

# Chiral extrapolation of $\pi\pi$ scattering amplitudes and hadronic vacuum polarization

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- important progress in understanding the QCD spectrum from first principles in lattice QCD
- computations at physical  $M_\pi$  available [Alexandrou et al. (2024), Boyle et al. (2023, 2024), Fischer et al. (2021), . . . ]
- but most calculations still at unphysically large pion masses
  - ↪ extrapolation to the physical point required
- controlled using effective field theories: Chiral Perturbation Theory (ChPT)
  - ↪ limited to low-energies for perturbative observables

$$t(s)|_{\text{ChPT}} = t_2(s) + t_4(s) + t_6(s) + \dots$$

- ChPT satisfies unitarity only perturbative
  - ↪ resonance description requires unitarization
- Inverse amplitude method

$$t_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{IAM}}(s) = \frac{t_2(s)^2}{t_2(s) - t_4(s)}, \quad t_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{IAM}}(s) = \frac{t_2(s)^2}{t_2(s) - t_4(s) - t_6(s) + t_4(s)^2/t_2(s)}$$

# Two-loop IAM analysis

- IAM relies on the **chiral** perturbative **expansion** in  $M_\pi$ 
  - ↪ applied to study **lattice data** and **resonance properties** for unphysical pion masses  
[Pelaez, Hanhart, Rios (2008), Pelaez, Nebreda (2010), Bolton, Briceño, Wilson (2016), Hu, Guo, Molina, Döring, Alexandru, Mai (2016, 2017, 2018)]
- but so far mostly applied at one-loop order
  - ↪ study the **convergence** of the **IAM** in  $M_\pi$  requires **two-loop** order
- two-loop analysis missing because
  - ▷ **no analytic** two-loop expressions
  - ▷ large number of  $N^2$ LO LECs leads to **unstable fits**
- in this talk for  $\pi\pi$  scattering
  - ↪ **analytic** and **compact** expressions for **two-loop** amplitudes
  - ↪ **strategy** for a **stable fit**
  - ↪ application to the **hadronic vacuum polarization**

# Analytic $\pi\pi$ partial waves for $J = 0, 1, 2$

- **LO**: current algebra results

$$t_0^0(s)|_2 = \frac{2s - M_\pi^2}{32\pi F^2}, \quad t_0^2(s)|_2 = -\frac{s - 2M_\pi^2}{32\pi F^2}, \quad t_1^1(s)|_2 = \frac{s - 4M_\pi^2}{96\pi F^2}, \quad t_2^J(s)|_2 = 0.$$

[Weinberg (1966)]

- **NLO**: the partial-wave amplitudes can be written in the form

$$\text{Re } t_J^J(s)|_4 = \sum_{i=0}^2 b_i^{JJ}(s) [L(s)]^i + \sum_{i=1}^3 b_{iJ}^{JJ}(s) l_i^J, \quad L(s) = \log \frac{1 + \sigma(s)}{1 - \sigma(s)}, \quad \sigma(s) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M_\pi^2}{s}}$$

[Niehus, Hoferichter, Kubis, JRE (2021)]

▷ with  $b_i^{JJ}(s)$  and  $b_{iJ}^{JJ}(s)$  polynomials

- **NNLO**: expressions can be brought into similar form

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re } t_J^J(s)|_6 = & \sum_{i=0}^4 c_i^{JJ}(s) [L(s)]^i + \sum_{i=1}^3 c_{iJ}^{JJ}(s) l_i^J + d^{JJ}(s) \left[ \sum_{n=\pm} \text{Li}_3(\sigma_n(s)) - L(s) \text{Li}_2(\sigma_-(s)) \right] \\ & + c_{J2}^{JJ}(s) (l_3^J)^2 + P^{JJ}(s), \quad \sigma_\pm(s) = 2\sigma(s)/(\sigma(s) \pm 1) \quad \text{Li}_i \equiv \text{polylogs}. \end{aligned}$$

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▷ with  $c_i^{JJ}(s)$ ,  $c_{iJ}^{JJ}(s)$ ,  $c_{J2}^{JJ}(s)$  and  $d^{JJ}(s)$  polynomials

▷  $P(s)$  polynomial containing N<sup>2</sup>LO LECs  $r_i$

- work with pion decay constant in the chiral limit  $F$ 
  - ▷ at LO: only  $F$  and  $M_\pi$
  - ▷ at NLO: one LEC combination  $l_2^r - l_1^r$
  - ▷ at N<sup>2</sup>LO: three NLO LECs,  $l_1^r$ ,  $l_2^r$ ,  $l_3^r$  and three NNLO,  $r_a$ ,  $r_b$ ,  $r_c$
- compute the **IAM energy levels** via **Lüscher's quantization condition**

$$\delta(E_{\pi\pi}^*) = \mathcal{Z}(E_{\pi\pi}^*)$$

working in lattice units wherever possible

- for each lattice ensemble minimize

$$E_i^{\text{lat}} - E_i^{\text{IAM}}, \quad F_\pi^{\text{lat}} - F_\pi^{\text{ChPT}}$$

keeping lattice correlations

- benchmark check: fit to 5 CLS ensembles

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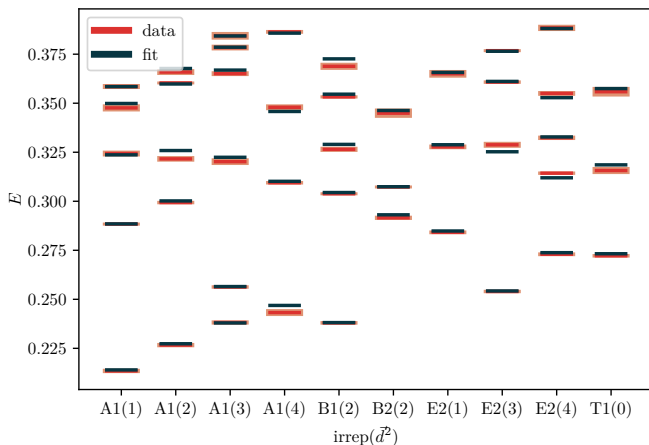
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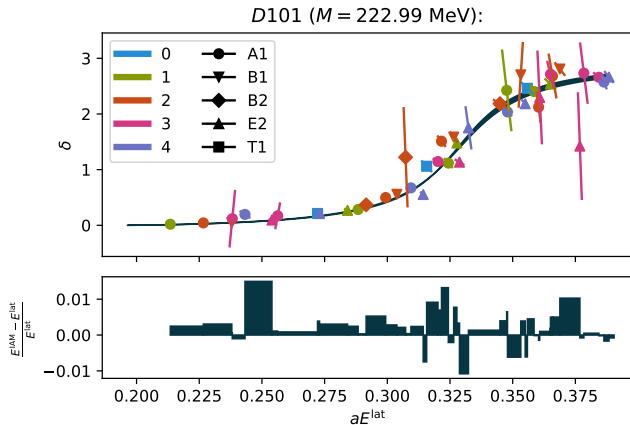
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- uncertainties:

▷ statistical errors: jackknife resampling

▷ lattice spacing: only enters in the renormalization scale  $\mu$

▷ truncation of the chiral expansion

chiral expansion in  $\alpha = M_\pi^2/M_\rho^2$

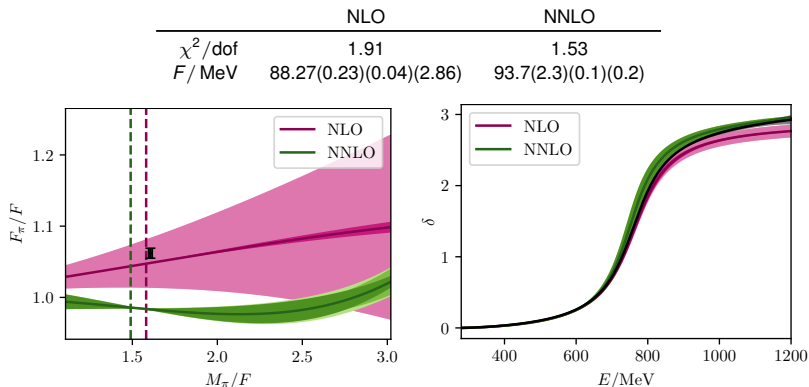
for a given chiral observable X, define the truncation error

$$\Delta X_{\text{NLO}} = \alpha X_{\text{NLO}}, \quad \Delta X_{\text{NNLO}} = \max \left\{ \alpha^2 X_{\text{NLO}}, \alpha |X_{\text{NLO}} - X_{\text{NNLO}}| \right\}$$

[Epelbaum, Krebs, Meißner (2015)]



- fit results:



- NNLO improvement but fit quality still not acceptable

↪ truncation error dominates at NLO

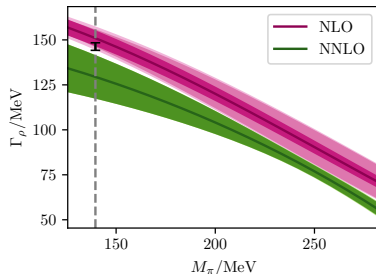
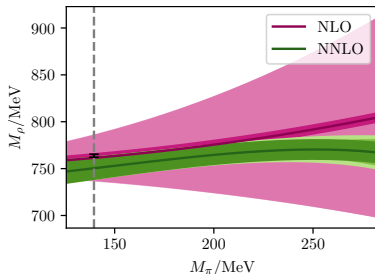
- tension between  $F$  and  $\rho$  parameters at NNLO

↪ more detailed understanding of lattice artifacts required

[Niehus, Hoferichter, Kubis, JRE (2021)]

# $\pi\pi$ P-wave fit to CLS data: $\rho(770)$ results

|                          | NLO                   | NNLO           |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| $M_\rho/\text{MeV}$      | 761.4(5.1)(0.3)(24.7) | 750(12)(1)(1)  |
| $\Gamma_\rho/\text{MeV}$ | 150.9(4.4)(0.1)(4.9)  | 129(12)(1)(1)  |
| $\text{Re } g$           | 5.994(54)(0)(194)     | 5.71(23)(2)(1) |
| $-\text{Im } g$          | 0.731(21)(0)(24)      | 0.46(14)(2)(1) |



- compatible with phenomenological results

[Niehus, Hoferichter, Kubis, JRE (2021)]

small tension for the NNLO width

- RBC/UKQCD result:  $M_\rho = 796(5)(50)$ ,  $\Gamma_\rho = 192(10)(30)$

[Boyle et al. (2024)]

↪ look at NNLO chiral extrapolation

- **chiral extrapolation** part of systematic error budget

↪ extrapolation to (or interpolation around) physical quark masses

- biggest contribution from  $I = 1$  ud **isospin-symmetric correlator**

↪ phenomenologically dominated by  $2\pi$  channel, first correction from  $4\pi$

- ChPT not enough

Golterman, Maltman, Peris (2017)

$$a_{\mu}^{I=1} = \frac{\alpha}{24\pi^2} \left( -\log \frac{M_{\pi}^2}{m_{\mu}^2} - \frac{31}{6} + 3\pi^2 \sqrt{\frac{M_{\pi}^2}{m_{\mu}^2}} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{M_{\pi}^2}{m_{\mu}^2} \log^2 \frac{M_{\pi}^2}{m_{\mu}^2} \right) \right)$$

↪ “convergence” in  $M_{\pi}/m_{\mu}$

- need to provide information on the  $\rho(770)$  resonance

↪ **inverse amplitude method at two-loop order**

- data-driven approach the HVP

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}} = \left( \frac{\alpha m_{\mu}}{3\pi} \right)^2 \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds \frac{\hat{K}(s)}{s^2} R_{\text{had}}(s)$$

→ expressed in terms of the R-ratio

$$R_{\text{had}}(s) = \frac{3s}{4\pi\alpha^2} \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$$

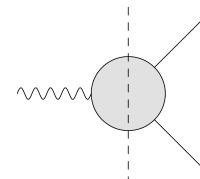
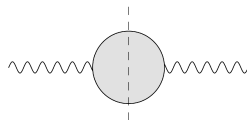
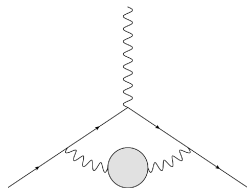
[talk by Frederic Stieler]

- two-pion contribution to  $R_{\text{had}}(s)$

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3s} \sigma_{\pi}^3(s) |F_{\pi}^V(s)|^2$$

→ pion vector form factor

$$\langle \pi^{\pm}(p') | j_{\text{em}}^{\mu}(0) | \pi^{\pm}(p) \rangle = \pm(p' + p)^{\mu} F_{\pi}^V((p' - p)^2)$$



# Dispersive representation of $2\pi$ contribution

- Decomposition of pion form factor

$$F_{\pi}^V(s) = \underbrace{\Omega_1^1(s)}_{\text{elastic } \pi\pi \text{ scattering}} \times \underbrace{G_{\omega}(s)}_{\text{isospin-breaking } 3\pi \text{ cut}} \times \underbrace{G_{\text{in}}(s)}_{\text{inelastic effects: } 4\pi, \dots}$$

[talk by G. Colangelo]

- elastic  $\pi\pi$  contribution via **Omnès factor**

$$\Omega_1^1(s) = \exp \left\{ \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4M_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\delta_1^1(s')}{s'(s' - s)} \right\}$$

- $G_{\omega}(s)$  does not contribute to  $I = 1$  correlator
- parameterized as normal or conformal polynomial

$\hookrightarrow$  free parameters can be matched to  $\langle r_{\pi}^2 \rangle$

$$F_{\pi}^V(s)|_{I=1} = \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\langle r_{\pi}^2 \rangle}{6} - \dot{\Omega}_1^1(0) \right) s \right] \Omega_1^1(s)$$

# Pion-mass dependence of $2\pi$ contribution

- Pion-mass dependence of  $\langle r_{\pi}^2 \rangle$  at two loops known

[Bijnens, Colangelo, Talavera (1998)]

↪ at NNLO new LEC  $r_{v1}^r$

- from resonance saturation  $r_{v1}^r = 2.0 \times 10^{-5}$

↪ in concord with lattice

[Feng, Fu, Jin (2020)]

- LECs in  $\delta_1^1(s)$ : combined fit to

▷ CLS lattice data

[C. Andersen, J. Bulava, B. Hörz, and C. Morningstar (2019)]

▷ dispersive  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  data analysis

[Colangelo, Hoferichter, Stoffer (2019)]

↪ describes the physical point within uncertainties

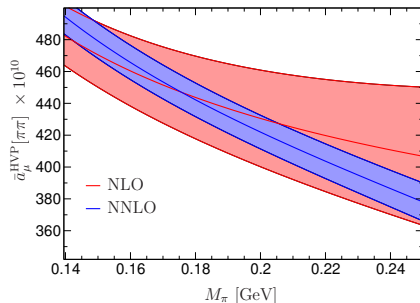
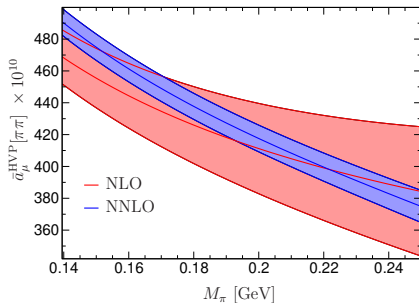
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}}[\pi\pi, \leq 1 \text{ GeV}]|_{l=1} = 486.3(1.4)(2.1) \times 10^{-10}$$

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- pion mass dependence of  $a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}[\pi\pi, \leq 1 \text{ GeV}]$



[Colangelo, Hoferichter, Kubis, Niehus, JRE (2021)]

↪ stable results, pion-mass dependence of  $2\pi$  under control

[Golterman, Maltman, Peris (2017)]

- chiral LECs as fit parameters:

- ▷ describes  $\pi\pi$  physics

- ▷ need to add  $a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}[ud, I = 1, \text{non} - \pi\pi] = \xi + M_\pi \psi$

- ▷ can provide independent constraints from other lattice calculations:  $\delta_1^1(s)$ ,  $F_\pi^V$ ,  $r_{V1}^r$

- simple parameterizations:

- ▷ possible for space-like integrand

$$\frac{\bar{\Pi}(-Q^2)}{Q^2} = \frac{a + bQ^2}{1 + cQ^2 + dQ^4},$$

↪ test infrared singularities

- ▷ fits to {a, b, c, d} indicate singularity as strong as  $M_\pi^{-2}$  in [0.14, 0.25] GeV

$$f_1(M_\pi^2) = \frac{x}{M_\pi^2} + y + zM_\pi^2, \quad f_2(M_\pi^2) = \frac{x}{M_\pi^2} + y \log M_\pi^2 + z$$

↪ could help inform lattice fits



- **analytic** and compact results for  $\pi\pi$  partial waves at **two-loop order**
  - ▷ available as Mathematica notebook in arXiv submission [2009.04479](#)
    - ↪ no need to stay at one-loop order anymore!
- new strategy for a **stable NNLO IAM fit** to lattice data
  - ↪ study of IAM **convergence** in  $M_\pi$
- good fit quality requires good **understanding of lattice artifacts**
- application to the  **$2\pi$  contribution to the HVP**
  - ↪ stable results
  - ↪ strategy to **control chiral extrapolation of HVP**

# Spare slides

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[Truong, Herrero, Dobado (1990)]

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- subtraction constants: can be evaluated in ChPT

$$G(0) = t_2(0)/t(0) \simeq t_2(0) - t_4(0), \quad G'(0) \simeq t_2(0)' - t_4(0)', \quad G''(0) \simeq -t_4(0)''$$

- LHC contribution: approximated in ChPT  $\Rightarrow \text{Im } G(s) \sim \text{Im } t_2(s)^2/t(s) \Big|_{\text{ChPT}} = -\text{Im } t_4(s)$

- altogether:

$$t_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{IAM}}(s) = \frac{t_2(s)^2}{t_2(s) - t_4(s)}, \quad t_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{IAM}}(s) = \frac{t_2(s)^2}{t_2(s) - t_4(s) - t_6(s) + t_4(s)^2/t_2(s)}$$

[Truong, Herrero, Dobado (1990)]

# The Inverse Amplitude Method

- dispersion relation for  $G(s) = t_2(s)^2/t(s)$

$$G(s) = t_2(s) - t_4(s)$$

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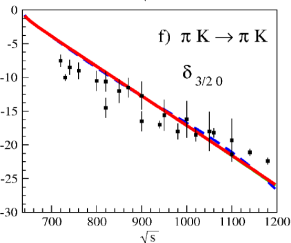
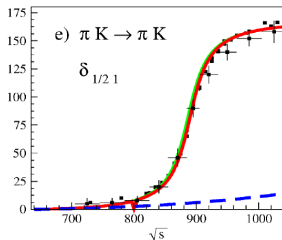
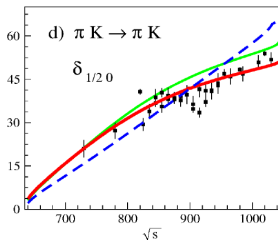
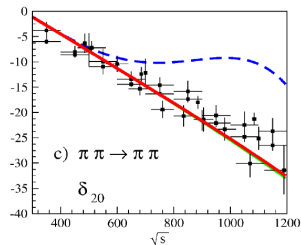
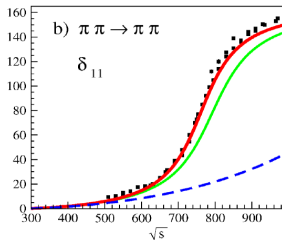
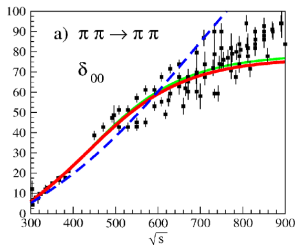
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[Truong, Herrero, Dobado (1990)]

- ▷ satisfies exact unitarity + chiral low-energy expansion
- ▷ derived from a dispersion relation

# The IAM and scattering data



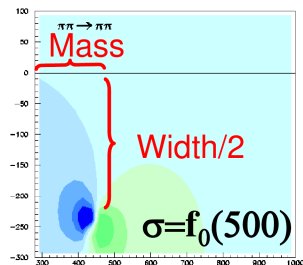
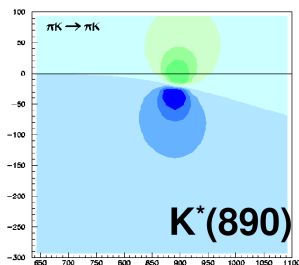
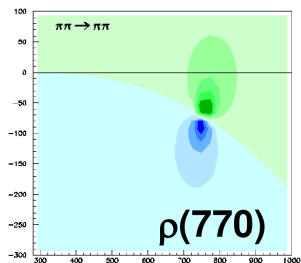
[Gómez-Nicola, Peláez (2002)]

- perturbative ChPT, IAM fit 1, IAM fit 2

# The IAM and resonance poles

- **derived** from a **dispersion relation**

↪ **analytic continuation** to the complex plane



- similar for the  $f_0(980)$ ,  $\kappa(700)$ ,  $a_0(980)$



# Possible application to lattice QCD

