

Tensor-meson dominance in the Υ system

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Tensor-meson dominance is extended to the $\bar{b}b$ system and a sum rule to test the validity of this extension is derived. The sum rule connects the widths $\Gamma(\Upsilon'' \rightarrow \gamma f'_b)$, $\Gamma(\Upsilon'' \rightarrow \gamma f_b)$, $\Gamma(f'_b \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon')$, $\Gamma(f'_b \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon)$, $\Gamma(\Upsilon' \rightarrow \gamma f_b)$, and $\Gamma(f_b \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon)$ to each other (with f_b and f'_b the narrow $\bar{b}b$ tensor mesons predicted by potential models). The corresponding result for the $\bar{c}c$ system is known to predict $\Gamma(f_c(3.55) \rightarrow \gamma \psi) = 700$ keV proportional to the experimental $\Gamma(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma f_c(3.55))$.

I. INTRODUCTION

It is the main assumption of tensor-meson dominance (TMD) that Zweig-rule-allowed matrix elements of the symmetric energy-momentum tensor $T_{\mu\nu}$ are dominated by tensor-meson poles. For a given quark content $(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d)/\sqrt{2}$, $\bar{s}s$, or $\bar{c}c$ only the ground-state tensor mesons $f(1.27)$, $f'(1.52)$, and $f_c(3.55)$ are known at present. Using these to saturate the corresponding matrix elements, various predictions on amplitudes involving them have been made.¹⁻⁶ These are collected, discussed, and compared to experiment in Table I of Ref. 6. With a few exceptions, the predictions of TMD are in reasonable agreement with experiment.

In this paper, TMD is extended to the Υ system. Potential models imply⁷ that there are two narrow $\bar{b}b$ tensor mesons f_b and f'_b below the threshold for explicit b flavor. Since obviously both might contribute to Zweig-rule-allowed $\bar{b}b$ matrix elements of $T_{\mu\nu}$, the results of TMD on the ψ system with only one narrow $\bar{c}c$ tensor meson—the $f_c(3.55)$ —are modified in a nontrivial way. In particular, TMD predicts the width $\Gamma(f_c(3.55) \rightarrow \gamma \psi)$ in terms of $\Gamma(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma f_c(3.55))$ if one saturates the t dependences [$t = (p - q)^2$] of the matrix elements

$$\langle \psi(p) | T_{\mu\nu} | \psi(q) \rangle$$

II. DERIVATION OF THE SUM RULE AND CONCLUSIONS

We consider the matrix elements of $\epsilon_{\xi}^{\mu\nu} T_{\mu\nu}$ (with $\epsilon_{\xi}^{\mu\nu}$ the spin-2 polarization tensor of the tensor meson T_{ξ}) between states of a $\bar{b}b$ vector meson V_a (the ϵ_p, ϵ_q are the spin-1 polarization tensors):

and

$$\langle \psi'(p) | T_{\mu\nu} | \psi'(q) \rangle,$$

with the only narrow $\bar{c}c$ tensor meson, the $f_c(3.55)$. As a generalization of this result to the Υ system, we will obtain the sum rule in Eq. (19) which connects the partial widths of the various γ transitions between the three vector mesons $V_a \equiv \Upsilon, \Upsilon', \Upsilon''$ and narrow tensor mesons $T_{\xi} \equiv f_b, f'_b$ of types $V_a \rightarrow \gamma T_{\xi}$ and $T_{\xi} \rightarrow \gamma V_a$ to each other. Further possible tests of the scheme are also pointed out. For the sake of generality, we derive our results for an arbitrary number N of narrow tensor mesons and $N + 1$ vector mesons.

The spectrum is assumed to be similar to the $\bar{b}b$ spectrum expected in potential models.⁷ Namely, denoting by m_{ξ}^T (with $\xi = 1, \dots, N$) the masses of the N narrow tensor mesons and by m_a^V (with $a = 1, \dots, N + 1$) the masses of the $N + 1$ vector mesons, we assume

$$m_1^V < m_1^T < \dots < m_N^T < m_{N+1}^V.$$

For the Υ system, $N = 2$ and the threshold for explicit b flavor lies above $m_{\Upsilon''}$ according to experiment⁸ and below the mass of a possible f'_b according to theoretical models.⁷ We will consider the transitions $V_a \rightarrow \gamma T_{\xi}$ for $\xi \leq a - 1 \leq N$ and $T_{\xi} \rightarrow \gamma V_a$ for $a \leq \xi \leq N$. The assumptions to be used are TMD and vector-meson dominance (VMD).

$$\begin{aligned} \langle V_a(p) | \epsilon_{\xi}^{\mu\nu} T_{\mu\nu} | V_a(q) \rangle = & [F_1^a(\epsilon_p^* \cdot \epsilon_q) + F_2^a(\epsilon_p^* \cdot q)(\epsilon_q \cdot p)] [(p+q) \cdot \epsilon_{\xi} \cdot (p+q)] \\ & + 2F_3^a\{(\epsilon_p^* \cdot q)[\epsilon_q \cdot \epsilon_{\xi} \cdot (p+q)] + (\epsilon_q \cdot p)[\epsilon_p^* \cdot \epsilon_{\xi} \cdot (p+q)]\} - 2F_4^a \epsilon_p^* \cdot \epsilon_{\xi} \cdot \epsilon_q \\ & + 2F_7^a\{(\epsilon_p^* \cdot q)[\epsilon_q \cdot \epsilon_{\xi} \cdot (p+q)] - (\epsilon_q \cdot p)[\epsilon_p^* \cdot \epsilon_{\xi} \cdot (p+q)]\}. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

The form factors F_1^a , F_2^a , F_3^a , F_4^a , and F_7^a are functions of p^2 , q^2 , and t . Obviously, F_7^a is antisymmetric under $p^2 \leftrightarrow q^2$ whereas the other four form factors are symmetric. Thus

$$F_7^a(p^2, q^2 = p^2, t) = 0, \quad (2)$$

which implies that F_7^a vanishes if both vector mesons are on their mass shell, i.e., $p^2 = q^2 = (m_a^V)^2$.

The hadronic Hamiltonian H is

$$H = \int d^3x T_{00}(x) \quad (3a)$$

and the third component of the total angular momentum M_3 is

$$M_3 = \int d^3x [x_1 T_{02}(x) - x_2 T_{01}(x)]. \quad (3b)$$

From this, one easily derives¹

$$F_1^a(p^2 = (m_a^V)^2, q^2 = (m_a^V)^2, t = 0) = -\frac{1}{2} \quad (4a)$$

and

$$F_3^a = \frac{1}{2} \quad (4b)$$

at the same kinematical point as in Eq. (4a).

Since one-particle states $|z\rangle$ diagonalize the Hamiltonian, $\langle z' | H | z \rangle$ vanishes if the particles z and z' differ. Accordingly, in any effective canonical theory the part of $T_{\mu\nu}$ which is bilinear in the physical particle fields is at the same time diagonal in these fields. Thus one assumes in TMD that matrix elements of the type $\langle z' | T_{\mu\nu} | z \rangle$ are negligible as compared to $\langle z | T_{\mu\nu} | z \rangle$ if the particles z and z' differ from each other. Using this property, we will argue that F_7^a approximately vanishes identically.

For $p^2 = (m_a^V)^2$ and arbitrary q^2 and t we define functions $G_{1,2,3,4,7}^{a,\xi}$ as

$$G_{1,2,3,4,7}^{a,\xi} = [(m_{\xi}^T)^2 - t] \frac{e}{2\gamma_a g_{\xi}} F_{1,2,3,4,7}^a \quad (5)$$

$$B_0^{a,\xi} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} |(m_a^V)^2 - (m_{\xi}^T)^2| \left[G_3^{a,\xi} + G_7^{a,\xi} - \frac{(m_a^V)^2 - (m_{\xi}^T)^2}{(m_{\xi}^T)^2} G_1^{a,\xi} \right], \quad (9)$$

$$B_1^{a,\xi} = \sqrt{2} |(m_a^V)^2 - (m_{\xi}^T)^2| \frac{m_a^V}{m_{\xi}^T} \left[G_3^{a,\xi} + \left[\frac{m_{\xi}^T}{m_a^V} \right]^2 G_7^{a,\xi} \right], \quad B_2^{a,\xi} = 2 |(m_a^V)^2 - (m_{\xi}^T)^2| (G_3^{a,\xi} + G_7^{a,\xi})$$

with

$$\Gamma(V_a \rightarrow \text{electron, positron}) = \pi m_a^V \alpha^2 / 3\gamma_a^2,$$

where $\alpha = e^3/4\pi = \frac{1}{137}$ and g_{ξ} is defined by $\langle |0\rangle$ is the hadronic vacuum

$$\langle 0 | T^{\mu\nu} | T_{\xi} \rangle = g_{\xi} \epsilon_{\xi}^{\mu\nu}. \quad (6)$$

To define the p^2 and q^2 dependence of the functions $F_{1,2,3,4,7}^a$, we use the electromagnetic current as an interpolating field to take the vector mesons off their mass shells. Therefore, the amplitudes

$$G_{1,2,3,4,7}^{a,\xi}(p^2 = (m_a^V)^2, q^2 = 0, t = (m_{\xi}^T)^2)$$

for $\xi \leq a-1$ describe the transitions $V_a \rightarrow \gamma T_{\xi}$ and for $a \leq \xi$ describe the transitions $T_{\xi} \rightarrow \gamma V_a$. If we replace at this kinematical point ϵ_{ξ}^{μ} by q^{μ} , the total matrix element in Eq. (1) must vanish due to gauge invariance. This requires

$$(p \cdot q) G_2^{a,\xi} = -G_1^{a,\xi} - G_3^{a,\xi} + G_7^{a,\xi} \quad (7a)$$

and

$$G_4^{a,\xi} = 2(p \cdot q)(G_3^{a,\xi} + G_7^{a,\xi}) \quad (7b)$$

at the decay points. We therefore may write the decay widths as

$$\Gamma(V_a \rightarrow \gamma T_{\xi}) = \frac{(m_a^V)^2 - (m_{\xi}^T)^2}{24\pi(m_a^V)^3} \sum_{\sigma=0}^2 (B_{\sigma}^{a,\xi})^2 \quad (8a)$$

and

$$\Gamma(T_{\xi} \rightarrow \gamma V_a) = \frac{(m_{\xi}^T)^2 - (m_a^V)^2}{40\pi(m_{\xi}^T)^3} \sum_{\sigma=0}^2 (B_{\sigma}^{a,\xi})^2 \quad (8b)$$

with the helicity amplitudes $B_{\sigma=0,1,2}^{a,\xi}$ involving the tensor meson T_{ξ} with helicities σ given by

at $p^2=(m_a^V)^2$, $q^2=0$, and $t=(m_\xi^T)^2$.

We argue that $G_3^{a,\xi}$ approximately vanishes. If p^2 is fixed at $(m_a^V)^2$, the VMD saturation of F^a with vector-meson poles in q^2 can [due to Eq. (2)] only be nonvanishing if $T_{\mu\nu}$ has nonvanishing matrix elements $\langle V_a | T_{\mu\nu} | V_{a'} \rangle$ between states of *different* vector mesons V_a and $V_{a'}$. This is, however, excluded by the assumptions of TMD. The width formulas, therefore, become

$$\Gamma(V_a \rightarrow \gamma T_\xi) = \frac{[(m_a^V)^2 - (m_\xi^T)^2]^3}{12\pi(m_a^V)^3} \tilde{\Gamma}^{a,\xi} \quad (10a)$$

and

$$\Gamma(T_\xi \rightarrow \gamma V_a) = \frac{[(m_\xi^T)^2 - (m_a^V)^2]^3}{20\pi(m_\xi^T)^3} \tilde{\Gamma}^{a,\xi} \quad (10b)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Gamma}^{a,\xi} = & \left[\frac{10}{3} + \frac{(m_a^V)^2 - (m_\xi^T)^2}{(m_\xi^T)^2} \right] (G_3^{a,\xi})^2 \\ & + \frac{2}{3} \frac{(m_a^V)^2 - (m_\xi^T)^2}{(m_\xi^T)^2} (-G_1^{a,\xi}) G_3^{a,\xi} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(m_a^V)^2 - (m_\xi^T)^2}{(m_\xi^T)^2} (G_1^{a,\xi})^2. \end{aligned} \quad (10c)$$

In the present application, this expression can be simplified further. Namely, since

$$\epsilon \equiv \left| \frac{(m_a^V)^2 - (m_\xi^T)^2}{(m_\xi^T)^2} \right| \lesssim \frac{2(m_{\Upsilon''} - m_\Upsilon)}{m_\Upsilon} \approx 0.2,$$

first, we may neglect ϵ as compared to $\frac{10}{3}$ in the main term. Second, since $G_3^{a,\xi}$ and $G_1^{a,\xi}$ presumably are of the same order of magnitude [Eqs. (4)], we may neglect all terms proportional to ϵ and arrive at

$$\tilde{\Gamma}^{a,\xi} \approx \frac{10}{3} (G_3^{a,\xi})^2. \quad (11)$$

Saturating the t dependence of F_3^a by the tensor-meson poles at $t=(m_\xi^T)^2$ with residues $(m_\xi^T)^2 \tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi}$, i.e., writing

$$F_3^a(p^2=(m_a^V)^2, q^2, t) = \sum_{\xi=1}^N \frac{(m_\xi^T)^2 \tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi}}{(m_\xi^T)^2 - t} \quad (12)$$

we arrive at the sum rule

$$\sum_{\xi=1}^N \tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi} = \frac{1}{2} \quad (13)$$

for the physical $V_a T_\xi \gamma$ coupling.⁹ (F_3^a is independent of q^2 according to VMD.) Except for their signs, the $\tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi}/g_\xi$ are given by measurable quantities as

$$\begin{aligned} Z^{a,\xi} & \equiv \pm \frac{6}{(m_\xi^T)^2} \left[\frac{(m_a^V)^3 \gamma_a^2 \Gamma(V_a \rightarrow \gamma T_\xi)}{10\alpha[(m_a^V)^2 - (m_\xi^T)^2]^3} \right]^{1/2} \\ & = \frac{\tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi}}{g_\xi} \end{aligned} \quad (14a)$$

for $a > \xi$ and

$$\begin{aligned} Z^{a,\xi} & \equiv \pm \left[\frac{6\gamma_a^2 \Gamma(T_\xi \rightarrow \gamma V_a)}{\alpha[(m_\xi^T)^2 - (m_a^V)^2]^3 m_\xi^T} \right]^{1/2} \\ & = \frac{\tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi}}{g_\xi} \end{aligned} \quad (14b)$$

for $\xi \leq a$.

In order to obtain our sum rule, we substitute the $N(N+1)$ observables $Z^{a,\xi}$ for the $\tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi}$ in Eq. (13) and obtain

$$\sum_{\xi=1}^N g_\xi Z^{a,\xi} = \frac{1}{2}. \quad (15)$$

These are $N+1$ linear inhomogeneous equations for the N unknowns g_ξ . Then we expect one relation between the $Z^{a,\xi}$. To derive it, we subtract Eq. (15) for $a+1$ from Eq. (15) for a (with $a=1, \dots, N$) and find the N homogeneous relations

$$\sum_{\xi=1}^N (Z^{a,\xi} - Z^{a+1,\xi}) g_\xi = 0, \quad a=1, \dots, N. \quad (16)$$

For these to have a nontrivial solution we must have

$$\det_{\substack{a=1, \dots, N \\ \xi=1, \dots, N}} (Z^{a,\xi} - Z^{a+1,\xi}) = 0. \quad (17)$$

This is the desired sum rule for an arbitrary $\bar{Q}Q$ system which fulfills our assumptions concerning the mass spectrum.

For $N=1$, the $\bar{c}c$ system, we have explicitly

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(f_c(3.55) \rightarrow \gamma \psi) & = \frac{3}{5} \left[\frac{m_{f_c}^2 - m_\psi^2}{m_\psi^2 - m_{f_c}^2} \right]^3 \left[\frac{m_\psi}{m_{f_c}} \right]^3 \\ & \times \left[\frac{\gamma_\psi}{\gamma_{f_c}} \right]^2 \Gamma(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma f_c). \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

The exact formula³ contains an additional factor

$$(m_\psi^4 + 3m_\psi^2 m_{f_c}^2 + 6m_{f_c}^4) \times (m_\psi^4 + 3m_\psi^2 m_{f_c}^2 + 6m_{f_c}^4)^{-1} = 0.85.$$

Turning to the $\bar{b}b$ system, the signs of the $Z^{a,\xi}$ are obviously not determined by Eqs. (14). It is most plausible, however, that they all agree. Namely, the contributions of vector mesons to the

$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{canonical}}$ of any effective canonical theory all have the same sign. In such a theory, the sources $(\square + m_\xi^T)\theta_{\mu\nu}^\xi$ of the tensor meson fields $\theta_{\mu\nu}^\xi$ are taken to be proportional to $T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{canonical}}$ and therefore the signs of the $\tilde{F}_3^{a,\xi}$ do not depend on a for any given ξ . Assuming that renormalization effects do not change these signs, we can choose the signs of the g_ξ by a phase convention for the states $|T_\xi\rangle$ in such a way that all the $Z^{a,\xi}$ are positive. Thus we obtain as our main result the sum rule

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{10\gamma_{\Upsilon'}^2 \gamma_{\Upsilon''}^2 \Gamma(f_b \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon) \Gamma(f_b' \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon')}{6(m_{f_b}^2 - m_{\Upsilon'}^2)^3 (m_{f_b'}^2 - m_{\Upsilon'}^2)^3} \right]^{1/2} + \left[\frac{6\gamma_{\Upsilon'}^2 \gamma_{\Upsilon''}^2 m_{\Upsilon'}^3 m_{\Upsilon''}^3 \Gamma(\Upsilon' \rightarrow \gamma f_b) \Gamma(\Upsilon'' \rightarrow \gamma f_b')}{10m_{f_b}^3 m_{f_b'}^3 (m_{\Upsilon'}^2 - m_{f_b}^2)^3 (m_{\Upsilon''}^2 - m_{f_b'}^2)^3} \right]^{1/2} \\ & + \left[\frac{\gamma_{\Upsilon'}^2 \gamma_{\Upsilon''}^2 m_{\Upsilon'}^3 \Gamma(\Upsilon'' \rightarrow \gamma f_b) \Gamma(f_b' \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon')}{m_{f_b}^3 (m_{\Upsilon'}^2 - m_{f_b}^2)^3 (m_{f_b'}^2 - m_{\Upsilon'}^2)^3} \right]^{1/2} = \left[\frac{\gamma_{\Upsilon'}^2 \gamma_{\Upsilon''}^2 m_{\Upsilon'}^3 \Gamma(\Upsilon' \rightarrow \gamma f_b) \Gamma(f_b' \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon')}{m_{f_b}^3 (m_{\Upsilon'}^2 - m_{f_b}^2)^3 (m_{f_b'}^2 - m_{\Upsilon'}^2)^3} \right]^{1/2} \\ & + \left[\frac{\gamma_{\Upsilon''}^2 \gamma_{\Upsilon'}^2 m_{\Upsilon''}^3 \Gamma(\Upsilon'' \rightarrow \gamma f_b) \Gamma(f_b' \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon')}{m_{f_b}^3 (m_{\Upsilon''}^2 - m_{f_b}^2)^3 (m_{f_b'}^2 - m_{\Upsilon''}^2)^3} \right]^{1/2} \\ & + \left[\frac{\gamma_{\Upsilon'}^2 \gamma_{\Upsilon''}^2 m_{\Upsilon'}^3 \Gamma(\Upsilon'' \rightarrow \gamma f_b') \Gamma(f_b \rightarrow \gamma \Upsilon)}{m_{f_b}^3 (m_{\Upsilon'}^2 - m_{f_b'}^2)^3 (m_{f_b}^2 - m_{\Upsilon'}^2)^3} \right]^{1/2} \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

for the $V_a \rightarrow \gamma T_\xi$ and $T_\xi \rightarrow \gamma V_a$ widths. The sum rule contains only measurable quantities.

We conclude with a remark. Just as for the $\bar{c}c$ system,³ the matrix elements of $T_{\mu\nu}$ in Eq. (6), i.e., the g_ξ , can be computed in analogy to the conventional computation of the γ_V in potential models. Namely, in QCD the $\bar{q}q$ part of $T_{\mu\nu}$ is

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{QCD},\bar{q}q} = \frac{i}{4} \bar{q} (\gamma_\mu \vec{\partial}_\nu + \gamma_\nu \vec{\partial}_\mu) q :$$

and inserting this into Eq. (6) one finds

$$g_\xi^2 = \frac{9m_\xi^T}{\pi} |\phi_\xi'(0)|^2$$

with $\phi_\xi'(0)$ the derivative of the T_ξ wave function at the origin. It is therefore obvious that reliable

potential models for the $\bar{b}b$ system would imply further relations between the widths in Eqs. (14). The analogous calculation for the $\bar{c}c$ system,³ using the $|\phi_{f_c(3.55)}'(0)|$ of Ref. 10, predicts $\Gamma(\psi' \rightarrow \gamma f_c(3.55)) = 16$ keV, in agreement with the experimental⁸ 15 ± 5 keV.

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