

# $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ Decays and the $\Delta I = 1/2$ rule

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## A warning: not a review talk

- This topic has long history, a lot of work has been done (effective theories, lattice and more)
- I only present here the work done by RBC and UKQCD collaborations
- Apologies if I don't mention your work or your favorite computation

- Introduction:  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  and CP violation
- Overview of the computation
- $K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=2}$  channel
- $K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=0}$  channel
- Emerging understanding of the  $\Delta I = 1/2$  rule

# $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ and CP violation

## Background: Kaon decays and CP violation

- First discovery of CP violation was made in kaon system in 1964 (Christenson, Cronin, Fitch and Turlay)
- Noble prize in 1980 (Cronin and Fitch)
- Direct CP violation discovered in kaon decays [NA31, KTeV, NA48, '90-99]
- Very nice measurements of both direct and indirect CP violation (numbers from [PDG 2011])

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Indirect} \quad |\varepsilon| \quad = (2.228 \pm 0.011) \times 10^{-3} \\ \text{Direct} \quad \text{Re} \left( \frac{\varepsilon'}{\varepsilon} \right) \quad = (1.65 \pm 0.26) \times 10^{-3} \end{array} \right.$$

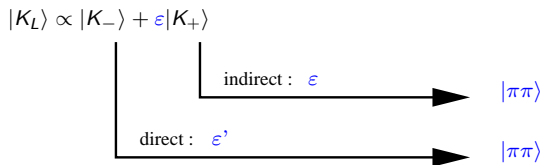
- Theoretically:  
Relate indirect CP violation parameter ( $\varepsilon$ ) to neutral kaon mixing ( $B_K$ )  
Still lacking a quantitative description of direct CP violation ( $\varepsilon'$ )
- Sensitivity to new physics expected

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Flavour eigenstates  $\left( \begin{array}{l} K^0 = \bar{s}\gamma_5 d \\ \bar{K}^0 = \bar{d}\gamma_5 s \end{array} \right) \neq$  CP eigenstates  $|K_{\pm}^0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\{|K^0\rangle \mp |\bar{K}^0\rangle\}$

They are mixed in the physical eigenstates  $\begin{cases} |K_L\rangle \sim |K_-^0\rangle + \bar{\varepsilon}|K_+^0\rangle \\ |K_S\rangle \sim |K_+^0\rangle + \bar{\varepsilon}|K_-^0\rangle \end{cases}$

Direct and indirect CP violation in  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$



$$\varepsilon = \frac{A(K_L \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=0})}{A(K_S \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=0})} = |\varepsilon|e^{i\phi_\varepsilon} \sim \bar{\varepsilon}$$

## $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ amplitudes

Two isospin channels:  $\Delta I = 1/2$  and  $\Delta I = 3/2$

$$K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=0,2}$$

Corresponding amplitudes defined as

$$A[K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_I] = A_I \exp(i\delta_I) \quad /w \ I = 0, 2 \quad \delta = \text{strong phases}$$

$\Delta I = 1/2$  rule

$$\omega = \frac{\text{Re}A_2}{\text{Re}A_0} \sim 1/22 \quad (\text{experimental number})$$

Amplitudes are related to the parameters of CP violation  $\varepsilon, \varepsilon'$  via

$$\varepsilon' = \frac{i\omega \exp(i\delta_2 - \delta_0)}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \frac{\text{Im}(A_2)}{\text{Re}A_2} - \frac{\text{Im}A_0}{\text{Re}A_0} \right]$$

$$\varepsilon = e^{i\phi_\varepsilon} \left[ \frac{\text{Im}\langle \bar{K}^0 | H_{\text{eff}}^{\Delta S=2} | K^0 \rangle}{\Delta m_K} + \frac{\text{Im}A_0}{\text{Re}A_0} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Related to  $K^0 - \bar{K}^0$  mixing

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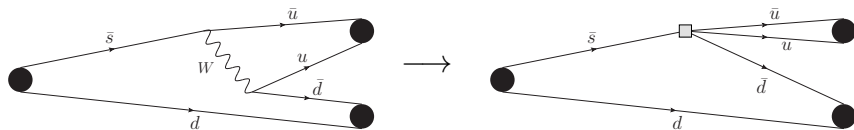
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 $\Rightarrow$  Can we extract an explanation for this phenomena ?

## Computation of $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ amplitudes

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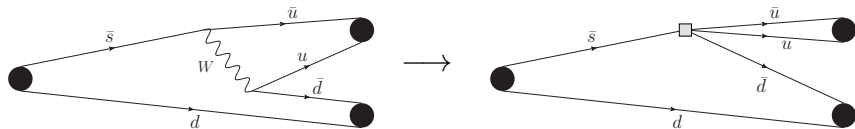


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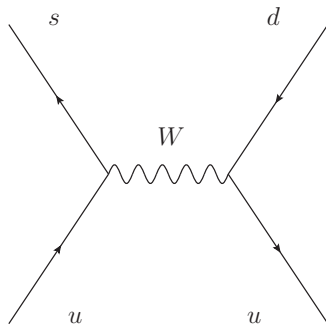
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- Amplitude given by  $A \propto \langle \pi\pi | H^{\Delta S=1} | K \rangle$
- Short distance effects factorized in the Wilson coefficients  $y_i, z_i$ , computed at NLO in [BBL '96]
- Long distance effects factorized in the matrix elements

$\langle \pi\pi | Q_i(\mu) | K \rangle \rightarrow$  task for the Lattice

See reviews by [Christ @ Kaon'09, Lellouch @ Les Houches'09, Sachrajda @ Lattice '10], ...

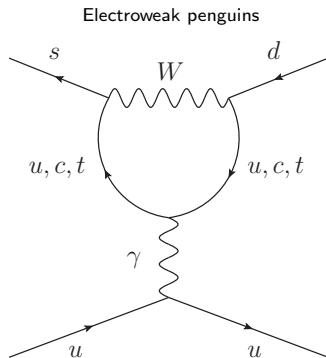
Current diagrams



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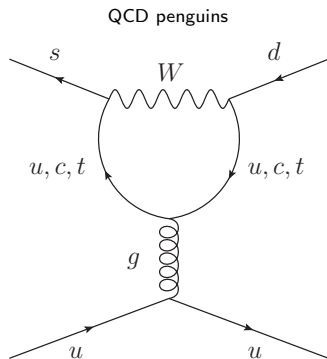
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$$Q_7 = \frac{3}{2} (\bar{s}d)_{V-A} \sum_{q=u,d,s} e_q (\bar{q}q)_{V+A} \quad Q_8 = \text{color mixed}$$

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Decomposition of the 4-quark operators gives

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see eg [\[Claude Bernard @ TASI'89\]](#) and [\[RBC'01\]](#)

## $SU(3)_L \otimes SU(3)_R$ and isospin decomposition

Only 7 are independent: one (27, 1) four (8, 1), and two (8, 8),  $\Rightarrow$  we call them  $Q'$

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# A challenge !

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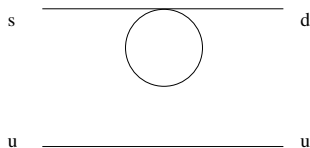
- Final state with two pions
- Many operators that mix under renormalisation
- Require the evaluation of disconnected graphs

Need to preserve chiral-flavour symmetry at finite lattice spacing

Plus the usual difficulties: light dynamical quarks, large volume, . . .

# Isospin channels

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  - A tree-level operator
  - 2 electroweak penguins
- No disconnect graphs contribute to the  $\Delta I = 3/2$  channel



$\Rightarrow A_2$  is much simpler than  $A_0$

Still highly non-trivial, but perfect challenge for lattice QCD with chiral fermions



## Lattice computation of $A_2$

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  - ⇒ For  $A_2$ , combine
    - Wigner-Eckart theorem (Exact up to isospin symmetry breaking )

$$\langle \pi^+(p_1)\pi^0(p_2) | O_{\Delta I_Z=1/2}^{\Delta I=3/2} | K^+ \rangle = 3/2 \langle \pi^+(p_1)\pi^+(p_2) | O_{\Delta I_Z=3/2}^{\Delta I=3/2} | K^+ \rangle$$

and then compute the unphysical process  $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^+$

- Use Anti-periodic B.C. to eliminate the unwanted (wrong-kinematic) state

[Kim '04, Sachrajda & Villadoro '05]

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- Solution

Renormalise at low energy  $\mu_0 \sim 1.1$  GeV on and run non-perturbatively using finer lattices to

$\mu = 3$  GeV and match to  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  [Arthur, Boyle '10, Arthur, Boyle, N.G. , Kelly, Lytle '11]

$$\lim_{a_1 \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\left[ Z(\mu_1, a_1) Z^{-1}(\mu_0, a_1) \right]}_{\text{fine lattice}} \times \underbrace{Z(\mu_0, a_0)}_{\text{coarse lattice}} = Z(\mu_1, a_0)$$

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2014-2015 update

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two lattice spacing,  $n_f = 2 + 1$ , large volume at the physical point

New discretisation of the Domain-Wall fermion formulation: Möbius Brower, Neff, Orginos '12

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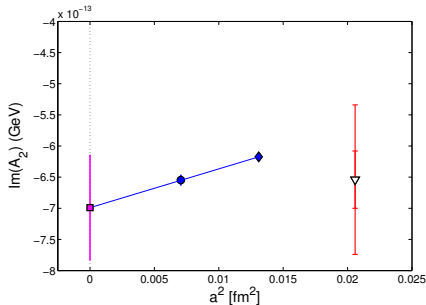
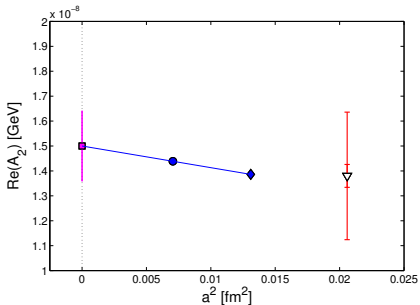
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see also talk by T.Janowski @ lat'13

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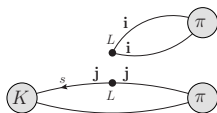
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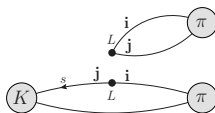
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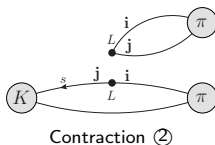
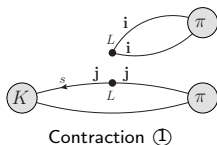
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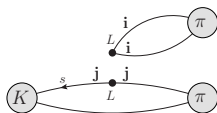


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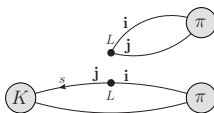
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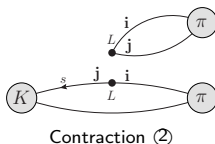
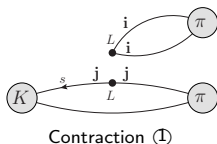
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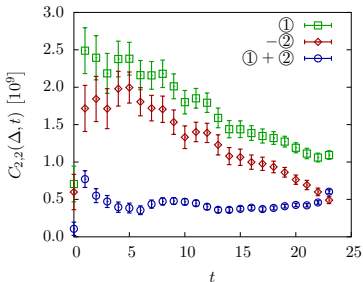


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With this unphysical computation (kinematics, masses) we find

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\text{Re}A_0}{\text{Re}A_2} &= 9.1(2.1) \text{ for } m_K = 878 \text{ MeV } m_\pi = 422 \text{ MeV} \\ &= 12.0(1.7) \text{ for } m_K = 662 \text{ MeV } m_\pi = 329 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

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 $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  amplitudes with unphysical kinematics (and Wilson fermions)

- First complete computation of  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  (both isospin channel) with physical kinematics

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- Pion mass  $m_\pi = 143.1(2.0)$  MeV, single lattice spacing  $a \sim 0.14$  fm

- Physical kinematics achieved with G-Parity boundary conditions

Kim, Christ, '03 and '09

- Requires algorithmic development, dedicated generation of gauge configurations, ...
- See talk by C.Kelly and proceeding from Lattice'14

After renormalisation at  $\mu \sim 1.5$  GeV, we combine with the Wilson coefficients and find

i	Re( $A_0$ )(GeV)	Im( $A_0$ )(GeV)
1	$1.02(0.20)(0.07) \times 10^{-7}$	0
2	$3.63(0.91)(0.28) \times 10^{-7}$	0
3	$-1.19(1.58)(1.12) \times 10^{-10}$	$1.54(2.04)(1.45) \times 10^{-12}$
4	$-1.86(0.63)(0.33) \times 10^{-9}$	$1.82(0.62)(0.32) \times 10^{-11}$
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6	$3.33(0.85)(0.22) \times 10^{-9}$	$-3.57(0.91)(0.24) \times 10^{-11}$
7	$2.40(0.41)(0.00) \times 10^{-11}$	$8.55(1.45)(0.00) \times 10^{-14}$
8	$-1.33(0.04)(0.00) \times 10^{-10}$	$-1.71(0.05)(0.00) \times 10^{-12}$
9	$-7.12(1.90)(0.46) \times 10^{-12}$	$-2.43(0.65)(0.16) \times 10^{-12}$
10	$7.57(2.72)(0.71) \times 10^{-12}$	$-4.74(1.70)(0.44) \times 10^{-13}$
Tot	$4.66(0.96)(0.27) \times 10^{-7}$	$-1.90(1.19)(0.32) \times 10^{-11}$
Exp	$3.3201(18) \times 10^{-7}$	-



## Standard model prediction for $\varepsilon'/\varepsilon$

$\varepsilon'/\varepsilon$  can be computed from

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Combining our new value of  $\text{Im}A_0$  and  $\delta_0$  with

- our continuum value for  $\text{Im}A_2$
- the experimental value for  $\text{Re}A_0$ ,  $\text{Re}A_2$  and their ratio  $\omega$

we find

$$\text{Re}(\varepsilon'/\varepsilon) = 1.38(5.15)(4.43) \times 10^{-4}$$

whereas the experimental value is

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For  $A_0$ , it is only the beginning:

- statistical error should be reduced
- Renormalisation at higher energy (now  $\mu \sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Finer lattice and continuum limit ...

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