

Meson dominance and gravitational form factor of the pion

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Motivation and Outline

The energy momentum tensor $\Theta_{\mu\nu}$ is the conserved Noether current corresponding to the symmetry under space-time translations

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = x^\mu + \epsilon^\mu \implies \phi'(x') = \phi(x) \implies \delta\phi(x) = \epsilon^\mu \partial_\mu \phi$$

The invariance of the Lagrangian gives

$$\delta\mathcal{L}(x) = \epsilon^\mu \partial_\mu \mathcal{L} = \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\phi} \delta\phi + \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\partial^\mu\phi} \delta\partial^\mu\phi = \partial^\nu \left[\frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\partial^\nu\phi} \right] \delta\phi + \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\partial^\mu\phi} \delta\partial^\mu\phi \implies \epsilon^\nu \partial^\mu \Theta_{\mu\nu} = 0,$$

For example for scalar theory

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu\phi)^2 - U(\phi) \implies \Theta^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu\phi\partial^\nu\phi - g^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{L}$$

The canonical of Noether EMT is NOT always symmetric.

How to measure $\Theta^{\mu\nu}$? Natural way coupling to gravity via a curved space time.

We take the Hilbert or metric EMT

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \Big|_{g^{\mu\nu}=\eta^{\mu\nu}}, \quad \eta^{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1) \implies \Theta^{\mu\nu} = \Theta^{\nu\mu}$$

Because of derivatives the quantum operator is badly divergent The improved EMT (Coleman+Callan+)

$$\bar{\Theta}^{\mu\nu} = \Theta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{6} [\partial^\mu\partial^\nu - g^{\mu\nu}\partial^2] \phi^2 \implies \Theta = \Theta_\mu^\mu$$

has the property that for $U(\phi) = m^2\phi^2/2 + g\phi^4/4!$ with $m = 0$ one has scale invariance and a trace anomaly after quantization

$$\bar{\Theta} = 0 \implies \partial^\mu D_\mu = \Theta_\mu^\mu = \beta(g) \frac{1}{4!} \phi^4$$

Lorentz properties

$$x^\mu \rightarrow \Lambda_\alpha^\mu x^\alpha \implies \Theta^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \Lambda_\alpha^\mu \Lambda_\beta^\nu \Theta^{\alpha\beta}$$

The (Hilbert) EMT is conserved and symmetric but not irreducible.

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \Theta^{\nu\mu}. \quad \partial_\mu \Theta^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

\implies 6 independent components.

The trace is a scalar

$$\Theta \equiv \Theta_\nu^\mu$$

A naive decomposition

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \Theta_S^{\mu\nu} + \Theta_T^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} \Theta + \left[\Theta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} \Theta \right] \implies \partial_\mu \Theta_S^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\nu \Theta \neq 0$$

A consistent decomposition where two tensor components are conserved separately.

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \Theta_S^{\mu\nu} + \Theta_T^{\mu\nu}$$

with

$$\Theta_S^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{6} \left[g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\partial^\mu \partial^\nu}{\partial^2} \right] \Theta \implies \partial_\mu \Theta_S^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

We will analyze lattice data using the consistent decomposition.

Gravitational Form factors

The EMT has matrix elements between hadronic states (helicity-normality basis) $|pj\lambda N\rangle$

$$\langle p'j'\lambda'N'|\Theta^{\mu\nu}|pj\lambda N\rangle = \sum_i \chi_{j'\lambda'}^\dagger O_i^{\mu\nu}(p', p) \chi_{j\lambda}^\dagger F_i(q^2)$$

The invariant functions $F_i(q^2)$ are the corresponding gravitational form factors.

The spin-0 particle like the pion is the simplest case

$$\langle \pi^a(p')|\Theta^{\mu\nu}(0)|\pi^b(p)\rangle = \delta_{ab} \left[2P^\mu P^\nu A(t) + \frac{1}{2} \left(q^\mu q^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} q^2 \right) D(t) + 2m_\pi^2 \left(\sum_p \bar{c}_p(t) g^{\mu\nu} = 0 \right) \right]$$

a, b - isospin, $P = \frac{1}{2}(p' + p)$, $q = p' + p$, $t = q^2 = -Q^2$

$$\Theta_\mu^\mu \equiv \Theta(q^2) = 2 \left(m_\pi^2 - \frac{q^2}{4} \right) A(q^2) - \frac{3}{2} q^2 D(q^2). \quad (1)$$

The rank-two tensor $\Theta^{\mu\nu}$ can be decomposed into a sum of two separately conserved irreducible tensors corresponding to well-defined total angular momentum, $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ (scalar) and 2^{++} (tensor), namely [?]

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \Theta_S^{\mu\nu} + \Theta_T^{\mu\nu}, \quad \begin{cases} \Theta_S^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{3} \left(g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2} \right) \Theta \\ \Theta_T^{\mu\nu} = 2 \left[P^\mu P^\nu - \frac{P^2}{3} \left(g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{q^2} \right) \right] A \end{cases}$$

Since Θ and A carry the information on good J^{PC} channels, they should be regarded as the primary objects, whereas the D -term form factor mixes the quantum numbers, with the explicit formula

$$D = -\frac{2}{3t} \left[\Theta - \left(2m_\pi^2 - \frac{1}{2} t \right) A \right]. \quad (2)$$

Mechanistic interpretation

... physical meaning, “force distribution”

[M. Polyakov 2003, Polyakov, Schweitzer 2018, Ji 2021, Lorcé, Metz, Pasquini, Rodini 2021, ...]

$$\frac{\langle \pi_{\text{rest}} | \int d^3r \Theta^{\mu\nu}(\vec{r}) | \pi_{\text{rest}} \rangle}{\langle \pi_{\text{rest}} | \pi_{\text{rest}} \rangle} = \text{diag}(m_\pi, 0, 0, 0)$$

Balance of pressure, $\int d^3r p(r) = 0$ ($p(r)$ must change sign), $\Theta^{00} \rightarrow$ distribution of mass

Also, $m_\pi \int d^3r r^2 p(r) = D(t=0)$ and for the shear forces $-\frac{4}{15} m_\pi \int d^3r r^2 s(r) = D(0)$

D - Druck term

Since $D(0) < 0$, $p(r)$ must change from + at low r to - and high r

Trace Anomaly

$$\partial^\mu D_\mu = \Theta_\mu^\mu \equiv \Theta = \frac{\beta(\alpha)}{2\alpha} G^{\mu\nu a} G_{\mu\nu}^a + \sum_q m_q [1 + \gamma_m(\alpha)] \bar{q} q. \quad (3)$$

Here $\beta(\alpha) = \mu^2 d\alpha/d\mu^2$ denotes the beta function, $\alpha = g^2/(4\pi)$ is the running coupling constant, $\gamma_m(\alpha) = d \log m / d \log \mu^2$ is the anomalous dimension of the current quark mass m_q , and $G_{\mu\nu}^a$ is the field strength tensor of the gluon field.

Breakup of hadron mass: (Ji 1995)

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \Theta_q^{\mu\nu} + \Theta_g^{\mu\nu}$$

Scale dependent decomposition.

$$\langle p | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | p \rangle = 2p^\mu p^\nu [\langle x \rangle_q + \langle x \rangle_g] \implies \langle x \rangle_q + \langle x \rangle_g = 1$$

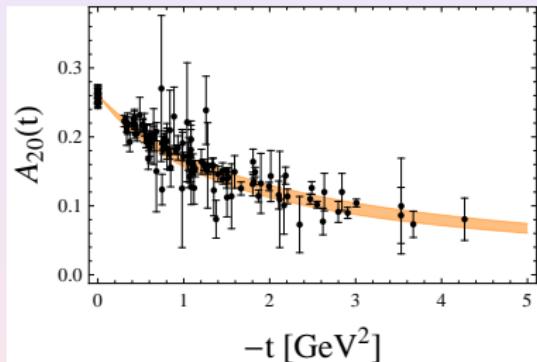
In Deep Inelastic Scattering we have

$$\langle x \rangle_{\text{val}}^\pi = \langle x \rangle_{\text{val}}^N \sim 0.6 \quad \mu = 2 \text{GeV}$$

We will not analyze the separate contributions here

Early estimates

Chiral quark models: $\langle r_2 \rangle_A = \frac{1}{2} \langle r_2 \rangle_{EM}$ - mass distribution more compact than charge [WB, ERA, 2008]

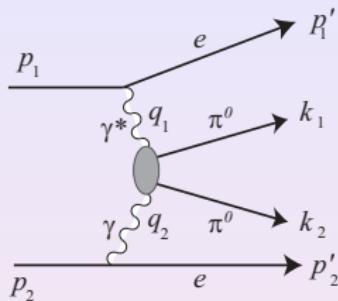


Lattice [Brommel 2007] vs meson dominance [Masjuan, ERA, WB, Phys.Rev.D 87 (2013) 1, 014005]

$$(A_{20}(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2} A_q(t) - \text{quark part})$$

At that time $D_q(t)$ very noisy, no gluons

Determination from the Belle data



[Belle, 2015]

[Kumano, Song, Teryaev, 2015] (GDAs, quark parts only) →

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_A = (0.32 - 0.39 \text{ fm})^2$$
$$\langle r^2 \rangle_D = (0.82 - 0.88 \text{ fm})^2$$

$$\text{recall } \langle r^2 \rangle_{EM} = (0.656 \pm 0.005 \text{ fm})^2 \text{ (PDG 2021)}$$

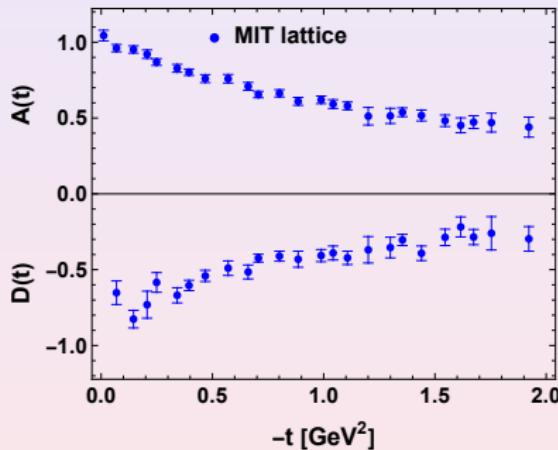
(case of A in line with our earlier quark model estimate)

MIT data

[Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 11, 114504 & D. Pefkou, PhD Thesis]

Unprecedented accuracy, both quarks and gluons, $m_\pi = 170$ MeV

(below the total $q+g$ used, as it corresponds to the conserved current \rightarrow renorm invariant)



Accuracy allows for more stringent tests and general understanding

Dispersion relations

gffs satisfy dispersion relations. Once-subtracted form:

$$A(s) = 1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{s}{s'} \frac{\text{Im}A(s')}{s' - s - i\epsilon} \quad D(s) = D(0) + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{s}{s'} \frac{\text{Im}D(s')}{s' - s - i\epsilon}$$

pQCD: $\lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow \infty} A(-Q^2) = \lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow \infty} D(-Q^2) = 0$ (vanish as $1/Q^2$ mod logs) \rightarrow

$$0 = 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{\text{Im}A(s')}{s'} \quad 0 = D(0) - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{\text{Im}D(s')}{s'}$$

Correspondingly,

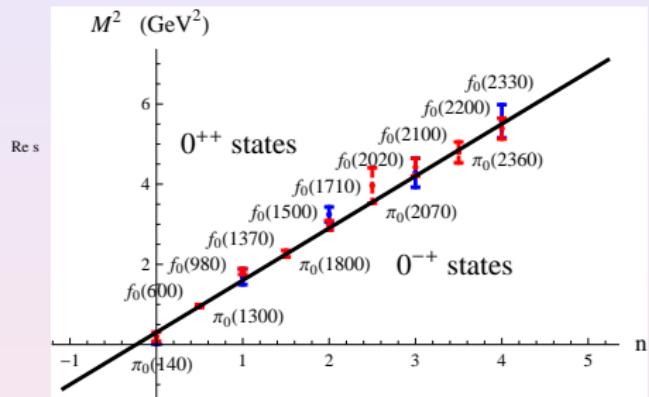
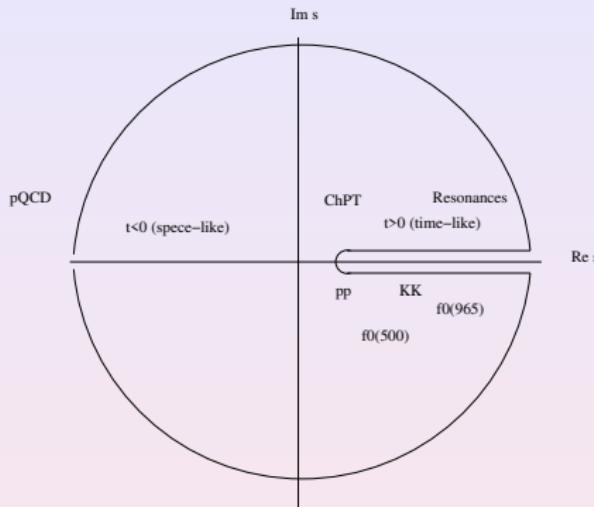
$$\lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow \infty} \Theta(-Q^2) = 2m_\pi^2 - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty ds' \frac{\text{Im}\Theta(s')}{s'}$$

Asymptotically, it goes to a constant (!) mod $\log(Q^2)$ [X.-B. Tong, J.-P. Ma, F. Yuan 2021, 2022]

(but sign change in $D(-Q^2)$)

Absorptive parts

Generically



Question of modeling/using the spectral density

$$\rho(s) = \begin{cases} \rho_{\text{ChPT}}(s) & 4m_\pi^2 \leq s \leq 16m_\pi^2 \\ \rho_R(s) & 16m_\pi^2 \leq s \leq \Lambda_{pQCD}^2 \\ \rho_{pQCD}(s) & \Lambda_{pQCD}^2 \leq s \end{cases}$$

Chiral Perturbation Theory

At leading order

$$\Theta(s) = 2m_\pi^2 + s + \mathcal{O}(p^4) \implies \Theta(-Q_0^2) = 0$$

At NLO χ PT, the spectral function above the 2π production threshold is (Donoghue:1990xh)

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Theta(s) = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s}} (2m_\pi^2 + s) (2s - m_\pi^2)}{32\pi^2 f_\pi^2} > 0, \quad (4)$$

Contribution to the mass sum rule

$$-\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{16m_\pi^2} ds \frac{\text{Im}\Theta(s)}{s} = -0.03 \text{ GeV}^2, \quad (5)$$

which is about 50% of the value at the origin, $\Theta(0) = 2m_\pi^2$, and small compared to the values reached at higher Q^2 .

Finite widths at space-like momenta

Energy dependent Breit-Wigner parametrization

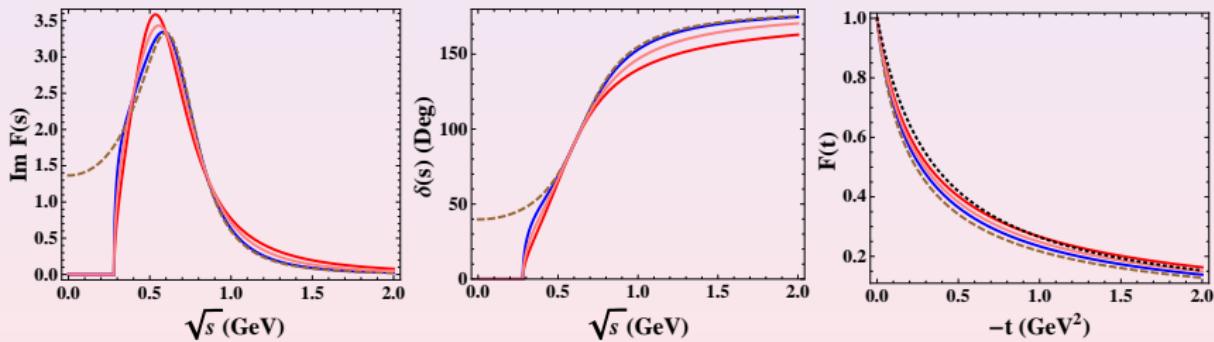
$$N(s) = M^2 - s + i\Gamma M \Gamma(s) \quad S(s) = e^{2i\delta(s)} = \frac{N(s)}{N(s)^*} \implies \delta(M^2) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Resonance = Pole in the second Riemann sheet

$$1/S_{II}(s_R) = S_I(s_R) = 0$$

Omnes representation complies with Watson's theorem

$$F(t) = \exp \left[\frac{t}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2} \frac{ds}{s} \frac{\delta(s)}{s-t} \right] \quad F(0) = 1 \implies \frac{F(t+i0)}{F(t-i0)} = e^{2i\delta(s)}$$



Even for a broad S-wave resonance the Form Factor resembles a monopole for space-like momenta

$$F(t) \sim \frac{M^2}{M^2 - t}$$

Large N_c

Resonance Saturation with narrow states

$$\langle \pi\pi | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle = \sum_R \langle \pi\pi | R \rangle \frac{1}{m_R^2 - q^2} \langle R | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle, \quad (6)$$

Problems with subtractions for higher spin $J \geq 2$ particles.

We take the absorptive part and use the dispersion relation with pertinent subtractions

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \langle \pi\pi | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle = \sum_R \langle \pi\pi | R \rangle \langle R | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle \delta(m_R^2 - s), \quad (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle S | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle &= f_S (g^{\mu\nu} q^2 - q^\mu q^\nu) / 3, \\ \langle T | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle &= f_T m_T^2 \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu\nu}, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where $\epsilon_\lambda^{\mu\nu}$ is the spin-2 polarization tensor, which is symmetric $\epsilon_\lambda^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_\lambda^{\nu\mu}$, traceless $g_{\mu\nu} \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu\nu} = 0$, and transverse $q_\mu \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu\nu} = 0$. The extra factor 3 in the definition is conventional such that $\langle S | \Theta | 0 \rangle = f_S m_S^2$. The *on-shell* couplings of the resonances to the $\pi\pi$ continuum are taken as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle S | \pi\pi \rangle &= g_{S\pi\pi}, \\ \langle T | \pi\pi \rangle &= g_{T\pi\pi} \epsilon_\lambda^{\alpha\beta} P^\alpha P^\beta = g_{T\pi\pi} \epsilon_\lambda^{\alpha\beta} p'^\alpha p^\beta. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Thus, we get

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \langle \pi\pi | \Theta^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle = \sum_S \frac{g_{S\pi\pi} f_S}{3} \delta(m_S^2 - q^2) (g^{\mu\nu} q^2 - q^\mu q^\nu) + \sum_{T,\lambda} \epsilon_\lambda^{\alpha\beta} P^\alpha P^\beta \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu\nu} g_{T\pi\pi} f_T \delta(m_T^2 - q^2), \quad (10)$$

which naturally complies with separate conservation for each contribution when contracting with q^μ .



Large N_c (II)

The sum over tensor polarizations is given by

$$\sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\lambda}^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\lambda}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} (X^{\mu\alpha} X^{\nu\beta} + X^{\nu\alpha} X^{\mu\beta}) - \frac{1}{3} X^{\mu\nu} X^{\alpha\beta}, \quad (11)$$

with $X^{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} - q^{\mu} q^{\nu} / q^2$, hence the on-shell condition $P \cdot q = 0$ implies $P_{\alpha} X^{\alpha,\beta} = P^{\beta}$ and we get

$$\sum_{\lambda} \epsilon_{\lambda}^{\alpha\beta} P_{\alpha} P_{\beta} \epsilon_{\lambda}^{\mu\nu} = P^{\mu} P^{\nu} - \frac{1}{3} (g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{q^{\mu} q^{\nu}}{q^2}) P^2 \quad (12)$$

(cf. the tensor structure in Eq. (??)). Therefore, in the narrow resonance, large- N_c motivated approach

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}A(s) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_T g_{T\pi\pi} f_T \delta(m_T^2 - q^2), \\ \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Theta(s) &= \sum_S g_{S\pi\pi} f_S m_S^2 \delta(m_S^2 - q^2), \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where, as expected, A and Θ get contributions exclusively from the 2^{++} and 0^{++} states, respectively.

Perturbative QCD

At large momenta one has

$$\langle \pi(p') | \frac{\beta(\alpha)}{4\alpha} G^{\mu\nu 2}(0) | \pi(p) \rangle \sim 16\pi\beta \left(\alpha(-Q^2) \right) f_\pi^2, \quad (14)$$

$$\alpha(s) \equiv \alpha(s + i\epsilon) = \left(\frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} \right) \frac{1}{L - i\pi}, \quad (15)$$

yielding a positive imaginary part $\text{Im } \alpha(s + i\epsilon)^2 = (4\pi/\beta_0)^2 2\pi L/(L^2 + \pi^2)^2$, hence

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Theta(s) = - \left(\frac{4\pi}{\beta_0} \right)^2 \frac{4\beta_0 L f_\pi^2}{(L^2 + \pi^2)^2} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^3). \quad (16)$$

This implies that $\text{Im} \Theta(s) < 0$ at large energies, which is the desired result. After computing the integral, the contribution to sum rule (??) is

$$-\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Lambda^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\text{Im} \Theta(s)}{s} = 4\beta_0 [\alpha(-\Lambda^2)]^2 f_\pi^2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^3), \quad (17)$$

which for $\Lambda^2 \sim 20\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2 \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ is about $5f_\pi^2 \sim 0.04 \text{ GeV}^2$, small

Large N_c and meson dominance

t Hooft, Witten: At large- N_c , amplitudes are saturated by tree-level diagrams with towers of mesons in intermediate states →

$$\text{Im}A(s) = \sum_T c_T M_T^2 \pi \delta(M_T^2 - s), \quad \text{Im}\Theta(s) = \sum_S c_S M_S^4 \pi \delta(M_S^2 - s)$$

+ dispersion relations →

$$A(-Q^2) = 1 - \sum_T \frac{c_T Q^2}{M_T^2 + Q^2}, \quad \Theta(-Q^2) = 2m_\pi^2 - \sum_S \frac{c_S Q^2 M_S^2}{M_S^2 + Q^2}$$

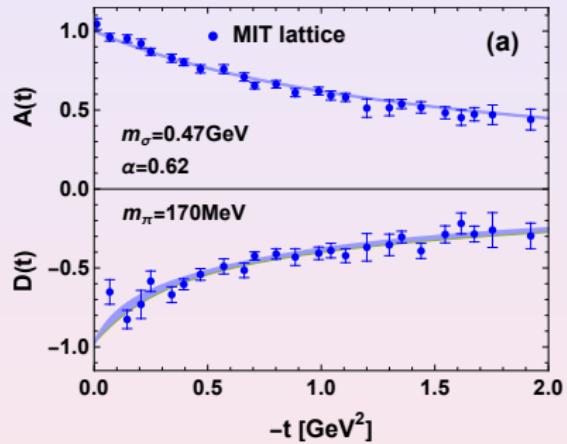
$\sum_T c_T = 1$ (since $A(-\infty) = 0$ and (in the chiral limit) $\sum_S c_S = 1$ ($\Theta'(0) = 1$))

We take one tensor meson, $f_2(1275)$, and two scalar mesons, $f_0(975)$ and σ [see talk by R. Kamiński]

$$A(-Q^2) = \frac{m_{f_2}}{m_{f_2}^2 + Q^2}, \quad \Theta(-Q^2) = 2m_\pi^2 - \alpha \frac{Q^2 m_\sigma^2}{m_\sigma^2 + Q^2} - (1 - \alpha) \frac{Q^2 m_{f_0}^2}{m_{f_0}^2 + Q^2}$$

Formula for $D(-Q^2)$ follows. Only m_σ and α are fitted.

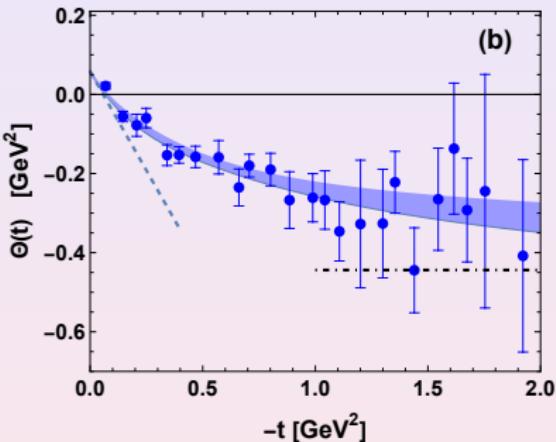
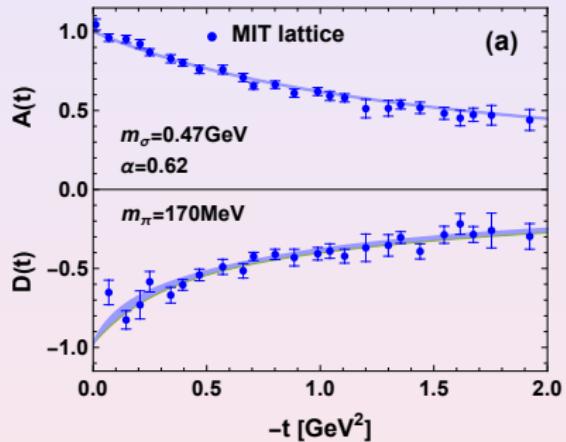
Result of the fit



band width in D - 68% CL

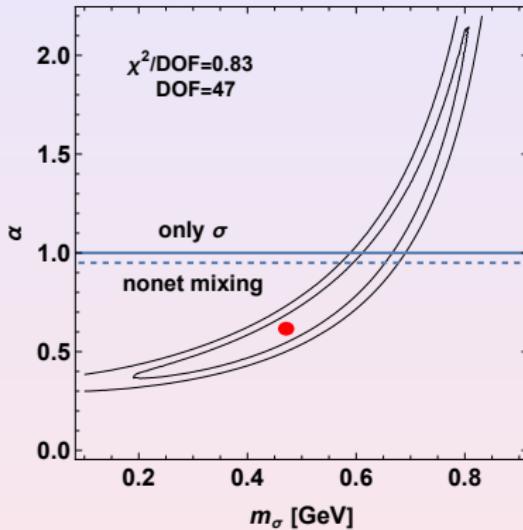
Result of the fit

(our way of taking advantage of the MIT data)



for Θ , errors added in quadrature, lines: $2m_\pi^2 + t$ and asymptotics (constant!)

Fit parameters



Strong correlation between m_σ and $\alpha \rightarrow$ ambiguity, more information needed

Properties of the model

$$D(0) = -1 + \frac{4m_\pi^2}{2m_{f_2}^2} + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2), \quad \langle r^2 \rangle_A = \frac{6}{m_{f_2}^2}, \quad \langle r^2 \rangle_D = \frac{4}{m_{f_2}^2} + \frac{2\alpha}{m_\sigma^2} + \frac{2(1-\alpha)}{m_{f_0}^2} + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2)$$

Numerically (at the lattice value $m_\pi = 170$ MeV)

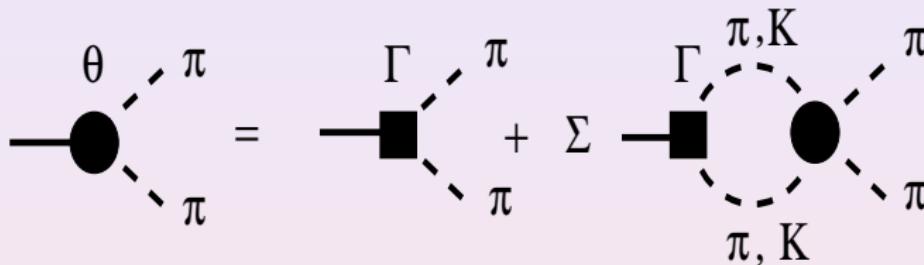
$$D(0) = -0.976, \quad \langle r^2 \rangle_A = (0.38 \text{ fm})^2, \quad \langle r^2 \rangle_D = (0.74 \text{ fm})^2$$

(radii in line with Kumano et al.)

Hadronic representacion

For two coupled channels

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Theta_\pi(s) \\ \Theta_K(s) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_\pi(s) \\ \Gamma_K(s) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} T_{\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi}(s) & T_{\pi\pi \rightarrow KK}(s) \\ T_{KK \rightarrow \pi\pi}(s) & T_{KK \rightarrow KK}(s) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \Delta_{\pi\pi}(s) & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta_{KK}(s) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_\pi(s) \\ \Gamma_K(s) \end{pmatrix}$$



Watson's final state theorem

$$F = \Gamma + V G_0 F = \Gamma + T G_0 \Gamma \implies \text{Im}F(s) = \text{Im}[T(s)G_0(s)]\Gamma(s) \implies F(t) = F(0) + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{s_0}^{\infty} ds \frac{t}{s} \frac{\text{Im}F(s)}{s-t}$$

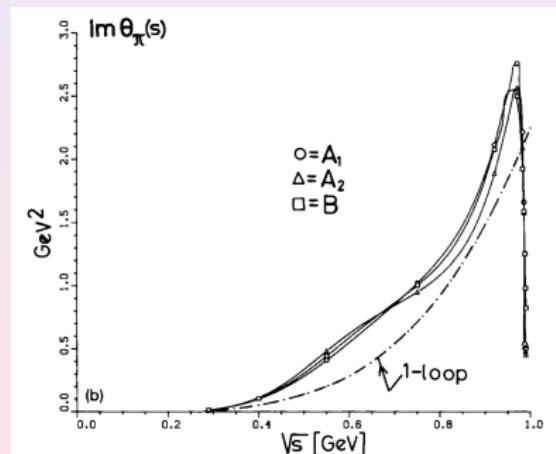
The poles of the FF in the second Riemann sheet coincide with the resonances of the S-matrix.

$$\Theta_{II}(s) = S_{II}(s)\Theta_I(s)$$

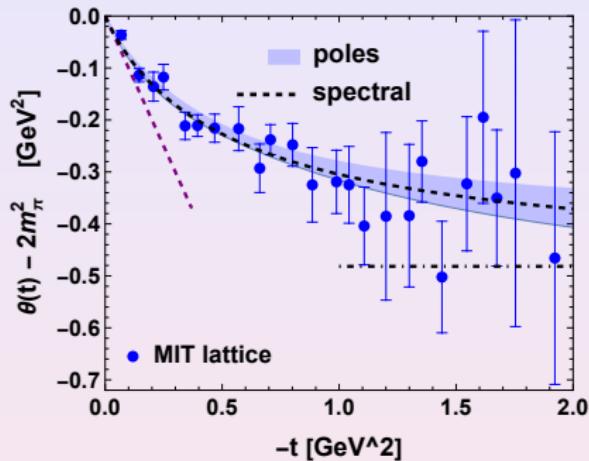
Scalar spectral function

$$\Theta(-Q^2) = 2m_\pi^2 - \frac{Q^2}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\text{Im}\Theta(s)}{s(s+Q^2)}$$

Use, e.g., the spectral density from physical (CERN-Munich) phase shifts [Donoghue, Gasser, Leutwyler, Nucl.Phys.B 343(1990)341, Fig. 3] (Watson's theorem, Omnès-Muskhelishvili coupled equations)

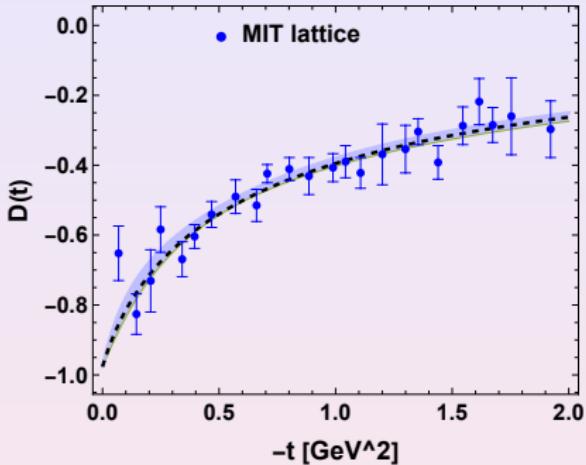
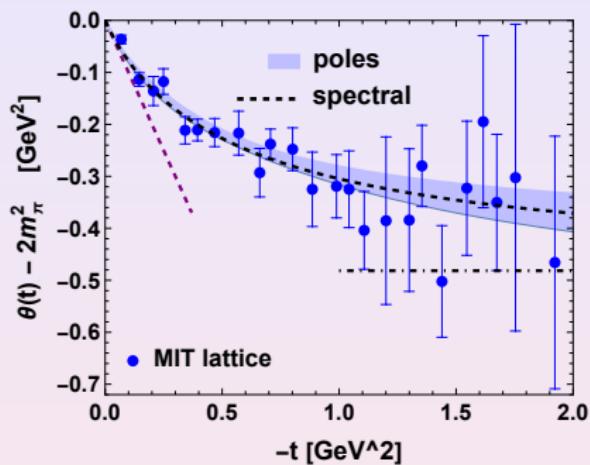


Spectral modeling vs lattice



(here we subtract $2m_\pi^2$, as $m_\pi = 170$ MeV for the data and 140 MeV for the spectral modeling)

Spectral modeling vs lattice



Lattice consistent with “meson physics”, also and in particular in the scalar channel

Conclusions

- ➊ Lattice results for gravitational ff of the pion fully compatible with meson dominance at “intermediate” values of Q^2
- ➋ Important to look at the data in good spin channels - all expected features satisfied: $\Theta(0) = 2m_\pi^2$, $\Theta'(0) = 1 + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2)$, or $D(0) = -1 + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2)$
- ➌ $D(t)$ (the Druck term) is a combination of good spin form factors
- ➍ Tensor channel: just $f_2(1275)$
- ➎ Scalar channel: $\Theta(-Q^2)$ goes to a negative constant at accessible values of Q^2 .
Higher Q^2 desired approach pQCD ... Modeling involves the broad σ meson!
- ➏ For the nucleon similar story expected, cf. [Masjuan, ERA, WB, 2013]

One sees mesons all over the lattice!