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#### **Classification of diquark states**

- Our diquarks have no spatial excitations (or better: we consider their excitations higher in energy than the hadrons we are going to study)
- This limits the possible states to:

 $|[\bar{3}]_f, [\bar{3}]_c, 0\rangle, |[6]_f, [\bar{3}]_c, 1\rangle$  $|[\bar{3}]_f, [6]_c, 1\rangle, |[6]_f, [6]_c, 0\rangle.$ 

According to most models, color sextuplet are not a favored configuration (possibly not bound at all)

• Thus we will use only the scalar  $(J^{P}=0^{+})$ , axial-vector  $(J^{P}=1^{+})$ diquarks  $|[3]_{c}, [3]_{f}, 0 >, |[3]_{c}, [6]_{f}, 1 >$ 

#### Tetraquarks

- Tetraquarks are exotic mesons composed of two quarks and two antiquarks
- They can have explicitly exotic quantum numbers (e.g. I=2 or Y=+2) or the same quantum numbers of the normal mesons (cryptoexotics)
- No explicit exotics are known with certainty (several candidates: π<sub>1</sub>(1400), Z<sup>+</sup>(4430), ...)
- Possible cryptoexotics (since Jaffe in the '70): the light scalar nonet
   very well established: a<sub>0</sub>(980), f<sub>0</sub>(980)
   not so well established: f<sub>0</sub>(600), k(800)

## The light scalar nonet as tetraquark candidates

The principal factors that urge the identification of the scalar nonet as tetraquarks are:

 The reversed spectrum of the nonet:

 $f_{o}(600)$ 

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The OZI rule violation in the hadron decays (f<sub>0</sub>(600)→ππ, f<sub>0</sub>(980)→KK not suppressed)
The OZI rule violation in the radiative decays (φ(1020)→ a<sub>0</sub>(980) γ)

#### Intrinsic degrees of freedom

• The intrinsic degrees of freedom are classified through the representations of the group  $SU_{sf}(6) \otimes SU_{c}(3)$  $SU_{sf}(6)$ 

 $[6] \otimes [\overline{6}] \otimes [6] \otimes [\overline{6}] = [1] \oplus [35] \oplus [35] \oplus [405] \oplus [35] \oplus [280] \oplus [35] \oplus [1] \oplus [280] \oplus (189)$ 

 $SU_{f}(3)$   $[3] \otimes [\bar{3}] \otimes [3] \otimes [\bar{3}] = [1] \oplus [8] \oplus [8] \oplus [10] \oplus [8] \oplus [8] \oplus [1] \oplus [10] \oplus [27]$ 

 $SU_{c}(3)$  only the (two) singlets are allowed physical states  $SU_{c}(2)$ 

 $[2] \otimes [2] \otimes [2] \otimes [2] = [1] \oplus [3] \oplus [1] \oplus [3] \oplus [3] \oplus [5]$ 

#### Spatial degrees of freedom

• The orbital momenta and the spins are combined together to give the total angular momentum following the scheme:



 $P = (-1)^{L_{13} + L_{24} + L_{12-34}} \qquad C = (-1)^{L_{12-34} + S} \qquad G = (-1)^{L_{12-34} + S + I}$ 

#### Tetraquark states

### • Applying the Pauli principle we can write all the possible multiplets of the tetraquarks Scalar nonet TABLE VI. Color, flavor, spin (S<sub>tot</sub>), and J<sup>PC</sup> for tetraquarks with $L_{24} = L_{13} = 0$ Col Flavor S<sub>dq</sub> S<sub>dq</sub> j<sub>dq</sub> j<sub>dq</sub> S<sub>tot</sub> S J<sup>PC</sup>

TABLE III. Color, flavor, spin ( $S_{tot}$ ), and  $J^{PC}$  for tetraquarks with  $L_{13} = L_{24} = L_{12-34} = 0$ .

Color	Flavor	$S_{dq}$	$S_{d\bar{q}}$	$j_{dq}$	$j_{dar{q}}$	Stot	S	$J^{ m PC}$
[3] ⊗ [3]	[1]    [8]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0++
$[\bar{3}] \otimes [3]$	$[8] \oplus \overline{[10]}$	0	1	0	1	1	1	1+
$[\bar{3}] \otimes [3]$	[8]   [10]	1	0	1	0	1	1	1+
$[\bar{3}] \otimes [3]$	$[1] \oplus [8] \oplus [27]$	1	1	1	1	0	0	0++
						1	1	1+-
						2	2	2++
$[6] \otimes [\overline{6}]$	$[1] \oplus [8] \oplus [27]$	0	0	0	0	0	0	$0^{++}$
$[6] \otimes [\overline{6}]$	[8]   [10]	0	1	0	1	1	1	1+
$[6] \otimes [\overline{6}]$	$[8] \oplus \overline{[10]}$	1	0	1	0	1	1	1+
$[6] \otimes [\overline{6}]$	[1]   [8]	1	1	1	1	0	0	0++
						1	1	1+-
						2	2	2++

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Santopinto, Galatà Phys. Rev. C75, 045206 (2007)

#### Algebraic mass formula

- In order to calculate the tetraquark spectrum, we need now a mass formula
- Iachello et al. (Phys.Rev.D44,898 (1991)) developed an algebraic mass formula for the normal mesons based on a SGA= U(4)⊗ SU(3)<sub>F</sub> ⊗ SU(2)<sub>S</sub> ⊗ SU(3)<sub>C</sub> stringlike model
- The spatial part is described in terms of the Casimir operators of the chain: U(4)⊃SO(4)⊃SO(3)⊃SO(2)

The mass formula is:

$$M^{2} = (N_{n}M_{n} + N_{s}M_{s})^{2} + av + bL + cS + dJ + h < M'^{2} >_{ij,i'j'} + i < M''^{2} >_{ij,i'j'}$$

(Regge trajectories: linear vibrational and rotational slope)

#### Diquark-antidiquark limit

- For the tetraquark case one should introduce a new SGA for the spatial part, for example U(10) or U(4)⊗U(4)⊗U(4)
- This is still work in progress
- We have developed also a diquark-antidiquark model for tetraquarks.
- In our model we freeze the spatial internal degrees of freedom inside the diquark.
- With these conditions, the diquark-antidiquark states are a subset of the states of the compact tetraquark, in particular the subset with L<sub>13</sub>=L<sub>24</sub>=0.

Tetraquark nonet spectrum in the diquark-antidiquark limit

We can use a mass formula similar to the one used for the normal mesons:

$$M^{2} = (M_{qq} + M_{\overline{qq}})^{2} + a \cdot n + b \cdot L + c \cdot S + d \cdot J$$

• We determine the diquark masses fitting the mass formula with the candidate tetraquark nonet masses. We obtain  $M_{[n,n]}=0.275 \text{ GeV}$   $M_{[n,s]}=0.492 \text{ GeV}$   $M_{a0(980)}=M_{f0(980)}=0.984 \text{ GeV}$  Santopinto, Galatà Phys. Rev. C75,  $M_{f0(600)}=0.550 \text{ GeV}$   $M_{k(800)}=0.767 \text{ GeV}$ 

#### Tetraquark spectrum

With the previous mass formula and the diquark masses we can determine the spectrum of all diquark-antidiquark states (preliminary extract of the first states, still necessary to calculate decays)

$n^{2S+1}L_J(J^{PC})$	Diquark type[50]	${\rm Mass}\;(GeV)$				
$0^{1}S_{0}(0^{++})$	$[n,n]\overline{[n,n]}$	0.550				
	$[n,n]\overline{[n,s]}$	0.767				
	[n,s] $[n,s]$	0.984				
	$\{n,n\}\underline{\{n,n\}}$	1.000	$0^{3}P_{1}(1^{-+})$	$\{n,n\}\overline{\{n,n\}}$	1.482	$\pi_1(1400)?$
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	$\{n,s\}$ $\{n,s\}$	1.240		$\{n,s\}$ $\{n,s\}$	1.653	$\pi_1(1600)?$
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	$\{s,s\}\{s,s\}$	1.480		$\{s,s\}\{s,s\}$	1.840	



# Thank you for your attention!