<i>F</i>}	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3046)$	5.41			4.82	7.05			10.79	28.07
	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3279)$	0.04			7.72	0.03			9.73	17.53
	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3067)$		1.12	1.82	0.35		2.27	4.36	2.23	12.15
	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3201)$		1.86	0.01	1.01		1.78	0.00	2.40	7.07
	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3245)$		0.43	2.98	0.02		0.39	3.73	0.19	7.75
	$T^a_{c\bar{s}2}(3239)$				0.56				0.67	1.24
$\bar{3}_F$	$[T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)]$	16.63				24.38			•••	41.01
	$T^{a}_{car{s}0}(2900)^{*}$	16.11			0.20	22.75			0.86	39.91
	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3150)$	5.07			34.51	5.97			37.38	82.93
	$T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(2949)$		6.86	0.18	0.00		11.81	1.15	0.74	20.75
	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3119)$		0.60	6.82	3.37		1.18	6.37	4.42	22.77
	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3199)$		1.99	1.01	4.77		2.05	1.36	4.50	15.69
	$T^a_{c\bar{s}2}(3214)$				0.45		•••		0.36	0.81
$SU(3)_F$	State	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s \eta / D_s \eta'}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s^* \eta / D_s^* \eta'}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s \omega}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D_s^* \omega}$	$\Gamma_{T \to DK}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D^* K}$	$\Gamma_{T \to DK^*}$	$\Gamma_{T \to D^* K^*}$	$\Gamma_{\rm sum}$
6 _{<i>F</i>}	$T^{f}_{a\bar{a}0}(3046)$	4.18/5.65			4.81	7.05			10.79	32.48
	$T_{c\bar{z}0}^{f}(3279)$	0.04/0.11			7.82	0.03			9.73	17.73
	$T_{c\bar{z}1}^{f}(3067)$		$1.01/\cdots$	1.84	0.35		2.27	4.36	2.23	12.06
	$T_{a\bar{a}1}^{f}(3201)$		1.31/1.51	0.01	1.03		1.78	0.00	2.40	8.04
	$T_{c\bar{c}1}^{f}(3245)$		0.33/0.51	3.02	0.02		0.39	3.73	0.19	8.20
	$T_{c\bar{s}2}^{f}(3239)$				0.58				0.67	1.25
$\bar{3}_{F}$	$[T^{f}_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)]$	11.42/				24.38				35.80
	$T_{c\bar{s}0}^{f}(2900)^{*}$	11.46/ · · ·			0.16	22.75			0.86	35.23
	$T_{c\bar{z}0}^{f}(3150)$	3.75/5.54			34.73	5.97			37.38	87.37
	$T_{c\bar{z}1}^{f}(2949)$		5.31/ · · ·	0.18	0.00		11.81	1.15	0.74	19.20
	$T^{f}(3110)$		0.62/1.02	6.91	3 4 1		1.18	6.37	4.42	23.94
	$I_{c\bar{c}1}(JIIJ)$		0.02/1.02	0.71	5.11					
	$T_{c\bar{s}1}(3119)$ $T_{c\bar{s}1}^{f}(3199)$		1.54/2.20	1.03	4.85		2.05	1.36	4.50	17.53

TABLE VI. The predicted decay widths Γ (MeV) of the rearrangement decay processes of the ground $cn\bar{s}\bar{n}$ system. $T_{c\bar{s}}^{a}$ and $T_{c\bar{s}}^{f}$ stand for the states with I = 1 and I = 0, respectively.

while the $T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(3067, 3245)^+$ (belonging to 6_F) and $T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(3119)^+$ (belonging to $\bar{3}_F$) may have potentials to be found in the $D^+_{s}\rho^0$ final state.

For the $cn\bar{s}\,\bar{n}$ system with I = 0, the $T^f_{c\bar{s}1}(3067, 3245)^+$ (belonging to 6_F) and $T^f_{c\bar{s}1}(3119)^+$ (belonging to $\bar{3}_F$) may have potentials to be found in the D^+K^{*0} final states. They may highly overlap with their isospin partners $T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(3067)^+$, $T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(3119)^+$, and $T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(3245)^+$.

The wave functions obtained in this framework allow us to calculate the hadronic couplings for an initial tetraquark state to the final states. This is particularly interesting for those near-threshold states since the coupling strength can provide an indication of its structure arising from the nearthreshold dynamics. Given that the partial decay width would generally be suppressed by the limited phase space, the effective coupling should be more useful for understanding the properties of the threshold states. Note that the predicted masses of some tetraquark states, such as $T_{cs0}^f(2818)$, $T_{c\bar{s}0}^{a,f}(2828)$, and $T_{cs1}^f(2946)$, are close to the mass threshold of the D^*K^* , $D_s^*\rho$, and $D_s^*\omega$ channels. The effective coupling constants for their couplings to the nearby *S*-wave thresholds should be more interesting.

To see the coupling strength for these $J^P = 0^+, 1^+$ tetraquark states with D^*K^* , $D_s^*\rho$ and $D_s^*\omega$, we extracted the effective coupling constants defined by the following effective Lagrangians in terms of the quark model formalism, i.e.

$$\mathcal{L}_{SVV} = g_{SVV} \sqrt{m_{V_1} m_{V_2}} V_1^{\mu} V_{2\mu} \psi_S \tag{14}$$

for the 0^+ state coupling to VV, and

$$\mathcal{L}_{AVV} = g_{AVV} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \partial_{\mu} V_{A\nu} V_{1\alpha} V_{2\beta} \tag{15}$$

	State	$g_{TD^*K^*}$	State	$g_{TD_s^* ho}$	$g_{TD^*K^*}$	State	$g_{TD_s^*\omega}$	$g_{TD^*K^*}$
6 _{<i>F</i>}	$T^a_{cs0}(3046)$	1.35	$T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(3046)$	1.00	1.50	$T^{f}_{c\bar{z}0}(3046)$	1.01	1.50
	$T^{a}_{cs0}(3260)$	1.61	$T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(3279)$	0.99	1.10	$T_{c\bar{s}0}^{f}(3279)$	1.00	1.10
	$T^{a}_{cs1}(3079)$	0.11	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3067)$	0.09	0.23	$T_{c\bar{s}1}^{f}(3067)$	0.09	0.23
	$T^{a}_{cs1}(3185)$	0.18	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3201)$	0.13	0.20	$T_{c\bar{s}1}^{f}(3201)$	0.13	0.20
	$T^{a}_{cs1}(3227)$	0.16	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3245)$	0.02	0.05	$T_{c\bar{s}1}^{f}(3245)$	0.02	0.05
$\bar{3}_F$	$T^{f}_{cs0}(2818)$	0.49	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)$	0.32	0.85	$T^{f}_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)$	0.33	0.85
	$T_{cs0}^{f}(3095)$	4.04	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3150)$	2.24	2.32	$T^{f}_{c\bar{s}0}(3150)$	2.26	2.32
	$T_{cs1}^{f}(2946)$	0.38	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(2949)$	0.00	0.19	$T_{c\bar{s}1}^{f}(2949)$	0.00	0.19
	$T_{cs1}^{f}(3067)$	0.70	$T^{a}_{c\bar{s}1}(3119)$	0.26	0.30	$T_{c\bar{s}1}^{f}(3119)$	0.26	0.30
	$T_{cs1}^{f}(3161)$	0.49	$T^a_{c\bar{s}1}(3199)$	0.28	0.27	$T_{c\bar{s}1}^{f}(3199)$	0.28	0.27

TABLE VII. The effective coupling constants for $T_{cs0,1}V_1V_2$ and $T_{c\bar{s}0,1}V_1V_2$.

for the 1⁺ coupling to VV, where V_1 and V_2 stand for the vector meson fields; ψ_S and V_A stand for the scalar and axial vector tetraquark fields, respectively. m_{V_1} and m_{V_2} are masses of the vector mesons V_1 and V_2 , respectively.

The results are listed in Table VII. It is found that the 0^+ T_{cs} state with I = 0, $T_{cs0}^f(3095)$, and two 0⁺ T_{cs} states with I = 1, $T_{cs0}^a(3046)$, and $T_{cs0}^a(3260)$, may strongly couple to the D^*K^* channel. The three $0^+ T_{c\bar{s}}$ states with I = 1, $T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3046), T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3279), \text{ and } T^{a}_{c\bar{s}0}(3150), \text{ may strongly}$ couple to both D^*K^* and $D^*_s\rho$ channels. Meanwhile, the three $0^+ T_{c\bar{s}}$ states with $I = 0, T^f_{c\bar{s}0}(3046), T^f_{c\bar{s}0}(3279)$, and $T_{c\bar{s}0}^{f}(3150)$, are found to strongly couple to both $D^{*}K^{*}$ and $D_s^*\omega$ channels. These strong couplings suggest that the final state interactions between these thresholds will be significantly enhanced by the tetraquark states. Following the picture of wave function renormalization for the final state interactions, it is possible that some of these tetraquark states should have a sizeable hadronic molecular component as the long-range part of the wave function [10,55–58]. Meanwhile, the short-range component should be driven by the color interactions among the constituent quarks as a tetraquark. While this scenario needs more elaborate investigations, we leave the systematic study of these issues in separate works in the future.

IV. SUMMARY

In this work, we have studied the spectra of the 1*S*-states for the $cs\bar{q}\ \bar{q}$ and $cq\bar{s}\ \bar{q}$ system within the NRPQM. To solve the four-body problem accurately, the explicitly correlated Gaussian method are adopted in our calculations. Furthermore, we have analyzed the rearrangement decays for the 1*S*-states in a quark-exchange model by using the same integrations from the NRPQM.

Our studies show that most of the states lie in the mass range of 3.0–3.3 GeV. For the states with $J^P = 0^+$ and 1^+ , there is a strong mixing between different color configurations. Most of the states are narrow states with widths

below 60 MeV. The decay amplitude caused by the confinement potential part is negligibly small due the strong cancelations between the decay amplitudes $\langle BC|V_{12}^{cof} + V_{34}^{cof}|A\rangle$ and $\langle BC|V_{14}^{cof} + V_{23}^{cof}|A\rangle$. The rearrangement decays of the tetraquarks may be mainly driven by the spin-spin interactions. The decay amplitude caused by the confinement potential part is negligibly small.

Such a systematic phenomenon is useful for understanding the formation of relatively stable tetraquark states. The resonances, $X_0(2900)^0$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2900)^{++/0}$ reported by LHCb can be assigned to be the lowest 1*S*-wave tetraquark states $\bar{T}^f_{cs0}(2818)$ and $T^a_{c\bar{s}0}(2828)$, respectively. We also find that some of these near-threshold states have sizeable *S*-wave couplings to the corresponding open thresholds. This could be an indication for their hadronic molecule nature driven by the strong final state interactions via the tetraquark component. Based on our predictions, some of these 1*S*-wave tetraquark states can be searched in other decay channels, such as D^0K^+ , D^+K^+ , $D^{*+}K^-$, $D^{*+}K^+$, $D^{*0}K^+$, $D^0\bar{K}^{*0}$, and $D^+_s\rho^0$, in future experiments.

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