Covariant soliton dynamics: Role of the gluon condensate in hadron spectroscopy

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We provide a covariant description of states of the charmonium and *b*-quarkonium systems. A very good fit to the spectrum is obtained in both cases in a model whose degrees of freedom are quarks and order parameters of QCD condensates. The current-quark masses used are similar to those suggested in QCD sum-rule studies.

We have recently studied covariant (nontopological) soliton solutions of a simple Lagrangian^{1,2}

$$\mathscr{L}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \chi(x) \partial^{\mu} \chi(x) - \frac{m_{\chi}^{2}}{2} \chi^{2}(x) + \overline{q}(x) [i \gamma^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} - m_{q} - g_{\chi} \chi(x)] q(x) .$$
(1)

Here q(x) is the quark field, m_q is the sum of a currentquark mass (m_q^{cur}) and a dynamical mass (m_q^{dyn}) , g_{χ} is a coupling constant, and $\chi(x)$ measures the deviation of a QCD order parameter ϕ from its vacuum value, ϕ_0 $[\phi(x)=\phi_0+\chi(x)]$. We were able to provide *covariant* descriptions of the ρ and ω mesons, and states of the charmonium and b-quarkonium systems.² However, with our choice of parameters, we found that the states of J/ψ and Υ were too widely spaced. In this work we overcome this difficulty and suggest that a useful effective Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}'(x) = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \chi(x) \partial^{\mu} \chi(x) - \frac{m_{\chi}^{2}}{2} \chi^{2}(x)$$
$$+ \overline{q}(x) [i\gamma^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} - m'_{q} - g_{\chi}^{\text{eff}} \chi(x)] q(x) , \qquad (2)$$

where $g_{\chi}^{\text{eff}} = \beta g_{\chi}$, $m^{\text{dyn}} = g_{\chi} \phi_0$, with

$$\beta = \left[\frac{m_q^{\text{dyn}}}{m_q'} + \frac{m_q^{\text{cur}} m_q^{q\,\overline{q}}}{m_q^{\text{dyn}} m_q'} \right],\tag{3}$$

$$m_q^{\rm dyn} = [(m_q^{q\,\bar{q}})^2 + (m_q^{\rm gl})^2]^{1/2},$$
 (4)

and

$$m'_{q} = \left[(m_{q}^{q \bar{q}} + m_{q}^{\text{cur}})^{2} + (m_{q}^{\text{gl}})^{2} \right]^{1/2} .$$
 (5)

Note that if $m_q^{\text{cur}}=0$, $\beta=1$, and $m'_q \rightarrow m_q^{\text{dyn}}$. In these equations $m_q^{q\bar{q}}$ is the dynamical quark mass which arises from the coupling of the quark to the chiral condensate³ and m_q^{gl} is a dynamical mass which arises from coupling to the gluon condensate.^{4,5} At a later point, we will present some results obtained for the charmonium and *b*-quarkonium systems using the field equations which follow from Eq. (2):

$$(\partial_{\mu}\partial^{\mu} + m\chi^2)\chi(x) = -g\chi^{\text{eff}}\overline{q}(x)q(x) , \qquad (6)$$

$$[i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m'_{q} - g^{\text{eff}}_{\chi}\chi(x)]q(x) = 0 ; \qquad (7)$$

however, we will first attempt to motivate the model described in Eqs. (2)-(7).

Recently we have developed a phenomenology for the study of QCD at low-momentum transfer.^{4,5} We suggested the following effective Lagrangian:

$$\mathscr{L}_{eff}(x) = -\frac{1}{4} \mathscr{G}_{\mu\nu}^{a}(x) \mathscr{G}_{a}^{\mu\nu}(x) + \frac{m_{gl}^{2}}{2} \frac{\phi^{2}(x)}{\phi_{0}^{2}} \mathscr{A}_{\mu}^{a}(x) \mathscr{A}_{a}^{\mu}(x) + \overline{q}(x) \{i \not\!\!D - m_{q}^{cur} - g_{\pi}[\sigma(x) + i\pi(x) \cdot \tau\gamma_{5}]\} q(x) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \phi(x) \partial^{\mu} \phi(x) + a \phi^{2}(x) - b \phi^{4}(x) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \sigma(x) \partial^{\mu} \sigma(x) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} \pi(x) \cdot \partial^{\mu} \pi(x) - \lambda \left[\sigma^{2}(x) + \pi^{2}(x) - f_{\pi}^{2} \frac{\phi^{2}(x)}{\phi_{0}^{2}} \right]^{2}.$$
(8)

This Lagrangian was obtained by separating the vector potential and field tensor into a condensate field and a fluctuation field:^{4,5}

$$A_a^{\mu}(x) = A_a^{\mu}(x) + \mathscr{A}_a^{\mu}(x) , \qquad (9)$$

$$G^{a}_{\mu\nu}(x) = G^{a}_{\mu\nu}(x) + \mathscr{G}^{a}_{\mu\nu}(x) .$$
⁽¹⁰⁾

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A scale was set into the theory by writing

$$\left\langle \operatorname{vac} \left| \frac{g^{2}(\mu^{2})}{4\pi^{2}} G^{a}_{\mu\nu}(0) G^{\mu\nu}_{a}(0) \right| \operatorname{vac} \right\rangle \simeq \frac{3}{32\pi^{2}} \left[\left\langle \operatorname{vac} \left| g^{2}(\mu^{2}) \operatorname{A}_{a}^{\mu}(0) \operatorname{A}_{\mu}^{a}(0) \right| \operatorname{vac} \right\rangle \right]^{2}$$
(11)

$$\equiv \frac{3}{32\pi^2} g^4(\mu^2) \phi_0^4 . \tag{12}$$

[Here $g(\mu^2)$ is the QCD coupling constant renormalized at the mass scale μ .] We then used the value obtained for the left-hand side of Eq. (11) in QCD sum-rule studies⁶ to provide a value for $g^2\phi_0^2$. [In the presence of quarks ϕ_0 becomes spatially dependent, $\phi_0 \rightarrow \phi(x) = \phi_0 + \chi(x)$.] In Eq. (8) m_{gl} is a dynamical gluon mass⁷ $(m_{gl}^2 = \frac{3}{8}g^2\phi_0^2)$, $\sigma(x)$ and $\pi(x)$ are order parameters of the chiral condensate, and D_{μ} is the usual covariant derivative. Note that if $m_q^{cur} = 0$, there is only a single mass scale in our model, since we have assumed that the chiral and gluon order parameters are proportional:

$$\sigma(\mathbf{x}) = f_{\pi} \phi(\mathbf{x}) / \phi_0 \,. \tag{13}$$

(In vacuum $\langle \sigma \rangle = f_{\pi}$.) We define $m_q^{q\bar{q}} = g_{\pi}f_{\pi}$ and set $m_q^{q\bar{q}} = 400$ MeV, which is generally consistent with values which have been suggested for this quantity.³ In order to understand the origin of m_q^{gl} , we consider the quark field equation:

$$\left[i\gamma^{\mu}\left[\partial_{\mu}-igA_{\mu}^{a}\frac{\lambda^{a}}{2}\right]-m_{q}^{cur}-g_{\pi}[\sigma(x)+i\pi(x)\cdot\tau\gamma_{5}]\right]q(x)$$
$$=0. \quad (14)$$



Since the gluon field has no vacuum expectation value, we consider a "second-order" version of this equation and keep only those terms that can have vacuum expectation values. We find^{4,5}

$$[\mathbf{p}_{op}^{2} - \frac{1}{6} \langle g^{2} \mathbf{A}_{a} \cdot \mathbf{A}_{a} \rangle + (m_{q}^{cur} + m_{q}^{q\bar{q}})^{2}]q(x) = \frac{-\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}}q(x)$$
(15)

in a temporal gauge. We define

$$(m_q^{\rm gl})^2 = -\frac{1}{6} \langle g^2 \mathbf{A}_a \cdot \mathbf{A}_a \rangle \tag{16}$$

$$=\frac{1}{6}g^2\phi_0^2 . (17)$$

and define m'_q as in Eq. (5). To provide a model for the coupling of the quark to the condensate order parameters we introduce

$$m'_{q}(x) = \{ [m_{q}^{q\,\bar{q}}(x) + m_{q}^{cur}]^{2} + [m_{q}^{gl}(x)]^{2} \}^{1/2} , \qquad (18)$$

with

$$m_{q}^{q\,\bar{q}}(x) \equiv m_{q}^{q\,\bar{q}} \left[\frac{\phi_{0} + \chi(x)}{\phi_{0}} \right] , \qquad (19)$$





FIG. 1. Light lines denote various states of the charmonium system whose energies have been determined experimentally. The dashed lines are the spin-weighted averages, while the heavy lines are the theoretical predictions with $m_c^{\rm cur} = 1433$ MeV. The continuum of our model starts at $2m'_q = 3768$ MeV (dotted line), which is quite close to the D, \overline{D} threshold (dot-dashed line).

FIG. 2. Light lines denote various states of the *b*-quarkonium system. The heavy lines are theoretical predictions with m_b^{cur} =4840 MeV. (See caption of Fig. 1.) The continuum of our model starts at $2m'_q$ =10.516 GeV (dotted line), which is quite close to the B, \overline{B} threshold (dot-dashed line).

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$$m_q^{\rm gl}(x) \equiv m_q^{\rm gl} \left\{ \frac{\phi_0 + \chi(x)}{\phi_0} \right\} \,. \tag{20}$$

Now

$$m'_{q}(x) \simeq m'_{q} \left[1 + \beta g_{\chi} \frac{\chi(x)}{m'_{q}} + \frac{1}{2} (1 - \beta^{2}) g_{\chi}^{2} \frac{\chi^{2}(x)}{m'_{q}^{2}} + \cdots \right]$$
(21)

 ϕ_0

with β as defined in Eq. (3). Keeping the first two terms of the expansion in Eq. (21) is expected to be a good approximation and that leads us back to the Lagrangian, $\mathcal{L}'(\mathbf{x})$, of Eq. (2).

We have chosen $g_{\chi} = 7$ in our study⁸ of the nucleon¹ and the ρ and ω mesons.² The analysis of Ref. 5 fixes m_{χ}^2 in terms of $g^2\phi_0^2$. We found $m_{\chi} = 459$ MeV. Further, from $(m_q^{\rm gl})^2 = \frac{1}{6}g^2\phi_0^2$, we obtain $m_q^{\rm gl} = 434$ MeV. Therefore, using Eq. (4), we have $m_q^{\rm dyn} = 590$ MeV. Thus,

only a single parameter is to be determined: the flavordependent, current-quark mass m_q^{cur} . For the charmoni-um system the value of m_c^{cur} is fixed by fitting to the weighted average of the ground state (0⁻; 2980 MeV) and first excited state $(1^-; 3100 \text{ MeV})$. For the *b*-quarkonium system, m_b^{cur} is obtained by fitting the lowest $J^{\pi} = 1^{-1}$ state. Our predictions for the other states are given in Figs. 1 and 2. A more detailed fit requires a model for the spin-dependent interactions, presumably arising from some short-range interaction ("one-gluon exchange").²

In summary, we note that we have provided a fully covariant description of a number of the low-lying states of the charmonium and b-quarkonium using a model which has been used previously to provide a good fit to the properties of the nucleon¹ and the ρ and ω mesons.² The new feature in this work is a generalized model for quarkcondensate coupling for the case $m_q^{\text{cur}} \neq 0$. The details of our theory of *p*-wave solitons will be presented elsewhere as will a comprehensive study of the second-order quark field equation:

$$\left[\mathbf{p}_{\mathrm{op}}^{2}+m_{\mathrm{gl}}^{2}\left[\frac{\phi_{0}+\chi(x)}{\phi_{0}}\right]^{2}+\left[m_{q}^{\mathrm{cur}}+m_{q}^{q\,\overline{q}}\left[\frac{\phi_{0}+\chi(x)}{\phi_{0}}\right]\right]^{2}\right]q(x)=-\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}}q(x).$$
(22)

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$$m_q^{\rm dyn}(x) = m_q^{\rm dyn}[\phi_0 + \chi(x)]/\phi_0 = m_q^{\rm dyn} + g_\chi \chi(x) \ge 0$$

The value of $\chi(x)$ averaged over hadron wave functions will be smaller than the maximum value. For charmonium, $m'_q = 1884$ MeV and for the *b* quarkonium, $m'_q = 5258$ MeV.