

## Regge trajectories in the $B_C$ meson

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### Introduction

Regge trajectories of mesons play a vital role to identify any new (experimentally) meson excited state as well as to provide the information about quantum number of the particular state. One of the most interesting properties of these trajectories is their linearity, interpreted as an expression of strong forces between quarks at large distances, which lead to color confinement. In this article we investigate the Regge trajectories of the  $B_C$  mesons in the potential model framework.

### Methodology

To estimate the masses we employ the following Hamiltonian and quark-antiquark potential to study the  $B_C$  meson[1];

$$H = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_Q^2} + \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_{\bar{Q}}^2} + V(\mathbf{r}), \quad (1)$$

$$V(r) = V^{(0)}(r) + \left( \frac{1}{m_Q} + \frac{1}{m_{\bar{Q}}} \right) V^{(1)}(r) \quad (2)$$

Here,  $m_Q(m_{\bar{Q}})$  is the quark(anti-quark) mass. The potentials are [2, 3]

$$V^{(0)}(r) = -\frac{4\alpha_S(M^2)}{3r} + Ar + V_0, \quad (3)$$

$$V^{(1)}(r) = -C_F C_A \alpha_s^2 / 4r^2, \quad (4)$$

where  $\alpha_S(M^2)$ ,  $A$ ,  $V_0$  and  $C_F = 4/3$ ,  $C_A = 3$  is the strong running coupling constant, potential parameter, potential constant and the

Casimir charges respectively. The estimated masses and details of calculations are outlined in authors' previous work in Ref [4].

### Results

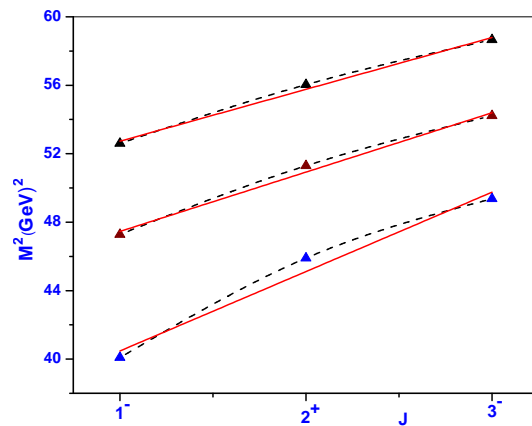


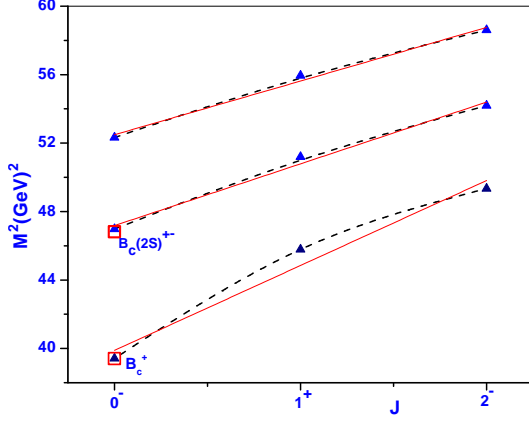
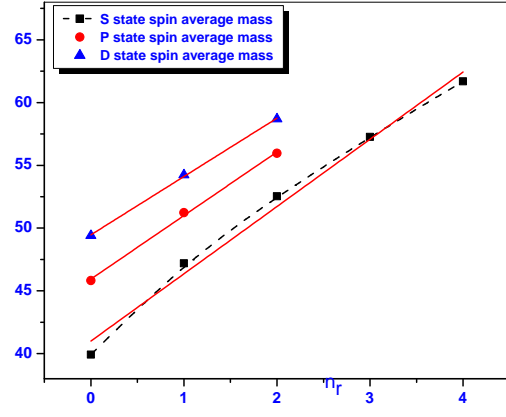
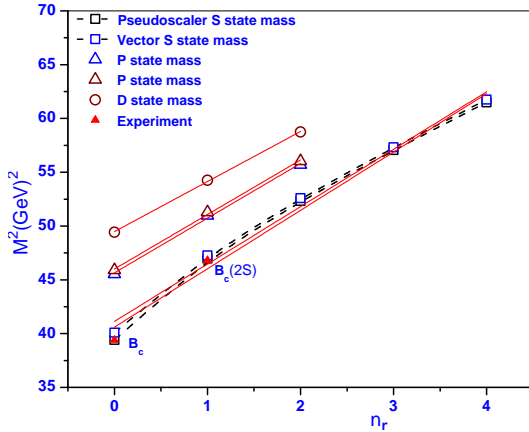
FIG. 1: The  $(M^2 \rightarrow J)$  Regge trajectory for the  $B_c$  meson with natural parity.

TABLE I: Slopes and intercepts of the  $(J, M^2)$  Regge trajectories of  $B_c$  meson with unnatural and natural parity.

Parity	Trajectory	$\alpha(GeV^{-2})$	$\alpha_0$
Unnatural	Parent	$0.196 \pm 0.032$	$-7.797 \pm 1.446$
	I daughter	$0.274 \pm 0.027$	$-12.938 \pm 1.381$
	II daughter	$0.316 \pm 0.027$	$-16.598 \pm 1.525$
Natural	Parent	$0.211 \pm 0.037$	$-7.519 \pm 1.391$
	I daughter	$0.286 \pm 0.026$	$-12.565 \pm 1.332$
	II daughter	$0.327 \pm 0.025$	$-16.280 \pm 1.414$

The Regge trajectories in the  $(J, M^2)$  plane with natural and unnatural parity are depicted in Figs. (1-2). In figure, solid triangles are model masses whereas experimentally

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 FIG. 2: The  $(M^2 \rightarrow J)$  Regge trajectory for the  $B_c$  meson with unnatural parity.

 FIG. 4: The  $(M^2 \rightarrow n_r)$  Regge trajectory for the S-P-D states center of weight mass for the  $B_c$  meson.

 FIG. 3: The  $(M^2 \rightarrow n_r)$  Regge trajectory for the pseudoscalar and vector  $S$  state, excited  $P$  and  $D$  state masses of the  $B_c$  meson.

available masses (taken from PDG[5]) are represented by hollow squares. The Regge trajectories for  $n_r = n - 1$  principal quantum number in the  $(n_r, M^2)$  plane are describe in Figure (3) and Figure (4). The following definitions are used to calculate the  $\chi^2$  fitted slopes  $(\alpha, \beta)$  and the intercepts  $(\alpha_0, \beta_0)$  [6].

$$J = \alpha M^2 + \alpha_0, \quad (5)$$

$$n_r = \beta M^2 + \beta_0 \quad (6)$$

The slopes and intercepts are given in tables

 TABLE II: Slopes and intercepts for the  $(n_r, M^2)$  Regge trajectories of  $B_c$  meson.

Meson	$J^P$	$\beta (GeV^{-2})$	$\beta_0$
$B_c$	$0^-$	$0.182 \pm 0.012$	$-7.362 \pm 0.617$
$B_c^*$	$1^-$	$0.185 \pm 0.011$	$-7.605 \pm 0.569$
$B_{c0}$	$0^+$	$0.196 \pm 0.008$	$-8.961 \pm 0.403$
$B'_{c1}$	$1^+$	$0.197 \pm 0.008$	$-9.028 \pm 0.386$
$B_{c1}$	$1^+$	$0.197 \pm 0.008$	$-9.060 \pm 0.387$
$B_{c2}$	$2^+$	$0.197 \pm 0.007$	$-9.062 \pm 0.377$
$B_c(^3D_1)$	$1^-$	$0.215 \pm 0.005$	$-10.618 \pm 0.247$
$B_c(^3D_2)$	$2^-$	$0.215 \pm 0.005$	$-10.642 \pm 0.246$
$B_c(^1D_2)$	$2^-$	$0.216 \pm 0.006$	$-10.662 \pm 0.314$
$B_c(^3D_3)$	$3^-$	$0.215 \pm 0.005$	$-10.63 \pm 0.289$

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