

Studying scalar mesons with SU(3) flavor symmetry in J/psi decays

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The scalar mesons are established for a long time, but their nature is still an open question. In this slide, we investigate the potential of categorizing their SU(3)_f representations via $J/\psi \rightarrow SV$ and γS , offering a criterion that may illuminate this issue. Here, S (V) denotes scalar (vector) mesons. Using the SU(3)_f symmetry with the current data, we find that $f_0(500)$ and $f_0(980)$ are mostly made of singlet and octet SU(3)_f representations, respectively, with the singlet-octet mixing angle of $\theta = (82.9 \pm 4.4)^\circ$. This conclusion is consistent with the calculations of the quarkantiquark (qq) hypothesis. For the scalar mesons in the range of 1-2 GeV, we discuss the mixings between qq and glueballs. Our numerical results suggest that $f_0(1710)$ is likely composed of the scalar glueball. We urge our experimental colleagues to measure $J/\psi \rightarrow \rho a_0(980, 1450, 1710)$, $K^*(892)^\pm K^*(700, 1430, 1950)^\mp$ and $\omega f_0(500)$, which provide useful information in the SU(3)_f analysis.

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