

Towards a data-driven analysis of hadronic light-by-light scattering

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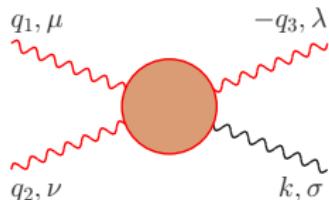
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Outline

- 1 Hadronic Light-by-Light scattering
- 2 One-pion intermediate states
- 3 Two-pion intermediate states
- 4 Summary and outlook

HLbL scattering

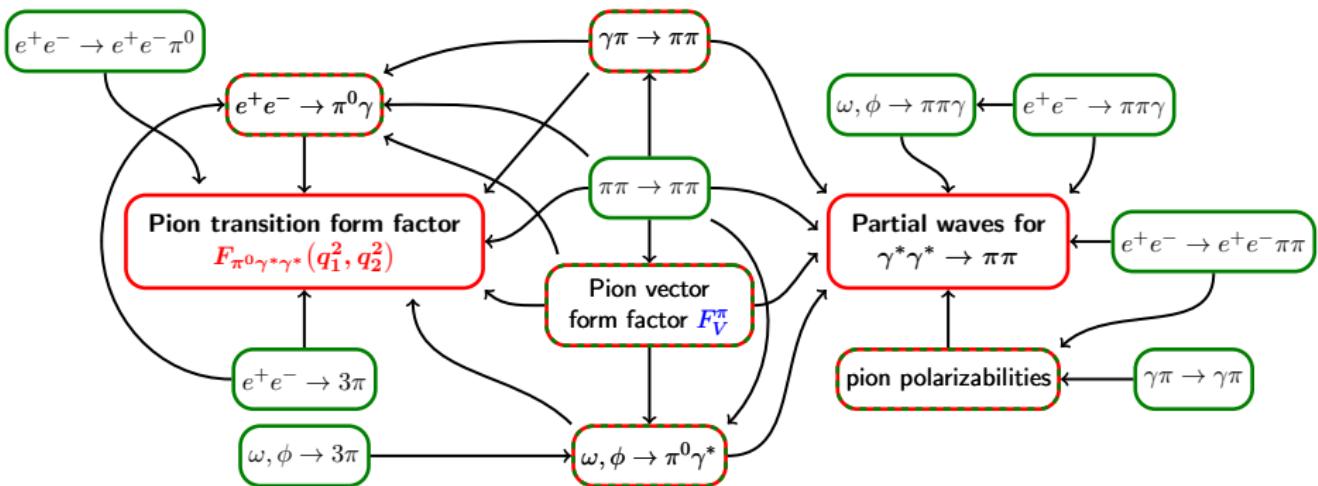
- Large uncertainty and **model dependence**
- 5 kinematic variables, (at least) 29 Lorentz structures
- **Dispersive point of view**
 - Analytic structure: poles and cuts
 - ↪ **residues** and **imaginary parts** ⇒ by definition **on-shell** quantities
 - ↪ **form factors** and **scattering amplitudes** from experiment
 - Expansion: mass of intermediate states, partial waves
 - Pseudoscalar poles most important, next $\pi\pi$ cuts
- Decompose the tensor according to



$$\Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}^{\pi^0\text{-pole}} + \Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}^{\text{FsQED}} + \bar{\Pi}_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + \dots$$

→ accounts for **one-** and **two-pion** intermediate states

Towards a data-driven analysis of HLbL



- Reconstruction of $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi, \pi^0$: combine experiment and theory constraints
- Beyond: $\eta, \eta', K\bar{K}$, multi-pion channels (resonances), pQCD constraints, ...

Master formulae for a_μ

Knecht, Nyffeler 2001

Master formula for pion-pole contribution

$$a_\mu^{\pi^0\text{-pole}} = -e^6 \int \frac{d^4 q_1}{(2\pi)^4} \int \frac{d^4 q_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{q_1^2 q_2^2 s((p+q_1)^2 - m^2)((p-q_2)^2 - m^2)} \\ \times \left\{ \frac{F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_1^2, q_2^2) F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(s, 0)}{s - M_\pi^2} T_1(q_1, q_2; p) + \frac{F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(s, q_1^2) F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_2^2, 0)}{q_2^2 - M_\pi^2} T_2(q_1, q_2; p) \right\}$$

- Crucial ingredient: **pion transition form factor**

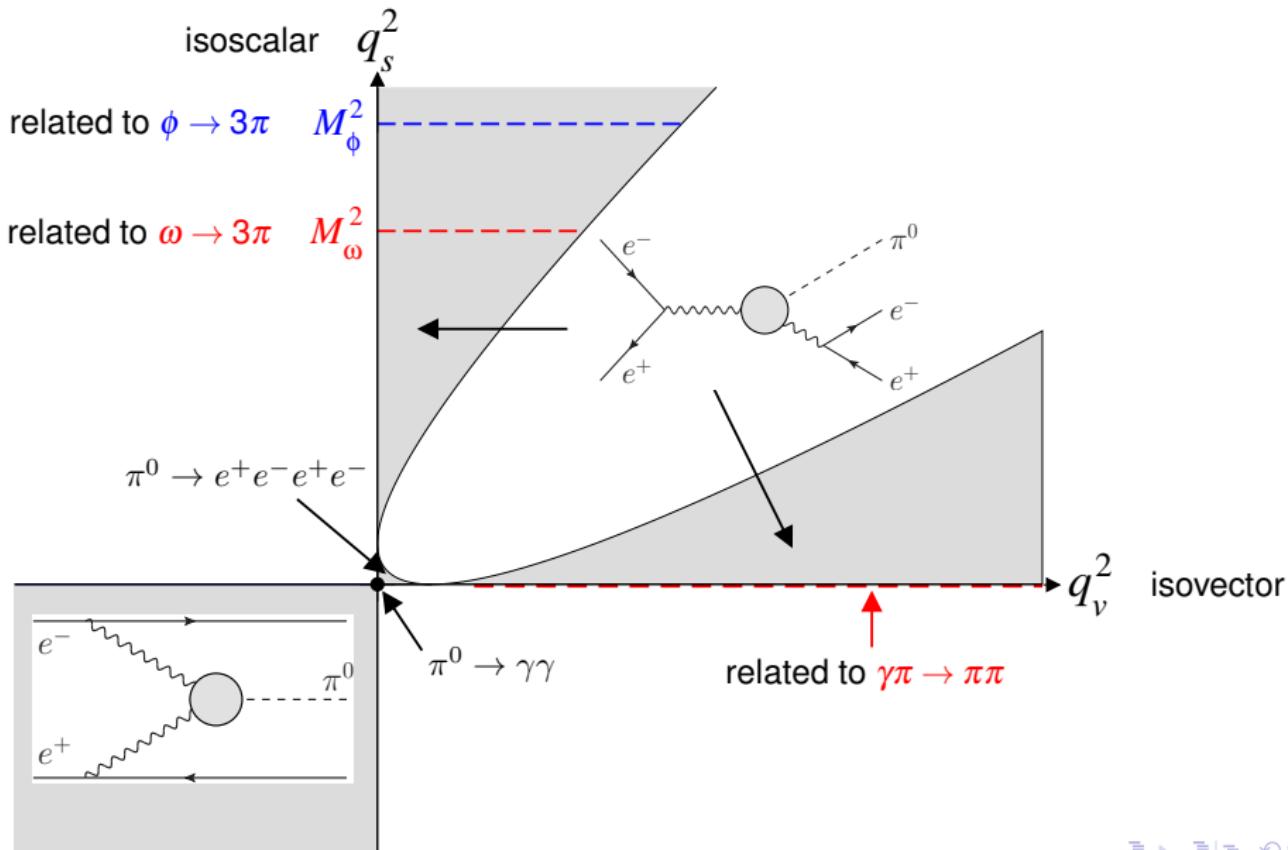
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Master formula for $\pi\pi$ intermediate states

$$a_\mu^{\pi\pi} = e^6 \int \frac{d^4 q_1}{(2\pi)^4} \int \frac{d^4 q_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\sum_i T_i(q_1, q_2; p) I_i(s, q_1^2, q_2^2)}{q_1^2 q_2^2 s((p+q_1)^2 - m^2)((p-q_2)^2 - m^2)}$$

- $I_i(s, q_1^2, q_2^2)$: dispersive integrals over $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$ **helicity partial waves**

Pion transition form factor: physical regions



Pion transition form factor: unitarity relations

process	unitarity relations	SC 1	SC 2
		$F_{\pi^0 \gamma\gamma}$	$\gamma\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$
		$\Gamma_{\pi^0 \gamma}$	$\omega \rightarrow 3\pi, \phi \rightarrow 3\pi$
		$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma)$	$\gamma^* \rightarrow 3\pi$
		$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi)$ $\frac{d^2\Gamma}{dsdt}(\omega, \phi \rightarrow 3\pi)$	resummation of $\pi\pi$ rescattering

Phenomenological analysis of the singly-virtual form factor

- Dispersive representation for

- $\omega, \phi \rightarrow 3\pi$ Niecknig, Kubis, Schneider 2012

→ normalization fixed by **decay width**

- $\gamma\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ MH, Kubis, Sakkas 2012

→ normalization fixed by **chiral anomaly** $F_{3\pi} = e/(4\pi^2 F_\pi^3)$

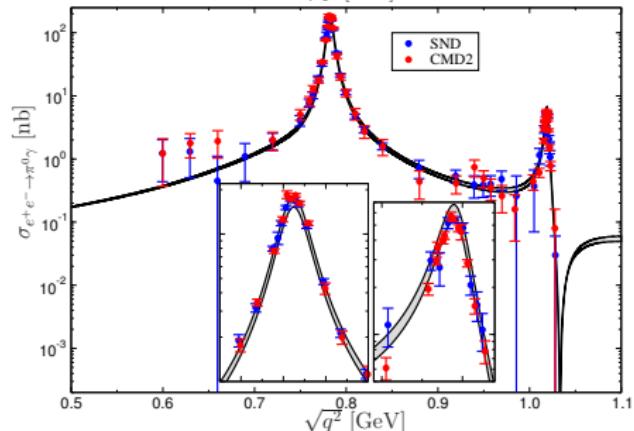
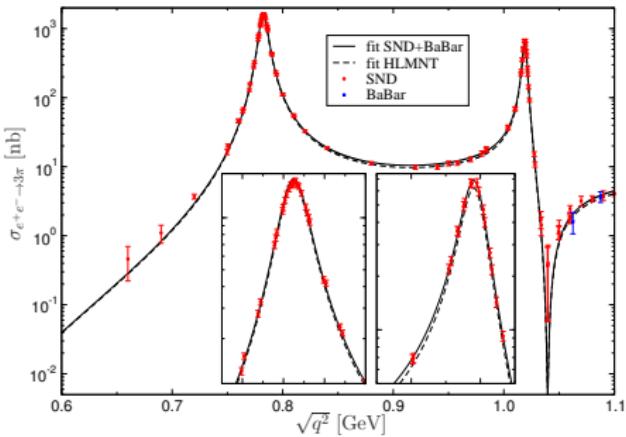
- General virtualities: fit to $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi$

$$a(q^2) = \alpha + \beta q^2 + \frac{q^4}{\pi} \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im} \mathcal{A}(s')}{s'^2(s' - q^2)}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(q^2) = \frac{c_\omega}{M_\omega^2 - q^2 - i\sqrt{q^2}\Gamma_\omega(q^2)} + \frac{c_\phi}{M_\phi^2 - q^2 - i\sqrt{q^2}\Gamma_\phi(q^2)}$$

- α fixed by $F_{3\pi}$, $\Gamma_{\omega/\phi}(q^2)$ include 3π , $K\bar{K}$, $\pi^0\gamma$ channels
- Good analytic properties, free parameters: β , c_ω , c_ϕ
- Valid up to 1.1 GeV, also fit including ω' , ω'' to estimate uncertainties

Predicting $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma)$ from $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi)$



- Perfect fit to SND + BaBar up to 1.1 GeV
- Large χ^2 for world data, but small shift of central curve
- Result for the form factor checked in $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$

Extraction of slope and space-like continuation

- Another dispersion relation

$$F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma}(q^2, 0) = F_{\pi\gamma\gamma} + \frac{q^2}{\pi} \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma}(s', 0)}{s'(s' - q^2)}$$

- Sum rules for $F_{\pi\gamma\gamma}$ and **slope parameters**

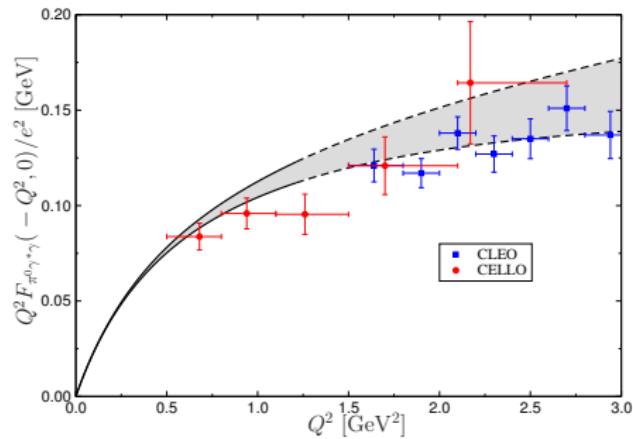
$$\begin{aligned} a_\pi &= \frac{M_{\pi^0}^2}{F_{\pi\gamma\gamma}} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma}(s', 0)}{s'^2} \\ &= (30.7 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$b_\pi = (1.10 \pm 0.02) \times 10^{-3}$$

- Main uncertainties

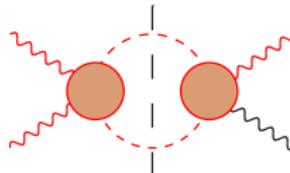
- Low energies: variation in $\pi\pi$ shift and cutoffs
- High energies: treatment of asymptotic region, ω', ω'', \dots

- Soon to be tested at BESIII



$\pi\pi$ intermediate states: FsQED contribution

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}^{\pi^0\text{-pole}} + \Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}^{\text{FsQED}} + \bar{\Pi}_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + \dots$$



- Separate terms with **simultaneous cuts**

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}^{\text{FsQED}} = F_\pi^V(q_1^2) F_\pi^V(q_2^2) F_\pi^V(q_3^2) \times \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Feynman diagram with three vertical dashed cuts and three horizontal dashed cuts} \\ \text{Feynman diagram with three vertical dashed cuts and three diagonal dashed cuts} \\ \text{Feynman diagram with one vertical dashed cut and two horizontal dashed cuts} \end{array} \right]$$

- Multiplication of sQED diagrams with F_π^V gives correct q^2 -dependence
↪ **not an approximation**
- Remaining $\pi\pi$ contribution included in $\bar{\Pi}_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}$ has cuts only in one channel
↪ partial-wave expansion, dispersion relations for this part

$\pi\pi$ intermediate states: reconstruction theorem

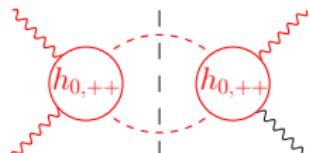
$$\bar{\Pi}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \sum_i \left(A_{i,s}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i(s) + A_{i,t}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i(t) + A_{i,u}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i(u) \right)$$

- Π_i functions with a **right-hand cut** only
 - similar to **reconstruction theorem** of $\pi\pi$ scattering Stern, Sazdjian, Fuchs 1993
- Keep discontinuity of lowest partial waves
- Dispersion integrals for Π_i required to have correct **soft-photon zeros**
 - forces subtraction constants to zero
- Gives relations such as

$$\Pi_1(s) = \frac{s - q_3^2}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s' - q_3^2} K_1(s', s) \text{Im } \bar{h}_{++,++}^0(s'; q_1^2, q_2^2; q_3^2, 0)$$

$$\text{Im } \bar{h}_{++,++}^0(s; q_1^2, q_2^2; q_3^2, 0) = \frac{\sigma(s)}{16\pi} h_{0,++}^*(s; q_1^2, q_2^2) h_{0,++}(s; q_3^2, 0)$$

$$\sigma(s) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M_\pi^2}{s}} \quad K_1(s', s) = \frac{1}{s' - s} - \frac{s' - q_1^2 - q_2^2}{\lambda(s', q_1^2, q_2^2)} \quad \lambda(x, y, z) = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 2(xy + xz + yz)$$



$\pi\pi$ intermediate states: non-diagonal terms

$$\bar{\Pi}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \sum_i \left(A_{i,s}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i(s) + A_{i,t}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i(t) + A_{i,u}^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i(u) \right)$$

- Need to choose $A_i^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}$ so that Π_i are **free of kinematic singularities**
- General procedure for finding such a basis Bardeen, Tung 1968, Tarrach 1975
- Results in **non-diagonal terms**

$$\Pi_1(s) = \frac{s - q_3^2}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^\infty \frac{ds'}{s' - q_3^2} \left(K_1(s', s) \text{Im } \bar{h}_{++,++}^0(s') + \frac{2\xi_1\xi_2}{\lambda(s', q_1^2, q_2^2)} \text{Im } \bar{h}_{00,++}^0(s') \right)$$

- Solved for S -wave, D -wave calculation in progress

Digression: $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$

- Similar analysis for $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$: Bardeen–Tung–Tarrach basis
→ partial-wave dispersion relations (**Roy–Steiner equations**)
- Find similar non-diagonal kernels
- Check within 1-loop ChPT

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^\infty dt' \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{t' - t} - \frac{t' - q_1^2 - q_2^2}{\lambda(t', q_1^2, q_2^2)} \right) \text{Im } h_1(t'; q_1^2, q_2^2) + \frac{2q_1^2 q_2^2}{\lambda(t', q_1^2, q_2^2)} \text{Im } h_2(t'; q_1^2, q_2^2) \right\}$$

$$= 1 + 2 \left(M_\pi^2 + \frac{t q_1^2 q_2^2}{\lambda(t, q_1^2, q_2^2)} \right) C_0(t, q_1^2, q_2^2) + \frac{t(q_1^2 + q_2^2) - (q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2}{\lambda(t, q_1^2, q_2^2)} \bar{J}(t)$$

$$- \frac{q_1^2(t + q_2^2 - q_1^2)}{\lambda(t, q_1^2, q_2^2)} \bar{J}(q_1^2) - \frac{q_2^2(t + q_1^2 - q_2^2)}{\lambda(t, q_1^2, q_2^2)} \bar{J}(q_2^2)$$

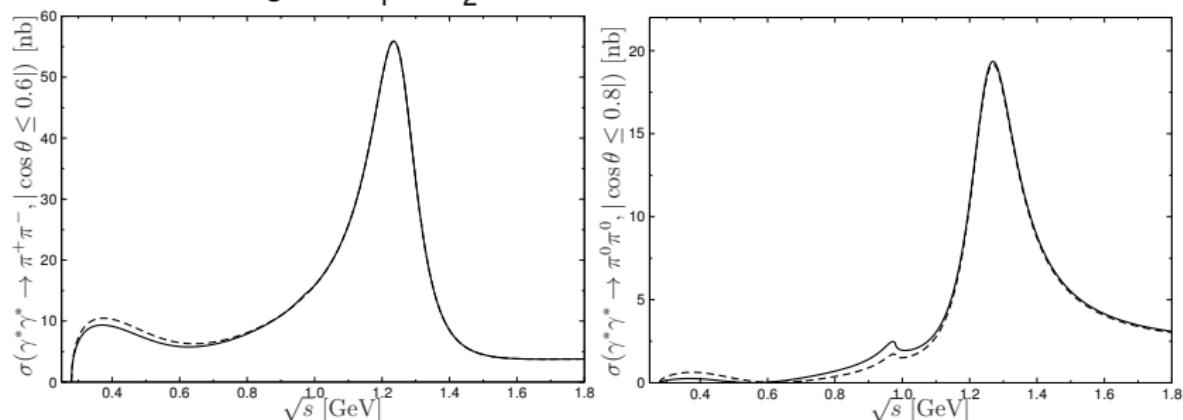
$$\text{Im } h_1(t; q_1^2, q_2^2) = 2 \left(M_\pi^2 + \frac{t q_1^2 q_2^2}{\lambda(t, q_1^2, q_2^2)} \right) \text{Im } C_0(t, q_1^2, q_2^2) + \frac{t(q_1^2 + q_2^2) - (q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2}{\lambda(t, q_1^2, q_2^2)} \text{Im } \bar{J}(t)$$

$$\text{Im } h_2(t; q_1^2, q_2^2) = -\frac{1}{\lambda(t, q_1^2, q_2^2)} \left[(t^2 - (q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2) \text{Im } C_0(t, q_1^2, q_2^2) + 4t \text{Im } \bar{J}(t) \right]$$

→ non-diagonal kernels crucial for doubly-virtual case

Digression: $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$

- Reason for digression: simplified model for MC generators?
- Rescattering** for large virtualities dominated by **non-diagonal terms**, but overall size moderate, e.g. for $Q_1^2 = Q_2^2 = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^2$



- Many caveats: definition of cross section, just pion pole for LHC, BW for $f_2(1270)$, dipole for q^2 -dependence (Λ from Pauk, Vanderhaeghen 2014), subtractions, $f_0(980)$, ...

$\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$ partial waves: unitarity relations

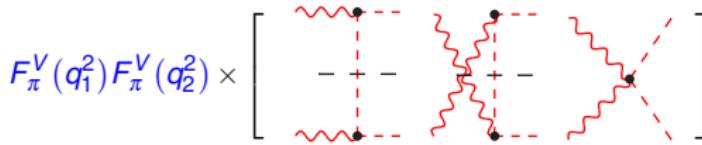
process	building blocks and SC	
		left-hand cut
		π
		2π
		$3\pi (\sim \omega, \phi)$
	$\alpha_1 \pm \beta_1, \alpha_2 \pm \beta_2$	unitarity relations
	$\alpha_1(q^2) \pm \beta_1(q^2), \text{ChPT}$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi\pi$	on-shell
	ChPT $(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma)$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi\pi$	singly-virtual
		doubly-virtual

Simplified input for $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$: pion pole

Omnès representation for S-wave

$$h_{0,++}^l(s) = N_{0,++}^l(s) + \frac{\Omega_0^l(s)}{\pi} \int_{\frac{4M_\pi^2}{s_m}}^{s_m} ds' \frac{\sin \delta_0^l(s')}{|\Omega_0^l(s')|} \left[\left(\frac{1}{s'-s} - \frac{s'-q_1^2-q_2^2}{\lambda(s', q_1^2, q_2^2)} \right) N_{0,++}^l(s') + \frac{2\xi_1\xi_2}{\lambda(s', q_1^2, q_2^2)} N_{0,00}^l(s') \right]$$

- Starting point: **Roy–Steiner** equations for $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$
- Omnès factors $\Omega_0^l(s) = \exp \left\{ \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{\frac{4M_\pi^2}{s_m}}^{s_m} ds' \frac{\delta_0^l(s')}{s'(s'-s)} \right\}$
- LHC approximated by **pion pole** $N_{0,\lambda_1\lambda_2}^l$ only



- Finite matching point:** $h_{0,++}^l(s) = 0$ above s_m
- Take $\sqrt{s_m} = 0.98 \text{ GeV}$
→ no $f_0(980)$ or coupling to $K\bar{K}$ ⇒ “ σ -contribution”

Preliminary numbers: $\pi\pi$ rescattering for S -waves

- $a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi}$ in units of 10^{-11}

phase shift δ_1^1	$I = 0$ DR 1	$I = 0$ DR 2	$I = 2$ DR 1	$I = 2$ DR 2
CCL	-7.13 ± 0.03	-6.75 ± 0.06	1.82 ± 0.01	1.68 ± 0.01
CCL + ρ', ρ''	-7.79 ± 0.03	-7.38 ± 0.06	2.00 ± 0.01	1.84 ± 0.01

- Adding the FsQED contribution

phase shift δ_1^1	FsQED	sum DR 1	sum DR 2
CCL	-13.77 ± 0.01	-19.08 ± 0.03	-18.84 ± 0.06
CCL + ρ', ρ''	-14.65 ± 0.01	-20.44 ± 0.03	-20.19 ± 0.06

- Comparing to the literature [Jegerlehner, Nyffeler 2009](#)

Contribution	BPP	HKS	KN	MV	BP	PdRV	N/JN
π^0, η, η'	85 ± 13	82.7 ± 6.4	83 ± 12	114 ± 10	-	114 ± 13	99 ± 16
π, K loops	-19 ± 13	-4.5 ± 8.1	-	-	-	-19 ± 19	-19 ± 13
π, K loops + other subleading in N_c	-	-	-	0 ± 10	-	-	-
Axial vectors	2.5 ± 1.0	1.7 ± 1.7	-	22 ± 5	-	15 ± 10	22 ± 5
Scalars	-6.8 ± 2.0	-	-	-	-	-7 ± 7	-7 ± 2
Quark loops	21 ± 3	9.7 ± 11.1	-	-	-	$2.3 \pm$	21 ± 3
Total	83 ± 32	89.6 ± 15.4	80 ± 40	136 ± 25	110 ± 40	105 ± 26	116 ± 39

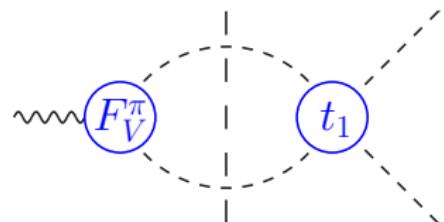


- **Dispersive framework** for the calculation of the HLBL contribution to a_μ
- Includes **one- and two-pion** intermediate states
- **Master formula** for $\pi\pi$ in terms of $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$ **partial waves**
- Next steps
 - Doubly-virtual pion transition form factor
 - Refinement of $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$ input
 - Comprehensive treatment of D -waves
 - Error analysis: which input quantity has the biggest impact on a_μ ?

Pion vector form factor

- **Dispersive approach:** resum $\pi\pi$ rescattering F_V^π as example
- **Unitarity for pion vector form factor**

$$\text{Im } F_V^\pi(s) = \theta(s - 4M_\pi^2) F_V^\pi(s) e^{-i\delta_1(s)} \sin \delta_1(s)$$

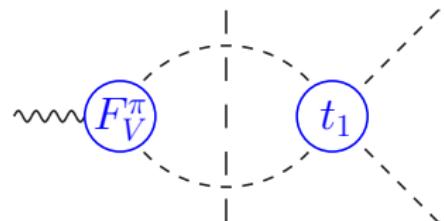


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- Solution in terms of **Omnès function** Omnès 1958

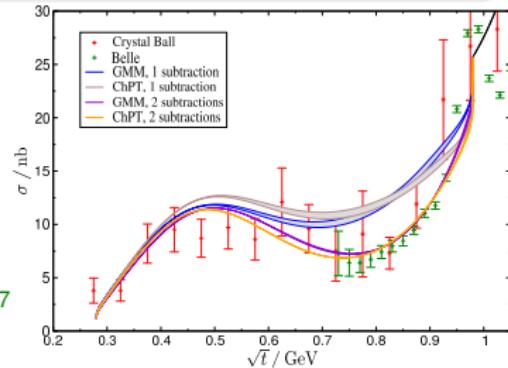
$$F_V^\pi(s) = P(s) \Omega_1(s) \quad \Omega_1(s) = \exp \left\{ \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\delta_1(s')}{s'(s'-s)} \right\}$$

- Asymptotics + normalization $\Rightarrow P(s) = 1$

$\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$ partial waves

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+ crossing symmetry + unitarity + gauge invariance

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- **Singly-virtual** $\gamma^*\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi$ Moussallam 2013
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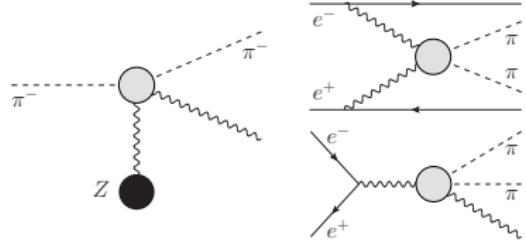
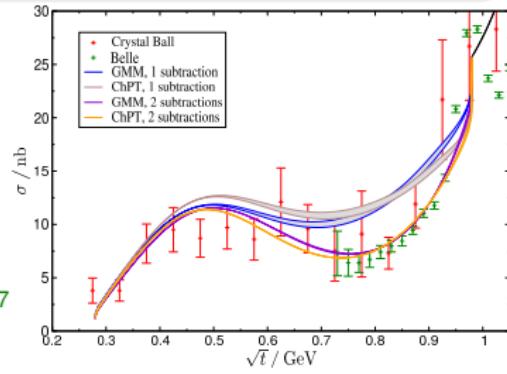
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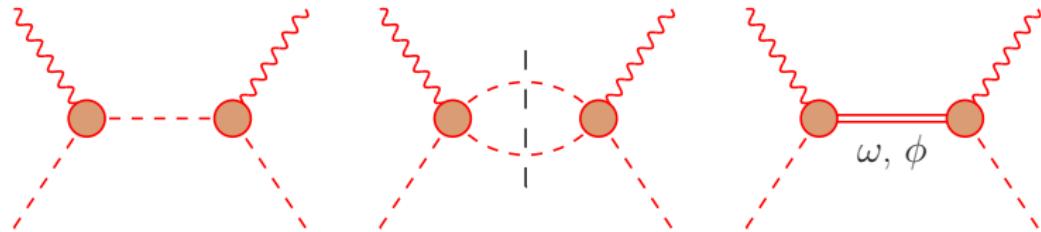
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- Constraints

- **Low energies**: pion polarizabilities, ChPT
- **Primakoff**: $\gamma\pi \rightarrow \gamma\pi$ (COMPASS), $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi$ (JLab)
- **Scattering**: $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-\pi\pi$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma$
- **(Transition) Form factors**: F_V^π , $\omega, \phi \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma^*$

→ discuss these constraints in the following

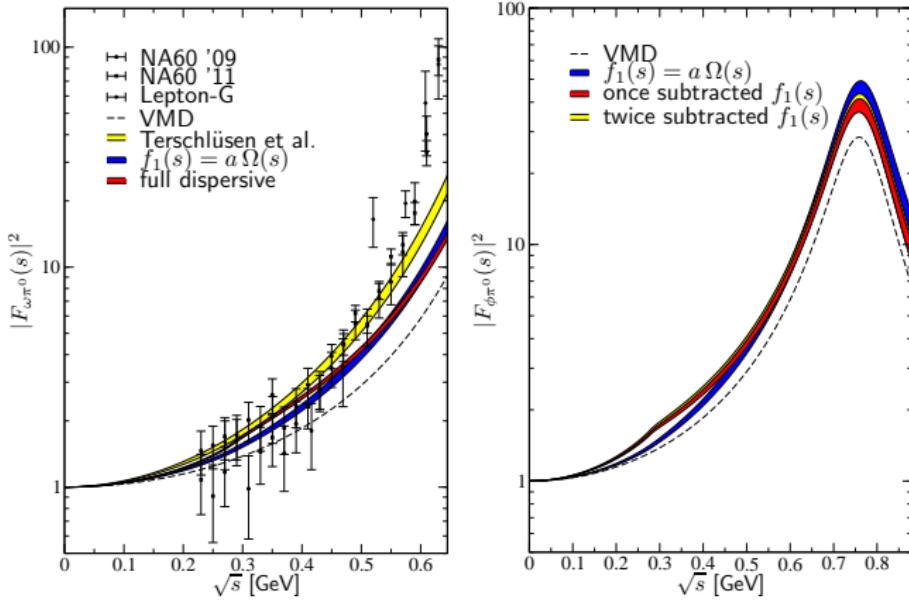


Left-hand cut



- **Pion pole:** coupling determined by F_V^π as before
- **Multi-pion intermediate states:** approximate in terms of **resonances**
 - $2\pi \sim \rho$: can even be done **exactly** using $\gamma^* \rightarrow 3\pi$ amplitude
 - ↪ see pion transition form factor
 - $3\pi \sim \omega, \phi$: narrow-width approximation
 - ↪ **transition form factors** for $\omega, \phi \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma^*$
 - Higher intermediate states also potentially relevant: **axials, tensors**
 - ↪ **sum rules** to constrain their transition form factors Pauk, Vanderhaeghen 2014

$\omega, \phi \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma^*$ transition form factor



Schneider, Kubis, Niecknig 2012

- Puzzle of steep rise in $F_{\omega\pi^0}$
→ measurement of $F_{\phi\pi^0}$ would be extremely valuable
- Clarification important for pion transition form factor, but also $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$

Subtraction functions

Omnès representation for S-wave

$$\begin{aligned} h_{0,++}(s) = & \Delta_{0,++}(s) + \Omega_0(s) \left[\frac{1}{2}(s-s_+)a_+(q_1^2, q_2^2) + \frac{1}{2}(s-s_-)a_-(q_1^2, q_2^2) + q_1^2 q_2^2 b(q_1^2, q_2^2) \right. \\ & + \frac{s(s-s_+)}{2\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{\sin \delta_0(s') \Delta_{0,++}(s')}{s'(s'-s_+)(s'-s)|\Omega_0(s')|} + \frac{s(s-s_-)}{2\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{\sin \delta_0(s') \Delta_{0,++}(s')}{s'(s'-s_-)(s'-s)|\Omega_0(s')|} \\ & \left. + \frac{2q_1^2 q_2^2 s}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{\sin \delta_0(s') \Delta_{0,00}(s')}{s'(s'-s_+)(s'-s_-)|\Omega_0(s')|} \right] \quad s_\pm = q_1^2 + q_2^2 \pm 2\sqrt{q_1^2 q_2^2} \end{aligned}$$

- Inhomogeneities $\Delta_{0,++}(s), \Delta_{0,00}(s)$ include left-hand cut
- **Subtraction functions**
 - $b(q_1^2, q_2^2)$ and $a_+(q_1^2, q_2^2) - a_-(q_1^2, q_2^2)$ multiply $q_1^2 q_2^2$ and $\sqrt{q_1^2 q_2^2}$
→ inherently doubly-virtual observables ⇒ need ChPT (or lattice)
 - However: $a(q_1^2, q_2^2) = (a_+(q_1^2, q_2^2) + a_-(q_1^2, q_2^2))/2$ fixed by singly-virtual measurements
→ compare with chiral prediction, uncertainty estimates for the other functions

Subtraction functions: chiral constraints

- 1-loop result for arbitrary q_i^2 , e.g.

$$a^{\pi^0}(q_1^2, q_2^2) = -\frac{M_\pi^2}{8\pi^2 F_\pi^2 (q_1^2 - q_2^2)^2} \left\{ q_1^2 + q_2^2 + 2(M_\pi^2(q_1^2 + q_2^2) + q_1^2 q_2^2) C_0(q_1^2, q_2^2) \right. \\ \left. + q_1^2 \left(1 + \frac{6q_2^2}{q_1^2 - q_2^2}\right) \bar{J}(q_1^2) + q_2^2 \left(1 - \frac{6q_1^2}{q_1^2 - q_2^2}\right) \bar{J}(q_2^2) \right\}$$

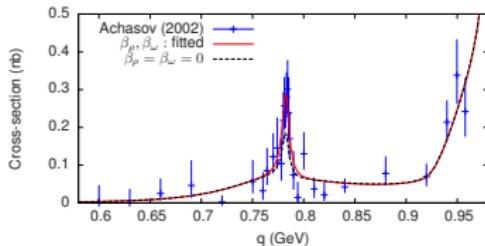
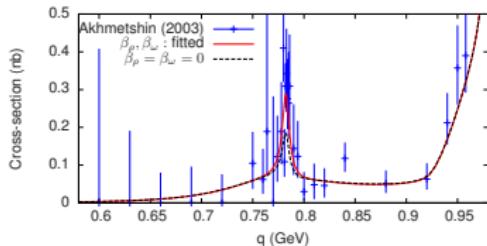
- Special case: $q_1^2 = q_2^2 = 0$

$$a^{\pi^\pm}(0,0) = \frac{\bar{l}_6 - \bar{l}_5}{48\pi^2 F_\pi^2} + \dots = \frac{M_\pi}{2\alpha} (\alpha_1 - \beta_1)^{\pi^\pm} \quad b^{\pi^\pm}(0,0) = 0$$

$$a^{\pi^0}(0,0) = -\frac{1}{96\pi^2 F_\pi^2} + \dots = \frac{M_\pi}{2\alpha} (\alpha_1 - \beta_1)^{\pi^0} \quad b^{\pi^0}(0,0) = -\frac{1}{1440\pi^2 F_\pi^2 M_\pi^2} + \dots$$

→ resum higher chiral orders into **pion polarizabilities**

Subtraction functions: dispersive representation



Moussallam 2013

- Singly-virtual case: phenomenological representation with chiral constraints
→ parameters fixed from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0\gamma$ (CMD2 and SND) Moussallam 2013
- **Dispersive representation:** imaginary part from $2\pi, 3\pi, \dots$
→ analytic continuation from time-like to space-like kinematics
- Example: $I=2 \Rightarrow$ isovector photons $\Rightarrow 2\pi \sim \rho$

$$a^2(q_1^2, q_2^2) = \alpha_0 \left[\alpha^2 + \alpha \left(q_1^2 \mathcal{F}^\rho(q_1^2) + q_2^2 \mathcal{F}^\rho(q_2^2) \right) + q_1^2 q_2^2 \mathcal{F}^\rho(q_1^2) \mathcal{F}^\rho(q_2^2) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{F}^\rho(q^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{q^3(s) (\mathcal{F}_\pi^V(s))^* \Omega_1(s)}{s^{3/2} (s - q^2)} \quad q_{\pi\pi}(s) = \sqrt{\frac{s}{4} - M_\pi^2}$$

→ α_0 and α can be determined from $a^2(q^2, 0)$ alone!