## NonRelativistic UnParticles

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## NonRelativistic Unparticles Hammer & Son

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[arXiv:2103.12610]

**Neutrons are Unparticles!** 





## Neutral charm mesons are Unparticles! Braaten & Hammer

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- Q. What is an elementary particle?
- A. Irreducible representation of the Poincare group

particle is characterized by mass m and spin s

### Poincare group

includes 4 spacetime translations

3 rotations

3 Lorentz boosts

10 dimensions

# Standard Model of Particle Physics: SU(3)xSU(2)xU(1) gauge theory

## 17 elementary particles

s = 0: Higgs boson

s = 1/2: 6 quarks, 6 leptons

s = 1: photon, gluon,  $W^{\pm}$ ,  $Z^{0}$ 

## Beyond the Standard Model ??

more elementary particles?

new interactions?

#### Hidden Sector ??

with no Standard Model interactions

# "Unparticle Physics" Howard Georgi hep-ph/0703260

Hidden sector could be scale invariant theory with conformal symmetry excitations are "unparticles"

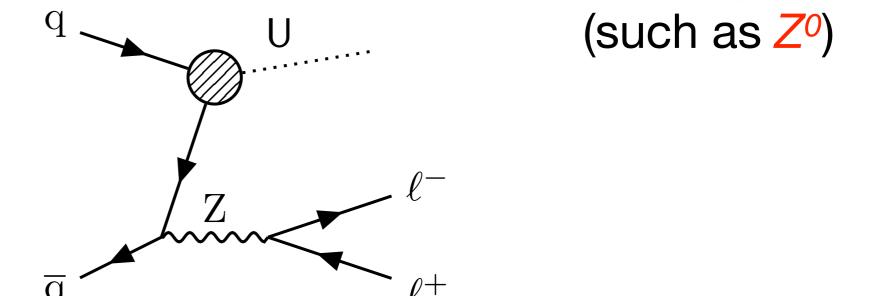
- Q. What is an unparticle?
- A. Irreducible representation of the conformal group unparticle is characterized by scaling dimension Δ

Conformal group includes 4 spacetime translations

- 3 rotations
- 3 Lorentz boosts
- 1 scale transformation
- 4 spacetime inversions
- 5 15 dimensions

### Observation of Unparticles

Unparticle in a hidden sector cannot be observed <u>directly</u>
However it can be observed <u>indirectly</u>
if it is produced in association with a <u>Standard Model particle</u>



Invariant mass-squared  $P_{U^2}$  of Unparticle can be measured using recoil momentum of Standard Model particle

$$d\sigma/dP_U^2 \sim (P_U^2)^{\Delta - 2}$$

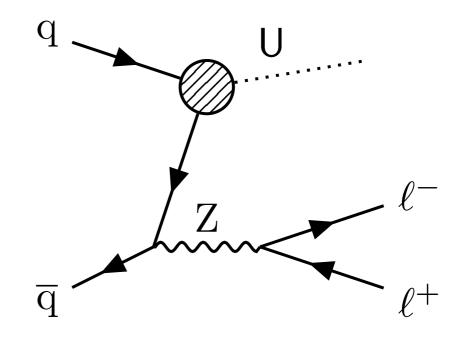
Unparticle signature: power-law dependence on  $P_U^2$  exponent  $\Delta$  determined by conformal symmetry

For N massless particles,  $\Delta = N$ . For Unparticle,  $\Delta$  can be <u>noninteger</u>

## Searches for Unparticles at the LHC

CMS collaboration arXiv:1408.3583, 1511.09375, 1701.02402

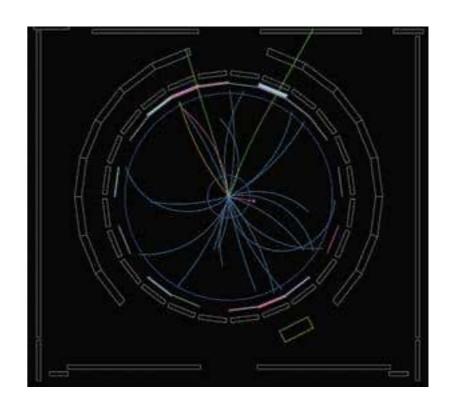
production of Unparticle in association with Z<sup>0</sup>



Unparticle invariant mass distribution

$$d\sigma/dP_U^2 \sim (P_U^2)^{\Delta-2}$$

CMS: "95% confidence limits are obtained on the effective cutoff scale as a function of the scaling dimension"



#### NonRelativistic Effective Field Theories

NREFT can have Galilean symmetry

if kinetic mass is conserved in every reaction

Galilean group includes 4 spacetime translations

3 rotations

3 Galilean boosts

1 phase transformation

11 dimensions

phase symmetry guarantees mass conservation

- Q. What is a Galilean particle?
- A. Irreducible representation of the Galilean group characterized by kinetic mass M, spin s

Unparticles can rise in nonrelativistic effective field theories

- Q. What is a nonrelativistic unparticle?
- A. Irreducible representation of nonrelativistic conformal group

unparticle is characterized by kinetic mass M, scaling dimension  $\Delta$ 

### nonrelativistic conformal (Schroedinger) group

includes 4 spacetime translations

- 3 rotations
- 3 Galilean boosts
- 1 phase transformation
- 1 scale transformation
- 1 time inversion

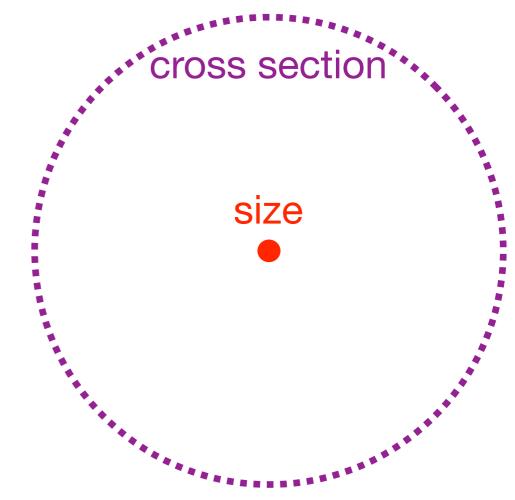
9 13 dimensions

#### Neutrons with opposite spins

have large scattering length a = -19 fm and enormous cross section at low energy (accidental fine tuning of QCD makes dineutron almost bound)

radius of neutron: 0.8 fm

radius of cross section: 20 fm



Interactions between low-energy neutrons are approximately scale invariant!

Low-energy neutrons can be described by nonrelativistic conformal field theory

#### Neutrons are Unparticles!

For *N* weakly interacting particles,  $\Delta = (3/2)N$ . For Unparticle,  $\Delta$  can be noninteger

| mass | scaling dimension |
|------|-------------------|
|      |                   |

1 neutron:  $m_n$   $\Delta_1 = 3/2$ 

2 neutrons:  $2m_n$   $\Delta_2 = 2$ 

3 neutrons:  $3m_n$   $\Delta_3 = 4.27272$ 

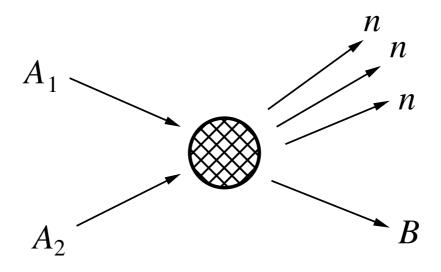
4 neutrons:  $4m_n$   $\Delta_4 \approx 5.1$ 

#### Cold Atom analog:

fermionic atoms with 2 spin states tuned to Feshbach resonance

Nuclear reaction  $A_1 A_2 \rightarrow B + (N n)$ 

creates N neutrons near their threshold with invariant mass N  $m_n$  + E and substantial recoil momentum from nucleus B

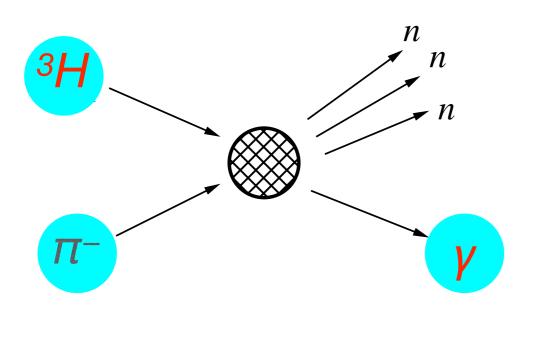


Energy distribution of neutrons can be measured using recoil momentum of nucleus *B* 

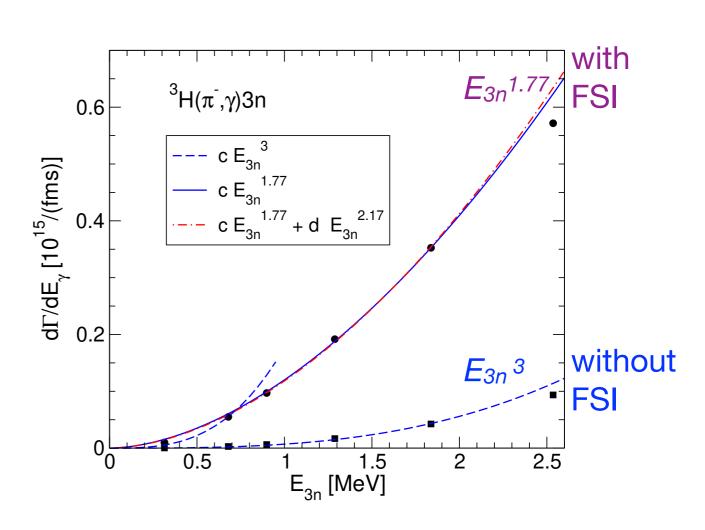
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE} \sim E^{\Delta_N - 5/2}$$

Unparticle signature: power-law behavior with exponent  $\Delta_N$  determined by conformal symmetry

Nuclear reaction  $\pi^ ^3H \rightarrow \gamma + (3 n)$ creates 3 neutrons with invariant mass 3  $m_n$  + E with  $E \ll m_{\pi^2}/2M_n$ 



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dE_{3n}} \sim (E_{3n})^{1.77272}$$

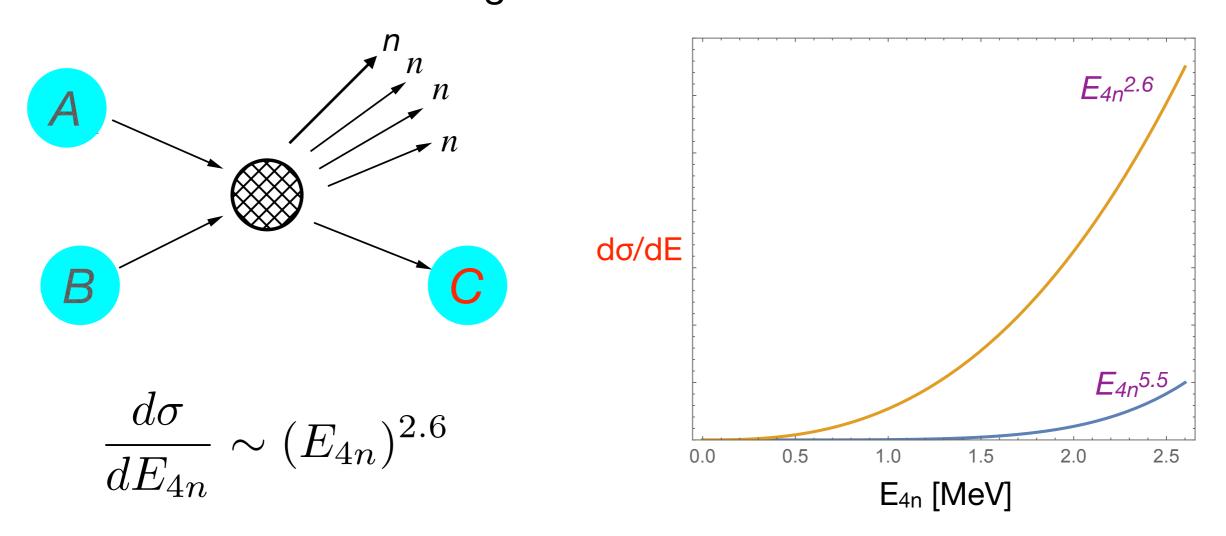


Signature for 3-neutron unparticle: power-law behavior with exponent 1.77272 (naive exponent is 3.0)

### "UnNuclear Physics"

Nuclear reaction  $AB \rightarrow C + (4n)$ 

creates 4 neutrons with small invariant mass  $4 m_n + E$  with  $E \ll m_{\pi^2}/2M_n$  and large recoil momentum



Signature for 4-neutron unparticle: power-law behavior with exponent 2.6 (naive exponent is 5.5)

# Low-energy neutral charm mesons are Unparticles! arXiv:2107.03821

with H.-W. Hammer

#### Neutral charm mesons

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spin 0: D^0 = c\overline{u}, \overline{D}^0 = \overline{c}u mass: M = 1865 MeV
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spin 1:  $D^{*0} = c\bar{u}$ ,  $\bar{D}^{*0} = \bar{c}u$  mass:  $M_* = 2007$  MeV

#### X(3872) resonance in $D^{*0}\bar{D}^{0}+D^{0}\bar{D}^{*0}$ channel

- ⇒ bosons with large positive scattering length but no Efimov effect
- → neutral charm mesons are Unparticles!

#### reaction rates with power-law behavior

- for multiple charm mesons (different scaling dimensions)
- for X(3872) + charm mesons (new reactions)

exponents determined by conformal symmetry !!

#### Cold Atom analog:

bosonic atoms with 2 spin states A, A' and Feshbach resonance in channel A'A + A'A

$$X(3872) = \chi_{c1}(3872)$$

discovered at e+e- collider Belle 2003  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow K^{\pm} X$ ,  $X \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^{+}\pi^{-}$ 

- quantum numbers  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$  LHCb 2013
- mass is extremely close to  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^0$  threshold  $E_X = M_X - (M_{D^{*0}} + M_{D^0}) = (-0.07 \pm 0.12)$  MeV LHCb 2020  $|E_X| < 0.22$  MeV at 90% CL
- width is extremely narrow  $\Gamma_X = (0.22 \pm 0.14) \text{ MeV}$  LHCb 2020
- 7 observed decay modes  $J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ ,  $J/\psi \gamma$ ,  $\psi(2S) \gamma$ ,  $\chi_{c1} \pi^0$ ,  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \gamma$ ,  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$

first of dozens of exotic heavy hadrons that have been discovered since 2003!

## What is the X(3872)?

experimental inputs:  $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$  and  $|E_X| < 0.22$  MeV

resonant S-wave interactions
with pairs of neutral charm mesons
transform X into loosely bound molecule!!

$$X(3872) = (D^{*0}\bar{D}^{0} + D^{0}\bar{D}^{*0})/\sqrt{2}$$

#### small additional components

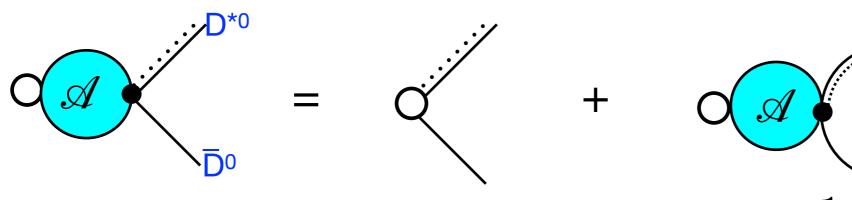
at long distances:  $D^0 \bar{D}^0 \pi^0$ 

at short distances:

charged charm mesons  $D^{*+}D^{-} + D^{+}D^{*-}$ P-wave charmonium  $\chi_{c1}(2P)$  ?? compact tetraquark  $[cq][\bar{c}\bar{q}]$  ??

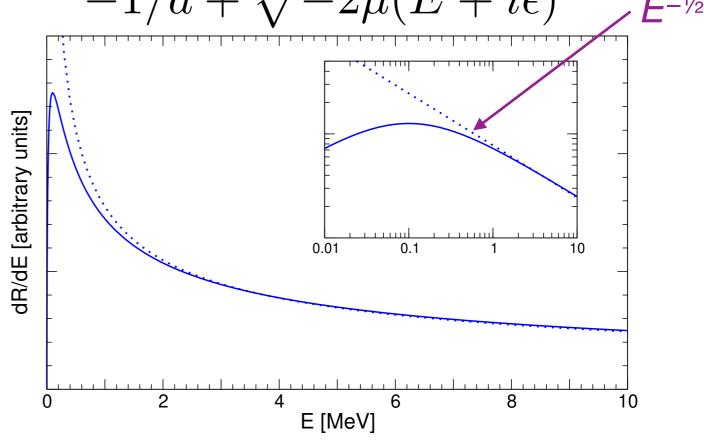
### Point Production of D\*0D0

integral equation for production amplitude for  $D^{*0}D^{0}$ from creation of charm mesons at a point



solve algebraically:

Production rate as function of the energy *E*:  $dR/dE \sim |\mathscr{A}(E)|^2 \sqrt{E}$ 

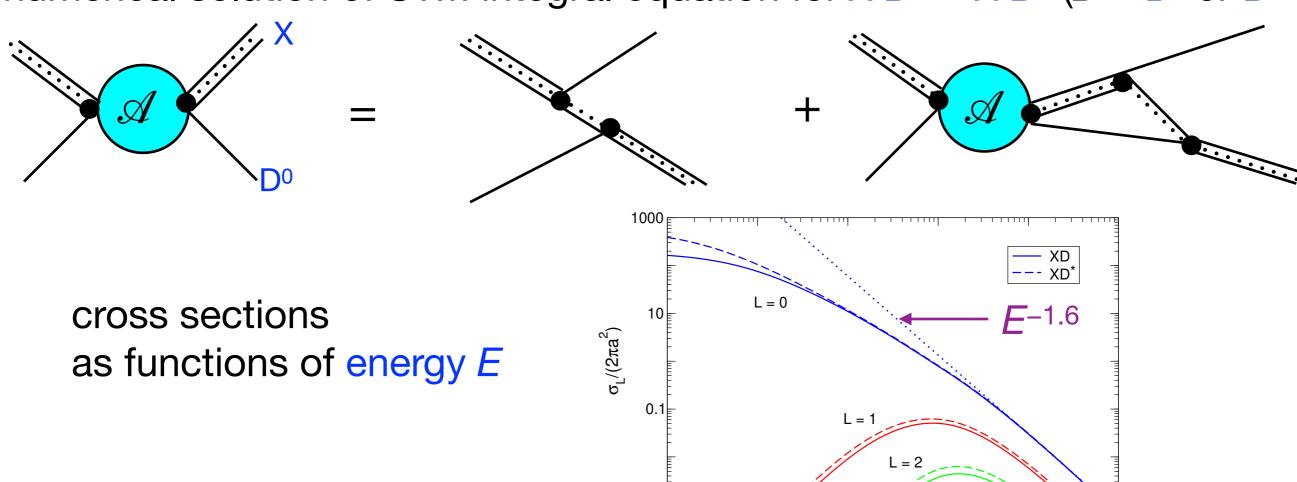


high energy scaling behavior:  $dR/dE \sim E^{-1/2}$ 

### Scattering of X(3872) and Charm Meson

Canham, Hammer & Springer arXiv:0906.1263

numerical solution of STM integral equation for  $XD \rightarrow XD$  ( $D = D^0$  or  $D^{*0}$ )



low energy:  $\sigma(E=0) = 4\pi a_{DX}^2$ 

huge scattering lengths:  $a_{D^0X}=-9.7\,a,\ a_{D^{*0}X}=-16.6\,a$ 

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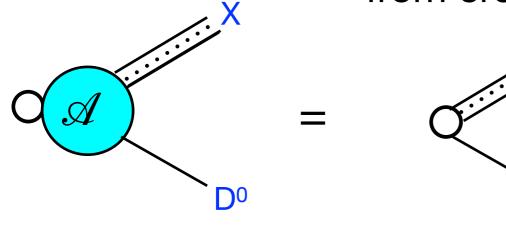
 $E/|\epsilon_x|$ 

high energy scaling behavior:  $\sigma(E) \sim E^{-1.6}$ power-law with approximately same exponent for  $X D^0$ ,  $X D^{*0}$ 

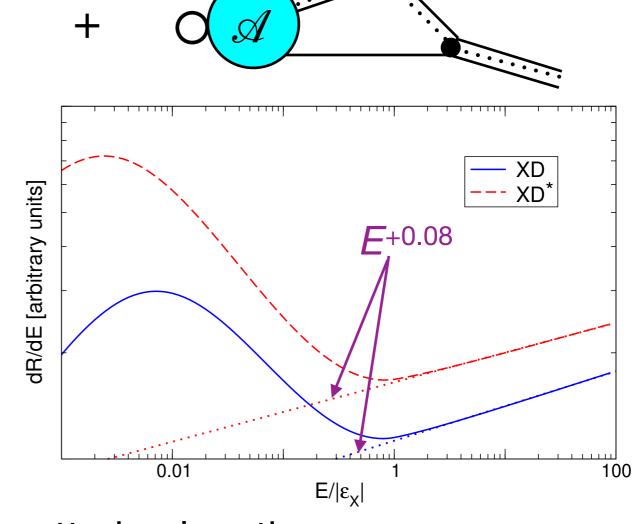
## Point Production of X(3872) + Charm Meson

STM integral equation for production of XD ( $D = D^0$  or  $D^{*0}$ )

from creation of charm mesons at a point



production rates *dR/dE* as function of energy *E* 



low energy: determined by huge scattering length aDX

high energy scaling behavior:  $dR/dE \sim E^{+0.08}$  power-law with approximately same exponent for  $XD^0$ ,  $XD^{*0}$ 

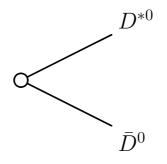
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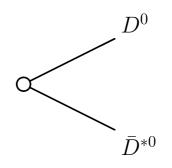
in the limit  $a \rightarrow \infty (\varepsilon_X \rightarrow 0)$ 

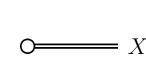
Effective Field Theory for neutral charm mesons is scale invariant ⇒ Nonrelativistic Conformal Field Theory!

#### X unparticle

operator with scaling dimension  $\Delta_2 = 2$  creates  $D^{*0} + \overline{D}^{0}$ ,  $D^{0} + \overline{D}^{*0}$ , and X(3872)

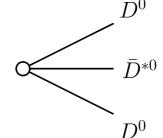


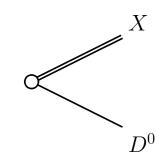




#### XD unparticle

operator with scaling dimension  $\Delta_3 = 3.1012^{D^{*0}}$  creates  $D^{*0} + \bar{D}^0 + D^0$ ,  $D^0 + \bar{D}^{*0} + D^0$ ,  $D^0 + \bar{D}^{*0} + D^0$ , and  $X(3872) + D^0$ 



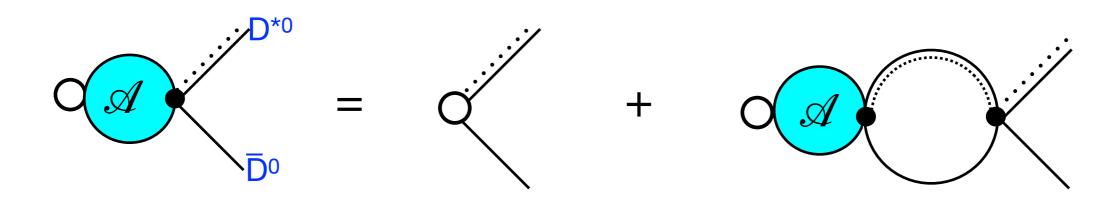


#### XD\* unparticle

operator with scaling dimension  $\Delta_{3*} = 3.0870$  creates  $D^{*0} + \bar{D}^{0} + D^{*0}$ ,  $D^{0} + \bar{D}^{*0} + D^{*0}$ , and  $X(3872) + D^{*0}$ 

## Scaling Dimension: X Unparticle

integral equation for production amplitude for  $D^{*0}\bar{D}^{0}$  from creation of charm mesons at a point



solve algebraically:

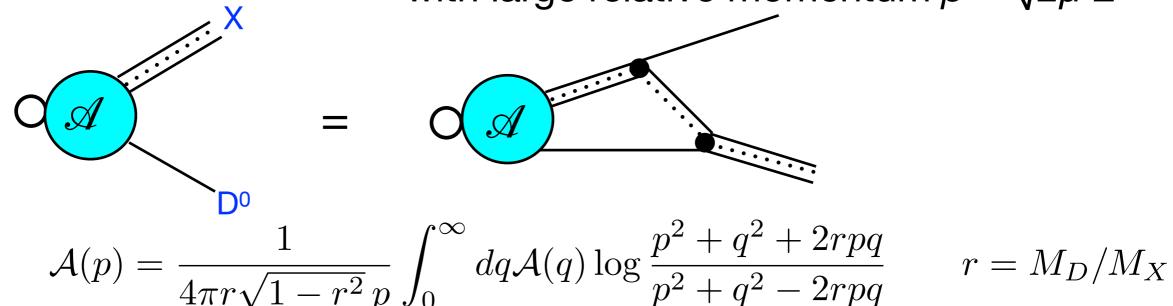
$$\mathcal{A}(E) = \frac{1}{-1/a + \sqrt{-2\mu(E + i\epsilon)}}$$

scale-invariant limit: 
$$a \to \infty \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}(E) \sim |E|^{-1/2}$$
  
  $\mathcal{A}(E) \sim |E|^{\Delta-5/2} \Rightarrow \Delta = 2$ 

X Unparticle has scaling dimension  $\Delta_2 = 2$ 

## Scaling Dimensions: XD, XD\* Unparticles

homogeneous STM integral equation for production of XD ( $D = D^0$  or  $D^{*0}$ ) with large relative momentum  $p \gg \sqrt{2\mu} E$ 



look for power-law solution:  $\mathcal{A}(p) = p^{s-1}$ 

$$1 = \frac{\sin(s\arcsin(r))}{2r\sqrt{1 - r^2}s\cos(s\pi/2)}$$

smallest positive solution: s = 0.60119 if  $D = D^0$ s = 0.51834 if  $D = D^{*0}$ 

operator dimension:  $\Delta = 5/2 + s$ 

XD Unparticle has scaling dimension  $\Delta_3 = 3.10119$  XD\* Unparticle has scaling dimension  $\Delta_{3*} = 3.08697$ 

### Propagators for Unparticles

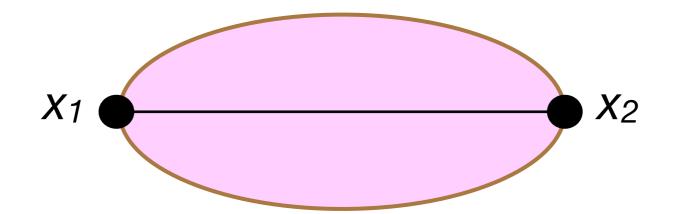
primary operator  $\phi_n(x)$ : scaling dimension  $\Delta_n$ , mass  $M_n$ 

propagator is determined by conformal symmetry

spacetime propagator:  $\langle \phi_n(x_1) \phi_n^{\dagger}(x_2) \rangle = C_n \, \theta(t_{12}) \, (t_{12})^{-\Delta_n} \, \exp(i M_n r_{12}^2 / 2t_{12})$ 

Fourier transform has branch cut:  $D_n(E,p) = C_n' \left( \frac{p^2}{2M_n} - E - i\epsilon \right)^{\Delta_n - 5/2}$ 

AdS/CFT correspondence: spacetime is boundary of anti-deSitter space



Unparticle propagator is free-field propagator in AdS space

### Correlator for Three Operators

primary operators  $\phi_1(x)$ ,  $\phi_2(x)$ ,  $\phi_3(x)$ : scaling dimensions  $\Delta_1$ ,  $\Delta_2$ ,  $\Delta_3$  masses  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$ ,  $M_3 = M_1 + M_2$ 

3-point function is determined by conformal symmetry!

Henkel and Unterberger 1993 Fuertes and Morozov 2009 Volovich and Wen 2009

$$\langle \phi_1(x_1)\phi_2(x_2)\phi_3^{\dagger}(x_3)\rangle = C_{12,3} \,\theta(t_{13}) \,(t_{13})^{-\Delta_{13,2}/2} \,\exp(iM_n r_{13}^2/2t_{13}) \\ \times \,\theta(t_{23}) \,(t_{23})^{-\Delta_{23,1}/2} \,\exp(iM_n r_{23}^2/2t_{23}) \\ \times \,(t_{12})^{-\Delta_{13,2}/2} \,\Phi(w)$$

$$\Delta_{ij,k} = \Delta_i + \Delta_j - \Delta_k$$

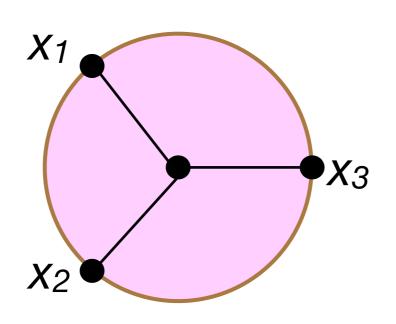
 $\Phi(\omega)$  is function of single scaling variable  $w=\frac{r_{12}^z}{2t_{12}}-\frac{r_{13}^z}{2t_{13}}+\frac{r_{23}^z}{2t_{23}}$  2-dimensional integral representation

$$\Phi(w) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} du (u + i\epsilon)^{-\Delta_{13,2}/2} e^{-iM_1 u}$$

$$\times \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dv (v + i\epsilon)^{-\Delta_{23,1}/2} e^{-iM_2 v} \left[ u - v + (1 + i\epsilon) w \right]^{-\Delta_{12,3}/2}$$
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### Correlator for Three Operators

 $\langle \phi_1(x_1)\phi_2(x_2)\phi_3^{\dagger}(x_3)\rangle$  is determined by conformal symmetry!



Henkel and Unterberger 1993 Fuertes and Morozov 2009 Volovich and Wen 2009

- Fourier transform in time
- Fourier transform in space
- isolate pole from particle propagator  $D_1(E_1,p_1) = i/(E_1 p_1^2/2M_1)$
- isolate branch cut from 2-Unparticle propagator

$$D_2(E_2, p_2) = C_2 \left(\frac{p_2^2}{2M_2} - E_2 - i\epsilon\right)^{\Delta_2 - 5/2}$$

3-point function at large momentum  $p_1 = p_2 = p$ 

$$G(E_1, E_2, p) \longrightarrow (\text{constant}) D_1(E_1, p_1) D_2(E_2, p_2) p^{\Delta_3 - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2}$$

### Point Production of Unparticle

production rate of 2-Unparticle recoiling against particle from the creation of a 3-Unparticle at a point with energy  $E_3$  in its CM frame

amputated 3-point function  $G_{amp}(E_2,p)$ 

- multiply by complex conjugate:  $|G_{amp}(E_2,p)|2$
- multiply by discontinuity in propagator of particle

$$D_1(E_1 + i\epsilon, p) - D_1(E_1 - i\epsilon, p) = 2\pi\delta(E_2 - p^2/2M_2)$$

multiply by discontinuity in propagator of 2-Unparticle

$$D_2(E_2 + i\epsilon, p) - D_2(E_2 - i\epsilon, p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{E_2 - p^2/2M_2}} \theta \left( E_2 - \frac{p^2}{2M_2} \right)$$

• integrate over phase space:  $\int dE_1 d^3p/(2\pi)^4$ 

behavior near the threshold  $E_3 > p^2/2M_{12}$ 

$$dR \longrightarrow C \left( E_3 - \frac{p^2}{2M_{12}} \right)^{\Delta_2 - 5/2} \left( \frac{p^2}{2M_{12}} \right)^{\Delta_3 - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2} \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3}$$

## Point Production of $X(3872)+D^{0}$

finite charm-meson pair scattering length

- breaks conformal symmetry
- 3-Unparticle develops bound state + particle component
- 2-Unparticle propagator is modified by bound-state energy εχ

discontinuity in 2-Unparticle propagator

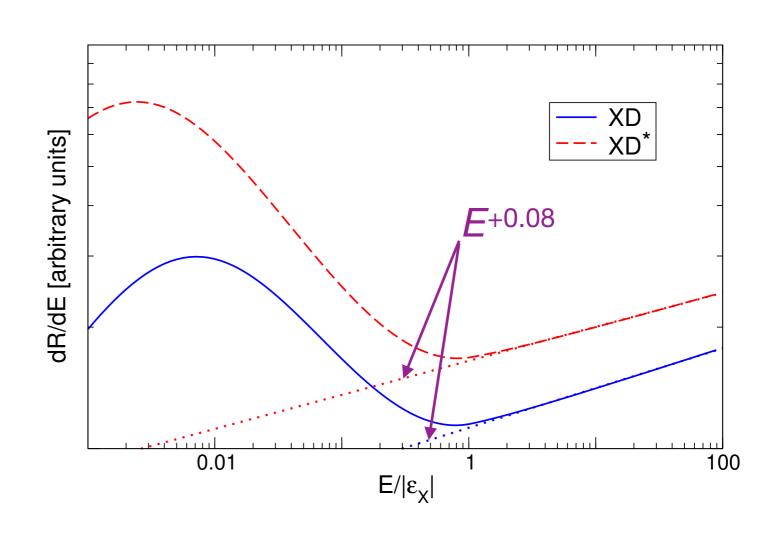
$$D_{2}(E_{2} + i\epsilon, p) - D_{2}(E_{2} - i\epsilon, p) = \frac{\sqrt{E_{2} - p^{2}/2M_{2}}}{E_{2} - p^{2}/2M_{2} + |\varepsilon_{X}|} \theta \left(E_{2} - \frac{p^{2}}{2M_{2}}\right) + 2\pi\sqrt{|\varepsilon_{X}|} \delta \left(E_{2} - \frac{p^{2}}{2M_{2}} + |\varepsilon_{X}|\right)$$

rate for producing bound state + particle: keep δ-function term

$$dR \longrightarrow (\text{constant}) \sqrt{|\varepsilon_X|} E_3^{\Delta_3 - \Delta_2 - \Delta_1 - 1/2} dE_3$$

#### Point Production of Bound State + Particle

production rate *dR/dE* as function of energy *E* 



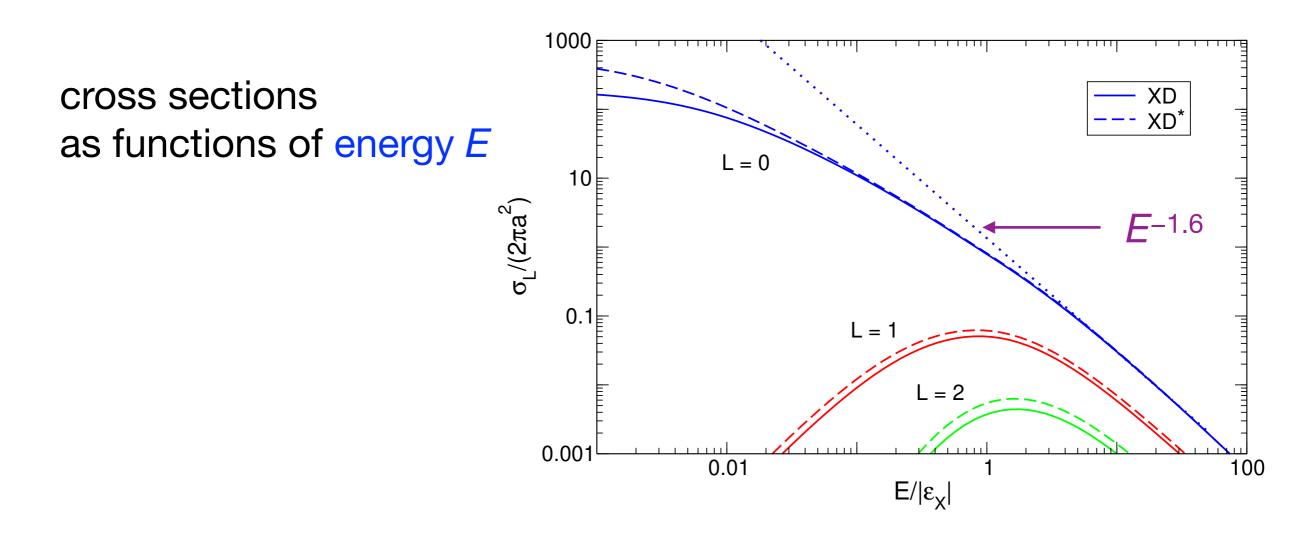
dR/dE has power-law behavior at high energy

exponent is determined by conformal symmetry!!

$$\Delta_3 - \Delta_2 - \Delta_1 + \frac{1}{2} = +0.1012$$
 for  $XD^0$ 

$$\Delta_{3*}$$
 -  $\Delta_{2}$  -  $\Delta_{1}$  +  $\frac{1}{2}$  = +0.0870 for  $XD^{*0}$ 

## Scattering of X(3872) and Charm Meson



 $\sigma(E)$  has power-law behavior at high energy

is exponent determined by conformal symmetry?

can it be derived from 4-point function  $\langle \phi_1(x_1)\phi_2(x_2)\phi_1^{\dagger}(x_3)\phi_2^{\dagger}(x_4)\rangle$  in nonrelativistic conformal field theory ?

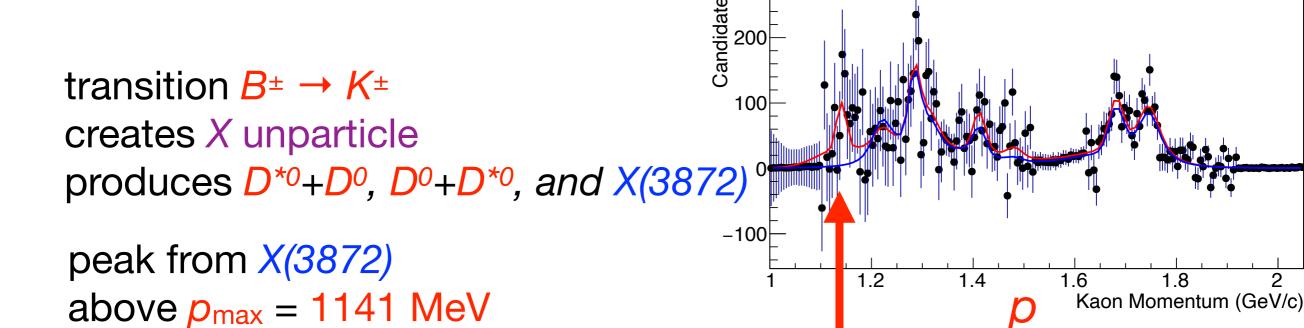
## X Unparticle

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Babar collaboration arXiv:1911.11740

inclusive decays  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow K^{\pm} + (anything)$ 

measure distribution of K recoil momentum p



peak from  $D^{*0}+D^{0}$ ,  $D^{0}+D^{*0}$  below  $p_{\rm max}=114\overline{1}$  MeV power-law behavior determined by  $\Delta_{2}=2$   $d\Gamma/dp\sim(p_{\rm max}-p)^{-1/2}$ 

can it be observed by Belle II collaboration? will collect larger data set by factor of 40

## XD and XD\* Unparticles

production of XD or XD\* unparticles
requires creation of two cc pairs
sufficient rate only for prompt production at Large Hadron Collider

no trigger for events with 3 charm mesons need  $X(3872) \rightarrow J/\psi \pi^+\pi^-$ ,  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  to provide trigger

#### XD unparticle

observe through  $X(3872)+D^0$  component with decay  $D^0 \rightarrow K^-\pi^+$  production rate with energy dependence  $E^{+0.1012}$ 

can it be observed by LHCb collaboration?

## Summary

#### Nonrelativistic Unparticle

excitation created by an operator with definite scaling dimension in a Nonrelativistic Conformal Field Theory

#### Low-energy neutrons are Unparticles!

because dineutron is almost bound Hammer & Son arXiv:2103.06290

#### Low-energy neutral charm mesons are Unparticles!

because of X(3872) resonance Braaten & Hammer arXiv:2107.03821

X unparticle: can be observed through K recoil momentum distribution

in inclusive decays  $B^{\pm} \rightarrow K^{\pm} + (anything)$ 

XD unparticle: may be observable

in prompt production of X(3872) Do at LHC

Can Unparticle behavior be observed in ultracold atoms ??