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A FLUX TUBE POTENTIAL MODEL OF BARYON SPECTROSCOPY

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At present in the hadron spectroscopy two types of models are most frequently used : soliton (or bag) models and potential (or constituent quark) models. The former have the merit of being relativistic but are less accessible to spectroscopic studies. The latter are at most semi-relativistic but can be more extensively applied to spectroscopy.

The present study deals with a potential type model. It is inspired by the quark-gluon dynamics of QCD which in the static source limit leads to the flux tube picture.<sup>1</sup> In this limit the potential of a quark-antiquark pair is given by the sum of a Coulomb and a linear confinement terms :

$$V_{q\bar{q}} = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{|\underline{x}_1 - \underline{x}_2|} + \sqrt{\sigma} |\underline{x}_1 - \underline{x}_2| \quad (1)$$

where  $\alpha_s$  is the strong interaction fine structure constant and  $\sqrt{\sigma}$  is the flux tube tension. They can be obtained either from lattice gauge numerical studies or from a fit to meson spectra. The values we are using here are :

$$\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{\hbar c} = 0.5 \quad ; \quad \sqrt{\sigma} = 1 \text{ GeV} \cdot \text{fm}^{-1} \quad (2)$$

For a 3-quark colour singlet system the potential energy can be expressed as a sum of two-body and three-body terms. The two-body potential between two quarks is  $\frac{1}{2} V_{q\bar{q}}$  and the three-body term depends on the tension in the flux tube

$$V(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2, \underline{x}_3) = \sqrt{\sigma} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^3 r_{i4} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i < j} r_{ij} \right] \quad (3)$$

where  $r_{ij}$  is the interquark distance and  $r_{i4}$  is the distance

between the quark  $i$  and a point  $\underline{r}_4$  where the flux tubes meet at  $120^\circ$ . For angles larger than  $120^\circ$  this point becomes identical to one at the quark positions  $\underline{r}_i$ .

In Ref. 1, Carlson, Kogut and Pandharipande have added to the potential energy a relativistic kinetic energy

$$T = \sum_i (p_i^2 + m^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (4)$$

and provided variational wave functions for mesons and baryons.

Based on such a non-perturbed hamiltonian we calculate the positive- and negative-parity spectra of baryons by diagonalizing the hyperfine interaction<sup>2</sup> in a space spanned by the  $56(0^+, 2^+)$ ,  $56'(0^+)$ ,  $70(0^+, 1^-, 2^+)$  and  $20(1^+)$  SU(6) multiplets. In other words we allow for up to two units of angular momentum or up to one unit of radial excitations. The resulting highest spin is  $J = \frac{7}{2}$  for positive parity and  $J = \frac{5}{2}$  for negative parity.

The hyperfine interaction<sup>2</sup> has been modified to include the finite size  $\Lambda$  of the quark. Then both the spin-spin part  $V_{SS}$  and the tensor part  $V_T$  take the form :

$$V_{SS} = \frac{4 \sqrt{2} \pi \alpha_S}{9 m^2} \frac{1}{(2 \pi \Lambda^2)^{3/2}} e^{-\frac{\rho^2}{2\Lambda^2}} \underline{S}_1 \cdot \underline{S}_2 \quad (5)$$

$$V_T = \frac{\alpha_S}{\sqrt{2} m^2 \rho^3} \left[ \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\rho}{\sqrt{2} \Lambda}\right) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\rho^3}{\Lambda^3} \left(1 + 3 \frac{\Lambda^2}{\rho^2}\right) e^{-\frac{\rho^2}{2\Lambda^2}} \right] \\ \times \left( \frac{1}{\rho^2} \underline{S}_1 \cdot \underline{\rho} \underline{S}_2 \cdot \underline{\rho} - \frac{1}{3} \underline{S}_1 \cdot \underline{S}_2 \right) \quad (6)$$

where

$$\rho = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |\underline{r}_1 - \underline{r}_2|$$

The quark mass  $m$  and its size  $\Lambda$  were left as free parameters. The range of  $m$  was taken between 250 MeV and 360 MeV and for  $\Lambda$  we took values in the range 0.0 - 0.325 fm with a size step of 0.065 fm. It turned out<sup>3</sup> that the model can accommodate the whole mass range if  $\Lambda$  was properly chosen for each  $m$ . As a general trend the calculated positive parity spectrum was found within

the experimental error bars except for those dominated by  $L = 0$  and/or  $S = \frac{1}{2}$ . For example the Roper resonance has too high an energy for all sets  $m, \Lambda$ . For the negative parity states we obtained good agreement with the experimental resonances.

Among the various sets  $m, \Lambda$  we chose those given in Table 1. Set I is common with Ref. 1 and Set II was found to give one of the best overall agreements and a good nucleon mass. These sets were used subsequently in the analysis of photodecay amplitudes of  $N$  and  $\Delta$  resonances. A crucial test of the model is the calculation of the photodecay or strong decay amplitudes because these depend on the configuration mixing obtained from the diagonalization of the hyperfine interaction.

We assume that the photodecay process is due to the emission of a photon by one of the constituent quarks. Then due to the symmetry of the wave function and the identity of the three quarks one can take the quark-photon interaction  $H$  as three times the contribution of the third quark. In our calculations we use the standard non-relativistic quark-photon interaction<sup>4</sup>

$$H = -3 \frac{e q^{(3)}}{m} (\underline{p}^{(3)} \cdot \underline{A} + g \underline{S}^{(3)} \cdot \underline{H}) \quad (7)$$

where  $g$  is the gyromagnetic factor of the quark,  $q^{(3)}$ ,  $\underline{p}^{(3)}$  and  $\underline{S}^{(3)}$  the charge, momentum and spin operators of the third quark,  $\underline{H}$  the magnetic field and  $\underline{A}$  the corresponding vector potential. As in Ref. 4 we took :

$$g = 1 \quad ; \quad \mu = 0.13 \text{ GeV}^{-1} \quad (8)$$

where  $\mu$  is the quark magnetic moment.

From the experimental data one can extract the helicity amplitudes  $A_{1/2}$  and  $A_{3/2}$ . By definition  $A_{1/2}$  is the matrix element  $\langle f | H | i \rangle$  of (7) where the resonance  $|i\rangle$  is in a state of angular momentum projection  $J_Z^i = \frac{1}{2}$  and the nucleon has  $J_Z^f = -\frac{1}{2}$  in its ground state  $|f\rangle$ . The amplitude  $A_{3/2}$  corresponds to  $J_Z^i = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $J_Z^f = \frac{1}{2}$ . Both the resonances and the nucleon ground state contain configuration mixings. The most important components of the nucleon wave function are  $|^2N(56, 0^+)_{\frac{1}{2}^+}\rangle$ ,

$|^2N(56', 0^+)_{\frac{1}{2}^+}$  and  $|^2N(70, 0^+)_{\frac{1}{2}^+}$ . The results for the helicity amplitudes of protons  $A^P$  and neutrons  $A^N$  are given in Table II. For each resonance the first and second lines are the results obtained with the parameter sets I and II respectively. The third line reproduces the experimental values of Particle Data Group.<sup>5</sup> The resonance masses are in MeV and the helicity amplitudes in  $10^{-3} \text{ GeV}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ . The sign of the decay amplitudes is well reproduced in most cases and the magnitudes are of the right order. A detailed analysis<sup>6</sup> shows that the configuration mixings play an important role. A further test of the model would be to calculate the strong decays.

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TABLE I

Set	m (MeV)	$\Lambda$ (fm)
I	360	0.13
II	324	0.09

TABLE II

Resonance	Main component	Mass	$A_{3/2}^p$	$A_{1/2}^p$	$A_{3/2}^n$	$A_{1/2}^n$
P <sub>11</sub> (1440)	${}^2N(56^1, 0^+)1/2^+$	1712		-30		+19
		1607		-31		+19
		1400-1480		-69±7		+37±19
D <sub>13</sub> (1520)	${}^2N(70, 1^-)3/2^-$	1579	+213	+57	-211	-98
		1496	+202	+45	-201	-88
		1510-1530	+167±10	-22±10	-144±14	-65±13
S <sub>11</sub> (1535)	${}^2N(70, 1^-)1/2^-$	1568		+210		-188
		1475		+203		-182
		1520-1560		+73±14		-76±32
S <sub>11</sub> (1650)	${}^4N(70, 1^-)1/2^-$	1673		+68		-41
		1627		+77		-48
		1620-1680		+48±16		-17±37
D <sub>15</sub> (1675)	${}^4N(70, 1^-)5/2^-$	1690	+4	+3	-35	-25
		1653	+7	+5	-39	-27
		1660-1690	+19±12	+19±12	-69±19	-47±23
F <sub>15</sub> (1680)	${}^2N(56, 2^+)5/2^+$	1860	+96	+23	-28	+5
		1754	+94	+22	-30	+2
		1670-1690	+127±12	-17±10	-30±14	+31±13
D <sub>13</sub> (1700)	${}^4N(70, 1^-)3/2^-$	1726	+17	+2	-58	-14
		1714	+21	+1	-64	-14
		1670-1730	0±19	-22±13	-2±44	0±56
P <sub>11</sub> (1710)	${}^2N(70, 0^+)1/2^+$	1868		-40		+25
		1795		-48		+35
		1680-1740		+5±16		-5±23
P <sub>13</sub> (1720)	${}^2N(56, 2^+)3/2^+$	1859	+47	-120	-12	+45
		1752	+45	-118	-12	+47
		1690-1800	-35±24	+52±39	-43±94	-2±26
F <sub>17</sub> (1990)	${}^4N(70, 2^+)7/2^+$	2028	-3	-2	-10	-8
		1980	-5	-4	-8	-6
		1950-2050	+31±55	+24±30	-122±55	-49±45
P <sub>33</sub> (1232)	${}^4\Delta(56, 0^+)3/2^+$	1308	-159	-90		
		1285	-181	-101		
		1230-1234	-258±11	-141±5		
P <sub>33</sub> (1600)	${}^4\Delta(56^1, 0^+)3/2^+$	1893	-80	-44		
		1904	-106	-38		
		1500-1900	+1±22	-20±29		
S <sub>31</sub> (1620)	${}^2\Delta(70, 1^-)1/2^-$	1657		+154		
		1631		+141		
		1600-1650		19±16		
D <sub>33</sub> (1700)	${}^2\Delta(70, 1^-)3/2^-$	1657	+212	+149		
		1631	+201	+149		
		1630-1740	+77±28	+116±17		
F <sub>35</sub> (1905)	${}^2\Delta(70, 2^+)5/2^+$	1997	+28	+33		
		1962	+41	+36		
		1890-1920	-47±19	+27±13		
P <sub>31</sub> (1910)	${}^2\Delta(70, 0^+)1/2^+$	1934		+26		
		1910		+35		
		1850-1950		-12±30		
P <sub>33</sub> (1920)	${}^4\Delta(56, 2^+)3/2^+$	1986	+13	-45		
		1964	-39	-78		
		1860-2160	+23±7	+40±7		
F <sub>37</sub> (1950)	${}^4\Delta(56, 2^+)7/2^+$	1985	-22	-17		
		1952	-21	-17		
		1910-1960	-90±13	-73±14		