

Theory overview on $P \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ decays

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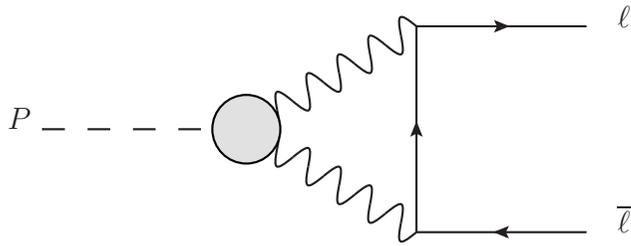
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Outline

- Warm up: short walk through the 3σ puzzle
 - Dissection of $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$ (unitary bound and transition form factor)
- Current situation from proper names
 - Dubna + Prague + Mainz(?)
- Relation to HLBL of $g-2$
- Conclusions

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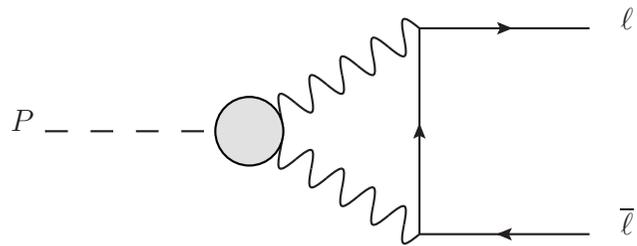
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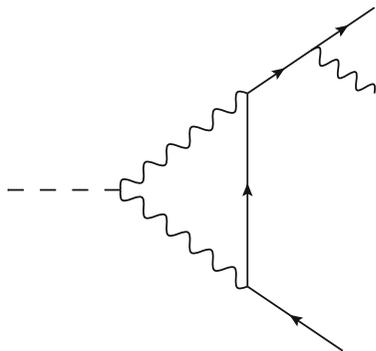
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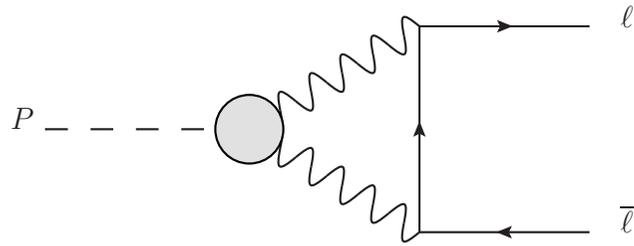
momentum of e⁺e⁻, and so to extract BR we want x large, i.e., no photon



$x < 0.95$ but still is $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$

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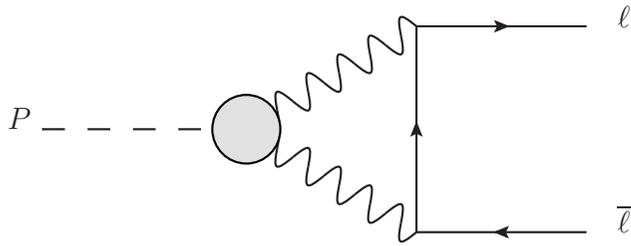
Extrapolation to $x=1$ + radiative correction + Dalitz decay background

$$BR_{\text{KTeV}}^{w/o rad}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-) = (7.48 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{-8}$$

(dominates de PDG)

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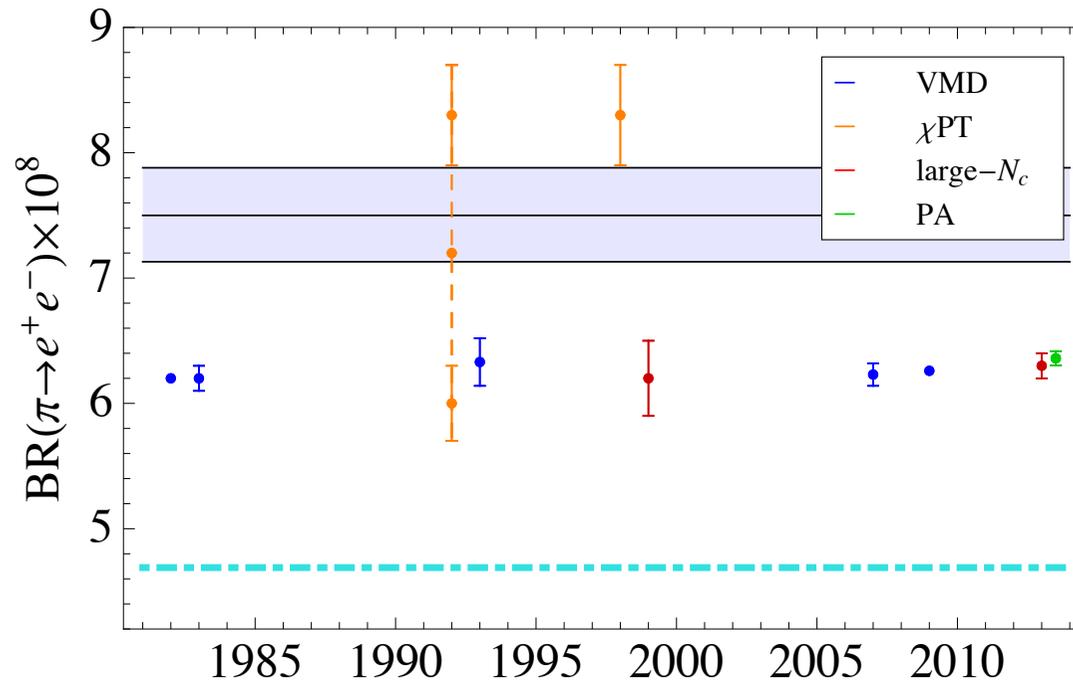
The only unknown $\mathcal{A}(m_P^2)$ from loop calculation where the TFF enters.

$$\mathcal{A}(q^2) = \frac{2i}{\pi^2} \int d^4k \frac{q^2 k^2 - (k \cdot q)^2}{k^2 (k - q)^2 ((p - k) - m_\ell^2)} \frac{F_{P\gamma^*\gamma^*}(k^2, (q - k)^2)}{F_{P\gamma\gamma}(0, 0)}$$

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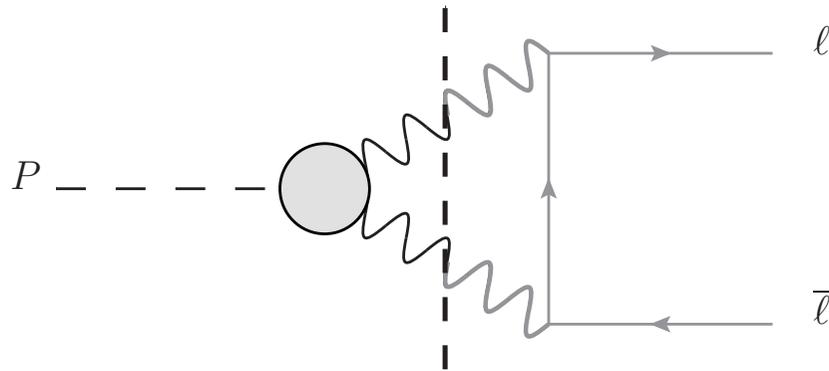
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⇒ $\sim 3\sigma$!

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Assuming $|\mathcal{A}|^2 \geq (\text{Im}\mathcal{A})^2$

$$B(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-) \geq B^{\text{unitary}}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-) = 4.69 \cdot 10^{-8}$$

(doesn't depend on TFF)

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$$\mathcal{O} \left(\frac{m_e}{m_\pi} \right)^2 + \text{subtraction contains all the information from TFF}$$

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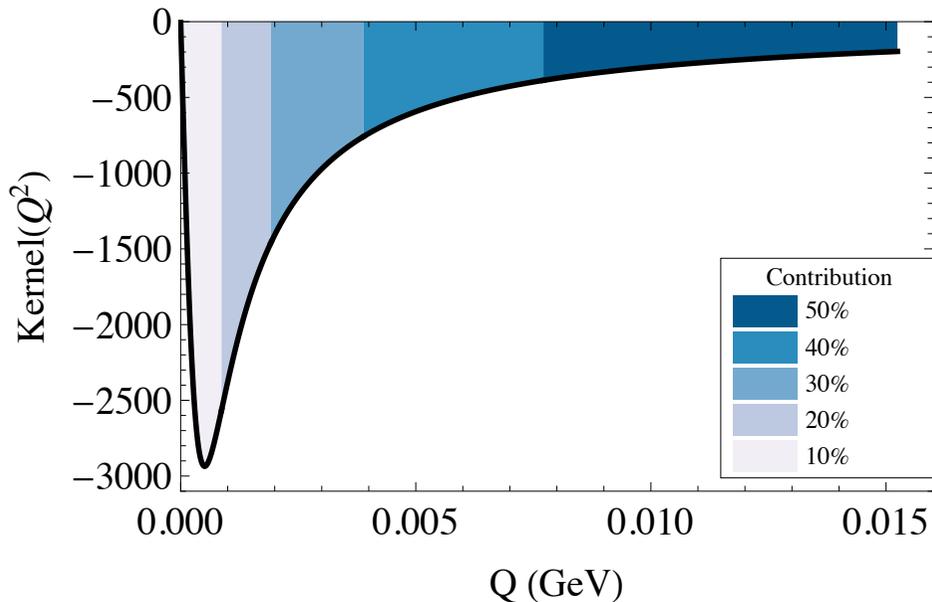
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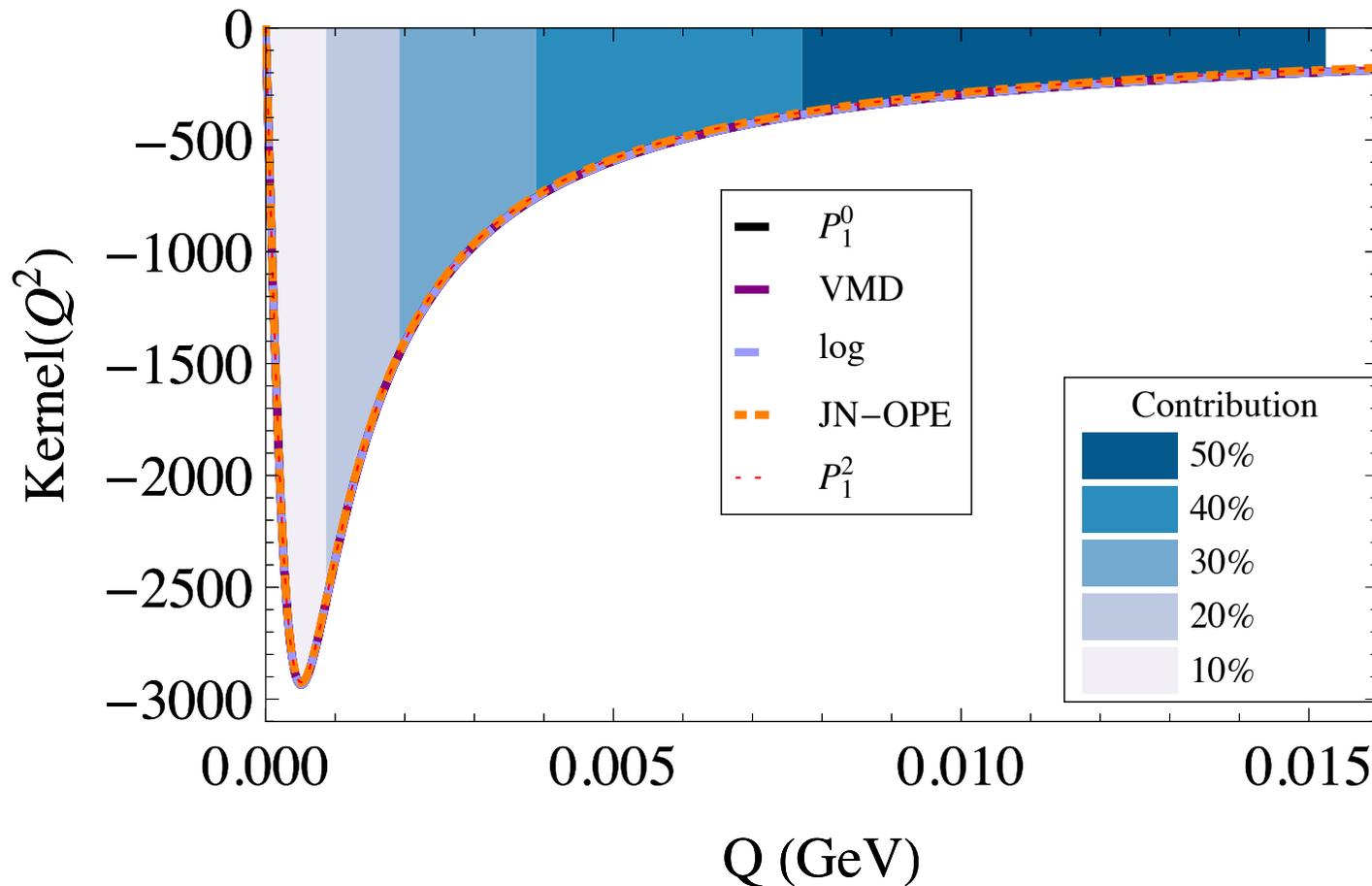
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- Its contribution is negative: lowers the BR.
- Peaks at $\sim 2m_e$ and $\langle Q \rangle = 0.09$ GeV.
- Low energies relevant only: slope is enough.

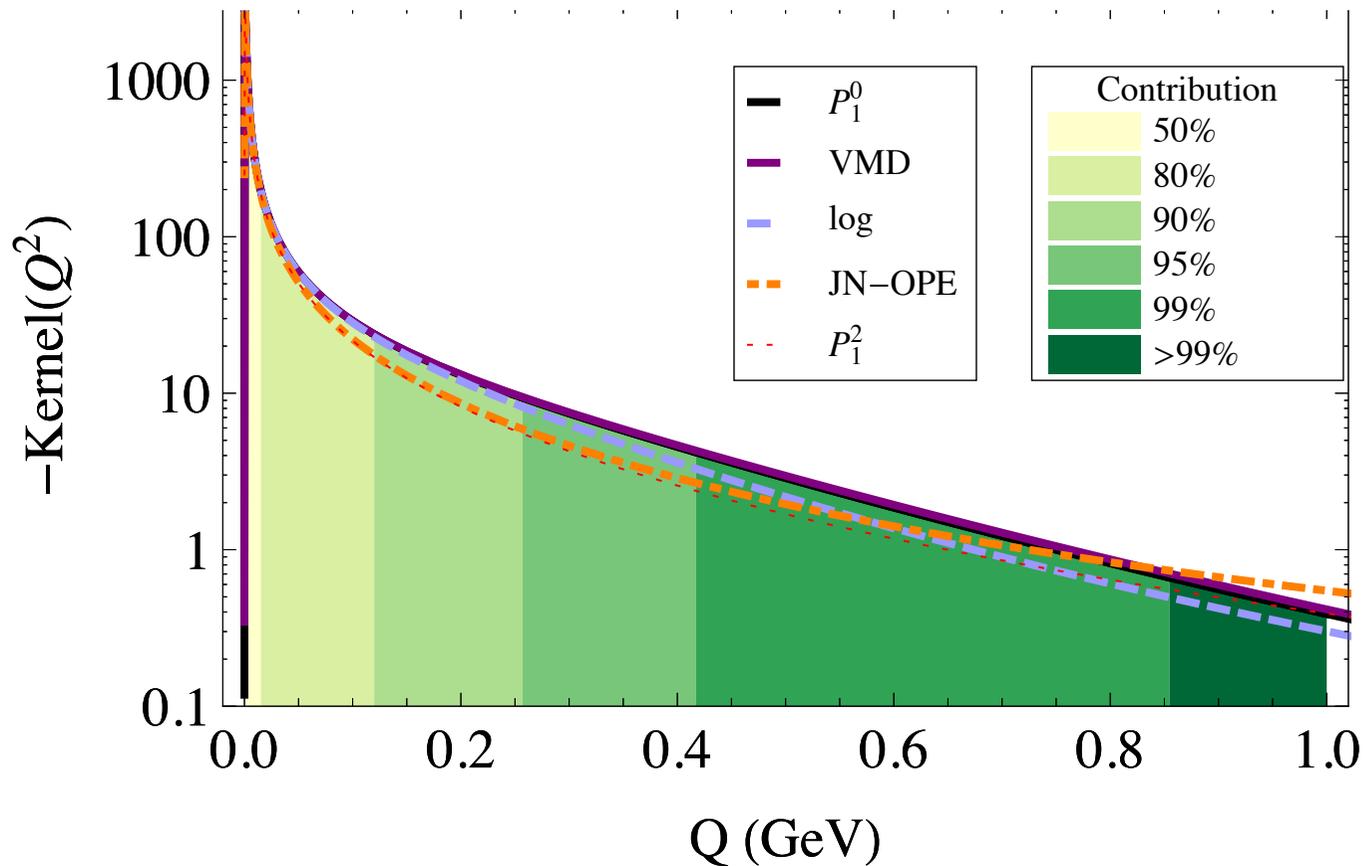
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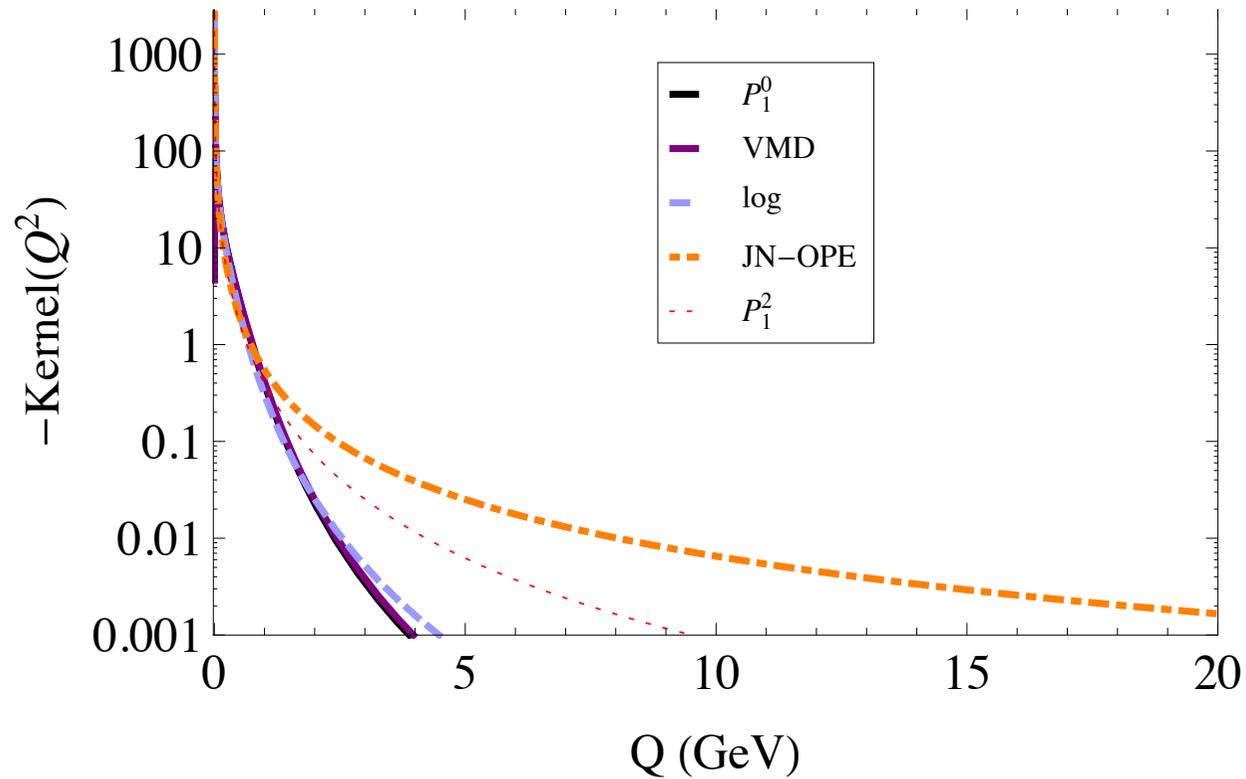
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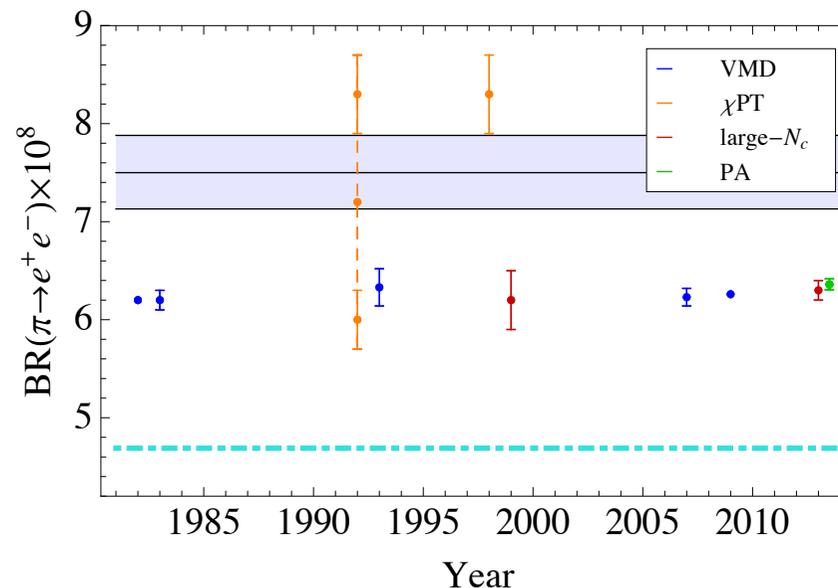


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all in all, old the models give the same value

$$\int_0^\infty dQ^2 \text{Kernel}(Q^2) \sim -20 \rightarrow BR \sim 6.3 \cdot 10^{-8}$$



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Dubna+Prague+Mainz(?)

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$$\mathcal{O} \left(\frac{m_e}{m_\pi} \right)^2$$

Used VMD to confront KTeV measurement
(also compare different models for TFF)

$$F_{\pi\gamma^*\gamma^*}(Q^2, Q^2) = F_{\pi\gamma\gamma}(0, 0) \frac{1}{1 + Q^2/Q_0^2}$$

with Q_0 from a monopole fit to CLEO+CELLO data

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Dorokhov and Ivanov, '08

$$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_e}{\Lambda}\right)^2 \quad \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_e}{\Lambda} \log \frac{m_e}{\Lambda}\right)^2$$

Dorokhov, Ivanov and Kovalenko '09

$$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_\pi}{\Lambda}\right)^2 \quad \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_e}{m_\pi}\right)^2$$

Λ
the cut-off
or
VMD “mass”

Resummation of power corrections using Mellin-Barnes techniques.

Conclusion: corrections negligible!

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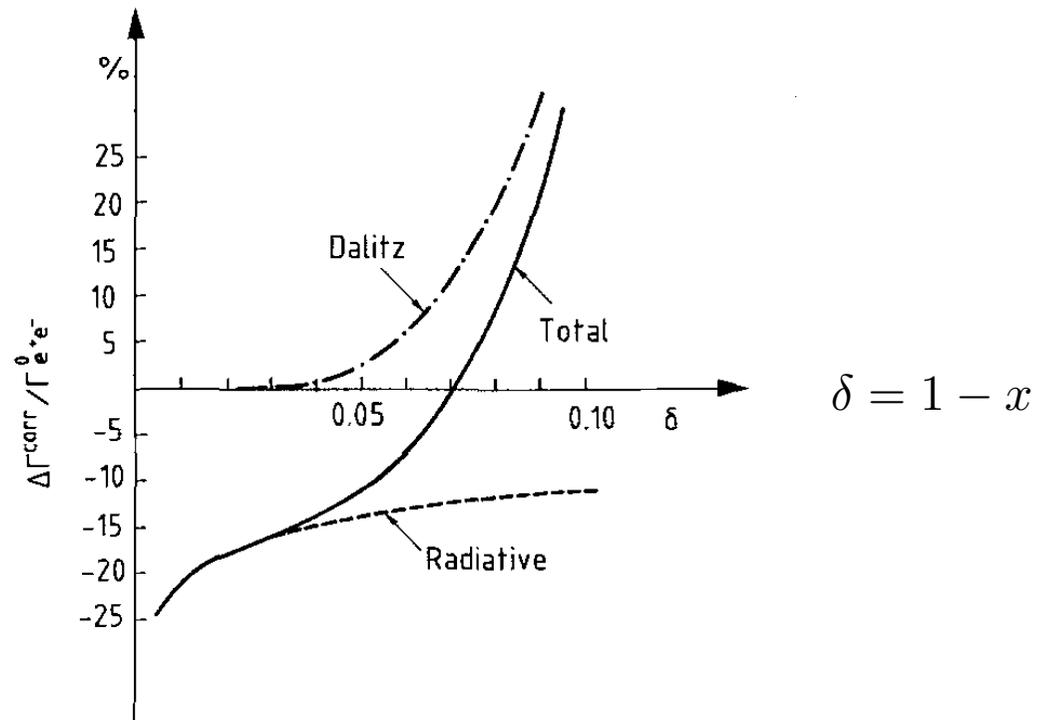
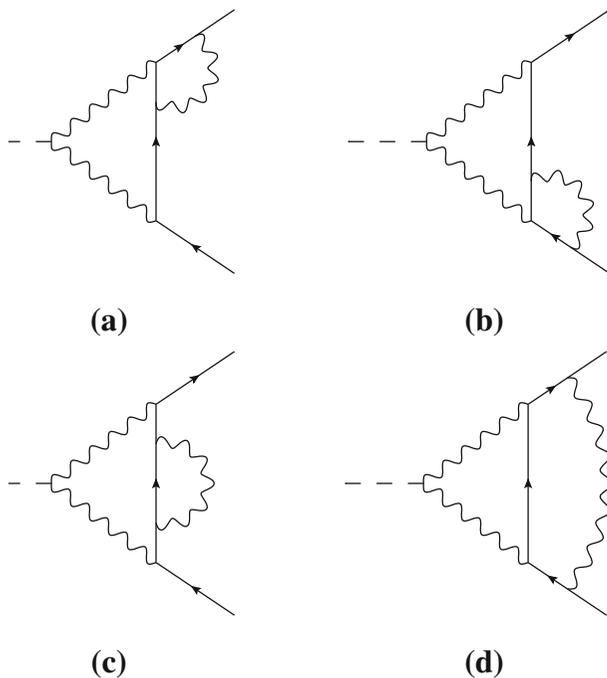
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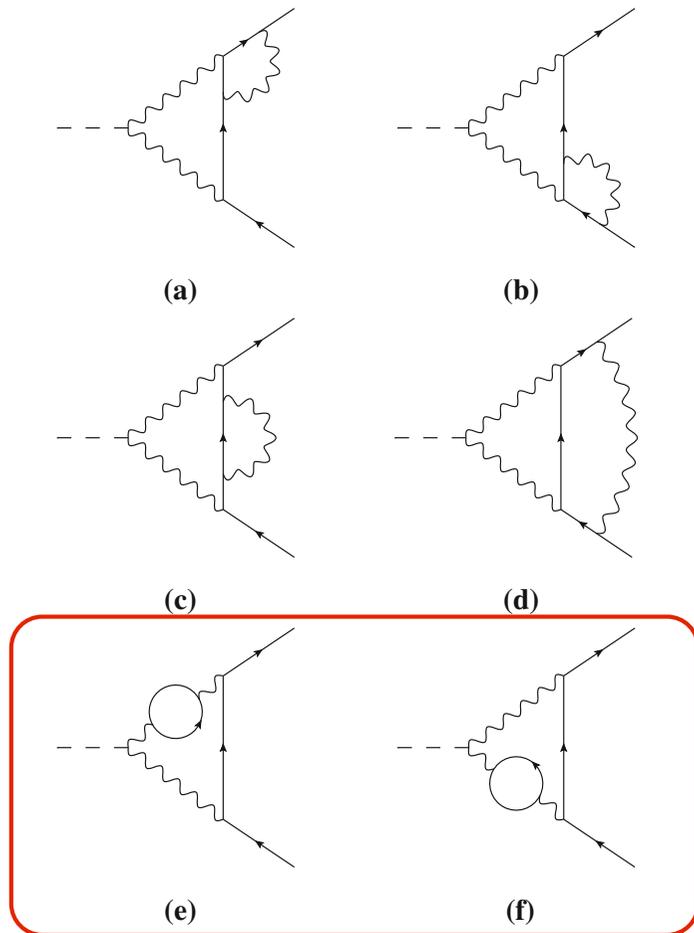
Bergstrom '83: approach (soft-photon+cut-off) to two-loop QED radiative correction + Dalitz decay interference



Correction: $\sim -13\%$

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Include more diagrams which are subleading but numerically important

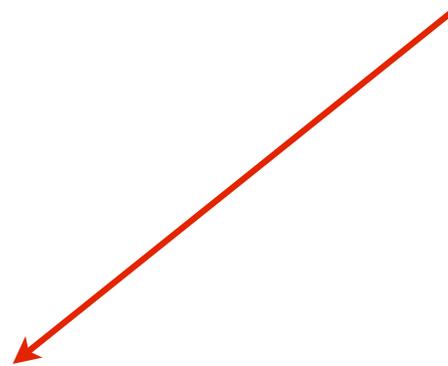
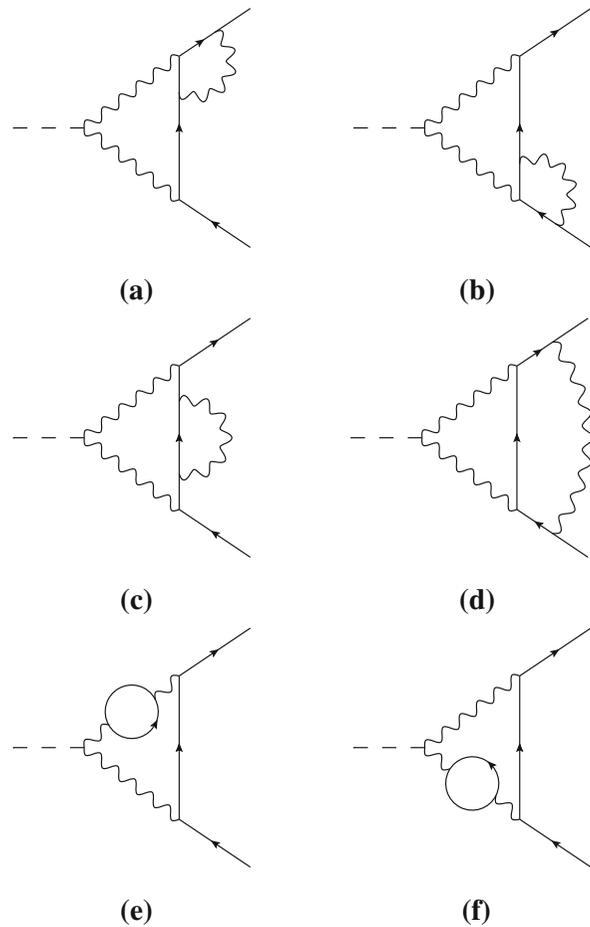


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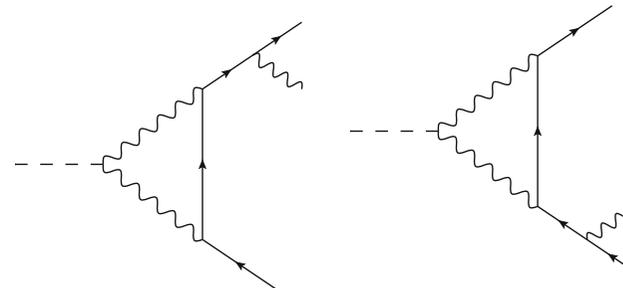


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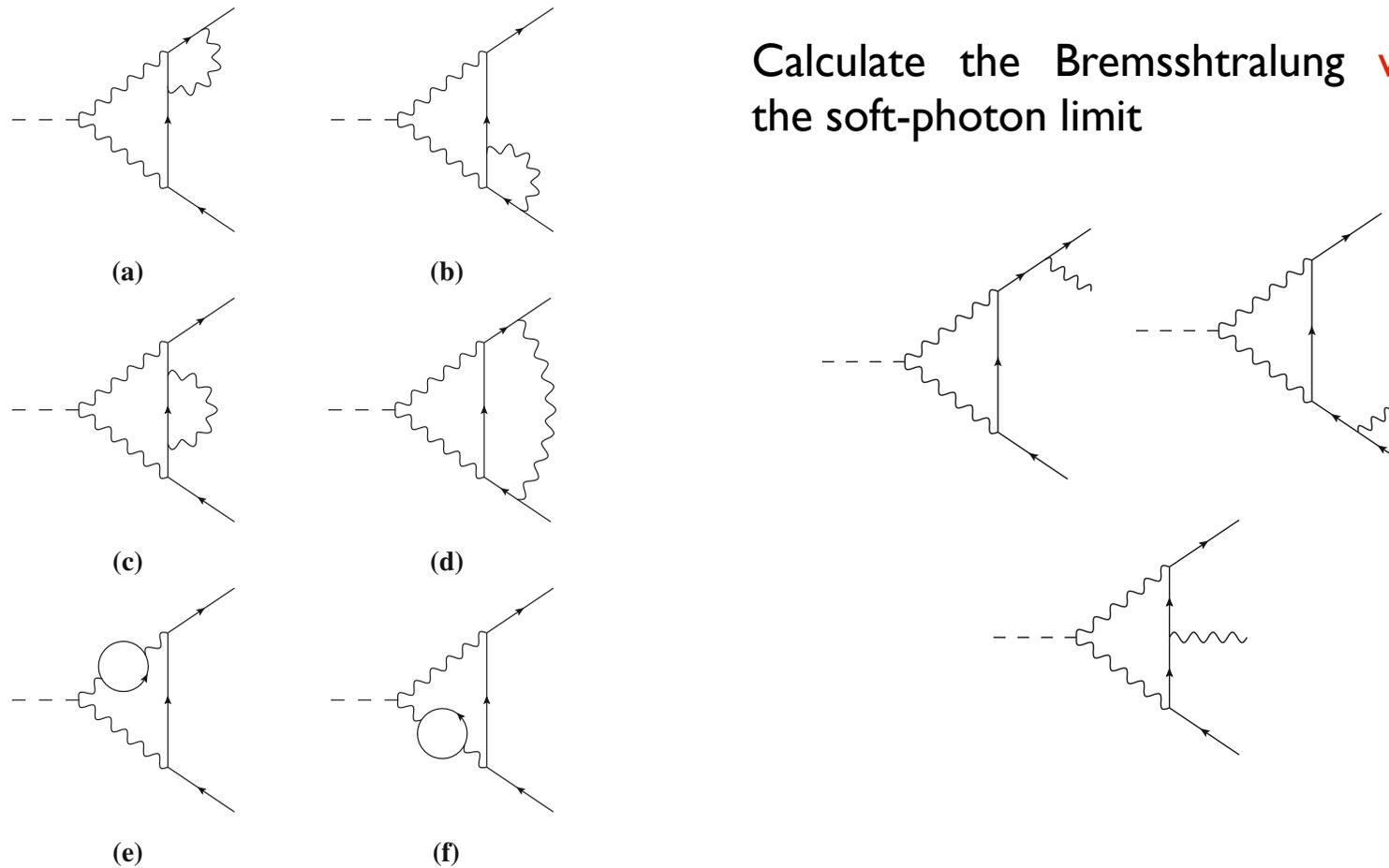


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$\Delta^{\text{BS}}(x^{\text{cut}}) \equiv \delta^{\text{BS}}(x^{\text{cut}}) - \delta_{\text{soft}}^{\text{BS}}(x^{\text{cut}})$ soft-photon correction

$\delta^D(0.95)$ Dalitz decay background (omitted in KTeV)

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$$\Delta^{\text{BS}}(0.95) = (0.30 \pm 0.01) \% \quad \delta^D(0.95) = \frac{1.75 \times 10^{-15}}{[\Gamma^{\text{LO}}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-)/\text{MeV}]}$$

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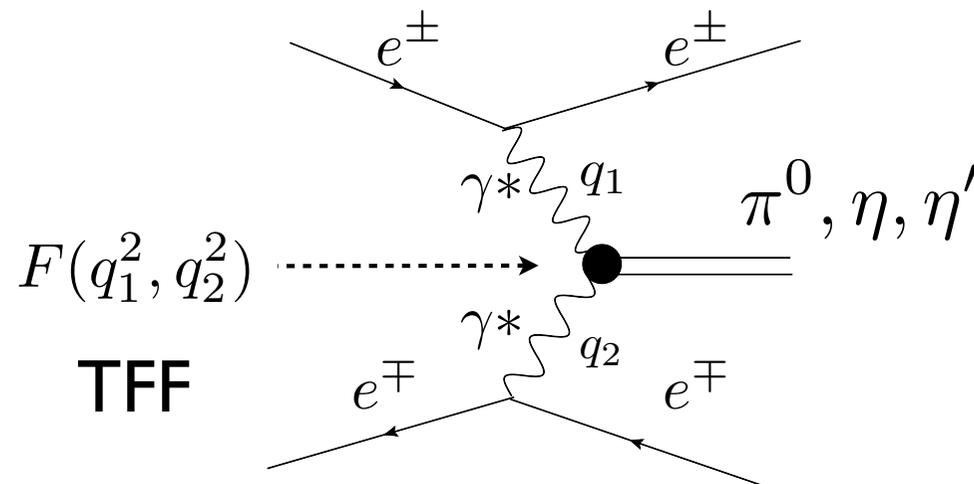
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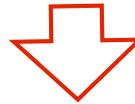
Remember: only low-energy region is needed

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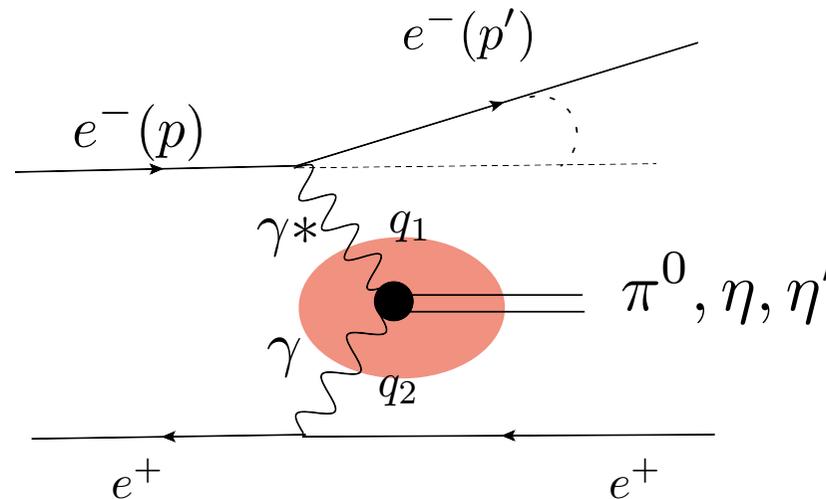
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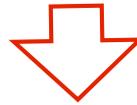


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How??

Nice synergy between experiment and theory

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$$P_M^N(Q^2) = \frac{T_N(Q^2)}{R_M(Q^2)} = a_0 Q^2 + a_1 Q^4 + a_2 Q^6 + \dots + \mathcal{O}((Q^2)^{N+M+1})$$

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$$Q^2 F_{P\gamma^*\gamma}(Q^2, 0) = a_0 Q^2 + a_1 Q^4 + a_2 Q^6 + \dots$$

$$P_1^1(Q^2) = \frac{a_0 Q^2}{1 - a_1 Q^2} \longrightarrow \begin{aligned} P_1^N(Q^2) &= P_1^1(Q^2), P_1^2(Q^2), P_1^3(Q^2), \dots \\ P_N^N(Q^2) &= P_1^1(Q^2), P_2^2(Q^2), P_3^3(Q^2), \dots \end{aligned}$$

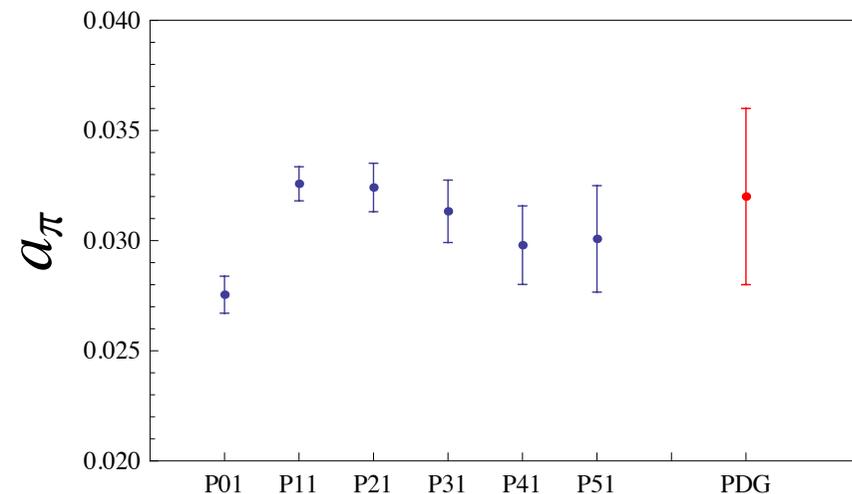
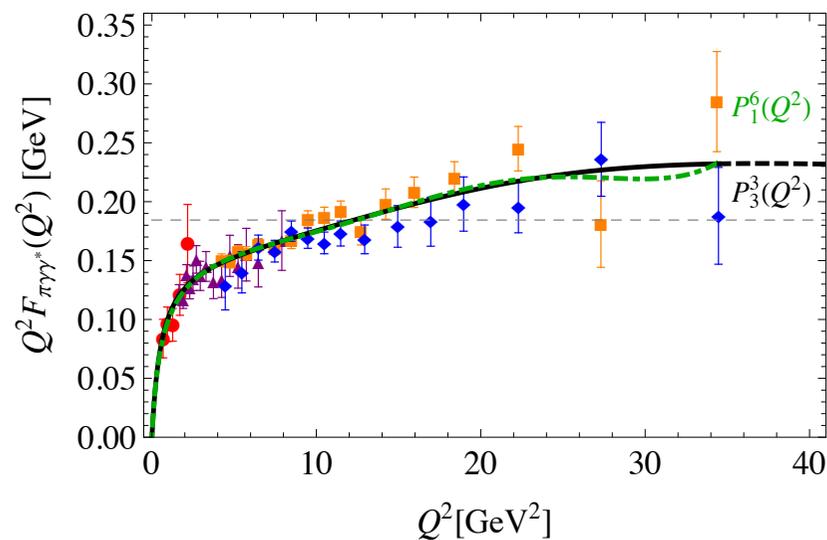
sequence of approximations, i.e., theoretical error

Our proposal: use Padé Approximants

[P.M.'12; R. Escribano, P.M., P. Sanchez-Puertas, '13]

Fit to Space-like data: CELLO'91, CLEO'98, BABAR'09 and Belle'12

$P_1^N(Q^2)$ up to $N=5$ [P.M., '12]



$P_N^N(Q^2)$ up to $N=3$

Accurate description of the low-energy region making full use of available experimental data

Doubly virtual π^0 -TFF

[P.M., P. Sanchez-Puertas, in preparation]

For $BR_{SM}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+ e^-)$ we need $F_{\pi^0 \gamma^* \gamma^*}(Q^2, Q^2)$

Proposal: bivariate PA

Chisholm '73

$$P_M^N(Q_1^2, Q_2^2) = \frac{T_N(Q_1^2, Q_2^2)}{R_M(Q_1^2, Q_2^2)} = a_0 + a_1(Q_1^2 + Q_2^2) + a_{1,1}Q_1^2Q_2^2 + a_2(Q_1^4 + Q_2^4) + \dots$$

$$P_1^0(Q_1^2, Q_2^2) = \frac{a_0}{1 + a_1(Q_1^2 + Q_2^2) + (2a_1^2 - a_{1,1})Q_1^2Q_2^2}$$

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OPE indicates: $\lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow \infty} P_1^0(Q^2, Q^2) \sim Q^{-2}$ i.e., $a_{1,1} = 2a_1^2$

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$$0 \leq a_{1,1} \leq 2a_1^2$$

$$BR_{SM}^{PA}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-) = (6.22 - 6.36)(4) \times 10^{-8}$$

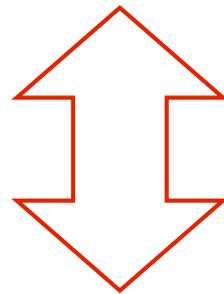
statistics+theoretical error 

method checked for different models

+ to shrink the window: data (data-driven approach) -- see appendix

Doubly virtual π^0 -TFF

$$BR_{\text{KTeV}}^{w/o rad}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-) = (6.87 \pm 0.36) \times 10^{-8}$$



$$\sim (2.6 - 1.4)\sigma$$

$$BR_{SM}^{PA}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-) = (6.22 - 6.36)(4) \times 10^{-8}$$

Naive New Physics contributions

$$\frac{\text{BR}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-)}{\text{BR}(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} = 2 \left(\frac{\alpha m_e}{\pi m_\pi} \right)^2 \beta_e \left| \mathcal{A}(q^2) + \frac{\sqrt{2} F_\pi G_F}{4\alpha^2 F_{\pi\gamma\gamma}} \left(\frac{4m_W}{m_{A(P)}} \right)^2 \times f^{A(P)} \right|^2$$

$$f^A = c_e^A (c_u^A - c_d^A) \quad f^P = \frac{1}{4} c_e^P (c_u^P - c_d^P) \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_\pi^2 - m_P^2} \quad c \sim \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{g}{g_{SU(2)_L}} \right)$$

$$\frac{\text{BR}(\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-)}{\text{BR}(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} = \text{SM} (1 + \epsilon_{Z, NP} \times 5\%)$$

Z contribution (Arnellos, Marciano, Parsa '82)

$$\epsilon_Z \sim 0.3\%$$

Our estimate based on existing exp. constrains:

$$\epsilon_{NP} \sim 0.3\%$$

negligible!

Impact of $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$ on HLBL

	Model	Published model		Modified model	
		$\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$ ($\times 10^8$)	HLBL ($\times 10^{10}$)	$\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$ ($\times 10^8$)	HLBL ($\times 10^{10}$)
Jegerlehner and Nyffeler '09	LMD+V	6.33	6.29	6.47	5.22
Dorokhov et al '09	VMD	6.34	5.64	6.87	2.44
Our proposal '14	PA	6.36	5.53	6.87	2.85

$$\Delta a_\mu^{SM} \sim 6 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$\Delta a_\mu^{HLBL} \sim 4 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$\Delta a_\mu^{HLBL; \pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-} \sim (2 - 3) \times 10^{-10}$$

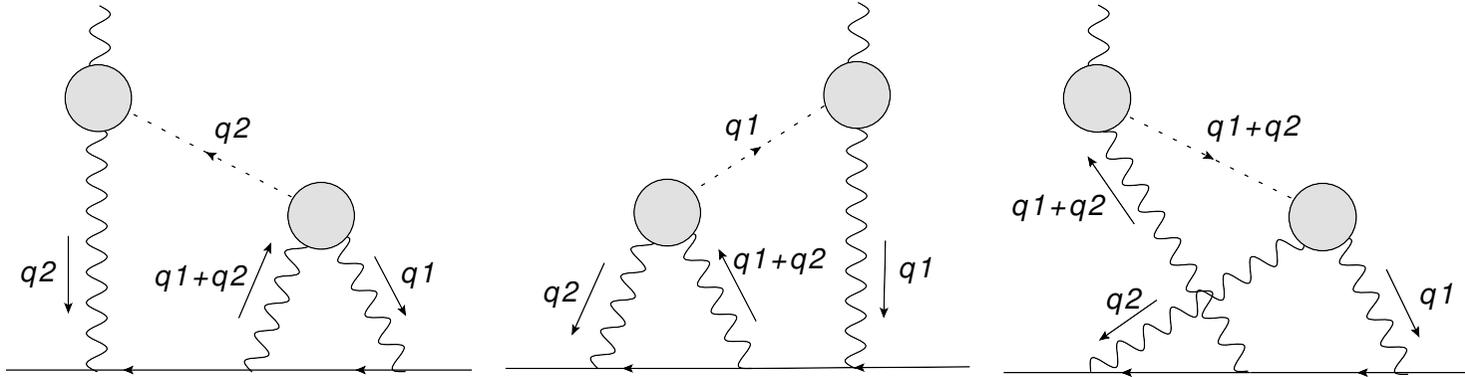
+ similar effect for the η decay!

Conclusions

- $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$ is an interesting process
 - hadronic effects are important at all energies
 - but the scale is at the electron mass
- Standard approaches fail to reproduce the KTeV experimental measurement
 - something to be understood: corrections known, radiative known, TFF-data driven, no NP, ...?
- Its impact in the HLBL cannot be forgotten, it might be one of the largest uncertainties if the puzzle persists

back-up

Dissection of the HLBL contribution



$$a_{\mu}^{LbL;P} = -e^6 \int \frac{d^4 q_1}{(2\pi)^4} \int \frac{d^4 q_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{q_1^2 q_2^2 (q_1 + q_2)^2 [(p + q_1)^2 - m^2] [(p - q_2)^2 - m^2]}$$

$$\times \left(\frac{F_{P^* \gamma^* \gamma^*}(q_2^2, q_1^2, (q_1 + q_2)^2) F_{P^* \gamma^* \gamma^*}(q_2^2, q_2^2, 0)}{q_2^2 - M_P^2} T_1(q_1, q_2; p) \right)$$

Use data from
the Transition Form Factor

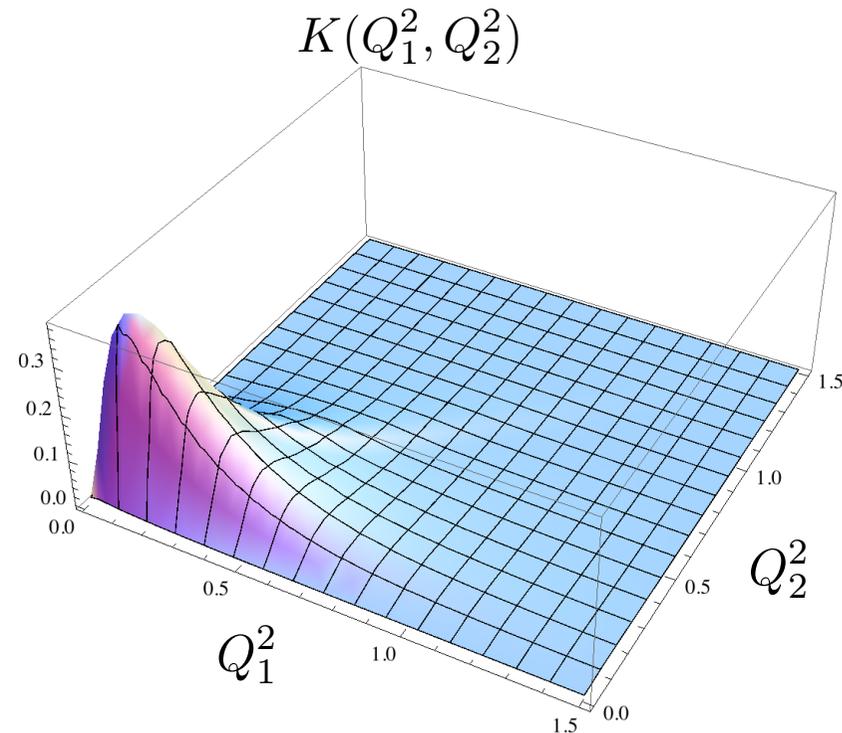
$$+ \left(\frac{F_{P^* \gamma^* \gamma^*}((q_1 + q_2)^2, q_1^2, q_2^2) F_{P^* \gamma^* \gamma^*}((q_1 + q_2)^2, (q_1 + q_2)^2, 0)}{(q_1 + q_2)^2 - M_P^2} T_2(q_1, q_2; p) \right)$$

Dissection of the HLBL contribution

- Extraction of meson TFF and HLBL
 - Using CLEO, CELLO, BaBar and Belle to obtain the TFF Low-energy Constants, constrain hadronic model and estimation of π^0 -HLBL

$$a_{\mu}^{LbyL;\pi^0} = e^6 \int \frac{d^4 Q_1}{(2\pi)^4} \int \frac{d^4 Q_2}{(2\pi)^4} K(Q_1^2, Q_2^2)$$

Using $F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(Q_1^2, Q_2^2) \sim P_1^0(Q_1^2, Q_2^2)$
(main energy range from 0 to 1 GeV²)



The role of doubly virtual TFF data

