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___ Motivation _

• The π^{\pm} electromagnetic form factor: hadronic structure in $\pi^{+}\pi^{-}\gamma^{*}$



• Its phase can be identified (modulo IB) with the $\pi\pi$ phase shift $\delta_1^1(s)$ below inelasticities.

• Such phase is a key ingredient in dispersive programs to describe a variety of phenomena ($\pi\pi$ scattering, πN scattering,... $F_{1,2}^N(s), F_{P\gamma\gamma^*}(s),...$).

• Above inelasticities, it probes heavy $\rho\text{-like resonances} \rightarrow$ spectroscopy.

_This work _

Can precise data of (the modulus) $F_Q^{\pi}(s)$ improve our knowledge on δ_Q ?

Use long-known dispersion relations (DRs) to attack this problem

The approach proves useful to discuss other properites

Section 1

Properties of the form factor and dispersion relations

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• ... and pQCD $(q^2 = -Q^2)$

$$\lim_{Q^2 \to \infty} F_Q^{\pi}(-Q^2) = \frac{16\pi F_{\pi}^2 \alpha_s(\mu_R^2)}{Q^2} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_R^2)}{\pi} \left[6.58 + \frac{9}{4} \ln\left(\frac{\mu_R^2}{Q^2}\right) \right] \right)$$

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Implying for the phase

$$\delta(s) = \pi \left[1 + L^{-1} + \frac{6.58}{\pi} \frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} L^{-2} \right] \mod(2\pi) \qquad L = \ln(\frac{s}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2})$$

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More precise statement via the principle of the argument

$$\delta(s) = \pi \left[1 + L^{-1} + \frac{6.58}{\pi} \frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} L^{-2} + N - P \right]$$

N(P) = number of zeros(poles) in the first Riemann sheet (hence P = 0)

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• $|F_Q^{\pi}(s)|$ measured up to finite Λ ; explore performance

___ Modulus DR: performance

- Data available in $s \in (s_{th}, 3 \text{ GeV})$: assess performance for finite cutoff
- Employ the following (analytic) toy model² (ρ with $\pi\pi$ resummation)

$$F_Q^{\pi}(s) = \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2 - s - \frac{192\pi}{\beta_\rho^3} \frac{\Gamma_\rho}{m_\rho} H_{\pi\pi}(s)}, \qquad H_{\pi\pi}(s) = s\beta^2 \bar{B}_0(s; m_\pi, m_\pi) + \dots$$

• Rel. uncertainty if DR cutted-off at $\{1, 2, 3, 5\}$ GeV (DR1/DR2 left/right)



• DR2 much better performance \rightarrow our favorite choice!

• For DR2 sum rule matters! SR= $\{1.02, 1.004, 1.0002\}$ vs. 1 for $\{1, 3, 10\}$ GeV

²Dumm, Pich, Portoles, PRD62, 054014 (2000)

Real data analysis

Section 2

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_ Data from
$$e^+e^- o \pi^+\pi^-$$

- Among precise exp. only BaBar beyond 1 GeV
- Combining? problems due to tensions
- Select BaBar³ for this analysis!



• Integrating $\ln |F_Q^{\pi}(s)|$ in DR: interpolation \Rightarrow use a well-motivated model:

 $F_{Q}^{\pi}(s) = [c_{\rho}D_{\rho}(1 + s[c_{\omega}BW_{\omega} + c_{\phi}BW_{\phi}]) + c_{\rho'}D_{\rho'} + c_{\rho''}D_{\rho''} + c_{\rho'''}D_{\rho'''}]/[\sum_{\rho}c_{\rho}]$

- D_{ρ} = Gounaris Sakurai; *BW* Breit-Wigner; $c'_V s$ complex coefficient
- Model violates Schwarz; just to interpolate; DR unitarize it; systematics later
- $\chi^2 = \operatorname{res}^T (Cov)^{-1}$ res: d'Agostini bias; MC analysis keeps correlations
- Sum rule is verified form most fits (discard if not)

³J. P. Lees et al (BaBar Coll), PRD86, 032013 (2012)

The phase of the electromagnetic form factor of the pion Real data analysis

__ Real data analysis: $\delta_{oldsymbol{Q}}$.



• Our results for the and Re/Im parts

- Inner/outer band= stat(stat+syst)
- Phase differs wrt original model (expected, comments later)
- This is not $\delta_1^1(s)$ yet.⁴ For that, $F_8^{\pi}/\sqrt{3}$ must be turned off, leaving F_3^{π}

 $F_{Q}^{\pi}(s) = [c_{\rho}(D_{\rho} + sD_{\rho}[c_{\omega}BW_{\omega} + c_{\phi}BW_{\phi}]) + c_{\rho'}D_{\rho'} + c_{\rho''}D_{\rho''} + c_{\rho'''}D_{\rho'''}]/[\sum c_{\rho}]$

• Process can be repeated for F_3^{π} to extract $\delta_3 (= \delta_1^1$ elastic) and δ_8

Arriola, Broniowski, PSP, PLB822, 136680 (2021)

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— Real data analysis: F_8^{π} .

• From results on $F_{Q,3}^{\pi} \rightarrow F_8^{\pi}/\sqrt{3}$



• Note the phase approaches 2π (not π) (argument principle + $F_8^{\pi}(0) = 0$)

__ Other results

• We can use DR1/DR2 to go to the spacelike

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• For large s, $F_Q^{\pi}(s) \ll F_Q^{\pi}(s_{th}) \Rightarrow DR1/DR2 = \text{lower/upper bound for finite } \Lambda^2$



- DR1 less systematics but DR2 faster convergence
- Expansion at $q^2 = 0$ and radius

$$\begin{split} \langle r_{\pi}^2 \rangle &= 11.01(7)_{\rm st} \binom{+10}{-4}_{\rm sys} {\rm GeV}^{-2} \\ &= 0.429(2)_{\rm st} \binom{+3}{-1}_{\rm sys} ~{\rm fm}^2 \end{split}$$

Bern analysis: 0.429(4) ${\rm fm}^2$ Further terms in series in our work

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Section 3

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___ Outlook and summary _____

- Modulus DR to study the phase of the form factor
- Data-based, unitarization method
- Extracted δ_1^1 , in agreement with precise determinations
- Also determined spacelike and radius, F_8^{π}
- Discussed impact of zeros: worth exploring (often ignored)
- Useful to compare au data at high energies?
- Form factor on the 1RS: useful for resonance hunting
- Ideas on how to explore other form factors

Backup

Section 4

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___ Principle of the argument __

• Given f(z) with poles and zeros at z_i , $\frac{d \ln f(z)}{dz} = f'(z)/f(z)$ has poles with residue ± 1 located at original zeros/poles.

Meaning that, with an appropriate contour

$$\oint_C \frac{F_Q^{\pi\prime}(z)}{F_Q^{\pi}(z)} dz = 2\pi i (N-P)$$

• Evaluating the lhs with contour (radius s):

$$2i\delta(s)|_{disc} - 2\pi i [1 + L^{-1} + ...]_{pQCD} = 2\pi i (N - P)$$

• Thus recovering the result

$$\delta(s) = \pi \left[1 + L^{-1} + \frac{6.58}{\pi} \frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} L^{-2} + N - P \right]$$

• Note that no poles in RS1 and Schwarz demands complex-conjugated zeros



___ Spacelike and radius .

- Convergence for DR1/DR2 (blue/orange) for $\Lambda = \{1,2,3,5\}$ GeV
- Results for radius etc:

$$F_Q^{\pi}(s) = 1 + b_{\pi}s + c_{\pi}s^2 + d_{\pi}s^3 + ...$$

• Note that
$$\langle r_{\pi}^2 \rangle = 6 b_{\pi}$$



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- Analytic⁷ $[0.657(3) \text{ fm}]^2$, $c_{\pi} \in (3.79, 4) \text{ GeV}^{-4}$, $d_{\pi} \in (10.14, 10.56) \text{ GeV}^{-6}$
- τ -based⁷ 11.28(8) GeV⁻², $c_{\pi} = 3.94(4)$ GeV⁻⁴, $d_{\pi} = 10.54(5)$ GeV⁻⁶

⁷Ananthanaran et al, PRL119, 132002 (2017), ⁷ S. González-Solis, P. Roig, EPJC79, 436 (2019)

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• In the presence of zeros DR, DR1

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• As well as the modified sum rule

$$\frac{\sqrt{s_{th}}\operatorname{\mathsf{Res}} g(s_{th}) + \frac{s_{th}^{3/2}}{\pi} \int_{s_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{\ln \frac{|F_Q^{\pi}(z_t)|}{F_Q^{\pi}(s_{th})} dz}{z(z-s_{th})^{3/2}}}{\ln [F_Q^{\pi}(s_{th})B(0)]} = 1.$$

• Evaluating the integral can set bounds on zeros

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_ Systematics

• First, systematics close to threshold (integrand sentitive to them) Vary $F^{\pi}_{\Omega}(s_{th})$ (most relevant) and expansion at s_{th} (up to $\Lambda = 0.42$ GeV)

$$\frac{F_Q^{\pi}(s)}{F_Q^{\pi}(s_{th})} = 1 + \frac{\alpha_1 s}{1 - \alpha_2 s} + \frac{i\beta \frac{s^{3/2}}{M_\rho^2 \sqrt{s_{th}}}}{1 - \frac{s}{M_\rho^2}}$$

- Rapid variations, but sum rule must be fulfilled \rightarrow strong constraint! Account for⁹ $F_Q^{\pi}(s_{th}) = 1.176(2)$ [we find $F_Q^{\pi}(s_{th}) = 1.174(1)$]
- Second, above 600 MeV, linear interpolation for data: irrelevant!



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• An alternative approach independent of zeros: model imaginary part

$$F_Q^\pi(z) = 1 + rac{s}{\pi} \int_{s_{th}}^\infty rac{\mathrm{Im}\, F_Q^\pi(z)}{z(z-s)} dz$$

• Could take the one from GS, remove by hand the residual phase at threshold



- But much more model dependence in solving the inverse problem
- E.g.: Imaginary part from DR also valid in Cauchy
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