

# The $D_s^+$ decay into $\pi^+ K_S^0 K_S^0$ reaction and the $I=1$ partner of the $f_0(1710)$ state

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# Outline

## 1. Motivation

BESIII experiments

$\implies$  surprising large ratio of  $R_1 \implies$  why  $\implies$  prediction of  $R_2$

## 2. Formalism

chiral unitary approach

{	External emission	$f_0(1710) (I = 0)$	$\mathbf{a}_0(1710) (I = 1)$
	Internal emission	$\implies$	obtaining amplitudes for different mechanisms
	Hadronization		interference (constructive or destructive)

## 3. Results

## 4. Summary

# 1. Motivation

- An isospin  $I = 0$ ,  $f_0(1710)$  resonance has, however, been known for quite some time [Particle Data Group, Prog Theor Exp Phys 2022]

- **Recent BESIII experiments**

It was found the branching fraction [PRD104 (2021) 012016]

$$\text{Br}[D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ "f_0(1710)"; "f_0(1710)" \rightarrow K^+ K^-] = (1.0 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}$$

and in another work it was found that [PRD105 (2022) L051103]

$$\text{Br}[D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ "f_0(1710)"; "f_0(1710)" \rightarrow K_S^0 K_S^0] = (3.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}$$

where " $f_0(1710)$ " was supposed to be the  $f_0(1710)$  resonance. Thus one finds

$$R_1 = \frac{\Gamma(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ "f_0(1710)" \rightarrow \pi^+ K^0 \bar{K}^0)}{\Gamma(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ "f_0(1710)" \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^-)} = 6.20 \pm 0.67$$

- **If " $f_0(1710)$ " was the  $f_0(1710)$  resonance this latter ratio should be 1  $\implies$  hidden below, or around the  $f_0(1710)$ , there should be an  $I = 1$  resonance responsible for this surprising large ratio**

- **A mixture of the two resonances and their interference** would be responsible for a different  $K^+K^-$  or  $K^0\bar{K}^0$  production?

$$|K\bar{K}, I = 0\rangle = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(K^0\bar{K}^0 + K^+K^-)$$

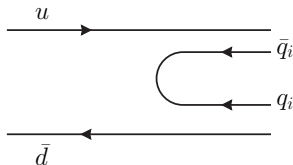
$$|K\bar{K}, I = 1, I_3 = 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(K^0\bar{K}^0 - K^+K^-)$$

- **let us recall to the  $a_0(980)$  case**

standard  $q\bar{q}$  quark model  $a_0^+(980) \implies$  would be  $u\bar{d}$

it decays to  $K\bar{K} \implies$  might be surprising with no strange quarks

The answer to this lies in the **hadronization** of the  $u\bar{d}$  which gets attached to a  $\bar{q}q$  state with the **quantum numbers of the vacuum** via



$$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \sum_i u \bar{q}_i q_i \bar{d} = u(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d + \bar{s}s)\bar{d}$$

$$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \sum_i P_{1i} P_{i2} = (P^2)_{12} \text{ and finally}$$

**Hadronization of a  $u\bar{d}$  component**

$$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\eta\pi^+ + K^+\bar{K}^0$$

**into two mesons**

**chiral unitary approach  $\implies a_0(980)$  generated as the interaction of the coupled channels  $\pi\eta$  and  $K\bar{K}$  [Oller,Oset,NPA620(1997)438]**

# The extension of these ideas to the interaction of vector mesons

in the work of [Geng, Oset, Vector meson-vector meson interaction in a hidden gauge unitary approach, PRD79 (2009) 074009, using as a source of interaction of the vector mesons the local hidden gauge approach [Bando, Kugo, Yamawaki, Phys Rept 164 (1988) 217]

⇒ **Interestingly, two resonances were found in the region of energies discussed**

Couplings of  $f_0(1710)$  and  $a_0(1710)$  to  $VV$  channels, in units of MeV

	$K^* \bar{K}^*$	$\rho\rho$	$\omega\omega$	$\omega\phi$	$\phi\phi$
$f_0(1710)$	(7124, $i96$ )	(-1030, $i1086$ )	(-1763, $i108$ )	(3010, $-i210$ )	(-2493, $-i204$ )
	$K^* \bar{K}^*$	$\rho\rho$	$\rho\omega$	$\rho\phi$	
$a_0(1710)$	(7525, $-i1529$ )	0	(-4042, $i1391$ )	(4998, $-i1872$ )	

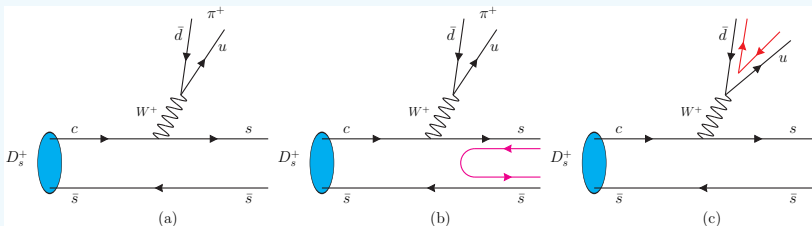
there was no experimental information at the time of its prediction makes the two resonances qualify roughly as  $K^* \bar{K}^*$  molecules in analogy to the  $K \bar{K}$  approximate nature of the  $a_0(980)$  [Oller, Oset, NPA620(1997)438]

Similar conclusions have been reached more recently in [Du, Gülmez, Guo, Meißner, Wang. Interactions between vector mesons and dynamically generated resonances. Eur Phys J C 78 (2018) 988]

The smaller binding of the  $a_0$  comes as a natural consequence of a weaker potential in  $I = 1$  than in  $I = 0$

# 2. Formalism

## External emission with $\pi^+$ production and hadronization



(a) Cabibbo-favored decay mode of  $D_s^+$  at the quark level  $\implies H_1$

(b) Hadronization of the  $s\bar{s}$  component  $\implies H_2$

(c) Hadronization of the  $u\bar{d}$  component  $\implies H_3$

- three mesons in the final state  $\implies$  must hadronize a pair of quarks  $\implies$  introducing an extra  $\bar{q}q$  with the vacuum quantum numbers ( $\bar{q}q = \bar{u}u + \bar{d}d + \bar{s}s$ )

- the hadronization  $\implies$  must produce a pair of vector mesons  $\implies$  produce the  $f_0(1710)$  and  $a_0(1710)$  resonances

Thus, hadronizing  $s\bar{s} \rightarrow \sum_i s \bar{q}_i q_i \bar{s} = V_{3i} V_{i3} = (V^2)_{33}$

where  $V$  is the  $q_i \bar{q}_j$  matrix (vector meson)

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} & \rho^+ & K^{*+} \\ \rho^- & -\frac{\rho^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} & K^{*0} \\ K^{*-} & \bar{K}^{*0} & \phi \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow$  the hadronic state

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 &= (V^2)_{33} \pi^+ \\ &= (K^{*-} K^{*+} + \bar{K}^{*0} K^{*0} + \phi\phi) \pi^+ \end{aligned}$$

Another possibility  $\Rightarrow$  hadronize the  $u\bar{d}$  component with  $VP$  or  $PV$  pseudoscalar  $\Rightarrow$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{3}} & \pi^+ & K^+ \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{3}} & K^0 \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\frac{\eta}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$u\bar{d} \rightarrow \sum_i u \bar{q}_i q_i \bar{d}$   
 $\rightarrow$  obtaining  $(VP)_{12}$  and  $(PV)_{12}$

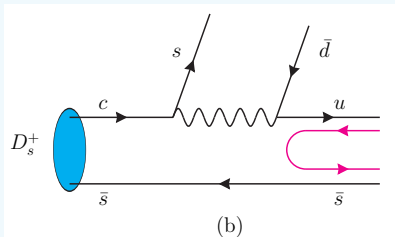
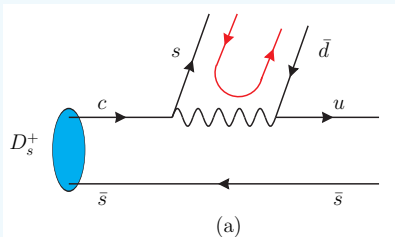
**We aim at getting  $\pi^+ f_0(1710)$  and  $\pi^+ a_0(1710)$  which have  $G$ -parity negative and positive respectively**

$$H_2 = \phi[(VP)_{12} + (PV)_{12}]$$

$$H_3 = \phi[(VP)_{12} - (PV)_{12}]$$

[Dai, Oset & Geng, EPJC82 (2022) 225]

# Internal emission and hadronization



(a) hadronization of the  $s\bar{d}$  pair (b) hadronization of the  $u\bar{s}$  pair

- We must hadronize with  $VP$  and  $PV$  combinations  
 $(VP)_{32}$ ,  $(PV)_{32}$ ,  $(VP)_{13}$ ,  $(PV)_{13}$
- form the **good G-parity** combinations

$$H_4 = K^{*+}(VP)_{32} + \bar{K}^{*0}(PV)_{13} \quad \text{negative}$$

$$H_5 = K^{*+}(VP)_{32} - \bar{K}^{*0}(PV)_{13} \quad \text{positive}$$

- The different mechanisms have different weights

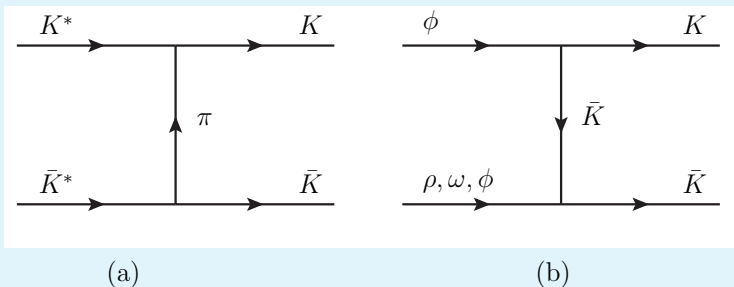
$$H_1 : A \quad H_2 : A\alpha \quad H_3 : A\beta \quad H_4 : A\gamma \quad H_5 : A\delta .$$



# Transitions

hadronic states  $H_i$  do not have  $K\bar{K}$  in the final state  $\implies$  must produce the  $f_0(1710)$  and  $a_0(1710)$   $\implies$  then let them decay into  $K\bar{K}$ .

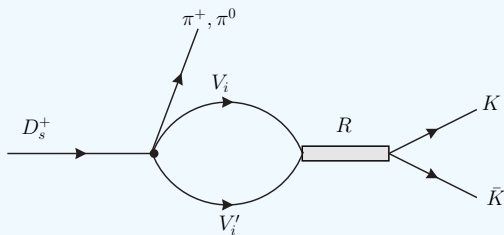
**interference of amplitudes  $\implies$  look explicitly**



(a)  $K^*\bar{K}^* \rightarrow K\bar{K}$  transitions driven by  $\pi$  exchange;

(b)  $\phi(\rho, \omega, \phi) \rightarrow K\bar{K}$  transitions driven by  $K$  exchange

# Mechanisms for $D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^- (K^0 \bar{K}^0)$ and $D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 K^+ \bar{K}^0$



The mechanism for  $f_0(1710)$  and  $a_0(1710)$  production and  $K\bar{K}$  final state

- $H_1$  :  $\pi^+ f_0(1710)$  with  $\pi^+ K^* \bar{K}^*$  and  $\pi^+ \phi \phi$  terms.
- $H_2$  :  $\pi^+ f_0(1710)$  with  $\omega \phi \pi^+$  term.
- $H_3$  :  $\pi^+ a_0(1710)$  ( $I_3 = 0$ ) with  $\pi^+ \rho^0 \phi$  term;  
 $\pi^+ a_0(1710)$  ( $I_3 = 1$ ) with  $\pi^0 \rho^+ \phi$  term.
- $H_4$  :  $\pi^+ f_0(1710)$  with  $\pi^+ K^* \bar{K}^*$  term.
- $H_5$  :  $\pi^+ a_0(1710)$  ( $I_3 = 0$ ) with  $\pi^+ K^* \bar{K}^*$  term;  
 $\pi^+ a_0(1710)$  ( $I_3 = 1$ ) with  $\pi^0 K^* \bar{K}^*$  term.

- write  $\tilde{t}_{f_0}$  and  $\tilde{t}_{a_0}$  [ $\tilde{t}_{a_0}(I_3 = 0)$ ,  $\tilde{t}_{a_0}(I_3 = 1)$  are the same]
- due to  $G_{\omega\phi}$  and  $G_{\rho\phi}$  loop functions are remarkably similar to  $G_{K^*\bar{K}^*}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{t}_{f_0} &= A\{-\sqrt{2} G_{K^*\bar{K}^*}(M_{\text{inv}}) g_{f_0,K^*\bar{K}^*} + G_{\phi\phi}(M_{\text{inv}})\sqrt{2} g_{f_0,\phi\phi} \\
&\quad - \sqrt{2} \left( \gamma - \alpha \frac{g_{f_0,\omega\phi}}{g_{f_0,K^*\bar{K}^*}} \right) G_{K^*\bar{K}^*}(M_{\text{inv}}) g_{f_0,K^*\bar{K}^*} \} \\
&= A\{-\sqrt{2} G_{K^*\bar{K}^*}(M_{\text{inv}}) g_{f_0,K^*\bar{K}^*} + G_{\phi\phi}(M_{\text{inv}})\sqrt{2} g_{f_0,\phi\phi} \\
&\quad - \sqrt{2} \gamma' G_{K^*\bar{K}^*}(M_{\text{inv}}) g_{f_0,K^*\bar{K}^*} \} \\
\tilde{t}_{a_0} &= -A\sqrt{2} G_{K^*\bar{K}^*}(M_{\text{inv}}) g_{a_0,K^*\bar{K}^*} \left( \delta - \beta \frac{g_{f_0,\rho\phi}}{g_{a_0,K^*\bar{K}^*}} \right) \\
&= -A\sqrt{2} \delta' G_{K^*\bar{K}^*}(M_{\text{inv}}) g_{a_0,K^*\bar{K}^*}
\end{aligned}$$

thus we have only two effective parameters

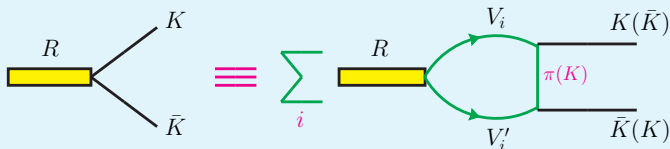
$$\gamma' = \gamma - \alpha \frac{g_{f_0,\omega\phi}}{g_{f_0,K^*\bar{K}^*}}, \quad \delta' = \delta - \beta \frac{g_{f_0,\rho\phi}}{g_{a_0,K^*\bar{K}^*}}$$

# Amplitude for $R \rightarrow K\bar{K}$

Next we need to see how the resonances  $f_0$ ,  $a_0$  decay into  $K\bar{K}$  [the dynamics employed in Geng, Oset, PRD79, 074009 (2009) applied to the transitions]

We need the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{VPP} = -ig \langle [P, \partial_\mu P] V^\mu \rangle$$



Following [Oller, Meissner, PLB500(2001) 263] we can proceed factorizing the  $VV' \rightarrow K\bar{K}$  transition on shell and the  $\pi$  or  $K$  propagators are

$$D_\pi = \frac{1}{-M_{K^*}^2 + m_K^2 - m_\pi^2}, \quad D_K = \frac{1}{-M_{K^*}^2}$$

$K^* \bar{K}^* \rightarrow K\bar{K}$  transitions driven by  $\pi$  exchange;

$\phi(\rho, \omega, \phi) \rightarrow K\bar{K}$  transitions driven by  $K$  exchange

from  $\mathcal{L}_{VPP}$  to obtain the weights  $\widetilde{W}_i$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I = 0 & \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} K^* \bar{K}^* \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = \frac{3}{2} D_\pi \\ \phi \omega \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = 2 D_K \\ \phi \phi \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = -2 D_K \\ \rho \rho \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = \sqrt{3} D_K \\ \omega \omega \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = -D_K \end{array} \right. \quad (0.1) \\
 I = 1 & \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} K^* \bar{K}^* \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = -\frac{1}{2} D_\pi \\ \phi \rho \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = 2 D_K \\ \omega \rho \rightarrow K \bar{K}, & \widetilde{W} = -\sqrt{2} D_K \end{array} \right.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then the weights for  $f_0$  or  $a_0$  production are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_{f_0} &= \sum_i g_{f_0,i} \widetilde{W}_i G_i(M_{\text{inv}}), \\
 W_{a_0} &= \sum_i g_{a_0,i} \widetilde{W}_i G_i(M_{\text{inv}})
 \end{aligned}$$

where the sum over  $i$  goes over the channels of  $I = 0$  and  $I = 1$  respectively.

$$\begin{aligned}
t_{K^+K^-} &= -\tilde{f}_0 \frac{1}{M_{\text{inv}}^2 - M_{f_0}^2 + iM_{f_0}\Gamma_{f_0}} W_{f_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} g_{K\bar{K}} - \tilde{f}_{a_0} \frac{1}{M_{\text{inv}}^2 - M_{a_0}^2 + iM_{a_0}\Gamma_{a_0}} W_{a_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} g_{K\bar{K}} \\
t_{K^0\bar{K}^0} &= -\tilde{f}_0 \frac{1}{M_{\text{inv}}^2 - M_{f_0}^2 + iM_{f_0}\Gamma_{f_0}} W_{f_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} g_{K\bar{K}} + \tilde{f}_{a_0} \frac{1}{M_{\text{inv}}^2 - M_{a_0}^2 + iM_{a_0}\Gamma_{a_0}} W_{a_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} g_{K\bar{K}} \\
t_{K^+\bar{K}^0} &= \tilde{f}_{a_0} \frac{1}{M_{\text{inv}}^2 - M_{a_0}^2 + iM_{a_0}\Gamma_{a_0}} W_{a_0} g_{K\bar{K}} \\
t_{K^+K_S^0} &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} t_{K^+\bar{K}^0}
\end{aligned}$$

## The differential decay width

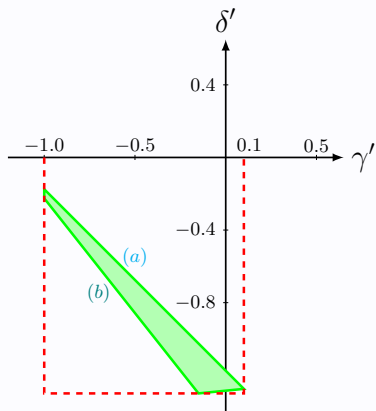
$$\frac{d\Gamma_i}{dM_{\text{inv}}(K\bar{K})} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{4M_{D_s}^2} p_\pi \tilde{p}_k |t_i|^2$$

$$R_1 = \frac{\Gamma(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^0 \bar{K}^0)}{\Gamma(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^-)}, \quad R_2 = \frac{\Gamma(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 K^+ K_S^0)}{\Gamma(D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^-)}$$

# 3. Results

we have only two effective parameters

$$\gamma' = \gamma - \alpha \frac{g_{f_0, \omega \phi}}{g_{f_0, K^* \bar{K}^*}}, \quad \delta' = \delta - \beta \frac{g_{f_0, \rho \phi}}{g_{a_0, K^* \bar{K}^*}}$$



a narrow region of the parameters

$$\gamma' \in [-1, 1], \\ \delta' \in [-1.3, 1.3]$$

consistent with the large  $N_c$  limit within uncertainties

we evaluate  $R_1 = 6.20 \pm 0.67$  in agreement with BESIII experiment [PRD104 (2021) 012016; PRD105 (2022) L051103]

**The challenge** of the approach is to make prediction of  $R_2$  and **we obtained**  $\Rightarrow R_2^{\text{theo}} \simeq 1.31 \pm 0.12$

# Our prediction

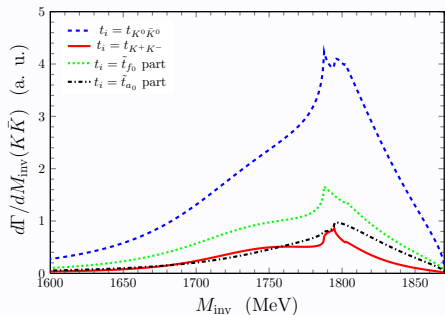
From  $R_2^{\text{theo}} \simeq 1.31 \pm 0.12$ , we obtained

$$\text{Br}[D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 a_0(1710)^+; a_0(1710)^+ \rightarrow K^+ K_S^0] \simeq (1.3 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$$

**which was a prediction before this ratio was measured.**



# Further analysis



$\leftarrow \gamma' = -0.5, \delta' = -0.75$  (middle of the allowed region)

- in the  $K^0 \bar{K}^0$  mass distribution there has been a **constructive interference** of the  $f_0$  and  $a_0$  resonances
- while in the  $K^+ K^-$  mass distribution the interference has been **destructive**

This is exactly the reason suggested in the experimental analysis

$D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^-$  [PRD104 (2021) 012016]

$D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K_S^0 K_S^0$  reactions [PRD105 (2022) L051103]

$\Rightarrow$  **to justify the existence of the  $a_0(1710)$  resonance**

which should give the same  $K^+ K^-$  or  $K^0 \bar{K}^0$  mass distributions should there be only the  $f_0(1710)$  state

- **our prediction  $\implies$  based on our approach**

which is only tied to the theoretical couplings of the  $f_0(1710)$  and  $a_0(1710)$  resonances to the different coupled channels that build up the resonance and their decay amplitudes to  $K\bar{K}$

[Geng and Oset, PRD79(2009)074009]

- **our prediction  $\implies$  based on BESIII experiments**

branching ratios of  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K_S^0 K_S^0$  and  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 K^+ K^-$

[PRD104(2021)012016; PRD105(2022)L051103]

**$\implies$  a boost to the molecular interpretation on the nature of these two  $f_0(1710)$  and  $a_0(1710)$  resonances**

**further development  $\implies$**

further developments of the idea in EPJC82(2022) 225

PRD105(2022)116010; arXiv:2210.12992] showing the relevance of  $a_0$  state in the process

# Summary

**1) at first we investigate the two  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^+ K^-$ ,  $\pi^+ K_S^0 K_S^0$  reactions**

based on the prediction of  $f_0(1710)$  and  $a_0(1710)$  as a molecular states of  $K^* \bar{K}^*$  and other vector-vector coupled channels

details in [Geng, Oset, PRD79(2009)074009]

**2) based two parameters related to external and internal emission**

$\implies$  determine a narrow region of the parameters consistent with the large  $N_c$  limit within uncertainties

$\implies$  evaluate and explain the **surprising large ratio  $R_1$** , which is in agreement with BESIII experiments

### 3) we made a prediction [Dai, Oset, Geng, EPJC82 (2022) 225]

$$\text{Br}[D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 a_0(1710)^+; a_0(1710)^+ \rightarrow K^+ K_S^0] \simeq (1.3 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{-3}$$

### 4) Now we are happy to see a fair prediction with the coming data of the branching fraction

[BESIII Collaboration, PRL129 (2022) 182001]  $\implies$  new  $a_0(1817)$  resonance

$$\text{Br}[D_s^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 a_0(1710)^+; a_0(1710)^+ \rightarrow K^+ K_S^0] \simeq (3.44 \pm 0.52 \pm 0.32) \times 10^{-3}$$

Ending this talk by copying one sentence from our paper that “this new  $a_0$  resonance as an important state will shed light into the structure of scalar mesons in the light quark sector and other relevant issues currently under debate in hadron physics”

### see more valuable and interesting discussions in

Oset, Dai, & Geng, “Repercussion of the  $a_0(1710)$  [ $a_0(1817)$ ] resonance and future developments”, Sci. Bull. 68 (2023) 243

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