

# **The Sill distribution and its application to exotic hadrons**

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- How to introduce an energy threshold? Naive and proper treatment
- Relativistic Breit-Wigner
- Sill, definition and examples
- Sill: novel applications
- Sill and hybrids

# Beyond Breit-Wigner

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## A simple alternative to the relativistic Breit–Wigner distribution

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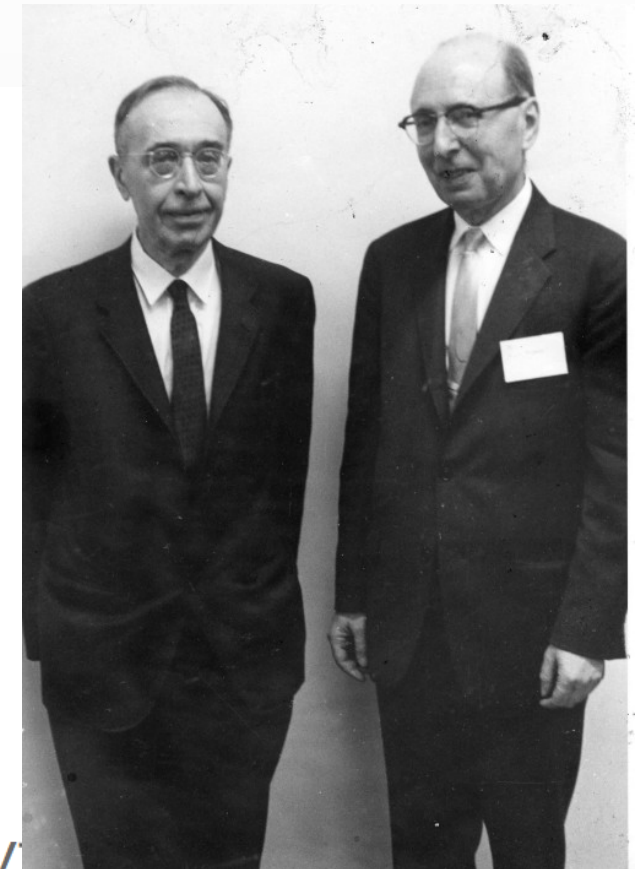
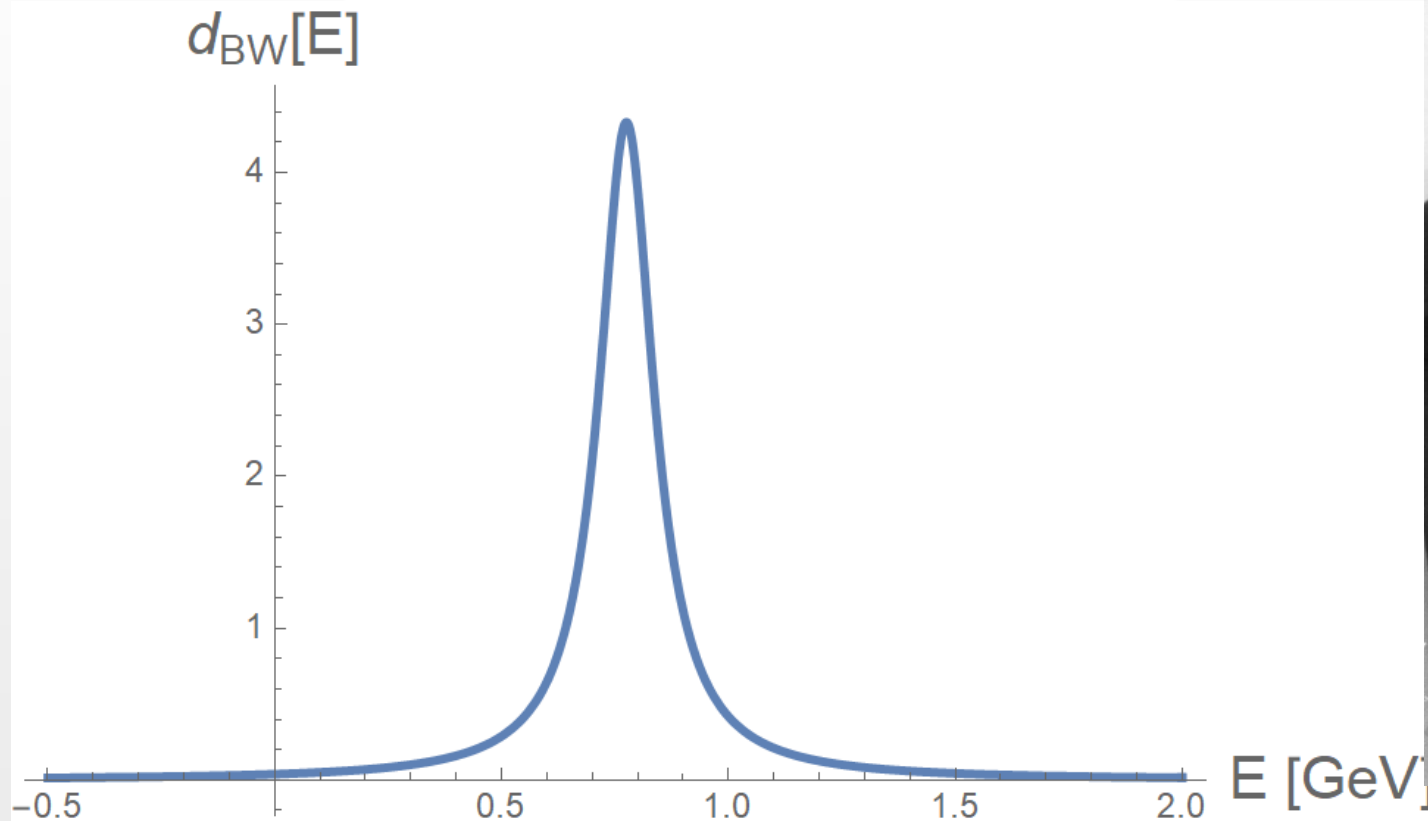
$$d_S^{\text{BW}}(E) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(E - M)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}$$

$$d_S^{\text{rBW}}(E) = \frac{2E}{\pi} \frac{M\Gamma}{(E^2 - M^2)^2 + (M\Gamma)^2} \theta(E)$$

$$d_S^{\text{Sill}}(E) = \frac{2E}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{E^2 - E_{th}^2} \tilde{\Gamma}}{(E^2 - M^2)^2 + (\sqrt{E^2 - E_{th}^2} \tilde{\Gamma})^2} \theta(E - E_{th})$$

# Breit-Wigner distribution

$$d_S^{\text{BW}}(E) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(E - M)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}$$



Rho-meson as example.

BW extends from  $-\infty$  to  $+\infty$ . There is no left threshold.

## BW: properties

BW-distribution:

$$d_S^{\text{BW}}(E) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(E - M)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}$$

BW-propagator:

$$G_S^{\text{BW}}(E) = \frac{1}{E - M + i\Gamma/2 + i\varepsilon}$$

Pole:

$$z_{\text{pole}}^{\text{BW}} = M - i\Gamma/2$$

Link prop-dist:

$$d_S^{\text{BW}}(E) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}[G_S^{\text{BW}}(E)] = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(E - M)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}$$

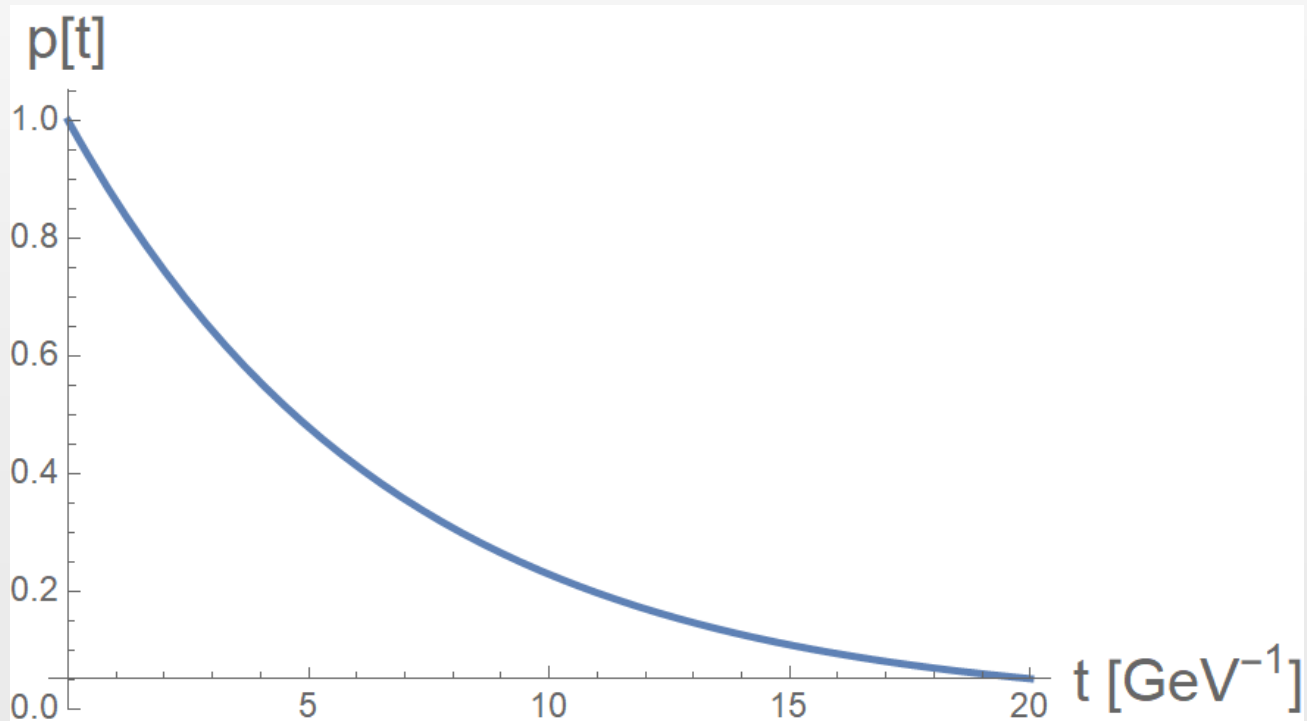
Normalization:  
(important for prob. interpretation)

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d_S^{\text{BW}}(E) dE = 1$$

BW corresponds to exp. decay

$$a_S^{\text{BW}}(t) = \frac{i}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dE G_S^{\text{BW}}(E) e^{-iEt} = \int_{E_{th}}^{+\infty} dE d_S^{\text{BW}}(E) = e^{-iMt - \Gamma t/2}$$

$$p^{\text{BW}}(t) = |a_S^{\text{BW}}(t)|^2 = e^{-\Gamma t}$$

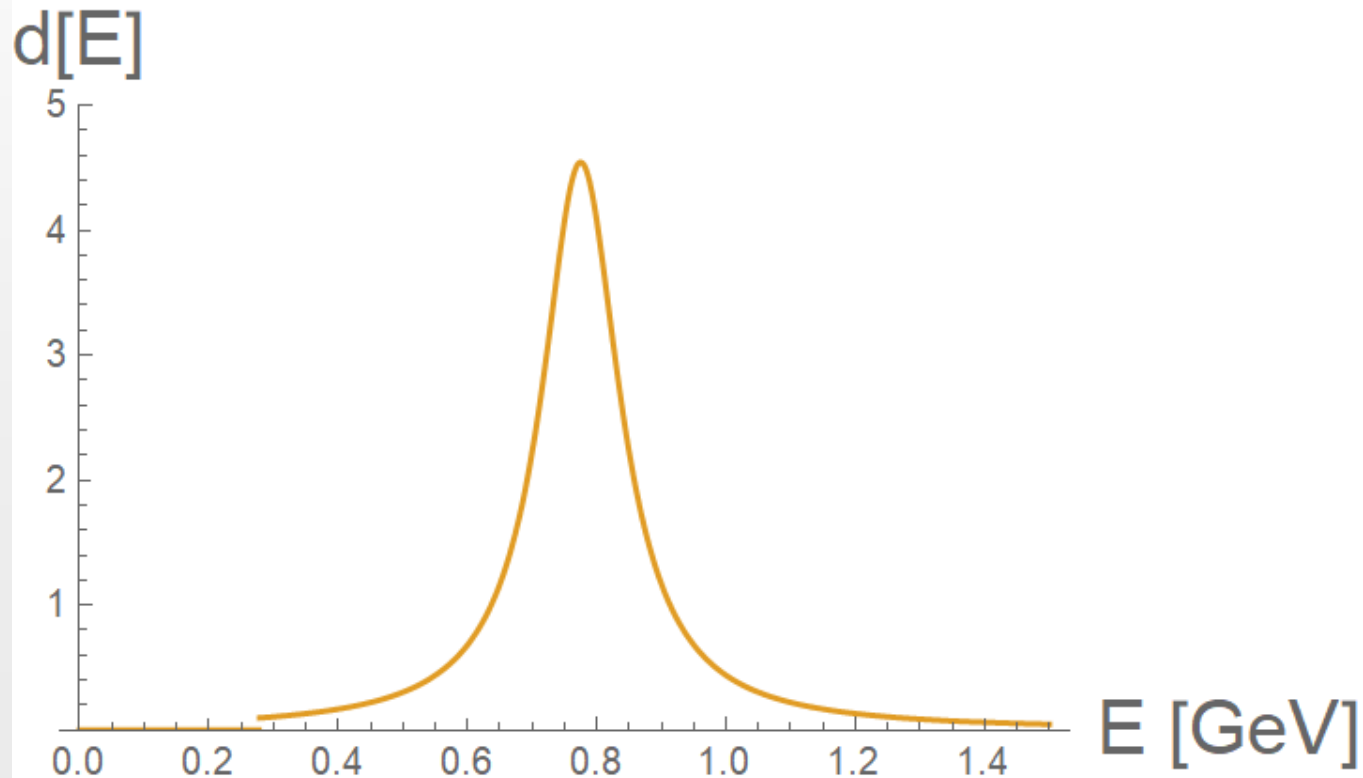


# How to introduce a threshold?

## BW with threshold (naive treatment)

$$d_S(E) = N \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(E - M)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}} \theta(E - E_{th})$$

N is needed because the normalization is lost!

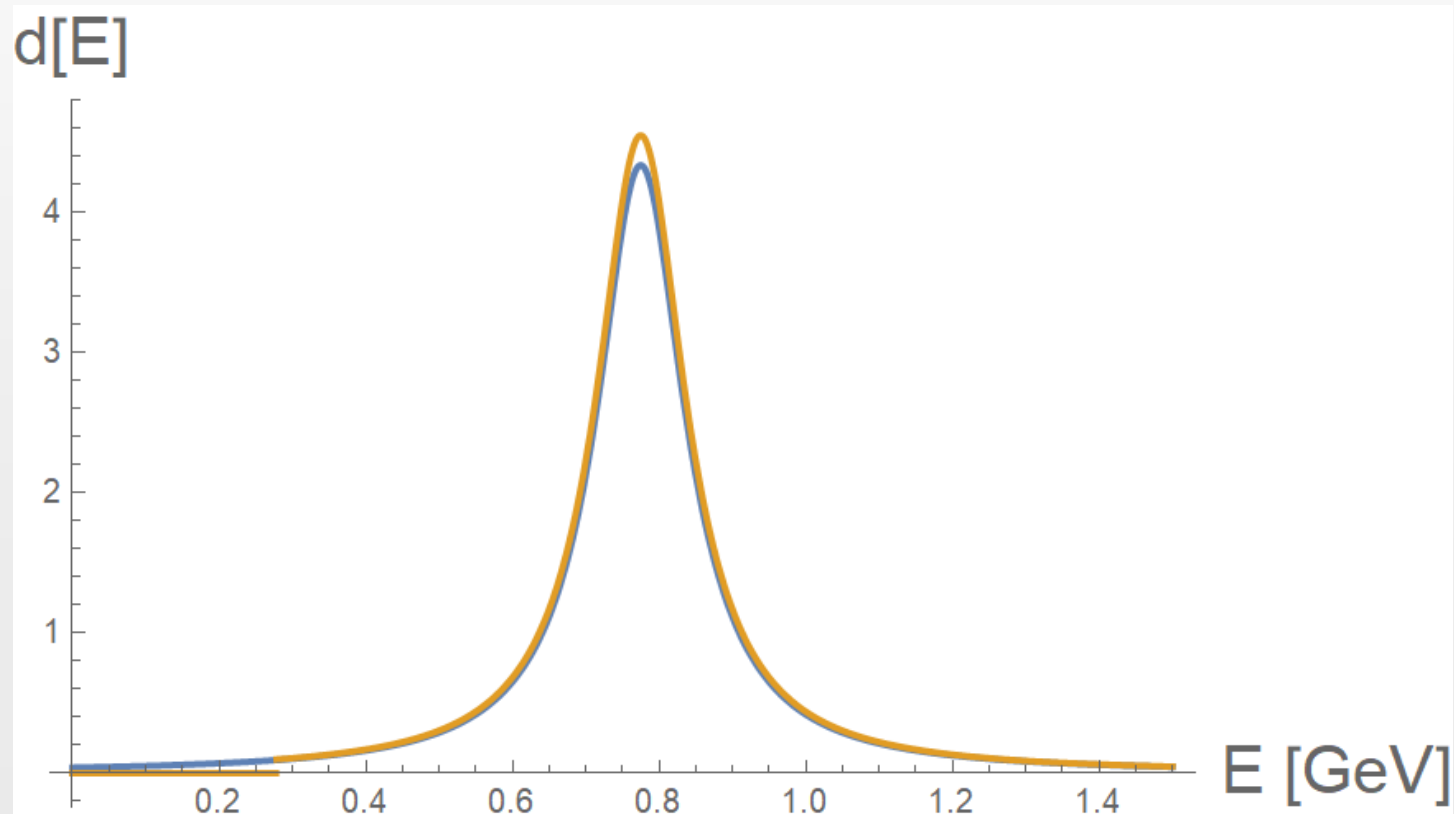


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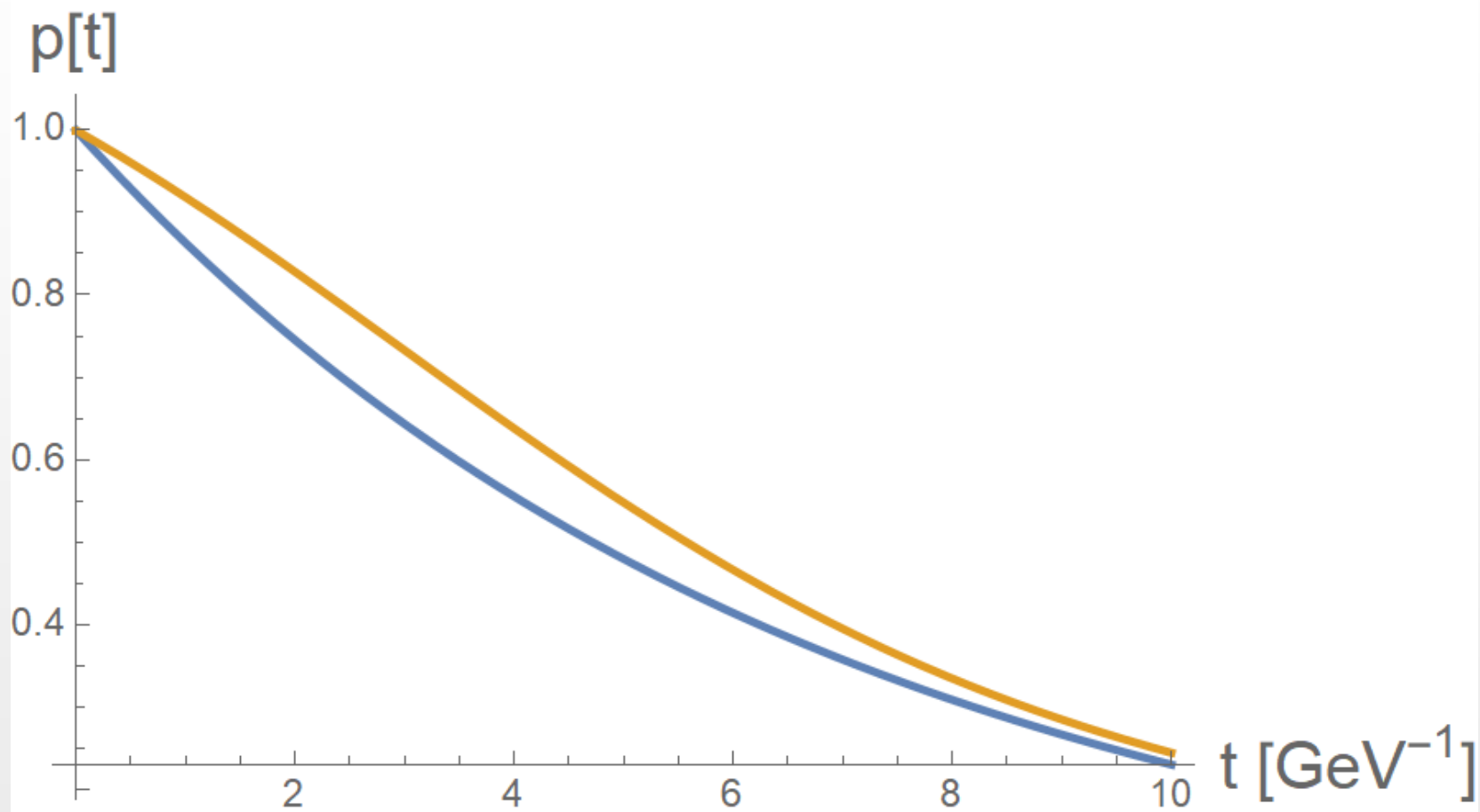
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For the  $\rho$  meson, we get  $N = 1.05$





# Time evolution



Blue: plain BW, yellow: BW with threshold (naive)

## Comments

- The 'brute force' threshold can be good as a first approximation, but it is just an 'ad hoc' modification of Breit-Wigner
- Which is the correct propagator that contains a threshold?
- Which is the correct energy distribution?

# General non-relativistic approach

Propagator

$$G_S(E) = \frac{1}{E - M + \Pi(E) + i\varepsilon}$$

Self-energy (or loop)  
 $E_{th}$  is the threshold energy

$$\Pi(E) = - \int_{E_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\text{Im } \Pi(E')}{E - E' + i\varepsilon} dE'$$

Energy dependent 'decay width'

$$\Gamma(E) = 2 \text{Im } \Pi(E)$$

Energy distribution (or spectral function)


$$d_S(E) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}[G_S(E)] = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\text{Im } \Pi(E)}{(E - M + \text{Re } \Pi(E))^2 + (\text{Im } \Pi(E))^2}$$

# Link between propagator and distribution

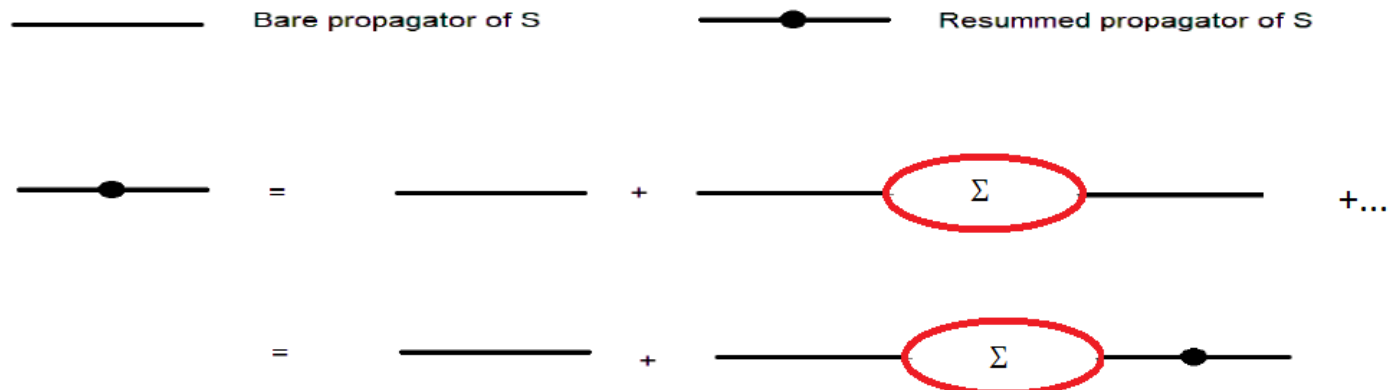
The propagator can be expressed as (H being the full Hamiltonian)

$$G_S(E) = \langle S | \frac{1}{E - H + i\varepsilon} | S \rangle = \frac{1}{E - M + \Pi(E) + i\varepsilon} = \int_{E_{th}}^{+\infty} dE' \frac{d_S(E')}{E - E' + i\varepsilon}$$

out of which  $d_S(E) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}[G_S(E)]$

Decay 

Propagator of S



# Normalization and its heuristic justification

One can show that under quite general conditions

$$\int_{E_{th}}^{\infty} dE d_S(E) = 1$$

Brief QM recall

$$|S\rangle = \int_{E_{th}}^{\infty} dE a_S(E) |E\rangle$$

Eigenstates of Hamilton H

$$H |E\rangle = E |E\rangle$$

The quantity  $d_S(E) = |a_S(E)|^2$  is the ‘spectral function’

$$1 = \langle S|S\rangle = \int_{E_{th}}^{\infty} dE d_S(E)$$

$$a_S(t) = \langle S | e^{-iHt} | S \rangle = \int_{E_{th}}^{+\infty} dE d_S(E) e^{-iEt}$$

## Time-evolution (general)

$$a_S(t) = Ze^{-iz_{pole}t} + \dots,$$

The dots describe short- and long-time deviations from the exponential decay

The pole:

$$z_{pole} - M + \Pi_{II}(z_{pole}) = 0 ,$$

where  $II$  refers to the second Riemann sheet. Then:

$$z_{pole} = M_{pole} - i\frac{\Gamma_{pole}}{2} .$$

## BW with threshold **properly done**

**We assume that:**

$$\text{Im } \Pi(E) = \begin{cases} \frac{\Gamma}{2} & \text{for } E \in (E_{th}, \Lambda) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

In the limit  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$  and by using one subtraction we get:

$$\Pi(E) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \ln \left( \frac{-E_{th} + M}{E_{th} - E} \right)$$

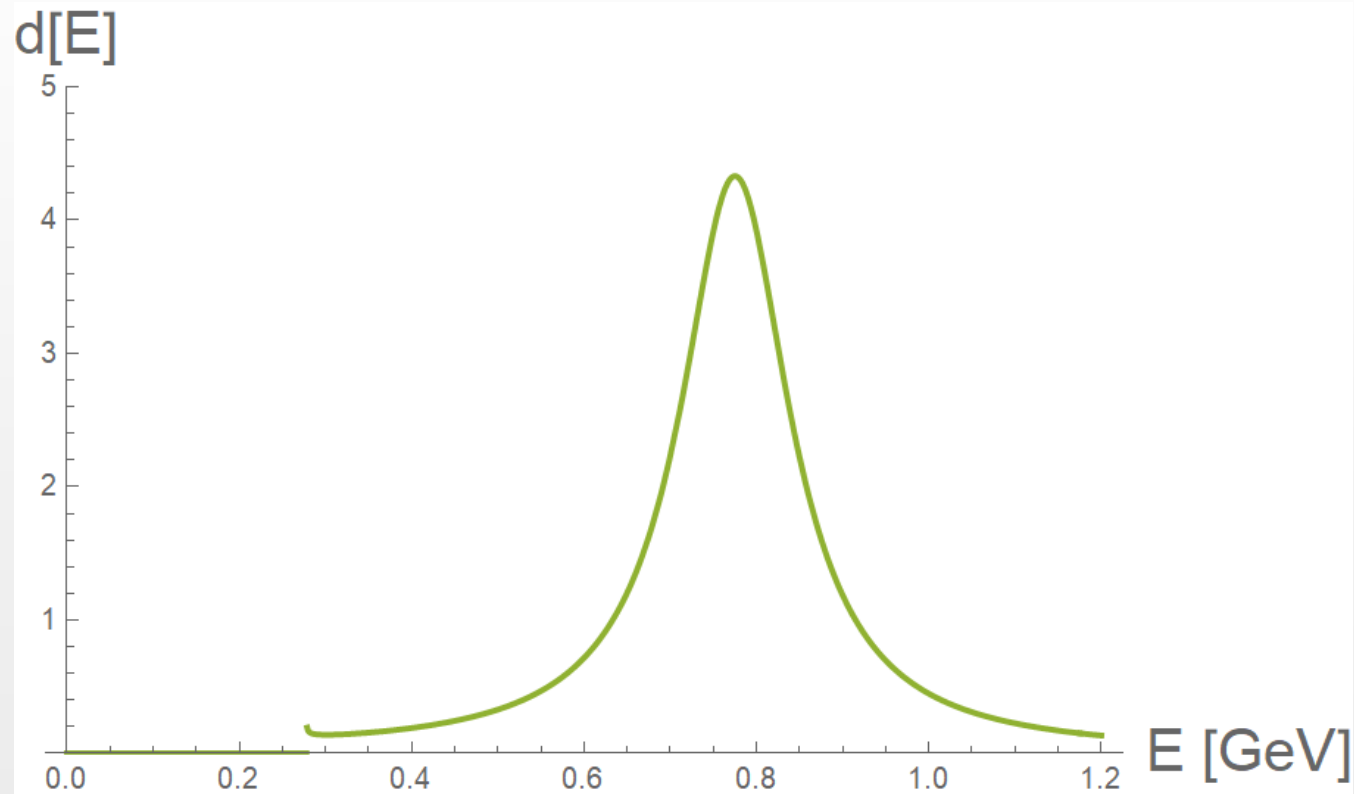
Then:

$$d_S(E) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\left[ E - M + \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \ln \left( \frac{M - E_{th}}{E_{th} - E} \right) \right]^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}} \theta(E - E_{th})$$

This is actually the correct Breit-Wigner with threshold!

Correctly normalized to unity, no need of an extra N...but somewhat not handy

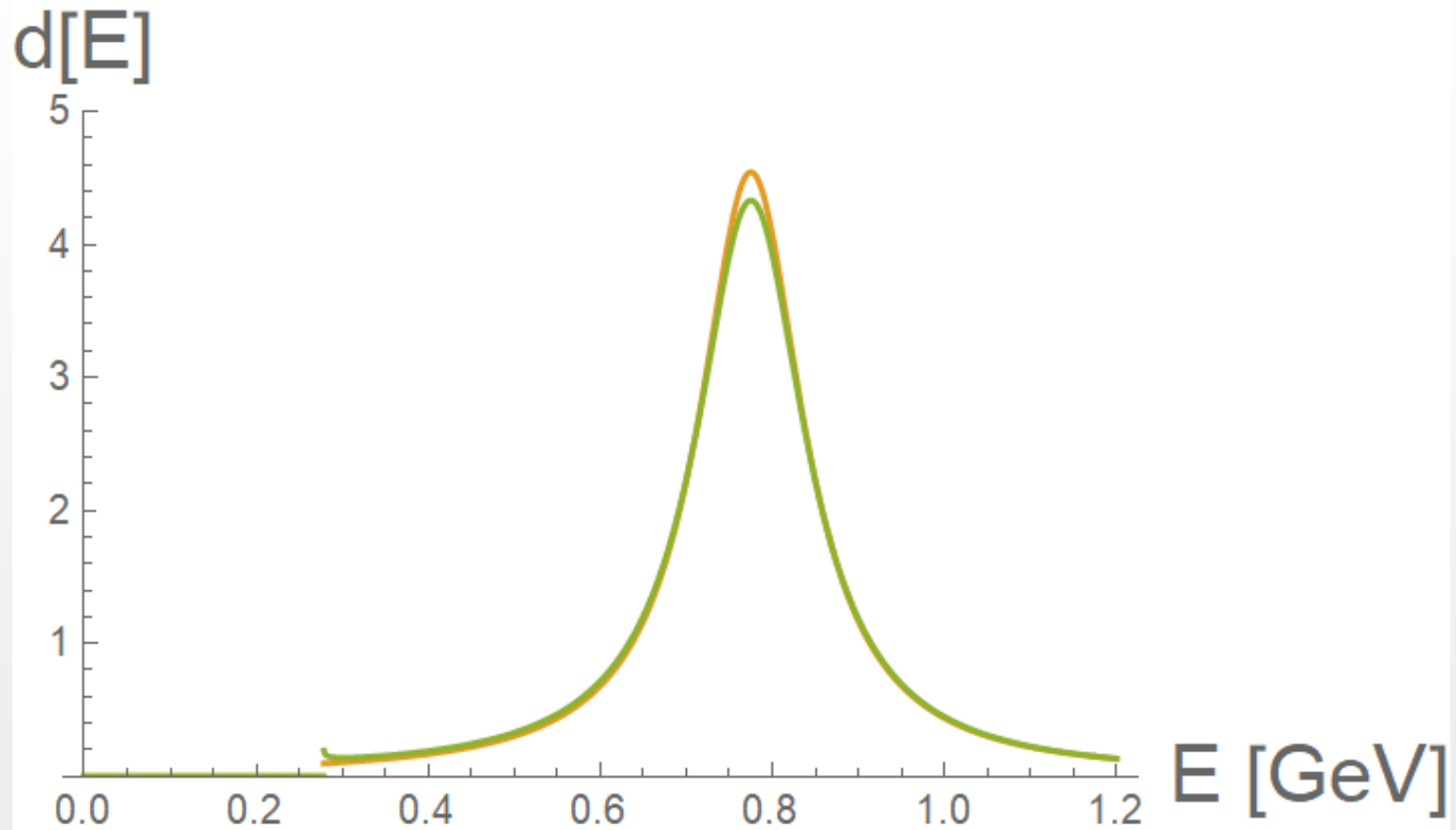
## BW with threshold **properly** done



Correct BW with threshold

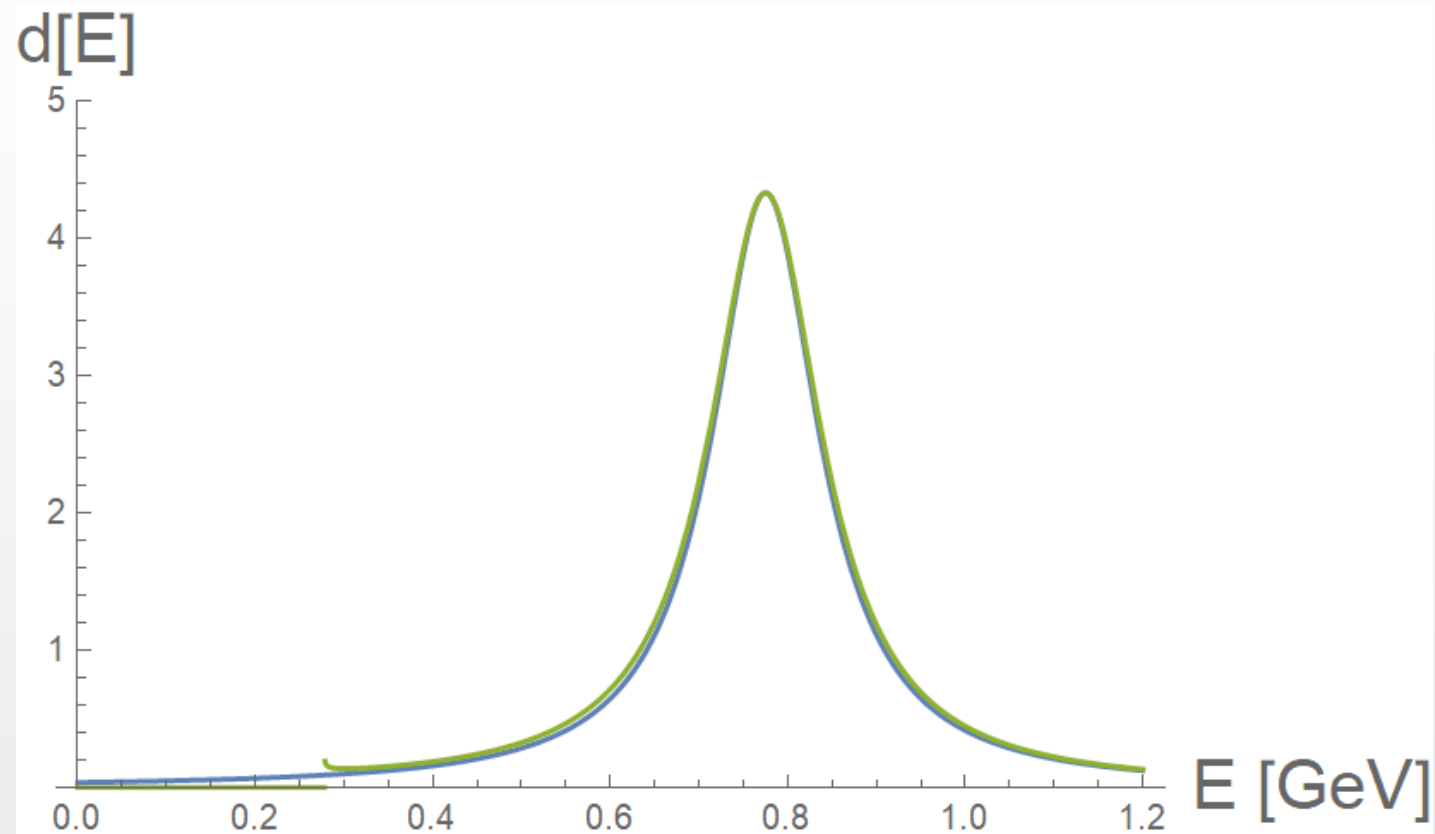


## BW with threshold **properly** done



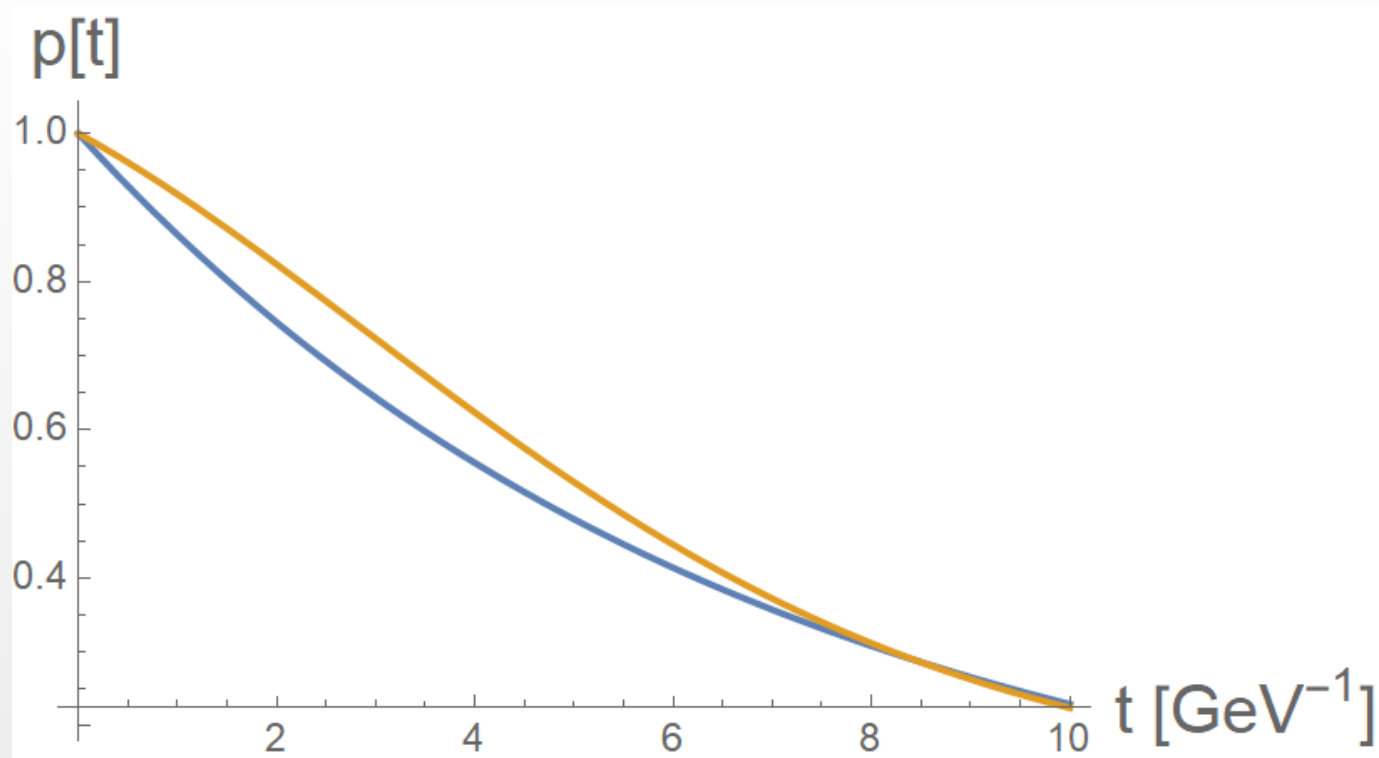
Comparision with 'naive' BW with threshold

## BW with threshold properly done



Comparision with plain BW: indeed very similar!

# BW with threshold (**properly done**) and time-evolution



Blue: BW, yellow: BW with threshold (properly done)

## Relativistic Breit-Wigner (rBW)

$$d_S^{\text{rBW}}(E) = \frac{2E}{\pi} \frac{M\Gamma}{(E^2 - M^2)^2 + (M\Gamma)^2} \theta(E)$$

In a relativistic framework there is always a threshold! (eventually zero).

Function above not normalized as it stands.

From above often used in various applications.

# Relativistic propagator

The relativistic case can be easily obtained by replacing the variable  $E$  with the variable  $s = E^2$ , hence the propagator (as function of  $s$ ) takes the form

$$G_S(s) = \frac{1}{s - M^2 + \Pi(s) + i\varepsilon}.$$

$$\Pi(s) = - \int_{s_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\text{Im } \Pi(s')}{s - s' + i\varepsilon} ds'.$$

$$\text{Im } \Pi(s) = \sqrt{s} \Gamma(s)$$

the pole position  $s_{pole}$  is such that

$$s_{pole} - M^2 + \Pi_{II}(s_{pole}) = 0$$

and leads to the pole mass and decay width defined as:

$$\sqrt{s_{pole}} = M_{pole} - i \frac{\Gamma_{pole}}{2}.$$

## rBW: derivation

In order to obtain possible expressions for the relativistic BW distribution, let us consider

$$\text{Im } \Pi(s) = M \Gamma \theta(s)$$

With a proper subtraction

$$\Pi(s) = \frac{M \Gamma}{\pi} \ln \frac{-M^2}{s}$$

which assures that  $\text{Re } \Pi(s = M^2) = 0$

The propagator reads

$$G_S(s) = \frac{1}{s - M^2 + \frac{M \Gamma}{\pi} \ln \frac{M^2}{s} + i M \Gamma \theta(s) + i \varepsilon}$$

## rBW: derivation

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The propagator for the relativistic BW approximation is obtained by approximating the previous propagator upon setting the real part of the loop artificially to zero, thus finding:

$$G_S(s) = G_S^{BW}(s) = \frac{1}{s - M^2 + iM\Gamma + i\varepsilon}$$

$$d_S^{\text{rBW}}(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{M\Gamma}{(s - M^2)^2 + (M\Gamma)^2} \theta(s)$$

$$d_S(E) = d_S^{\text{rBW}}(E) = \frac{2E}{\pi} \frac{M\Gamma}{(E^2 - M^2)^2 + (M\Gamma)^2} \theta(E)$$

Let us consider a resonance with mass  $M$  decaying into two particles:

$$E_{th} = m_1 + m_2 = \sqrt{s_{th}} \quad s_{th} = E_{th}^2$$

We **assume** that:

$$\text{Im } \Pi(s) = \sqrt{s - s_{th}} \tilde{\Gamma} \theta(s - s_{th})$$

$$\Gamma M = \tilde{\Gamma} \sqrt{M^2 - E_{th}^2}$$

Decay width as function of the energy:

$$\Gamma(s) = \frac{\sqrt{s - s_{th}}}{\sqrt{s}} \tilde{\Gamma}$$

Note, it saturates for large  $s$



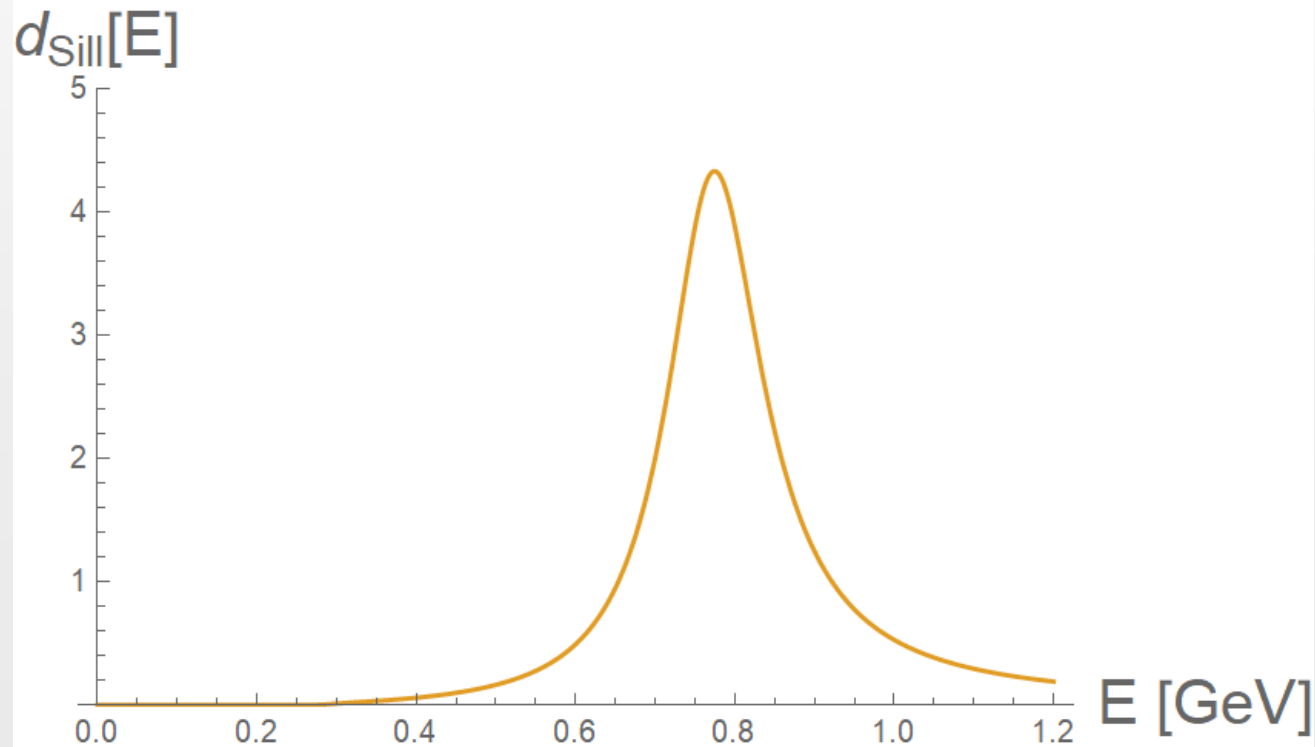
$$\Pi(s) = i \tilde{\Gamma} \sqrt{s - s_{th}}$$

$$G_S(s) = \frac{1}{s - M^2 + i \tilde{\Gamma} \sqrt{s - s_{th}} + i \varepsilon}$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_S(s) &= -\frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} \frac{1}{s - M^2 + i \tilde{\Gamma} \sqrt{s - s_{th}} + i \varepsilon} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{s - s_{th}} \tilde{\Gamma}}{(s - M^2)^2 + (\sqrt{s - s_{th}} \tilde{\Gamma})^2} \theta(s - s_{th}) \end{aligned}$$

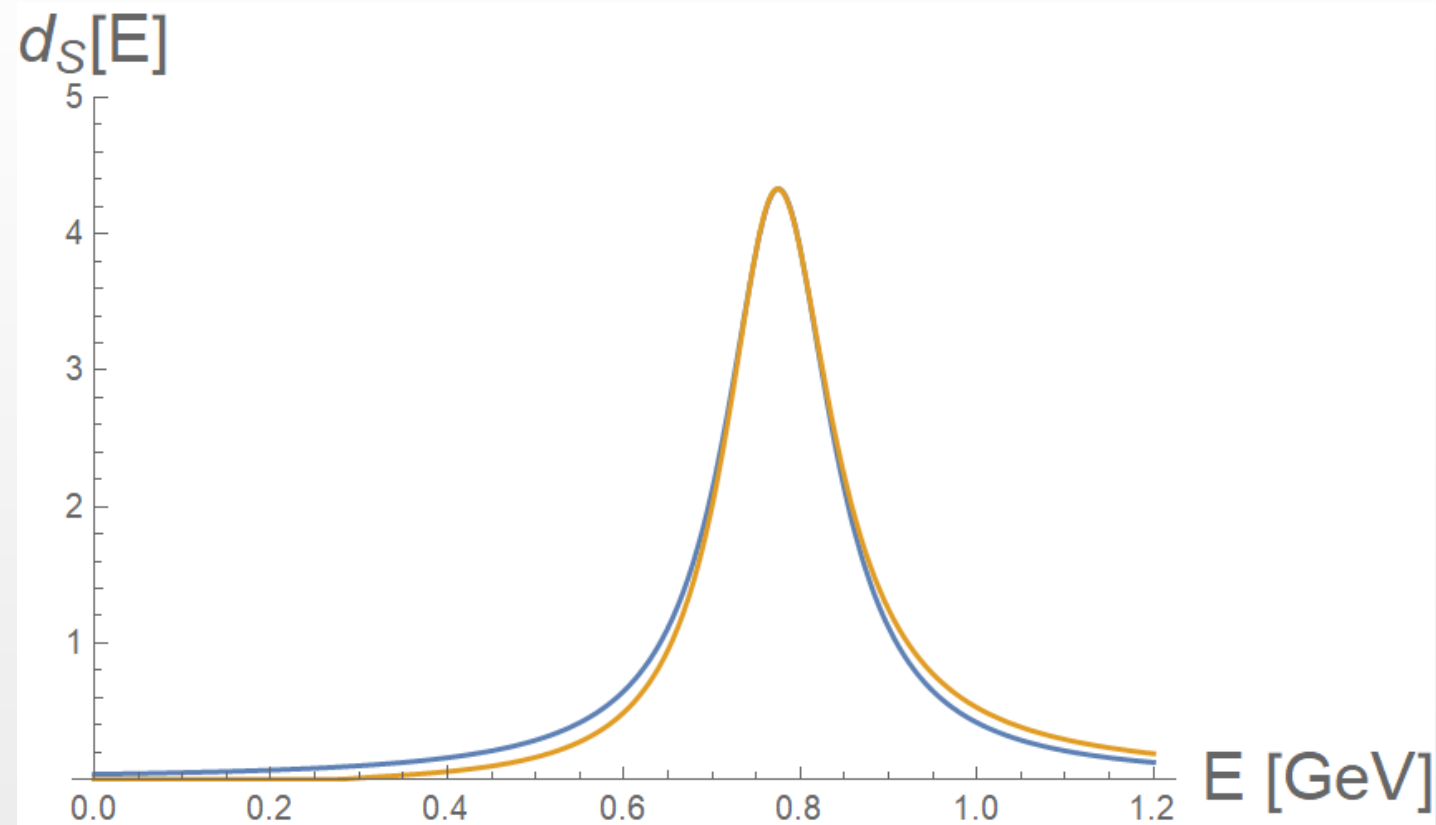
# Sill

$$d_S(E) = d_S^{\text{Sill}}(E) = \frac{2E}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{E^2 - E_{th}^2} \tilde{\Gamma}}{(E^2 - M^2)^2 + \left(\sqrt{E^2 - E_{th}^2} \tilde{\Gamma}\right)^2} \theta(E - E_{th})$$



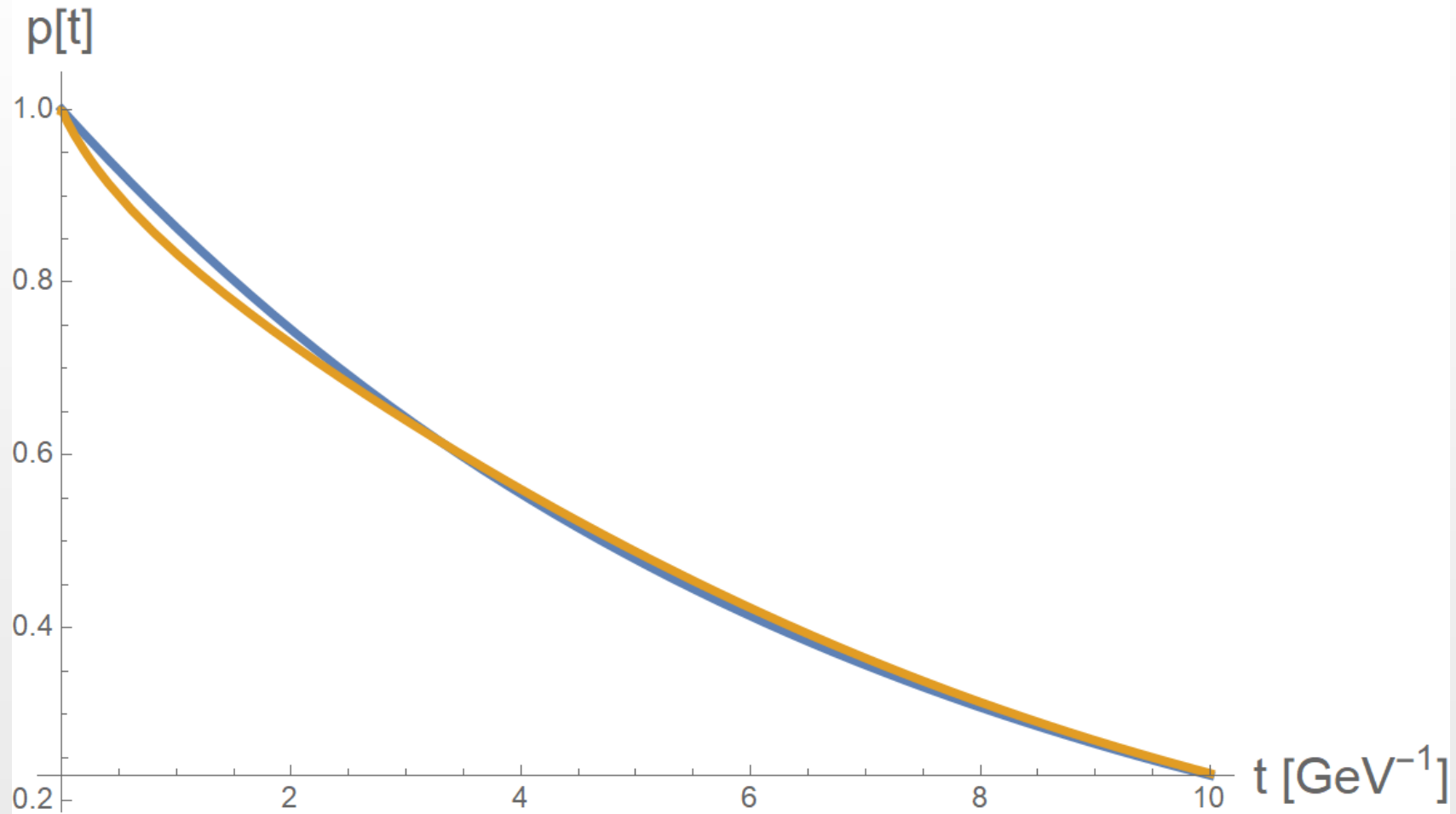
Sill for the  
rho-meson

# Sill vs BW



Sill vs BW, distributions (rho-meson example)

# Sill vs BW: time evolution



Time evolution

## Comments

$$s_{pole} = M^2 - \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}^2}{2} - i\sqrt{(M^2 - s_{th})\tilde{\Gamma}^2 + \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}^4}{4}}.$$

Note, for  $\tilde{\Gamma}^2$  sufficiently smaller than  $M^2 - s_{th}$ , the pole of  $s$  can be approximated as

$$s_{pole} \simeq M^2 - i\sqrt{(M^2 - s_{th})}\tilde{\Gamma} = M^2 - iM\Gamma,$$

The normalization

$$\int_{E_{th}}^{+\infty} dE d_S^{\text{Sill}}(E) = 1$$

for any  $E_{th}$ ,  $M$ , and  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  is a consequence of the proper treatment of the real part of the loop

# Comment

The Sill is Flatte-like, but not equal.

## Flatte-like distributions and the $a_0(980)/f_0(980)$ mesons

V. Baru<sup>1</sup>, J. Haidenbauer<sup>2</sup>, C. Hanhart<sup>2</sup>, A. Kudryavtsev<sup>1</sup>, Ulf-G. Meißner<sup>2,3</sup>

*Eur.Phys.J.A* 23 (2005) 523-533e-Print: [nuc1th/0410099](https://arxiv.org/abs/nuc1th/0410099) [nucl-th]

$$\frac{d\sigma_i}{dm} \propto \left| \frac{m_R \sqrt{\Gamma_{\pi\eta} \Gamma_i}}{m_R^2 - m^2 - im_R(\Gamma_{\pi\eta} + \Gamma_{K\bar{K}})} \right|^2,$$

with the partial widths  $\Gamma_{\pi\eta} = \bar{g}_\eta q_\eta$  and

$$\Gamma_{K\bar{K}} = \bar{g}_K \sqrt{m^2/4 - m_K^2}$$

above threshold and

$$\Gamma_{K\bar{K}} = i\bar{g}_K \sqrt{m_K^2 - m^2/4}$$

The Sill is as Flatte along KK  
(but not along pion-eta)

## Comments

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**Isovector scalar  $a_0(980)$  and  $a_0(1450)$  resonances  
in the  $B \rightarrow \psi(K\bar{K}, \pi\eta)$  decays**

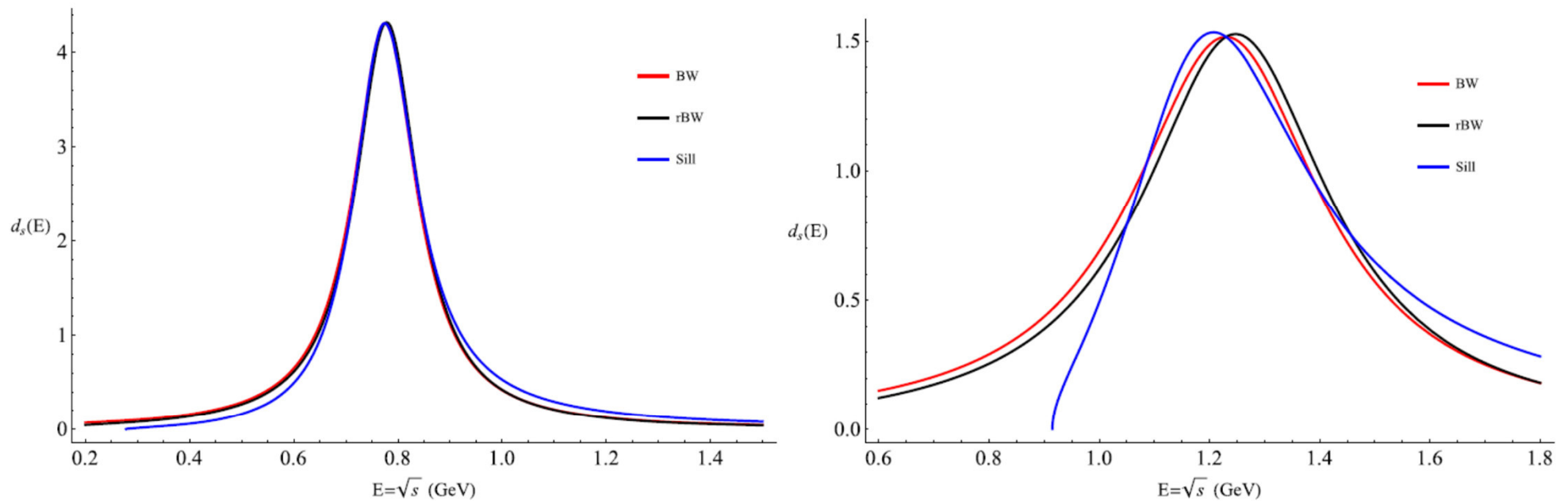
Zhou Rui,<sup>\*</sup> Ya-Qian Li, and Jie Zhang

$$M_{a_0(980)}(\omega^2) = \frac{m_0^2}{m_0^2 - \omega^2 - i(g_{\pi\eta}^2 \rho_{\pi\eta} + g_{KK}^2 \rho_{KK})}$$

It does not reduce to Flatte  
(even not in the KK channel)

$$\rho_{\pi\eta} = \sqrt{\left[1 - \left(\frac{m_\eta - m_\pi}{\omega}\right)^2\right] \left[1 - \left(\frac{m_\eta + m_\pi}{\omega}\right)^2\right]},$$
$$\rho_{K\bar{K}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_{K^\pm}^2}{\omega^2}} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_{K^0}^2}{\omega^2}}.$$

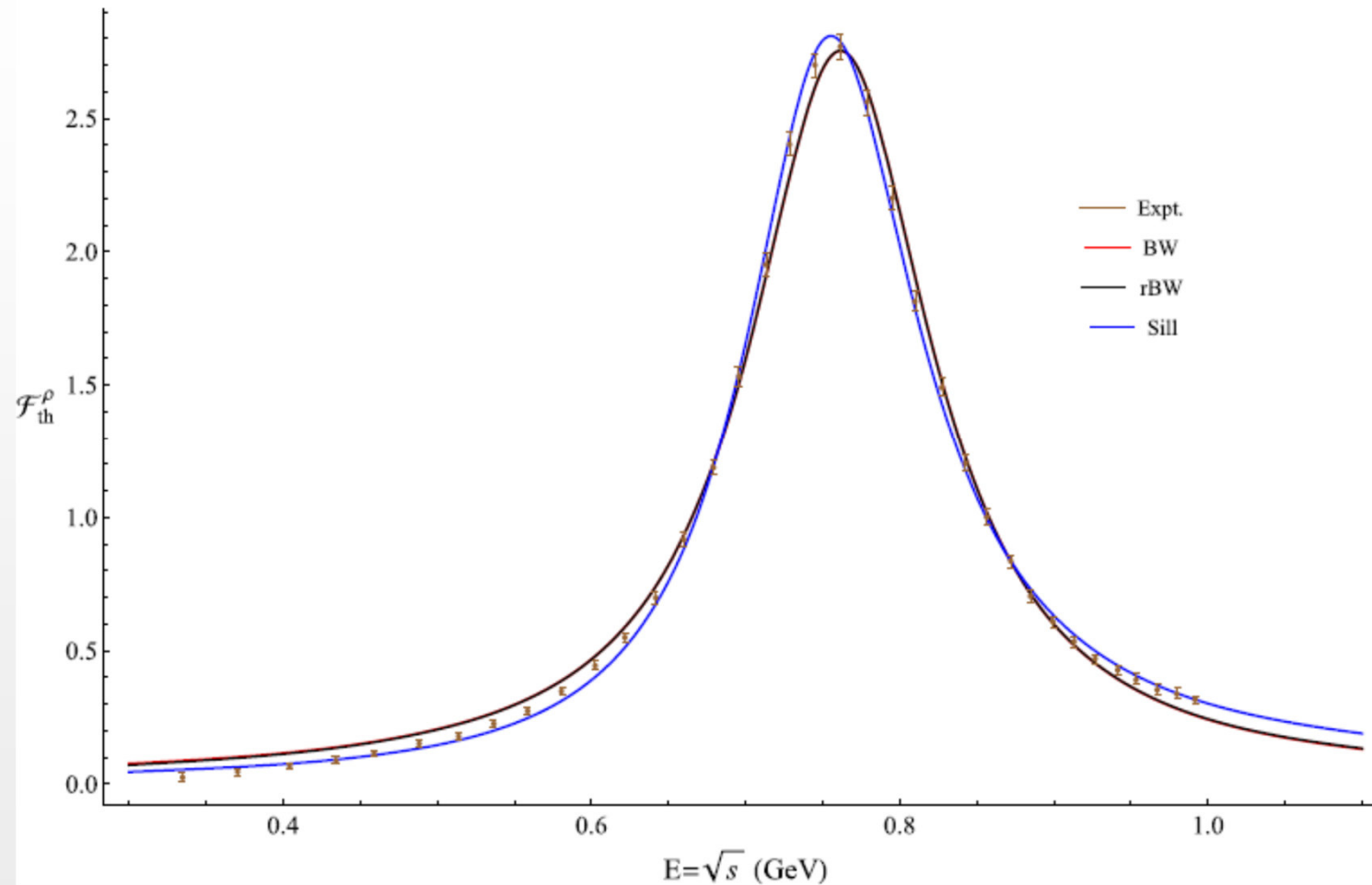
# BW, rBW, Sill in comparison: rho and a1 case



**Fig. 1** Illustrative comparison of the four distributions discussed in the paper. Left panel, peak far away from the threshold ( $\rho(770)$ ,  $M = 0.775$  GeV,  $\Gamma = 0.1478$  GeV, and  $E_{th} = 2m_\pi$ ); right panel, peak near the threshold ( $a_1(1260)$ ,  $M = 1.230$  GeV,  $\Gamma = 0.5$  GeV, and  $E_{th} = m_\rho + m_\pi$ )



# Rho meson

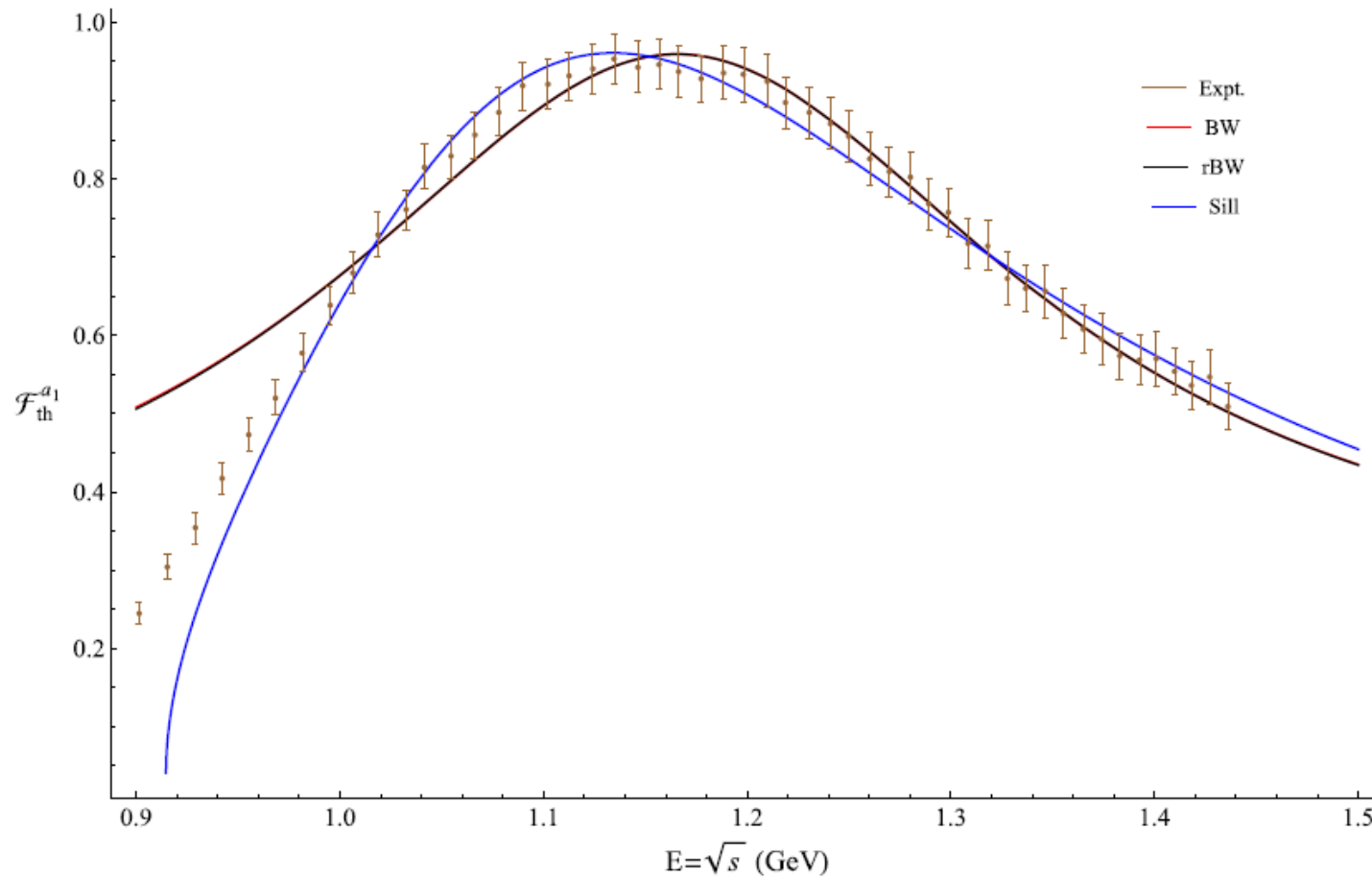


Aleph data  
for tau decay

Distribution	$M$ (MeV)	$\Gamma$ (MeV)	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$	$\sqrt{s_{\text{pole}}}(\text{MeV})$
Nonrelativistic BW	$761.64 \pm 0.32$	$144.6 \pm 1.3$	10.16	$761.6 - i 72.3$
Relativistic BW	$758.1 \pm 0.33$	$145.2 \pm 1.3$	9.42	$761.5 - i 72.3$
Sill	$755.82 \pm 0.33$	$137.3 \pm 1.1$	3.52	$751.7 - i 68.6$

# a1 meson

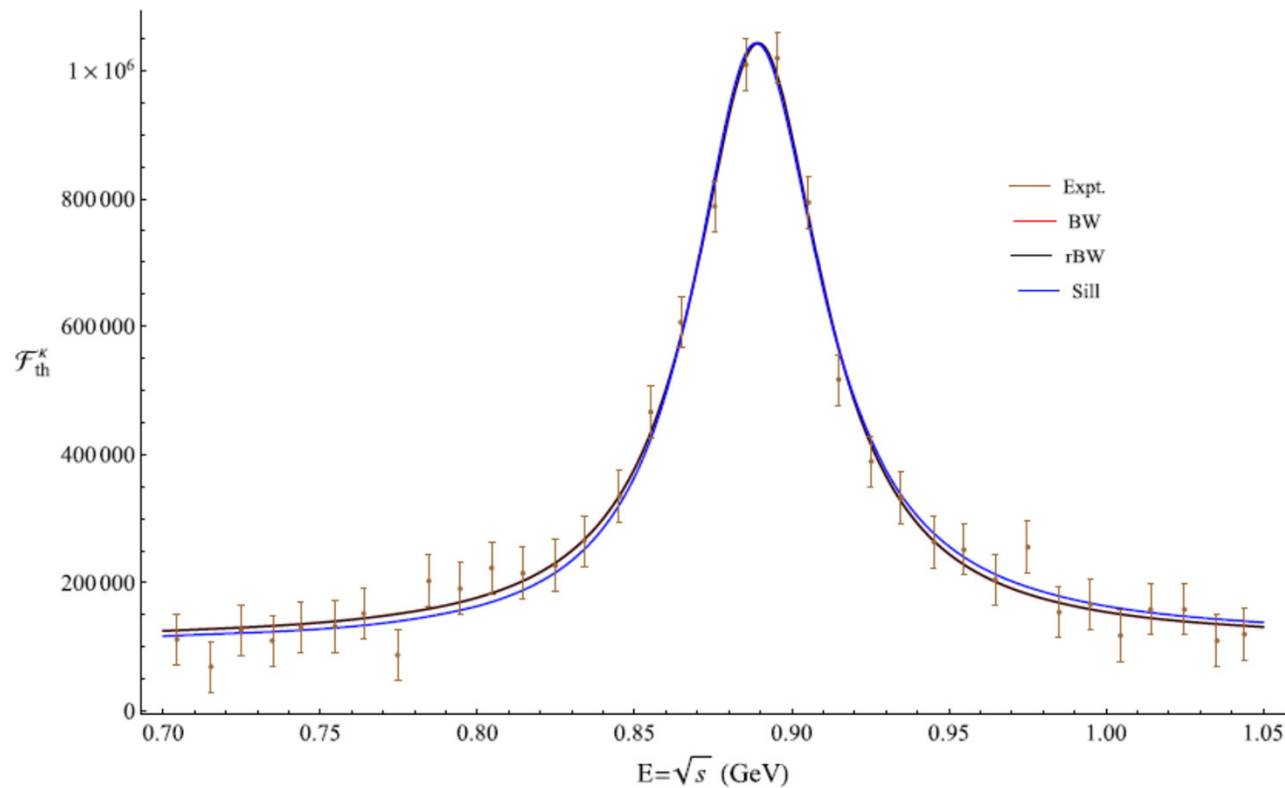
Aleph data  
for tau decay



Distribution	$M$ (MeV)	$\Gamma$ (MeV)	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$	$\sqrt{s_{pole}}$ (MeV)
Nonrelativistic BW	$1165.6 \pm 1.2$	$415 \pm 15$	4.31	$1166 - i 208$
Relativistic BW	$1146.5 \pm 1.6$	$424 \pm 16$	4.25	$1165 - i 209$
Sill	$1181.3 \pm 3.4$	$539 \pm 27$	3.52	$1046 - i 250$

# The $K^*(892)$ meson: basically no difference

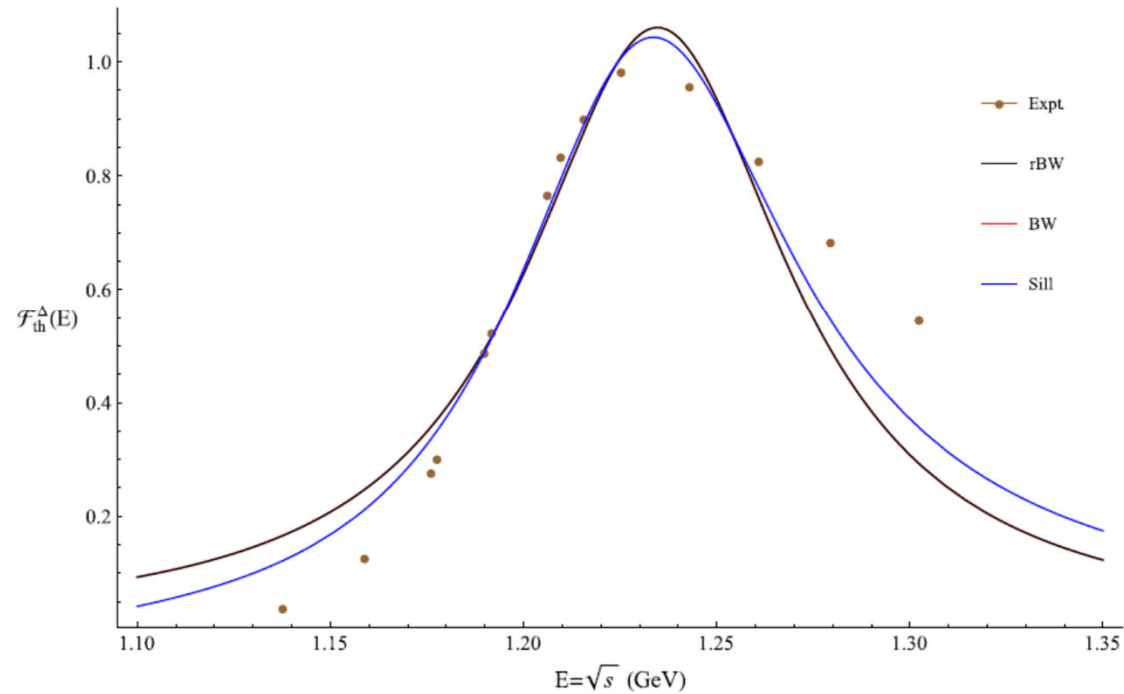
Distribution	$M$ (MeV)	$\Gamma$ (MeV)	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$	$\sqrt{s_{pole}}$ (MeV)
Nonrelativistic BW	$889.37 \pm 0.43$	$50.1 \pm 1.6$	1.78	$889.4 - i 25.0$
Relativistic BW	$889.01 \pm 0.43$	$50.1 \pm 1.6$	1.78	$890.1 - i 24.9$
Sill	$889.06 \pm 0.43$	$49.9 \pm 1.6$	2.08	$888.0 - i 25.0$



J. Adam *et al.* [ALICE], arXiv:1601.07868

# The Delta baryon

**Fig. 6** The spectral function for the  $\Delta(1232)$ . Experimental data from [82]. It is visible that the Sill fairs marginally better than the (r)BW distributions



**Table 5** Mass and width of  $\Delta(1232)$  fitted using the three distributions discussed in the text, their error estimates, and the poles (as described in the text)

Distribution	$M$ (MeV)	$\Gamma$ (MeV)	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f}$	$\sqrt{s}_{pole}(\text{MeV})$
Nonrelativistic BW	$1234.6 \pm 1.3$	$83.6 \pm 4.1$	2.92	$1234.7 - i 41.8$
Relativistic BW	$1233.9 \pm 1.2$	$83.7 \pm 4.2$	2.92	$1234.7 - i 41.8$
Sill	$1236.2 \pm 1.5$	$90.4 \pm 4.9$	1.53	$1235.4 - i 45.2$

Data from: J.R. Haskins, Am. J. Phys. **53**, 988–991 (1985)

## More than a single channel

The extension to the  $N$  channels is straightforward:

$$G_S(s) = \frac{1}{s - M^2 + i \sum_{k=1}^N \tilde{\Gamma}_k \sqrt{s - s_{k,th}} + i\varepsilon}$$

with

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_k = \Gamma_k \frac{M}{\sqrt{M^2 - E_{k,th}^2}} \text{ and}$$

$$s_{1,th} = E_{1,th}^2 \leq s_{2,th} \leq \dots \leq s_{N,th} = E_{N,th}^2 .$$

$$d_s^k(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sqrt{s - s_{th,k}} \tilde{\Gamma}_k}{(s - M^2 - \sum_{i=1}^Q \sqrt{s_{th,i} - s} \tilde{\Gamma}_i)^2 + \sum_{i=Q+1}^N (\sqrt{s - s_{th,i}} \tilde{\Gamma}_i)^2} \theta(s - s_{th,k})$$

where,  $s_{th,k}$  is the  $k^{\text{th}}$  threshold, and the integer  $Q$  is such that, for all  $i < Q$ ,  $s_{th,i} < s_{th,k}$

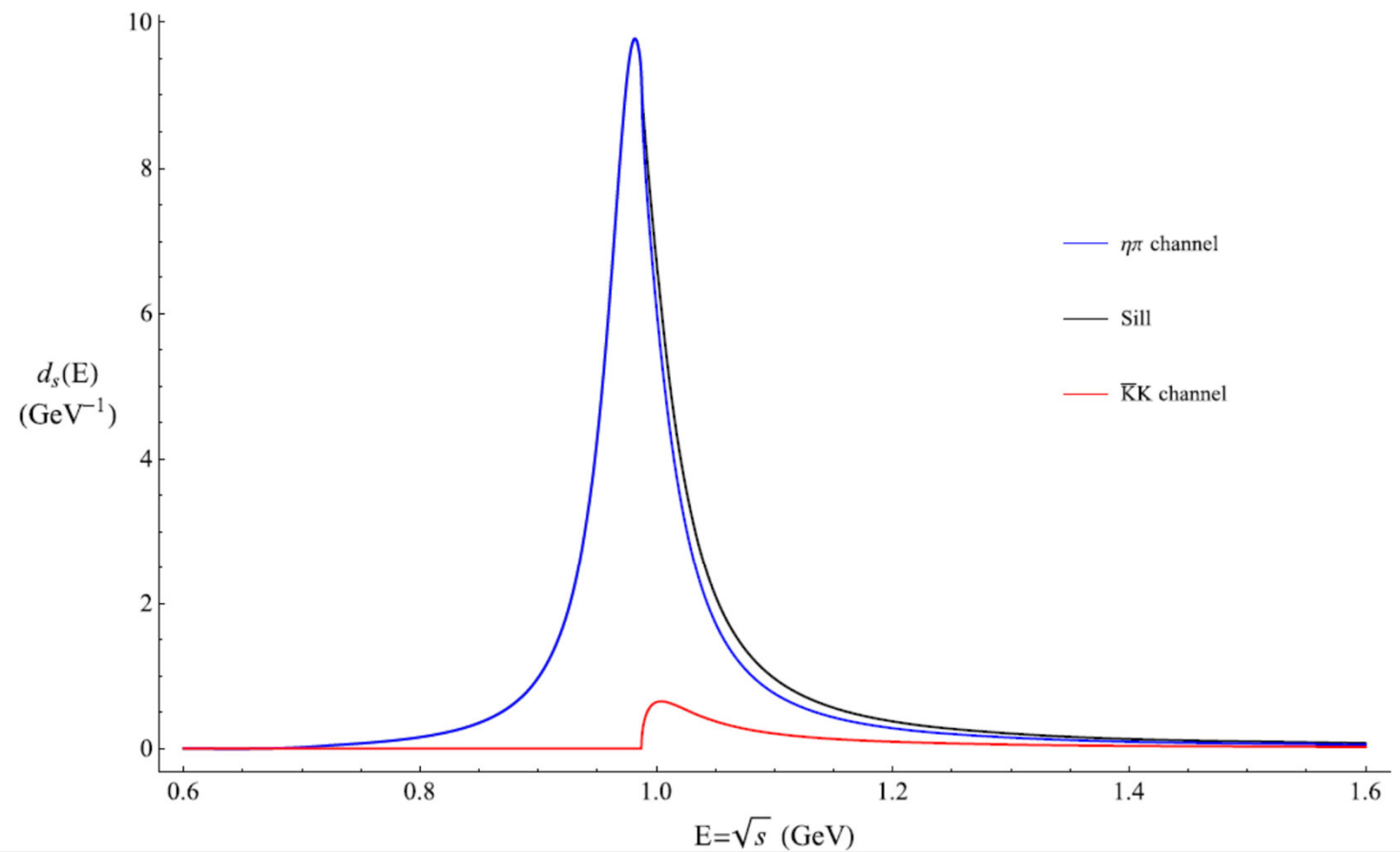
## Two-channel case

$$G_S(s) = \frac{1}{s - M^2 + i\tilde{\Gamma}_1\sqrt{s - s_{1,th}} + i\tilde{\Gamma}_2\sqrt{s - s_{2,th}} + i\varepsilon},$$

$$d_S(s) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}[G_S(s)] = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_1\sqrt{s-s_{1,th}} + \tilde{\Gamma}_2\sqrt{s-s_{2,th}}}{(s-M^2)^2 + (\tilde{\Gamma}_1\sqrt{s-s_{1,th}} + \tilde{\Gamma}_2\sqrt{s-s_{2,th}})^2} & \text{for } s > s_{2,th} \\ \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\tilde{\Gamma}_1\sqrt{s-s_{1,th}}}{(s-M^2 - \tilde{\Gamma}_2\sqrt{s_{2,th}-s})^2 + (\tilde{\Gamma}_1\sqrt{s-s_{1,th}})^2} & \text{for } s_{1,th} \leq s \leq s_{2,th} \\ 0 & \text{for } s < s_{1,th} \end{cases}$$

# $a_0(980)$ example

**Fig. 8** The Sill distribution of the  $a_0(980)$  and the  $\eta\pi$  and  $\bar{K}K$  channels. The non-BW form due to the  $KK$  threshold is evident



# Multichannel decay law

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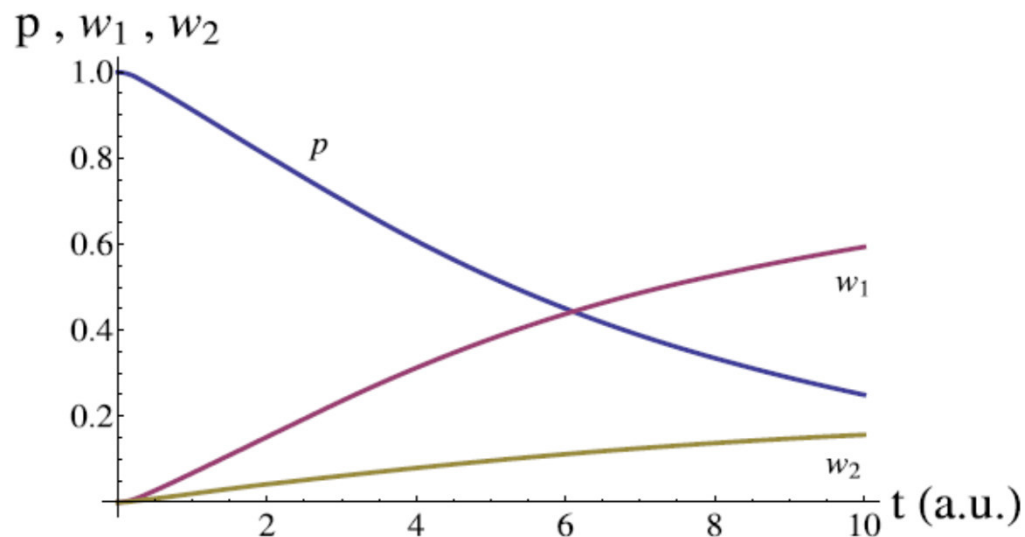
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## Multichannel decay law

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**Fig. 1.** The survival probability  $p(t)$  of Eq. (1) and the decay probabilities  $w_1(t)$  and  $w_2(t)$  of Eq. (14) are plotted as function of  $t$ . The constraint  $p + w_1 + w_2 = 1$  holds. Note,  $t$  is expressed in a.u. of  $[M^{-1}]$ .

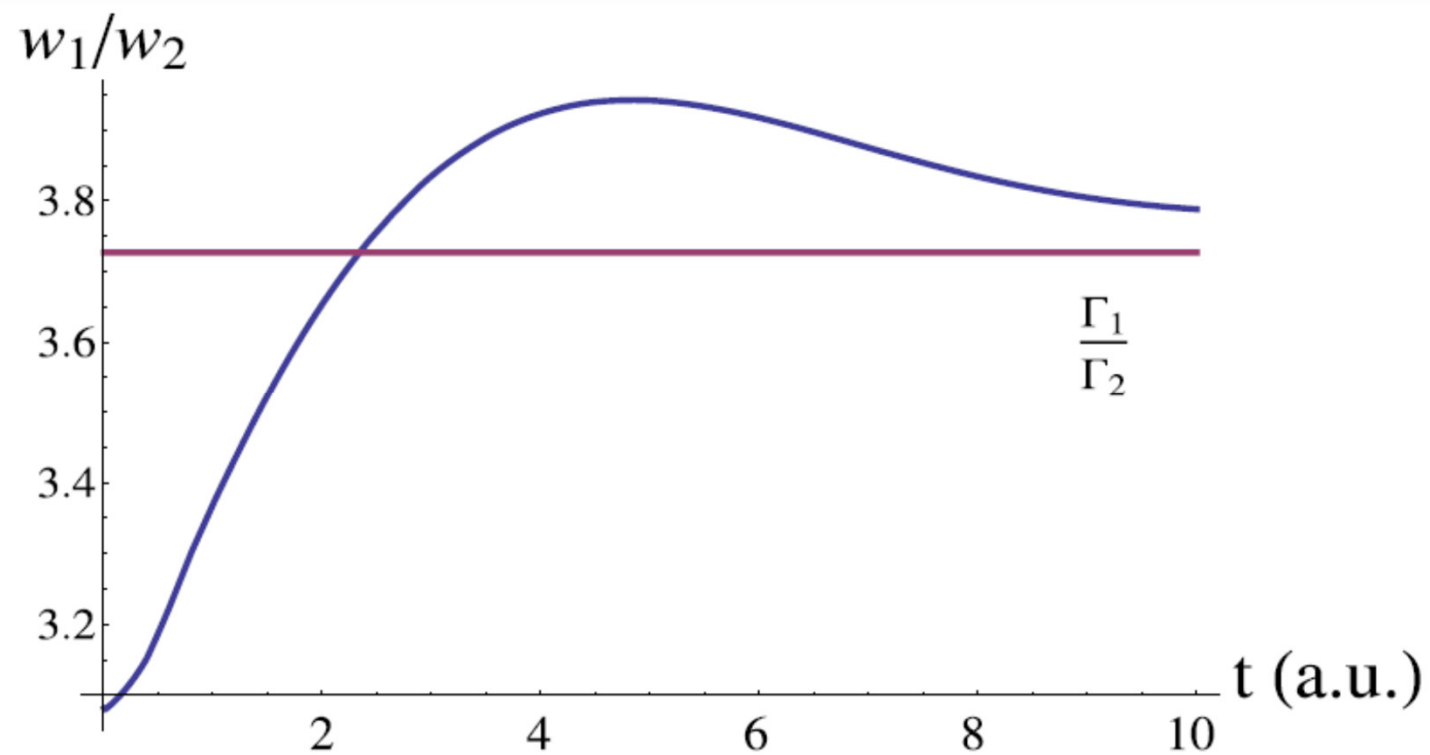
$w_1(t)$  is the probability that the decay has occurred in the first channel between  $(0, t)$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N w_i = 1 - p(t)$$

$$w_i(t) = \int_{E_{th,i}}^{\infty} dE \frac{2E^2 \Gamma_i(E)}{\pi} \left| \int_{E_{th,1}}^{\infty} dE' d_S(E') \frac{e^{-iE't} - e^{-iEt}}{E'^2 - E^2} \right|^2$$



$w_1/w_2$  is not a constant



# Recent Sill application/1

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## ***XYZ spectroscopy at electron-hadron facilities. II. Semi-inclusive processes with pion exchange***

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W. A. Smith,<sup>9,10</sup> and A. Szczepaniak<sup>9,10,11</sup>

(Joint Physics Analysis Center)

description of the  $\pi p$  mass distribution in the  $\Delta$  mass region:

$$d_{\Delta \rightarrow \pi p}(M^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\rho(M^2) \tilde{\Gamma}_{\Delta}}{[M^2 - m_{\Delta}^2]^2 + [\rho(M^2) \tilde{\Gamma}_{\Delta}]^2}, \quad (39)$$

with  $\rho(M^2) = \sqrt{M^2 - M_{\min}^2}$  and  $\tilde{\Gamma}_{\Delta} = \Gamma_{\Delta} m_{\Delta} / \rho(m_{\Delta}^2)$ . Interestingly, this function is normalized across the mass

# Recent Sill application/2

First measurement of hard exclusive  $\pi^- \Delta^{++}$  electroproduction beam-spin asymmetries off the proton

(The CLAS Collaboration)

ArXiv: 2303.11762

As a second completely independent method, a bin-by-bin background subtraction was performed based on a fit of the complete distribution (signal + background) with a so-called “Sill” function, which is a Breit-Wigner distribution including threshold effects [28] plus a fifth-order polynomial background in each  $Q^2$ ,  $x_B$ ,  $-t$  and  $\phi$  bin and for each helicity state. After the combined fit, the signal and background contributions were separated and the asymmetry was calculated based on the pure signal events. It was found that both methods provided consistent results for the signal asymmetry within the statistical uncertainty.

# Recent Sill application/3: Xi(16260)

EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION FOR NUCLEAR RESEARCH



CERN-EP-2023-106  
30 May 2023

**Accessing the strong interaction between  $\Lambda$  baryons and charged kaons  
with the femtoscopy technique at the LHC**

ALICE Collaboration\*

ArXiv: 2305.19093

**$\Xi(1620)$**

$I(J^P) = \frac{1}{2}(?)$  Status: \*  
 $J, P$  need confirmation.

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What little evidence there is consists of weak signals in the  $\Xi\pi$  channel. A number of other experiments (e.g., BORENSTEIN 72 and HASSALL 81) have looked for but not seen any effect.

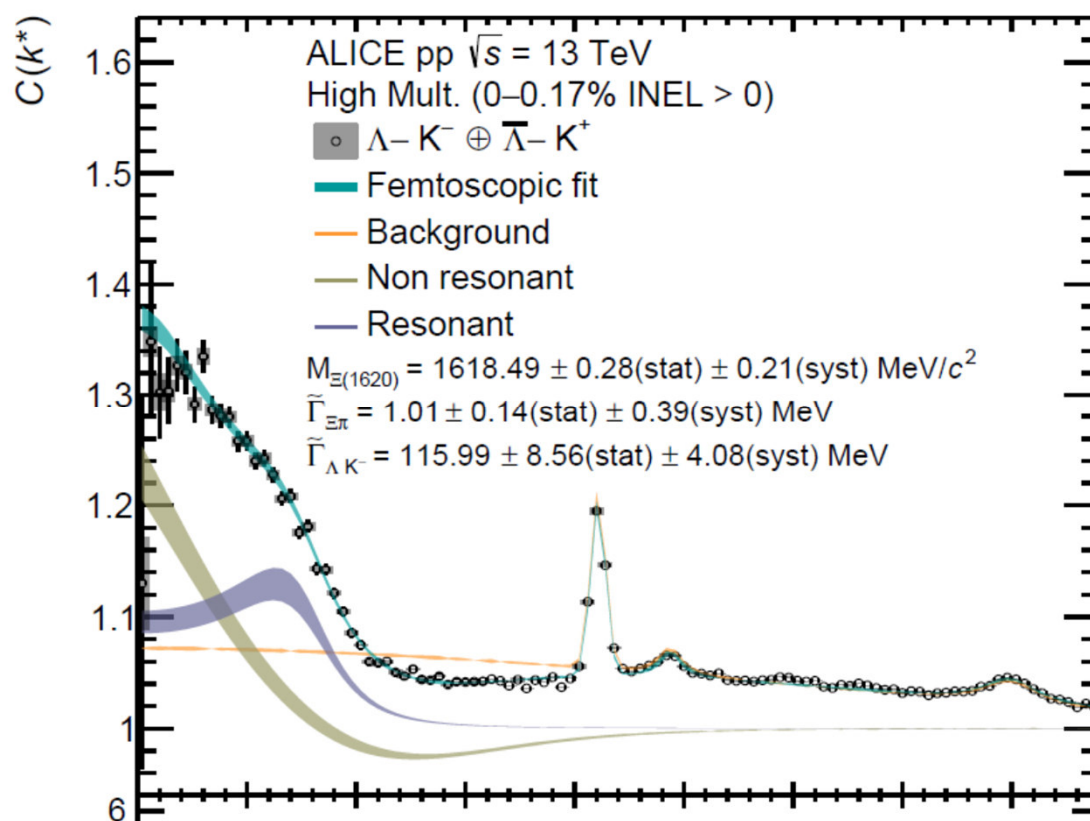
## $\Xi(1620)$ MASS

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
$\approx 1620$	OUR ESTIMATE			

## $\Xi(1620)$ DECAY MODES

Mode
$\Gamma_1 \quad \Xi\pi$

$$f(k^*) = \frac{-2\tilde{\Gamma}_{\Lambda K^-}}{E^2 - M^2 + i\tilde{\Gamma}_{\Xi\pi}\sqrt{E^2 - E_{\text{thr},\Xi\pi}^2} + i\tilde{\Gamma}_{\Lambda K^-}\sqrt{E^2 - E_{\text{thr},\Lambda K^-}^2}}$$



# Hybrid meson and the Sill

# Toward a nonet of hybrid state/PDG

$\pi_1(1600)$

$$I^G(J^{PC}) = 1^-(1^-+)$$

See the review on "Spectroscopy of Light Meson Resonances" and a note in PDG 06, Journal of Physics **G33** 1 (2006).

$\pi_1(1600)$  T-Matrix Pole  $\sqrt{s}$

$\pi_1(1600)$  MASS

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
$1661^{+15}_{-11}$ OUR AVERAGE				Error includes scale factor of 1.2.

$\pi_1(1600)$  WIDTH

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
$240 \pm 50$ OUR AVERAGE				Error includes scale factor of 1.7. See the ideogram below.

$\pi_1(1600)$  DECAY MODES

	Mode	Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )
$\Gamma_1$	$\pi \pi \pi$	seen
$\Gamma_2$	$\rho^0 \pi^-$	seen
$\Gamma_3$	$f_2(1270) \pi^-$	not seen
$\Gamma_4$	$b_1(1235) \pi$	seen
$\Gamma_5$	$\eta'(958) \pi^-$	seen
$\Gamma_6$	$\eta \pi$	
$\Gamma_7$	$f_1(1285) \pi$	seen

$\pi_1(1400)$

$$I^G(J^{PC}) = 1^-(1^-+)$$

$\pi_1(1400)$  MASS

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	CHG	COMMENT
$1354 \pm 25$ OUR AVERAGE					Error includes scale factor of 1.8. See the ideogram below.

$\pi_1(1400)$  WIDTH

VALUE (MeV)	EVTS	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	CHG	COMMENT
$330 \pm 35$ OUR AVERAGE					

$\pi_1(1400)$  DECAY MODES

	Mode	Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )
$\Gamma_1$	$\eta \pi^0$	seen
$\Gamma_2$	$\eta \pi^-$	seen

# A unique $I=1$ hybrid state

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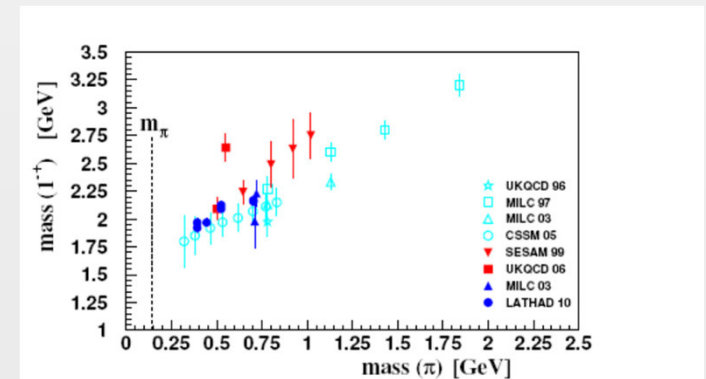
## Determination of the Pole Position of the Lightest Hybrid Meson Candidate

A. Rodas,<sup>1,\*</sup> A. Pilloni,<sup>2,3,†</sup> M. Albaladejo,<sup>2,4</sup> C. Fernández-Ramírez,<sup>5</sup> A. Jackura,<sup>6,7</sup> V. Mathieu,<sup>2</sup> M. Mikhasenko,<sup>8</sup> J. Nys,<sup>9</sup> V. Pauk,<sup>10</sup> B. Ketzer,<sup>8</sup> and A. P. Szczepaniak<sup>2,6,7</sup>

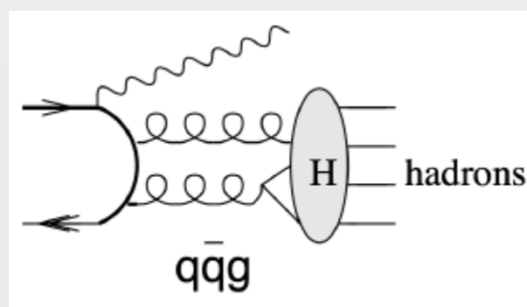
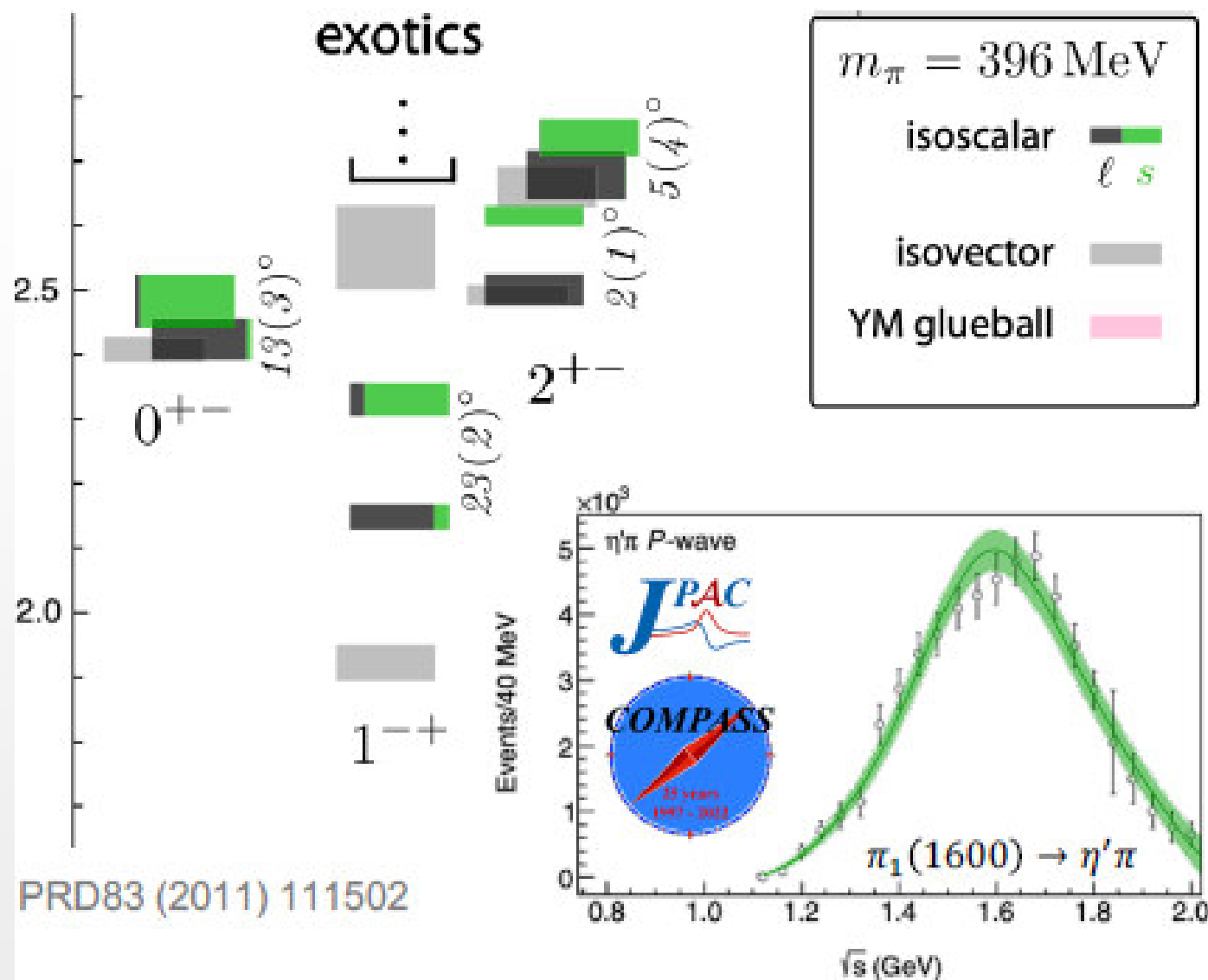
Mapping states with explicit gluonic degrees of freedom in the light sector is a challenge, and has led to controversies in the past. In particular, the experiments have reported two different hybrid candidates with spin-exotic signature,  $\pi_1(1400)$  and  $\pi_1(1600)$ , which couple separately to  $\eta\pi$  and  $\eta'\pi$ . This picture is not compatible with recent Lattice QCD estimates for hybrid states, nor with most phenomenological models. We consider the recent partial wave analysis of the  $\eta^{(\prime)}\pi$  system by the COMPASS Collaboration. We fit the extracted intensities and phases with a coupled-channel amplitude that enforces the unitarity and analyticity of the  $S$  matrix. We provide a robust extraction of a single exotic  $\pi_1$  resonant pole, with mass and width  $1564 \pm 24 \pm 86$  and  $492 \pm 54 \pm 102$  MeV, which couples to both  $\eta^{(\prime)}\pi$  channels. We find no evidence for a second exotic state. We also provide the resonance parameters of the  $a_2(1320)$  and  $a'_2(1700)$ .

$\pi_1(1600)$  and  $\pi_1(1400)$  are the same state  
(in agreement with various models and lattice QCD)

C. Meyer and E. Swanson,  
Hybrid Mesons,  
Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 82 (2015) 21  
[arXiv:1502.07276 [hep-ph]].







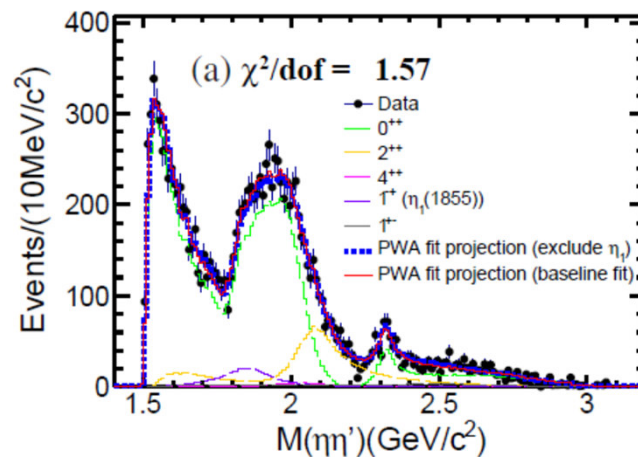
# New experimental finding: $\eta_1(1855)$

## Observation of an isoscalar resonance with exotic $J^{PC} = 1^{-+}$ quantum numbers in $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta\eta'$

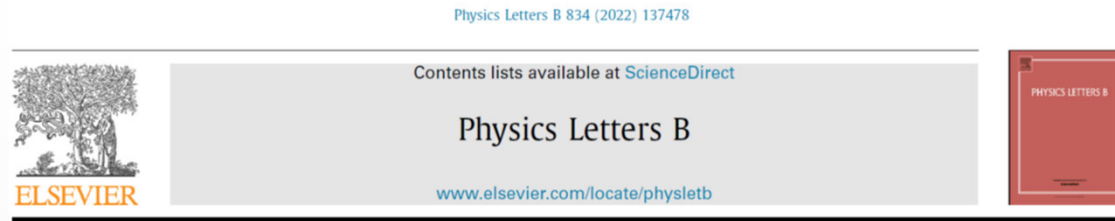
M. Ablikim<sup>1</sup>, M. N. Achasov<sup>10,b</sup>, P. Adlarson<sup>68</sup>, S. Ahmed<sup>14</sup>, M. Albrecht<sup>4</sup>, R. Aliberti<sup>28</sup>, A. Amoroso<sup>67A,67C</sup>, M. R. An<sup>32</sup>,

Using a sample of  $(10.09 \pm 0.04) \times 10^9$   $J/\psi$  events collected with the BESIII detector operating at the BEPCII storage ring, a partial wave analysis of the decay  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta\eta'$  is performed. The first observation of an isoscalar state with exotic quantum numbers  $J^{PC} = 1^{-+}$ , denoted as  $\eta_1(1855)$ , is reported in the process  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\eta_1(1855)$  with  $\eta_1(1855) \rightarrow \eta\eta'$ . Its mass and width are measured to be  $(1855 \pm 9_{-1}^{+6})$  MeV/ $c^2$  and  $(188 \pm 18_{-8}^{+3})$  MeV, respectively, where the first uncertainties are statistical and the second are systematic, and its statistical significance is estimated to be larger than  $19\sigma$ .

*Phys.Rev.Lett.* 129 (2022) 19, 192002 [2202.00621](#) [hep-ex]



# A nonet of hybrid states?



The phenomenology of the exotic hybrid nonet with  $\pi_1(1600)$  and  $\eta_1(1855)$

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arXiv:2203.04327

Beides  $\pi_1(1600)$  and  $\eta_1(1855)$ , we expect also:  $K_1(1750)$  and  $\eta_1(1660)$ . The last two not yet seen.

$\pi_1(1600)$

	M (MeV)
$K_1^{hyb}$	1761
$\eta_1^I$	1661
$\eta_1^H$	1855

Channel	Width (MeV)	Channel	Width (MeV)
$\Gamma_{b_1\pi}$	$220 \pm 34$	$\Gamma_{f_1\pi}$	$16.2 \pm 3.1$
$\Gamma_{\rho\pi}$	$7.1 \pm 1.8$	$\Gamma_{f_1'\pi}$	$0.83 \pm 0.16$
$\Gamma_{K^*K}$	$1.2 \pm 0.3$	$\Gamma_{\eta\pi}$	$0.37 \pm 0.08$
$\Gamma_{\rho\omega}$	$0.08 \pm 0.03$	$\Gamma_{\eta'\pi}$	$4.6 \pm 1.0$
		$\Gamma_{tot}$	$250 \pm 34$

# Predictions for hybrids

$\eta_1^{hyb}(1660)$

Channel	Width (MeV)
	Set-1
$\Gamma_{a_1\pi}$	$80 \pm 15$
$\Gamma_{K^*K}$	$0.29 \pm 0.075$
$\Gamma_{\eta'\eta}$	$0.41 \pm 0.09$
$\Gamma_{K_1(1270)K}$	0
$\Gamma_{\rho\rho}$	$0.081 \pm 0.028$
$\Gamma_{K^*K^*}$	0
$\Gamma_{\omega\phi}$	0
$\Gamma_{f_1\eta}$	0
$\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$	$81 \pm 15$

$\eta_1(1855)$

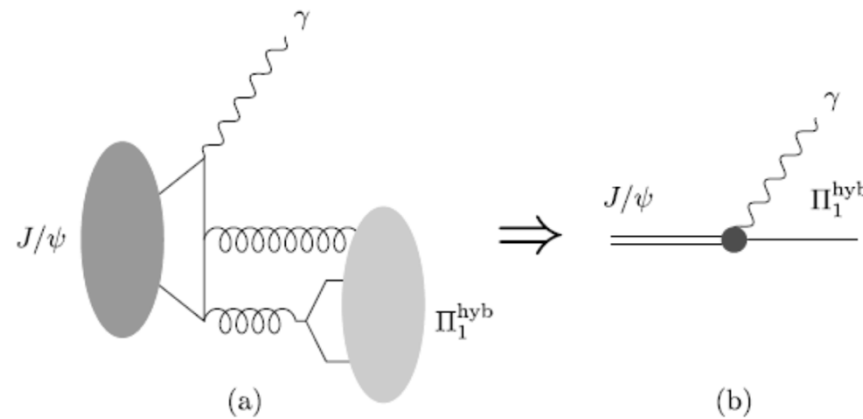
Channel	Width (MeV)
	Set-1
$\Gamma_{K_1(1270)K}$	$253 \pm 92$
$\Gamma_{K^*K}$	$1.45 \pm 0.37$
$\Gamma_{\eta'\eta}$	$2.28 \pm 0.51$
$\Gamma_{a_1\pi}$	0
$\Gamma_{\rho\rho}$	0
$\Gamma_{K^*K^*}$	$0.075 \pm 0.027$
$\Gamma_{\omega\phi}$	$\sim 10^{-4}$
$\Gamma_{f_1\eta}$	$2.15 \pm 0.56$
$\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$	$259 \pm 92$

$K_1^{hyb}(1750)$

Channel	Width (MeV)
	Set-1
$\Gamma_{K_1(1270)\pi}$	$125 \pm 42$
$\Gamma_{K_1(1400)\pi}$	$103 \pm 45$
$\Gamma_{h_1(1170)K}$	$1.53 \pm 0.28$
$\Gamma_{\eta K}$	$0.29 \pm 0.07$
$\Gamma_{\eta'K}$	$2.77 \pm 0.62$
$\Gamma_{\rho K^*}$	$0.045 \pm 0.016$
$\Gamma_{a_1K}$	$11.0 \pm 2.32$
$\Gamma_{\rho K}$	$2.18 \pm 0.56$
$\Gamma_{\omega K}$	$0.82 \pm 0.21$
$\Gamma_{\phi K}$	$0.49 \pm 0.12$
$\Gamma_{K^*\pi}$	$0.67 \pm 0.17$
$\Gamma_{K^*\eta}$	$0.30 \pm 0.08$
$\Gamma_{\omega K^*}$	$0.011 \pm 0.004$
$\Gamma_{b_1K}$	$64 \pm 14$
$\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$	$312 \pm 97$

# Radiative production and decays of the exotic $\eta'_1(1855)$ and its siblings

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# J/Psi decay and the Sill

Production Channel ( $\phi_1\phi_2$ )	Branching ratio ( $10^{-4}$ ) Set-1 $\theta_h = 0^\circ$
$a_1\pi$	$4.8 \pm 1.4$
$K^*K$	$(1.73 \pm 0.49) \times 10^{-2}$
$\eta'\eta$	$(2.28 \pm 0.65) \times 10^{-2}$
$\rho\rho$	$(4.4 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-3}$
$K_1(1270)K$	$2.45 \pm 0.70$
$K^*K$	$(1.86 \pm 0.53) \times 10^{-2}$
$K^*K^*$	$(7.2 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-4}$
$f_1(1285)\eta$	$(27.6 \pm 7.9) \times 10^{-3}$
$\eta\eta'$	$(2.70 \pm 0.76) \times 10^{-2}$ [10]

The branching ratios of the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \eta_1^{hyb}(1660) \rightarrow \gamma \phi_1 \phi_2$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma \eta_1'(1855) \rightarrow \gamma \phi_1 \phi_2$

$$\Gamma_{A \rightarrow BC_1 C_2} = \int_{s_{th}}^{(\Delta M_{AC_2})^2} ds \Gamma_{A \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^* C_2}(s) d_s^i(s)$$

Sill implemented in  
all decays above

# Conclusions and outlook

## Features of the Sill

- simple Flatte-like relativistic implementation of threshold(s);
- generalization of BW
- Normalization, simple propagator

## Applications to (un)conventional states

- $\rho$ ,  $a_1$ ,  $K^*(892)$ , and  $a_0$  mesons as examples
- Delta baryon
- $\Xi(1620)$  baryon
- $J/\Psi$  decay into hybrids

Thanks!



# Symmetries of QCD



**Born** Giuseppe Lodovico Lagrangia  
25 January 1736  
Turin

**Died** 10 April 1813 (aged 77)  
Paris

# Trace anomaly: the emergence of a dimension

**Chiral limit:**  $m_i = 0$

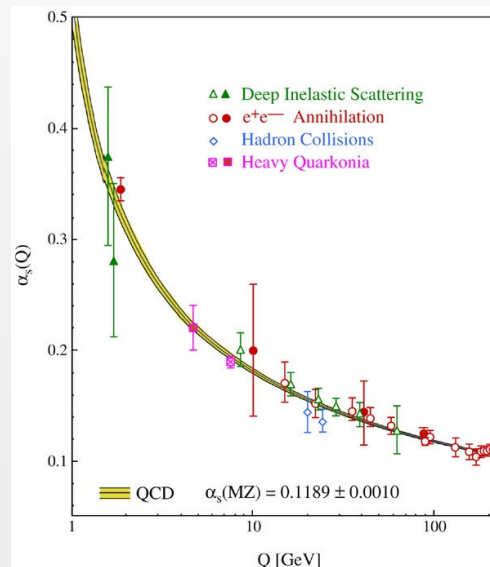
$$x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = \lambda^{-1} x^\mu$$

is a classical symmetry broken by quantum fluctuations  
(trace anomaly)

**Dimensional transmutation**

$$\Lambda_{\text{YM}} \approx 250 \text{ MeV}$$

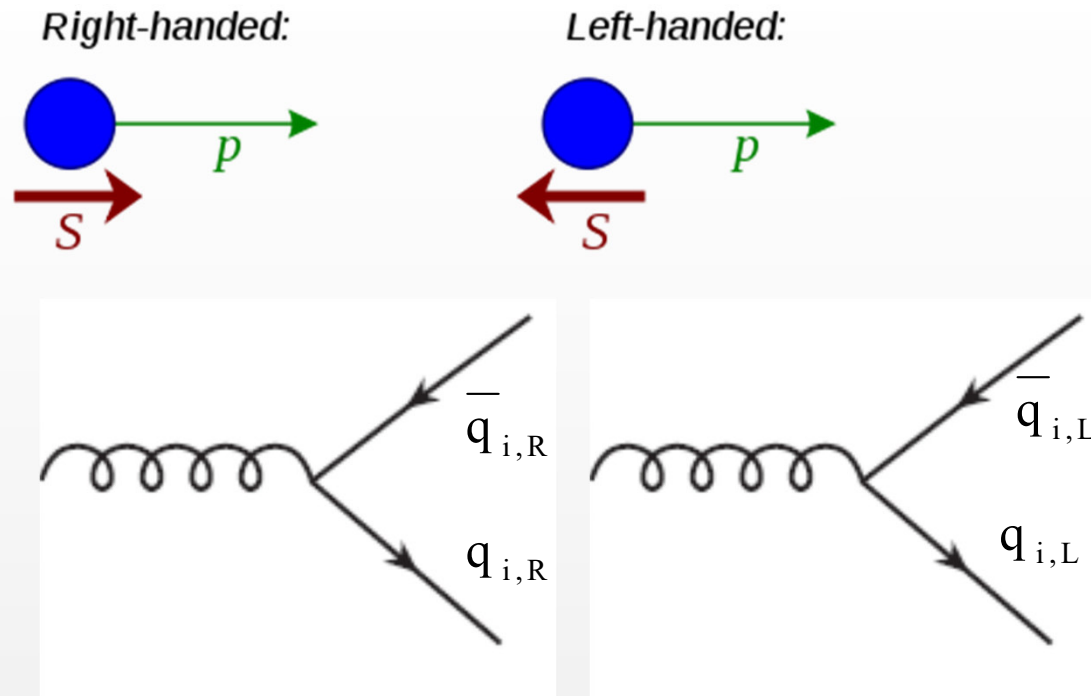
$$\alpha_s(\mu = Q) = \frac{g^2(Q)}{4\pi}$$



Effective gluon mass:  $m_{\text{gluon}} = 0 \rightarrow m_{\text{gluon}}^* \approx 500 - 800 \text{ MeV}$

Gluon condensate:  $\langle G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu} \rangle \neq 0$

# Chiral symmetry



$$q_i = q_{i,R} + q_{i,L}$$

$$q_{i,R} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma^5) q_i$$

$$q_{i,L} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma^5) q_i$$

$$q_i = q_{i,R} + q_{i,L} \rightarrow U_{ij}^R q_{j,R} + U_{ij}^L q_{j,L}$$

$$U(3)_R \times U(3)_L = U(1)_{R+L} \times U(1)_{R-L} \times SU(3)_R \times SU(3)_L$$

baryon number

anomaly U(1)<sub>A</sub>

SSB into SU(3)<sub>v</sub>

Chiral (or axial) anomaly: explicitly broken by quantum fluctuations

$$\partial^\mu (\bar{q}^i \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q^i) = \frac{3g^2}{16\pi^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \text{tr}(G_{\mu\nu} G_{\rho\sigma})$$

In the chiral limit ( $m_i=0$ ) chiral symmetry is exact, but is **spontaneously broken** by the QCD vacuum

# Conventional mesons: quark-antiquark states

# Hadrons

The QCD Lagrangian contains ‘colored’ quarks and gluons. However, no ‘colored’ state has been seen.

Confinement: physical states are “white” and are called hadrons.

Hadrons can be:

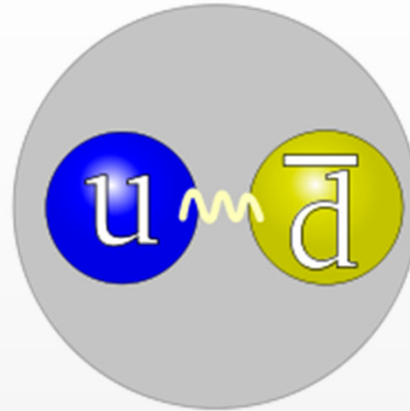
Mesons: bosonic hadrons

Baryons: fermionic hadrons

A meson is **not necessarily** a quark-antiquark state.

A quark-antiquark state is a conventional meson.

# Example of conventional quark-antiquark states: the $\rho$ and the $\pi$ mesons



Rho-meson

$$m_{\rho^+} = 775 \text{ MeV}$$

where

$$|\rho^+\rangle \propto |u\bar{d}\rangle + \frac{1}{N_c} (|\pi^+\pi^0\rangle + \dots)$$

$$|u\bar{d}\rangle = |\text{valence } u + \text{valence } \bar{d} + \text{gluons}\rangle$$

Pion

$$m_{\pi^+} = 139 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_u + m_d \approx 7 \text{ MeV}$$

Mass generation in QCD  
is a nonpert. phenomenon  
based on SSB  
(mentioned previously).

# Quark-antiquark mesons (PDG 2018)

$n^{2s+1}\ell_J$	$J^{PC}$	$l = 1$ $u\bar{d}, \bar{u}d, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(d\bar{d} - u\bar{u})$	$l = \frac{1}{2}$ $u\bar{s}, d\bar{s}; \bar{d}s, -\bar{u}s$	$l = 0$ $f'$	$l = 0$ $f$	$\theta_{\text{quad}}$ [°]	$\theta_{\text{lin}}$ [°]
$1^1S_0$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi$	$K$	$\eta$	$\eta'(958)$	-11.3	-24.5
$1^3S_1$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(770)$	$K^*(892)$	$\phi(1020)$	$\omega(782)$	39.2	36.5
$1^1P_1$	$1^{+-}$	$b_1(1235)$	$K_{1B}^\dagger$	$h_1(1380)$	$h_1(1170)$		
$1^3P_0$	$0^{++}$	$a_0(1450)$	$K_0^*(1430)$	$f_0(1710)$	$f_0(1370)$		
$1^3P_1$	$1^{++}$	$a_1(1260)$	$K_{1A}^\dagger$	$f_1(1420)$	$f_1(1285)$		
$1^3P_2$	$2^{++}$	$a_2(1320)$	$K_2^*(1430)$	$f_2'(1525)$	$f_2(1270)$	29.6	28.0
$1^1D_2$	$2^{-+}$	$\pi_2(1670)$	$K_2(1770)^\dagger$	$\eta_2(1870)$	$\eta_2(1645)$		
$1^3D_1$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(1700)$	$K^*(1680)$		$\omega(1650)$		
$1^3D_2$	$2^{--}$		$K_2(1820)$				
$1^3D_3$	$3^{--}$	$\rho_3(1690)$	$K_3^*(1780)$	$\phi_3(1850)$	$\omega_3(1670)$	31.8	30.8
$1^3F_4$	$4^{++}$	$a_4(2040)$	$K_4^*(2045)$		$f_4(2050)$		
$1^3G_5$	$5^{--}$	$\rho_5(2350)$	$K_5^*(2380)$				
$1^3H_6$	$6^{++}$	$a_6(2450)$			$f_6(2510)$		
$2^1S_0$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi(1300)$	$K(1460)$	$\eta(1475)$	$\eta(1295)$		
$2^3S_1$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(1450)$	$K^*(1410)$	$\phi(1680)$	$\omega(1420)$		
$3^1S_0$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi(1800)$			$\eta(1760)$		

# Quark-antiquark mesons (PDG 2018)

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$1^3H_6$	$6^{++}$	$a_6(2450)$			$f_6(2510)$		
$2^1S_0$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi(1300)$	$K(1460)$	$\eta(1475)$	$\eta(1295)$		
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$3^1S_0$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi(1800)$			$\eta(1760)$		



# Some selected nonets

$n^{2S+1}L_J$	$J^{PC}$	I=1 $u\bar{d}, d\bar{u}$ $\frac{d\bar{d}-u\bar{u}}{\sqrt{2}}$	I=1/2 $u\bar{s}, d\bar{s}$ $s\bar{d}, s\bar{u}$	I=0 $\approx \frac{u\bar{u}+d\bar{d}}{\sqrt{2}}$	I=0 $\approx s\bar{s}$	Meson names	Chiral Partners
$1^1S_0$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi$	$K$	$\eta(547)$	$\eta'(958)$	Pseudoscalar	$J = 0$
$1^3P_0$	$0^{++}$	$a_0(1450)$	$K_0^*(1430)$	$f_0(1370)$	$f_0(1500)/f_0(1710)$	Scalar	
$1^3S_1$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(770)$	$K^*(892)$	$\omega(782)$	$\phi(1020)$	Vector	$J = 1$
$1^3P_1$	$1^{++}$	$a_1(1260)$	$K_{1A}$	$f_1(1285)$	$f_1'(1420)$	Axial-vector	
$1^1P_1$	$1^{+-}$	$b_1(1235)$	$K_{1B}$	$h_1(1170)$	$h_1(1415)$	Pseudovector	$J = 1^*$
$1^3D_1$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(1700)$	$K^*(1680)$	$\omega(1650)$	$\phi(???)$	Excited-vector	
$1^3P_2$	$2^{++}$	$a_2(1320)$	$K_2^*(1430)$	$f_2(1270)$	$f_2'(1525)$	Tensor	$J = 2$
$1^3D_2$	$2^{--}$	$\rho_2(???)$	$K_2(1820)$	$\omega_2(???)$	$\phi_2(???)$	Axial-tensor	
$1^1D_2$	$2^{-+}$	$\pi_2(1670)$	$K_2(1770)$	$\eta_2(1645)$	$\eta_2(1870)$	Pseudotensor	
$1^3D_3$	$3^{--}$	$\rho_3(1690)$	$K_3^*(1780)$	$\omega_3(1670)$	$\phi_3(1850)$	$J = 3$ - Tensor	

# Chiral partners

$n^{2S+1}L_J$	$J^{PC}$	I=1 $u\bar{d}, d\bar{u}$ $\frac{d\bar{d}-u\bar{u}}{\sqrt{2}}$	I=1/2 $u\bar{s}, d\bar{s}$ $s\bar{d}, s\bar{u}$	I=0 $\approx \frac{u\bar{u}+d\bar{d}}{\sqrt{2}}$	I=0 $\approx s\bar{s}$	Meson names	Chiral Partners
$1^1S_0$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi$	$K$	$\eta(547)$	$\eta'(958)$	Pseudoscalar	$J = 0$
$1^3P_0$	$0^{++}$	$a_0(1450)$	$K_0^*(1430)$	$f_0(1370)$	$f_0(1500)/f_0(1710)$	Scalar	
$1^3S_1$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(770)$	$K^*(892)$	$\omega(782)$	$\phi(1020)$	Vector	$J = 1$
$1^3P_1$	$1^{++}$	$a_1(1260)$	$K_{1A}$	$f_1(1285)$	$f_1'(1420)$	Axial-vector	
$1^1P_1$	$1^{+-}$	$b_1(1235)$	$K_{1B}$	$h_1(1170)$	$h_1(1415)$	Pseudovector	$J = 1^*$
$1^3D_1$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(1700)$	$K^*(1680)$	$\omega(1650)$	$\phi(???)$	Excited-vector	
$1^3P_2$	$2^{++}$	$a_2(1320)$	$K_2^*(1430)$	$f_2(1270)$	$f_2'(1525)$	Tensor	$J = 2$
$1^3D_2$	$2^{--}$	$\rho_2(???)$	$K_2(1820)$	$\omega_2(???)$	$\phi_2(???)$	Axial-tensor	
$1^1D_2$	$2^{-+}$	$\pi_2(1670)$	$K_2(1770)$	$\eta_2(1645)$	$\eta_2(1870)$	Pseudotensor	
$1^3D_3$	$3^{--}$	$\rho_3(1690)$	$K_3^*(1780)$	$\omega_3(1670)$	$\phi_3(1850)$	$J = 3$ - Tensor	

TABLE I. Chiral multiplets, their currents, and transformations up to  $J = 3$ . [\* and/or  $f_0(1500)$ ; \*\*a mix of.] The first two columns correspond to the assignment suggested in the Quark Model review of the PDG [8], to which we refer for further details and references (see also the discussion in the text).

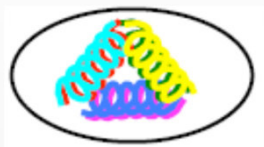
$J^{PC}, {}^{2S+1}L_J$	$\begin{cases} I = 1(\bar{u}d, \bar{d}u, \frac{\bar{d}d - \bar{u}u}{\sqrt{2}}) \\ I = 1(-\bar{u}s, \bar{s}u, \bar{d}s, \bar{s}d) \\ I = 0(\frac{\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d}{\sqrt{2}}, \bar{s}s)^{**} \end{cases}$	Microscopic currents	Chiral multiplet	Transformation under $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times U(1)_A$
$0^{-+}, {}^1S_0$	$\begin{cases} \pi \\ K \\ \eta, \eta'(958) \end{cases}$	$P^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j i \gamma^5 q^i$	$\Phi = S + iP$ ( $\Phi^{ij} = \bar{q}_R^j q_L^i$ )	$\Phi \rightarrow e^{-2i\alpha} U_L \Phi U_R^\dagger$
$0^{++}, {}^3P_0$	$\begin{cases} a_0(1450) \\ K_0^*(1430) \\ f_0(1370), f_0(1710)^* \end{cases}$	$S^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j q^i$		
$1^{--}, {}^1S_1$	$\begin{cases} \rho(770) \\ K^*(892) \\ \omega(782), \phi(1020) \end{cases}$	$V_\mu^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j \gamma_\mu q^i$	$L_\mu = V_\mu + A_\mu$ ( $L_\mu^{ij} = \bar{q}_L^j \gamma_\mu q_L^i$ )	$L_\mu \rightarrow U_L L_\mu U_L^\dagger$
$1^{++}, {}^3P_1$	$\begin{cases} a_1(1260) \\ K_{1A} \\ f_1(1285), f_1(1420) \end{cases}$	$A_\mu^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j \gamma^5 \gamma_\mu q^i$	$R_\mu = V_\mu - A_\mu$ ( $R_\mu^{ij} = \bar{q}_R^j \gamma_\mu q_R^i$ )	$R_\mu \rightarrow U_R R_\mu U_R^\dagger$
$1^{+-}, {}^1P_1$	$\begin{cases} b_1(1235) \\ K_{1B} \\ h_1(1170), h_1(1380) \end{cases}$	$P_\mu^{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j \gamma^5 \vec{D}_\mu q^i$	$\Phi_\mu = S_\mu + iP_\mu$ ( $\Phi_\mu^{ij} = \bar{q}_R^j i \vec{D}_\mu q_L^i$ )	$\Phi_\mu \rightarrow e^{-2i\alpha} U_L \Phi_\mu U_R^\dagger$
$1^{--}, {}^3D_1$	$\begin{cases} \rho(1700) \\ K^*(1680) \\ \omega(1650), \phi(?) \end{cases}$	$S_\mu^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j i \vec{D}_\mu q^i$		
$2^{++}, {}^3P_2$	$\begin{cases} a_2(1320) \\ K_2^*(1430) \\ f_2(1270), f_2'(1525) \end{cases}$	$V_{\mu\nu}^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j (\gamma_\mu i \vec{D}_\nu + \dots) q^i$	$L_{\mu\nu} = V_{\mu\nu} + A_{\mu\nu}$ ( $L_{\mu\nu}^{ij} = \bar{q}_L^j (\gamma_\mu i \vec{D}_\nu + \dots) q_L^i$ )	$L_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow U_L L_{\mu\nu} U_L^\dagger$
$2^{--}, {}^3D_2$	$\begin{cases} \rho_2(?) \\ K_2(1820) \\ \omega_2(?), \phi_2(?) \end{cases}$	$A_{\mu\nu}^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j (\gamma^5 \gamma_\mu i \vec{D}_\nu + \dots) q^i$	$R_{\mu\nu} = V_{\mu\nu} - A_{\mu\nu}$ ( $R_{\mu\nu}^{ij} = \bar{q}_R^j (\gamma_\mu i \vec{D}_\nu + \dots) q_R^i$ )	$R_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow U_R R_{\mu\nu} U_R^\dagger$
$2^{-+}, {}^1D_2$	$\begin{cases} \pi_2(1670) \\ K_2(1770) \\ \eta_2(1645), \eta_2(1870) \end{cases}$	$P_{\mu\nu}^{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j (i \gamma^5 \vec{D}_\mu \vec{D}_\nu + \dots) q^i$	$\Phi_{\mu\nu} = S_{\mu\nu} + iP_{\mu\nu}$ ( $\Phi_{\mu\nu}^{ij} = \bar{q}_R^j (\vec{D}_\mu \vec{D}_\nu + \dots) q_L^i$ )	$\Phi_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow e^{-2i\alpha} U_L \Phi_{\mu\nu} U_R^\dagger$
$2^{++}, {}^3F_2$	$\begin{cases} a_2(?) \\ K_2^*(?) \\ f_2(?), f_2'(?), f_2''(?) \end{cases}$	$S_{\mu\nu}^{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \bar{q}^j (\vec{D}_\mu \vec{D}_\nu + \dots) q^i$		
$3^{--}, {}^3D_3$	$\begin{cases} \rho_3(1690) \\ K_3^*(1780) \\ \omega_3(1670), \phi_3(1850) \end{cases}$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

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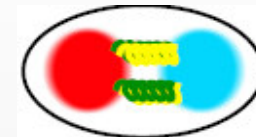
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# Non-conventional mesons: beyond $q\bar{q}$

## 1) Glueballs



## 2) Hybrids



Compact diquark-antidiquark states



## 3) Four-quark states

Molecular states (a type of dynamical generation)



Companion poles (another type of dynamical generation)

# (Some) novel results for conventional mesons

- For a given nonet , write down the corresponding model-Lagrangian respecting flavor (or if possible chiral) symmetry.
- Consider only C, P, invariant terms
- Calculate decays in all possible channels (first at tree-level, in some selected case including finite width or loop effects;
- Fit free parameters to known experimental value;
- Make postdictions and predictions.

# Tensor and (axial-)tensors

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$1^3P_2$	$2^{++}$	$a_2(1320)$	$K_2^*(1430)$	$f_2(1270)$	$f'_2(1525)$	Tensor	$J = 2$
$1^3D_2$	$2^{--}$	$\rho_2(???)$	$K_2(1820)$	$\omega_2(???)$	$\phi_2(???)$	Axial-tensor	
$1^1D_2$	$2^{-+}$	$\pi_2(1670)$	$K_2(1770)$	$\eta_2(1645)$	$\eta_2(1870)$	Pseudotensor	
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## From well-known tensor mesons to yet unknown axial-tensor mesons

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While the ground-state tensor ( $J^{PC} = 2^{++}$ ) mesons  $a_2(1320)$ ,  $K_2^*(1430)$ ,  $f_2(1270)$ , and  $f_2'(1525)$  are well known experimentally and form an almost ideal nonet of quark-antiquark states, their chiral partners, the ground-states axial-tensor ( $J^{PC} = 2^{--}$ ) mesons are poorly settled: only the kaonic member  $K_2(1820)$  of the nonet has been experimentally found, whereas the isovector state  $\rho_2$  and two isoscalar states  $\omega_2$  and  $\phi_2$  are still missing. Here, we study masses, strong, and radiative decays of tensor and axial-tensor mesons within a chiral model that links them: the established tensor mesons are used to test the model and to determine its parameters, and subsequently various predictions for their chiral partners, the axial-tensor mesons, are obtained. The results are compared to current lattice QCD outcomes as well as to other theoretical approaches and show that the ground-state axial-tensor mesons are expected to be quite broad, the vector-pseudoscalar mode being the most prominent decay mode followed by the tensor-pseudoscalar one. Nonetheless, their experimental finding seems to be possible in ongoing and/or future experiments.

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