

**Chiral effective action of QCD:
precision tests, questions and
electroweak extensions**

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Introduction

- * Everyone's starting point

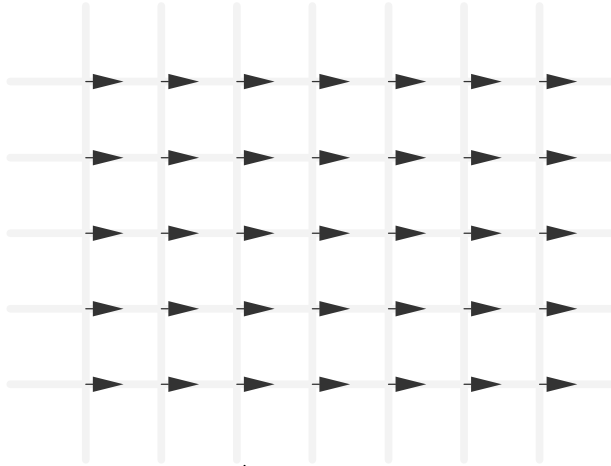
$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \frac{-1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} + \sum_{f=1}^6 \bar{q}_f [i \not{D} - m_f] q_f$$

$$\text{with } \not{D} = (\partial_\lambda - i g_s G_\lambda) \gamma^\lambda$$

- * One coupling constant g_s , one scale Λ_{QCD}
- * Two remarkably different regimes (soft/hard)
- * Very soft regime: chiral effective Lagrangian
 - Analytic approach ; precision physics ?
 - Light hadrons probe weak interaction: V_{ud}, V_{us}

Chiral symmetry and light quarks

- * Chiral limits: set $N_F^0 (\geq 2)$ masses = 0
 - \mathcal{L}_{QCD} has a global symmetry $SU_L(N_F^0) \times SU_R(N_F^0)$
- * QCD vacuum breaks the symmetry to $SU_V(N_F^0)$ (like a ferromagnet)



- * Order parameter $\langle \bar{u}_L u_R + \bar{u}_R u_L \rangle \neq 0$
- * Goldstone theorem: $(N_F^0)^2 - 1$ massless pseudoscalar bosons
- * Three quarks are light u, d, s , masses ($\mu_0 = 2$ GeV):

$$\frac{1}{2}(m_u + m_d)|_{latt} = 4 \pm 1 \text{ MeV} \quad m_s|_{latt} = 100 \pm 25 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_u/m_d|_{chpt} = 0.54 \pm 0.04$$
- * Two relevant chiral limits: $N_F^0 = 2, N_F^0 = 3$

Chiral effective Lagrangian

- * Dynamical field U , $UU^\dagger = 1$ (nonlinear sigma-model) $U = \exp(i\Phi/F)$

$$\mathcal{L}_2^{eff} = \frac{1}{4}F^2 \langle D_\mu U D^\mu U^\dagger + 2B(\mathcal{M}^\dagger U + \mathcal{M} U^\dagger) \rangle$$

- * Two coupling constants ($\langle \bar{u}u \rangle = BF^2$).
- * Weakly interacting theory: expansion in powers of p, m_f
- * Higher orders: Weinberg (1979)
 - $O(p^4)$: L_1, \dots, L_{10} (Gasser, Leutwyler (1985))
 - $O(p^6)$: C_1, \dots, C_{90} (Bijnens, Colangelo, Ecker (1999))
- * “Generalized” renormalizability, couplings encode dynamical informations on massive states.

SU(2) chiral expansion

* $\pi\pi$ amplitude: three successive orders computed

* $O(p^2)$ (Weinberg (1966))

$$a_0^0 = \frac{7M_\pi^2}{32\pi F_\pi^2}, \quad a_0^2 = \frac{-M_\pi^2}{16\pi F_\pi^2}, \quad M_\pi^2 = 2\hat{m}B$$

* $O(p^4)$ (Gasser-Leutwyler (1984)) depends on **four** coupling combinations \bar{l}_i (chiral logs: $M_\pi^4 \log M_\pi^2$)

* $O(p^6)$

– (Knecht et al. (1995)) using **unitarity**, analyticity, crossing and chiral counting: up to **six** parameter polynomial

– (Bijnens et al. (1996)) complete calculation from chiral Lagrangian

ππ amplitude: numerical results

* Theory (note: no isospin breaking)

order	a_0^0	$a_0^0 - a_0^2$
p^2	0.16	0.20
p^4	0.20 ± 0.01	0.24 ± 0.02
p^6 Bijmens et al (1998)	0.217	0.258
p^6 Colangelo et al (2000)	0.220 ± 0.005	0.264 ± 0.011

* Experiment

experiment	a_0^0	$a_0^0 - a_0^2$
Rosselet (1977)	0.27 ± 0.05	
E865 (2001)	$0.228 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.003$	
E865 (2003)	$0.216 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.003$	
DIRAC (2005) pionium		0.261 ± 0.033
NA48 (2005) $K \rightarrow 3\pi$		$0.281 \pm 0.007 \pm 0.014$

* SU(2) expansion works (main corrections from chiral logs)

$SU(3)$ chiral expansion

- * $N_F^0 = 3$. Obviously $m_s \gg m_u, m_d$
- * Less obvious: **OZI rule**
 - i.e. $s\bar{s} \not\rightarrow u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}$
 - well satisfied for mesons (nonet structure, decay patterns)
 - **One exception**: scalar mesons
 - Explanation from QCD: $1/N_c$ expansion ?
- * Why is it interesting here ? It affects **order parameters**

$$\text{OZI rule} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \langle \bar{u}u \rangle_{SU(2)} &= \langle \bar{u}u \rangle_{SU(3)} \\ (F_\pi)_{SU(3)} &= (F_\pi)_{SU(2)} \end{aligned}$$

- * **Is this true ?**

Banks-Casher formula

- * Relation with the density of small eigenvalues of the Dirac operator

$$\langle \bar{u}u \rangle_{SU(2)} = \frac{-\pi}{Z} \int d\mu[G] \rho_G(0) (\det i \not{D})^2 \det(i \not{D} + m_s) e^{-S_{YM}(G)}$$

$$\text{with } \rho_G(\lambda) = \sum_n \delta(\lambda - \lambda_n) \quad \not{D}\psi_n = \lambda_n \psi_n$$

- * Since $\det i \not{D} = \prod_n \lambda_n^2$ we expect

$$\langle \bar{u}u \rangle_{SU(3)} < \langle \bar{u}u \rangle_{SU(2)}$$

- * Similar effect for $(F_\pi)_{SU(3)}$. CS breaking is **weaker** for $SU(3)$

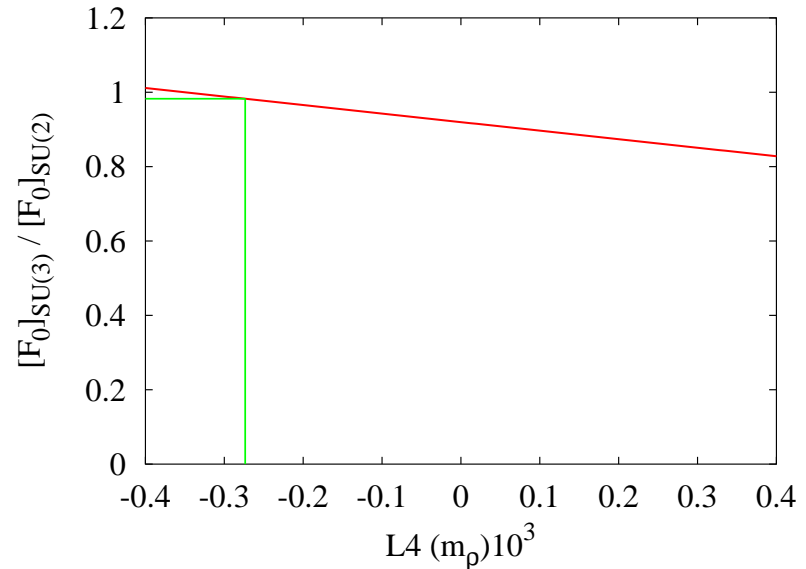
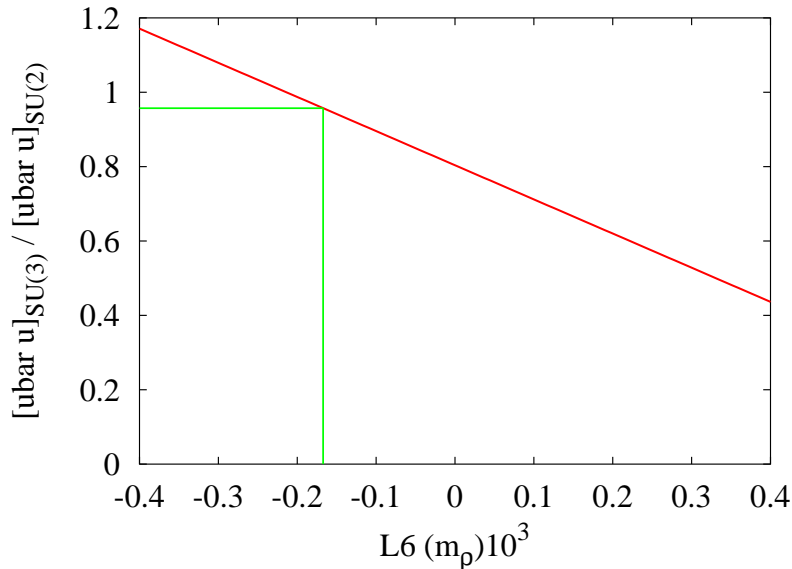
* $O(p^4)$ Lagrangian, OZI suppressed couplings

$$L_2 - 2L_1, \quad L_4, \quad L_6$$

* Relation with order parameters, $x_K = m_K^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_\pi^2$

$$\frac{\langle \bar{u}u \rangle_{SU(3)}}{\langle \bar{u}u \rangle_{SU(2)}} = 1 - \frac{x_K}{F^2} \left[32L_6^r - \frac{1}{144\pi^2} \left(11 \log \frac{x_K}{\mu^2} + 2 \log \frac{4}{3} \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{(F_\pi)_{SU(2)}}{(F_\pi)_{SU(3)}} = 1 - \frac{x_K}{F^2} \left[8L_4^r - \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \log \frac{x_K}{\mu^2} \right] \quad (1)$$



Determination of OZI suppressed couplings

* Model **independent** determination:

$$L_2 - 2L_1 : Kl_4, \pi K$$

$$L_4 : \pi K,$$

$$L_6 : \text{no (Kaplan-Manohar invariance)}$$

* Model **dependent** determination: L_4, L_6 from **scalar form factors**

$$\langle \pi^i(p) | \bar{u}u(0) + \bar{d}d(0) | \pi^j(q) \rangle = \delta^{ij} F_u^\pi(t). \quad t = (p - q)^2$$

$$\langle \pi^i(p) | \bar{s}s | \pi^j(q) \rangle = \delta^{ij} F_s^\pi(t)$$

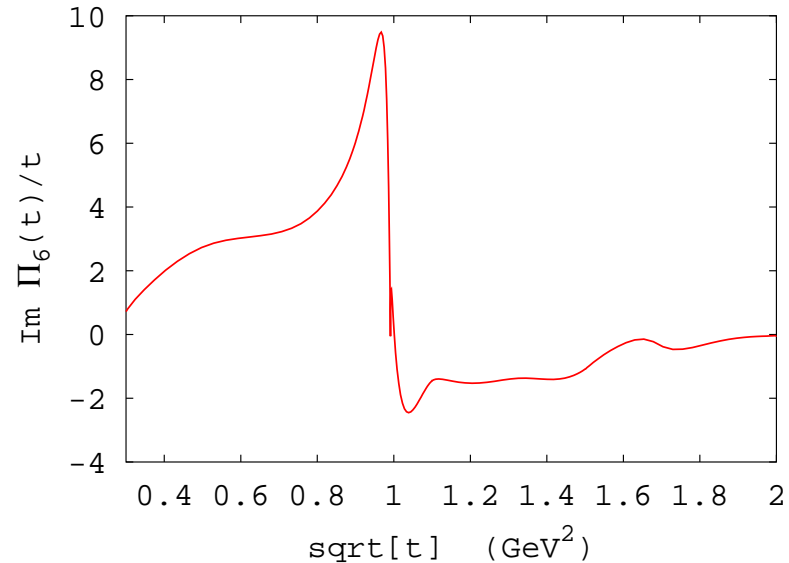
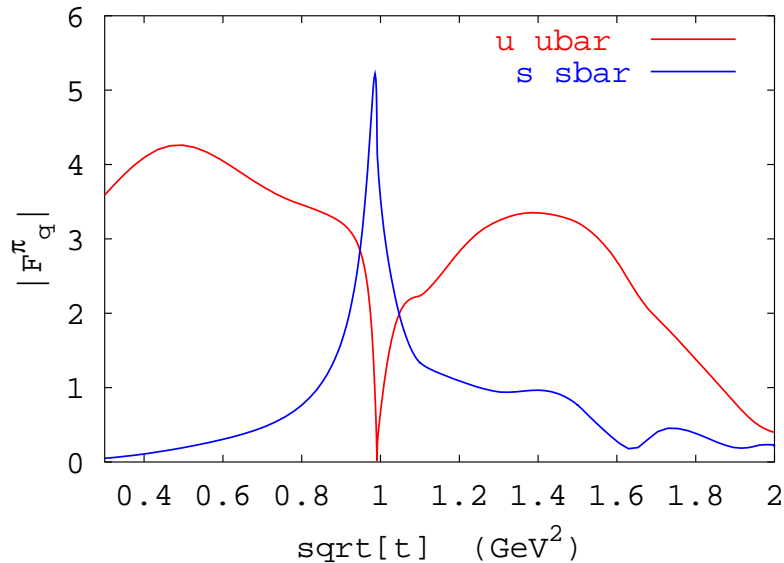
consider also

$$\Pi_6(p^2) = i \int d^4x e^{ipx} \langle 0 | \bar{s}s(x) [\bar{u}u(0) + \bar{d}d(0)] | 0 \rangle_{conn.}$$

(“OZImeter”)

Construction of scalar form-factors

- * Method: Donoghue, Gasser, Leutwyler (1990):
 - Analyticity, Muskhelishvili-Omnès equations based on 2-channel $\pi\pi$ and $K\bar{K}$ unitarity
 - $F_q^\pi(0)$ given from CHPT $\longrightarrow F_q^\pi(t)$ $t \leq 1$ GeV



- * Relation with scalar meson physics

Results from scalar form-factors

* relation with couplings

$$L_4 = \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \dot{F}_s^\pi(0) + \log' s + O(p^6)$$

$$L_6 = \frac{1}{64} \Pi_6(0) + \log' s + O(p^6)$$

* Chiral computations to p^6 : Π_6 (BM (2000)), form-factors (Bijnens, Dhonte (2003))

	$10^3 L_4^r(m_\rho)$	$10^3 L_6^r(m_\rho)$	method
GL (85)	-0.3 ± 0.3	-0.2 ± 0.5	OZI
BM (00)	$+0.3 \pm 0.2$	$+0.3 \pm 0.3$	F_s^π, Π_6
BD (03)	$+0.4 \pm 0.2$	$+0.1 \pm 0.3$	$F_s^\pi, F_u^\pi, F_s^K, F_u^K$

πK amplitude

* Experimental informations:

* Medium energy: production experiments

– $K^\pm p \rightarrow K^\pm \pi^+ n$, Estabrooks et al (1978), Aston et al. (1988) obtain $\pi K \rightarrow \pi K$ PW amplitudes $l = 0..5$ in range $0.8 \text{ GeV} < E < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$

– $\pi N \rightarrow K \bar{K} N$, Cohen et al. (1980), Etkin et al. (1982) obtain $\pi\pi \rightarrow K \bar{K}$ in range $2m_K < E < 2.5 \text{ GeV}$

* Low energy:

– $D^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ K^- \mu \nu$ FOCUS (2002) $l = 0$ πK $E = 895 \text{ MeV}$,
 $\tau \rightarrow \pi K \nu$, $l = 1$ $(\pi K)_{atom}$ in the future.

* Low-energy amplitude can be constructed from analyticity.

πK amplitude at low energy

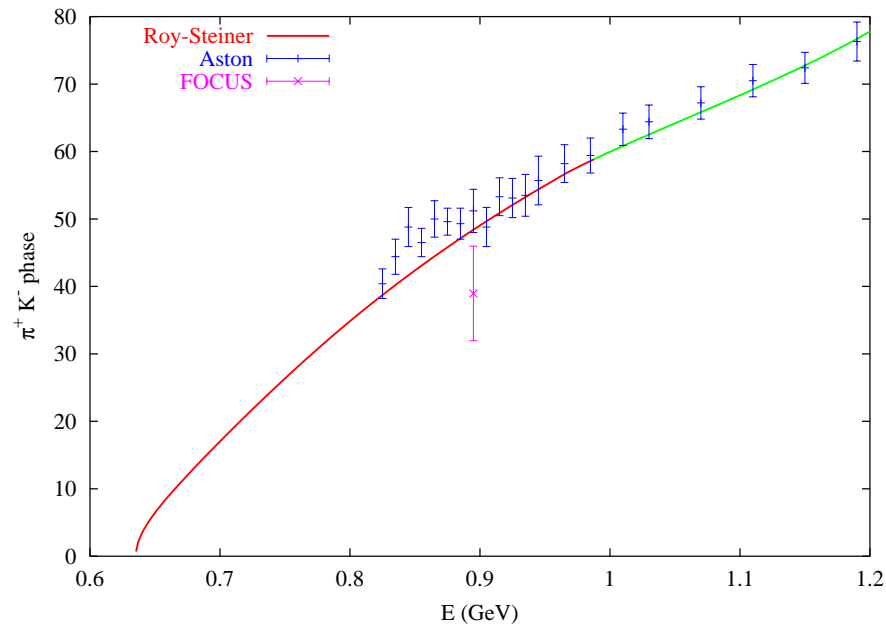
* Roy-Steiner equations : $\pi K \rightarrow \pi K$ $f_0^{1/2}, f_0^{3/2}, f_1^{1/2}, f_1^{3/2}$

$$\pi\pi \rightarrow K\bar{K} \quad g_0, g_1$$

* Two (subtraction) parameters: $a_0^{1/2}, a_0^{3/2}$

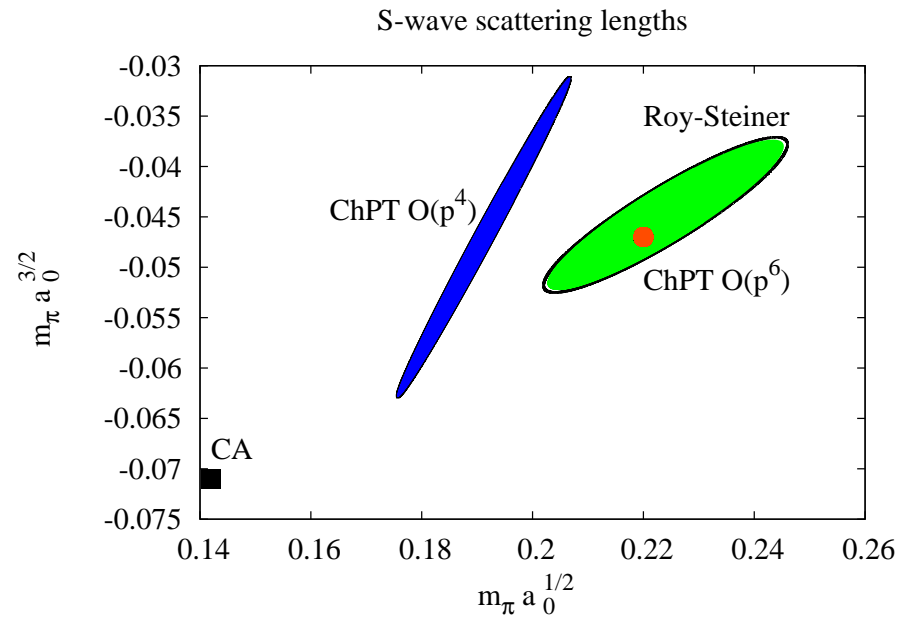
* Boundary value problem approach (Pennington-Protopopescu (1974))
unique solution with proper boundary conditions.

* New solutions: Descotes-Genon et al. (2004)



Comparison with SU(3) expansion at p^4

* Chiral calculation Bernard, Kaiser, Meissner (1991)



* Expand the amplitudes around $s - u = 0, t = 0$ (unphysical point)

L_2	L_3	$L_2 - 2L_1$	L_4	$\times 10^3$
1.3 ± 0.1	-4.5 ± 0.1	-0.8 ± 0.2	0.5 ± 0.4	πK
1.5 ± 0.2	-3.2 ± 0.8	$+0.6 \pm 0.5$	—	Kl_4

Comparison with SU(3) expansion at p^6

- * Calculation by [Bijnens, Dhonte \(2004\)](#)
- * **Strategy:** simple resonance model for C_i while L_i 's fitted in previous work (masses, πl_2 , Kl_2 , Kl_4 etc...)
- * $l=0$ scattering lengths: **good**
- * Comparison with sub-threshold expansion parameters **not so good**

sub. coeff.	c_{10}^+	$10 c_{20}^+$	c_{01}^+	c_{10}^-
p^4	0.6	0.2	1.7	0.2
p^6	0.9	0.03	3.8	0.1
dispersive	0.9 ± 0.1	0.2 ± 0.1	2.1 ± 0.1	0.31 ± 0.01

- * **More refined estimates of C_i 's needed**

Electroweak extensions

- * Aim: Accurate evaluation of EM corrections and isospin breaking e.g. to determine $m_u - m_d$ (Dashen's theorem) or V_{ud}, V_{us} etc...
- * Extension to dynamical photons Urech (1995)
- * Extension to dynamical leptons Knecht et al. (2000)
- * Classification method: $Q \longrightarrow 2$ spurions $q_L(x), q_R(x)$, chiral counting $Q(e) \sim O(p)$
 - $O(e^2)$ One coupling C
 $\mathcal{L}_{e^2} = C \langle q_R U q_L U^\dagger \rangle$
 - $O(e^2 p^2)$ $K_{1, \dots, 13}$
 $X_{1, \dots, 6}$ with leptons (charged current)
- * This is the effective theory of the full standard model

Chiral sum rules

- * Das et al. (1967) [$\pi^+ - \pi^0$ mass difference]

$$2C = i \int d^4x \langle 0 | T (V_\mu^3(x) V_\nu^3(0) - A_\mu^3(x) A_\nu^3(0)) | 0 \rangle D_\gamma^{\mu\nu}(x)$$

- * BM (1997) trick: use spurions as sources

$\langle V^3 V^3 - A^3 A^3 \rangle$	C, K_{13}
$\langle V^{ud} V^{du} - V^{us} V^{su} \rangle$	$K_9 + K_{10}$
$\langle A^{ud} A^{du} - A^{us} A^{su} \rangle$	$K_9 - K_{10}$
$\frac{d}{dm_s} \langle V^3 V^3 \rangle$	K_7
$\frac{d}{dm_s} \langle A^3 A^3 \rangle$	K_8
$\langle V^1 A^2 P^3 \rangle$	K_{11}, K_{12}
$\langle A^a A^b A^c A^d \rangle, \langle A^a A^b V^c V^d \rangle, \langle V^a V^b A^c A^d \rangle$ $\langle V^a V^b V^c V^d \rangle, \langle A^a V^b A^c V^d \rangle$	K_1, \dots, K_6

- * Practical evaluations, euclidian space + simple models
- * Question of convergence

Role of QED counterterms

* Terms quadratic in e in QED Lagrangian:

$$Z_2^{\overline{MS}} = \frac{\mu_0^{-2\epsilon}}{16\pi^2} (-\xi) \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma + \log 4\pi \right\}$$

$$Z_s^{\overline{MS}} = \frac{\mu_0^{-2\epsilon}}{16\pi^2} (-\xi - 3) \left\{ \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma + \log 4\pi \right\}$$

* Counterterms in terms of spurions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{QED}^{CT} &= \frac{i}{2} Z_2^{\overline{MS}} e^2 \bar{\psi}_L [\mathbf{q}_L, D^\mu \mathbf{q}_L] \gamma_\mu \psi_L + (L \leftrightarrow R) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} Z_2^{\overline{MS}} e^2 \bar{\psi}_R (\mathbf{q}_R^2 (s + ip) + (s - ip) \mathbf{q}_L^2) \psi_L + h.c. \\ &- Z_s^{\overline{MS}} e^2 \bar{\psi}_R \mathbf{q}_R (s + ip) \mathbf{q}_L \psi_L + h.c. \end{aligned}$$

* Generating functional $O(e^2)$ well defined $\mathbf{q}_L(x), \mathbf{q}_R(x)$

Consequences of the counterterms

* Contributions to 4 K_i 's

$$\begin{aligned} K_9^{CT} &= -\frac{1}{8}Z_2 & K_{10}^{CT} &= \frac{1}{8}Z_s \\ K_{11}^{CT} &= -\frac{1}{8}Z_s & K_{12}^{CT} &= -\frac{1}{4}Z_2 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Short distance constraints

* Observables involve

$$K_{10} + K_{11} \text{ (finite)}$$

$$4K_{12} - X_6 \text{ (finite)}$$

$$K_9 + K_{10} \longrightarrow \text{quarks masses}$$

Definition of a **purely strong** quark mass

* Gasser, Rusetsky, Scimemi (2003): physical mass $m_f(\mu_0)$ runs with **QCD + QED**, proposed a definition of “strong” mass ((i.e. **only QCD** running) $\bar{m}_f(\lambda, \mu_0)$ such that

$$\bar{m}_f(\lambda, \lambda) = m_f(\lambda)$$

* Alternative (more convenient ?) definition from chiral Lagrangian

$$\bar{m}_f(\mu, \mu_0) = m_f(\mu_0)[1 + 4e^2 Q_f^2 (K_9 + K_{10})]$$

* Determination of $K_9 + K_{10}$

$$\left(K_9^r(\mu) + K_{10}^r(\mu) - \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \chi \log' s \right) (m_s - m) B_0 =$$

$$\frac{1}{F_0^2} \int d^d x \langle 0 | V_\mu^{ud}(x) V_\nu^{du}(0) - V_\mu^{us}(x) V_\nu^{su}(0) | 0 \rangle D_\gamma^{\mu\nu}(x)$$

$$+ (Z_s - Z_2)(m_s - m) B_0 + O(m_s^2)$$

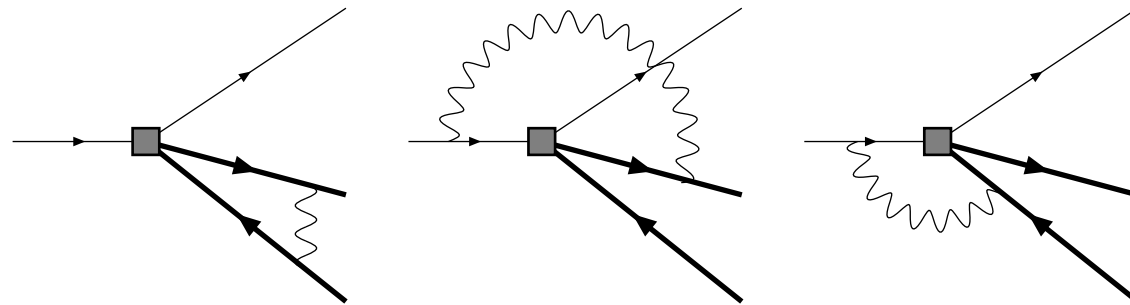
* Possible evaluation using τ decay input.

X_i couplings sum rules

[Descotes-Genon, BM (2005)] * There are **two** effective theories involved

$$\mathcal{L}_{Fermi} = \frac{-4G_F V_{ud}}{\sqrt{2}} \{ \bar{l}_L \gamma^\lambda \nu_L \times \bar{d} \gamma_\lambda u_L + h.c. \} \text{ and } \mathcal{L}_{Chiral}$$

- * Perform matching in **two steps** at order one loop.
- * Complete SM calculation by **Braaten and Li (1990)** at order one loop of generic process $l(p) \rightarrow \bar{u}(q) + d(q') + \nu(p')$
- * Calculation from Fermi theory:



- * This determines the **counterterms** (trick: use Pauli-Villars regularization)

X_i results

* Exact relations found

$$\begin{aligned} X_3 &= 4X_2 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \\ X_5 &= -2X_2 \end{aligned}$$

* Sum rules

$\langle 0 V^3 V^3 - A^3 A^3 \pi \rangle$	X_1
$\langle 0 V^3 V^3 - A^3 A^3 0 \rangle$	X_2
$\langle 0 V^3 V^3 + A^3 A^3 \pi \rangle$	$X_6 - 4K_{12}$

* One explicit expression $X_6 - 4K_{12} =$

$$\frac{1}{32\pi^2} \int_0^{M_Z^2} dx [\Gamma_{VV}(-x) + \Gamma_{AA}(-x)] + \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[-6 \log \frac{M_Z}{\mu} + \frac{5}{2} \right]$$

* Relation with Sirlin's universal factor

$$S_{EW} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} e^2 (X_6 - 4K_{12})$$

Some applications

- * Marciano-Sirlin formula for F_π

$$\sqrt{2}F_\pi = 130.7 \left(\frac{0.9750}{V_{ud}} \right) \pm 0.1 + 0.15 C_1 \text{ MeV}$$

- * Explicit chiral expression: $C_1 =$

$$-4\pi^2 \left[\frac{8}{3}(K_1^r + K_2^r) + \frac{20}{9}(K_5^r + K_6^r) - \frac{4}{3}X_1 + 4(-X_2^r + X_3^r) - (\tilde{X}_6^r - 4K_{12}^r) \right]_{\mu=M_\rho^2} \\ + \frac{C}{4F^4} \left(3 + 2 \log \frac{M_\pi^2}{M_\rho^2} + \log \frac{M_K^2}{M_\rho^2} \right) - \frac{1}{2}$$

- * **Result:** $F_\pi = 92.20 \pm 0.20 \text{ MeV}$

* Compatibility of K_{l3}^+ and K_{l3}^0 decays

$$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 l^+ \nu \quad [\text{E865, ISTRA}]$$
$$K^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ l^- \nu \quad [\text{NA48, KTEV, KLOE}]$$

$$\text{E865 } V_{us} = 0.2272 \pm 0.0036$$

$$\text{KTEV: } V_{us} = 0.2252 \pm 0.0021 \text{ problem with CKM unitarity ?}$$

* Compatibility test:

$$\left. \frac{f_+^{K^+}(0)}{f_+^{K^0}(0)} \right|_{ChPT} = 1.022 \pm 0.003 - 16\pi\alpha X_1 \quad \left. \frac{f_+^{K^+}(0)}{f_+^{K^0}(0)} \right|_{exp} = 1.038 \pm 0.007$$

* Sum rule result: $16\pi\alpha X_1 \simeq 0.001$

Some conclusions

- * Restricted to meson sector. Many 2-loop computations performed.
- * SU(2): fair predictivity and convergence
- * SU(3):
 - indication for some weakening of CS breaking
 - πK amplitude important, low-energy data welcome
 - work in progress on modelling couplings
 - information on scalar currents correlators, perhaps from lattice QCD
- * Electromagnetic corrections: possibly under good control