

Soft and Hard Mesons in Chiral Perturbation Theory

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Chiral Perturbation Theory

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{q=1}^{n_f} [i\bar{q}_L \not{D} q_L + i\bar{q}_R \not{D} q_R - m_q (\bar{q}_R q_L + \bar{q}_L q_R)]$$

(n_f = number of flavours)

If $m_q = 0$ then $SU(n_f)_L \times SU(n_f)_R$ (chiral symmetry) \Rightarrow parity doublets in the spectrum.

They do not exist! $\Rightarrow SU(n_f)_L \times SU(n_f)_R \rightarrow SU(n_f)_V$

- $n_f = 2 \rightarrow 3$ Goldstone bosons
- $n_f = 3 \rightarrow 8$ Goldstone bosons

$m_q \neq 0$ (but small) \Rightarrow chiral symmetry is also explicitly broken, Goldstone bosons are not massless

Construction as Effective Field Theory

Degrees of freedom pseudo-Goldstone bosons (lightest mesons in the spectrum)

- $n_f = 2 \rightarrow \pi^+, \pi^-, \pi^0$
- $n_f = 3 \rightarrow \pi, K, \eta$

$$U = e^{i\frac{\sqrt{2}\phi}{F_0}} \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\pi^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\eta & \pi^+ & K^+ \\ \pi^- & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\pi^0 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\eta & K^0 \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}\eta \end{pmatrix}$$

Expected breakdown scale Resonances (m_ρ)

Lagrangian All operators allowed by QCD symmetries

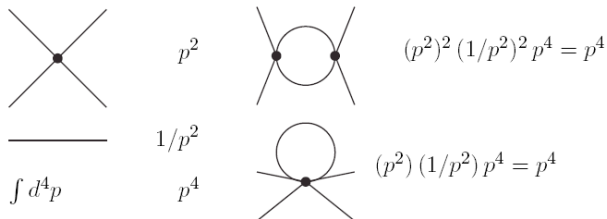
$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \frac{F_0^2}{4} (\langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U \rangle + \langle \chi^\dagger U + U^\dagger \chi \rangle),$$
$$\chi = 2B_0(s + ip) \quad D_\mu U = \partial_\mu U - ir_\mu U + iUl_\mu,$$

s, p, r_μ, l_μ = external fields, $s = \mathcal{M} + \dots$ (quark masses)

F_0, B_0 = Low Energy Constants (LECs)

Power counting

- ChPT at low energies \rightarrow small momenta (p) and masses
- In \mathcal{L}_2 operators with either two derivatives (p^2) or masses (m^2)



- observables depend on $p^2/(4\pi F_0)^2$ and $m^2/(4\pi F_0)^2$ which are small parameters ($(4\pi F_0)^2 \gg p^2, m^2$) \rightarrow use them for perturbative expansion
- so power counting is a dimensional counting!
- $\mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}_{p^2} + \mathcal{O}_{p^4} + \mathcal{O}(p^6)$

- Loop diagrams are divergent \Rightarrow need counterterms to cancel the infinities arising (RENORMALIZATION)
- From \mathcal{L}_2 only terms $\sim p^2$, but we need to renormalize diagrams $\sim p^4$
- Operators $\sim p^4$ also allowed by symmetries $\rightarrow \mathcal{L}_4$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_4 = & L_1 \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U \rangle^2 + L_2 \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D_\nu U \rangle \langle D^\mu U^\dagger D^\nu U \rangle \\ & + L_3 \langle D^\mu U^\dagger D_\mu U D^\nu U^\dagger D_\nu U \rangle + L_4 \langle D^\mu U^\dagger D_\mu U \rangle \langle \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \rangle \\ & + L_5 \langle D^\mu U^\dagger D_\mu U (\chi^\dagger U + U^\dagger \chi) \rangle + L_6 \langle \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \rangle^2 \\ & + L_7 \langle \chi^\dagger U - \chi U^\dagger \rangle^2 + L_8 \langle \chi^\dagger U \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \chi U^\dagger \rangle \\ & - i L_9 \langle F_{\mu\nu}^R D^\mu U D^\nu U^\dagger + F_{\mu\nu}^L D^\mu U^\dagger D^\nu U \rangle \\ & + L_{10} \langle U^\dagger F_{\mu\nu}^R U F^{L\mu\nu} \rangle + H_1 \langle F_{\mu\nu}^R F^{R\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^L F^{L\mu\nu} \rangle + H_2 \langle \chi \chi^\dagger \rangle\end{aligned}$$

- solve problem of divergencies, but more couplings arising!
- at two loops? same procedure: \mathcal{L}_6 couplings (C_i) used to cancel divergencies of loop diagrams of order p^6 .

Higher Orders (an example)

- 1 Leading Order (LO) = p^2

$$O_{p^2} = \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \{F_0, B_0\}$$

- 2 Next to Leading Order (NLO) = p^4

$$O_{p^4} = \text{(a)} \quad \text{---} \square \text{---} \quad + \quad \text{(b)} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \{F_0, B_0\} \end{array}$$

- 3 Next to Next to Leading Order (NNLO) = p^6

$$O_{p^6} = \text{(a)} \quad \text{---} \blacksquare \text{---} \quad + \quad \text{(b)} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \text{---} \square \text{---} \\ \{L_i\} \end{array} \quad + \quad \text{(c)} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \text{---} \bullet \text{---} \\ \{F_0, B_0\} \\ \text{O} \end{array}$$

Low Energy Constants

	3 flavour (u,d,s) ChPT	
p^2	F_0, B_0	2
p^4	L'_i, H'_i	10+2
p^6	C'_i	90+4

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PROBLEMS:

- 1 large number of phenomenological constants
- 2 strong correlations among them
- 3 many of the observables calculated in ChPT have not been measured yet.
(But dispersion relations and lattice results can be used)

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Why are we looking for relations between observables?

Chiral **Perturbation** Theory \rightarrow every observable can be written as a sum of terms of decreasing importance in the Chiral expansion.

$$O = O_{p^2} + O_{p^4} + O_{p^6}$$

The p^6 part can be split in as

$$O_{p^6} = O_{C_i(\text{tree level})} + O_{L_i(\text{one loop})} + O_{F_0(\text{two loops})}$$

If we have a relation such that the **first contribution** cancels out

- we can check how large is the loop contribution and test ChPT convergence in a C_i independent way
- in this way we isolated combinations of the C_i

How did we test ChPT?

If we have a set of observables $\{O_i\}$ calculated at NNLO and such that:

$$-5 [O_1]_{C_i} + 2 [O_2]_{C_i} = \text{some combination of the } C_i = 21 [O_3]_{C_i}$$

where $[A]_{C_i} \equiv C_i$ -part of the observable A

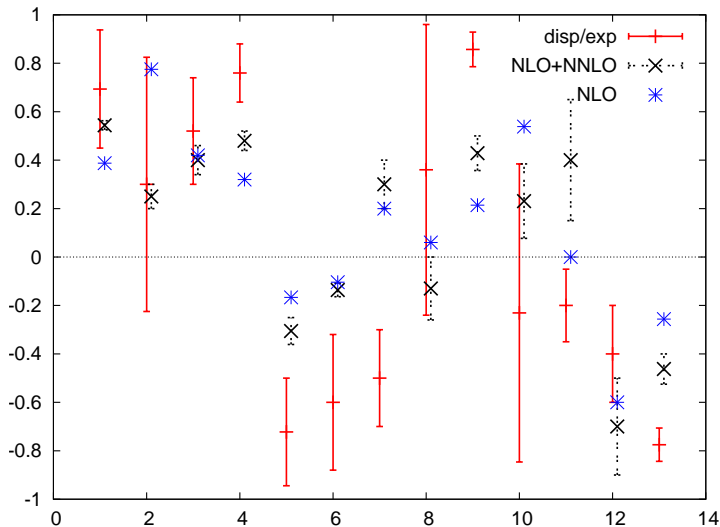
then

- $[LHS]_{C_i} = [RHS]_{C_i}$ as far as regards the C_i part
- but for the other contributions to the $\{O_i\}$ (e.g. loop diagrams)
 $\Rightarrow LHS_{(rest)} \neq RHS_{(rest)}$ (!!!)
- for all measured observables $O_{i(exp)} = O_{i(rest)} + [O_i]_{C_i}$
 $\Rightarrow LHS_{(exp)} - RHS_{(exp)} \sim LHS_{(rest)} - RHS_{(rest)}$
- the C_i cancel in the relations \Rightarrow this is a C_i -independent way to test ChPT

Overview of the processes considered and relations found

process	# observables	# relations
$\pi\pi$ scattering	11	5
πK scattering	14	5
πK and $\pi\pi$ scattering	no extra observables	2
$K_{\ell 4}$ (with πK scattering)	10	1
$\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$ (with πK)	6	2
scalar form factors $F_S^{\pi/K}(t)$	18	6
$F_S^{\pi/K}(t)$, $\pi\pi$ and πK scattering	no extra observables	2
$F_S^{\pi/K}(t)$, $K_{\ell 4}$, $\pi\pi$ and πK scattering	no extra observables	1
$F_S^{\pi/K}(t)$, masses and decay constants	6	4
Vector form factors $F_V^{\pi/K}$	11	7
Total	76	35

Numerical results



[1-5] $\pi\pi$ scatt., [5-10] πK scatt., [11-12] $\pi\pi$ and πK scatt., [13] πK scatt. and $K_{\ell 4}$

- found several relations between observables such that dependence on many couplings drops out
- useful to study validity of ChPT perturbative expansion
- 13 relations studied numerically
- overall picture quite ok, but still a few trouble cases
- probably with the new values of L'_i (see next) the results will change

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Fit 10: input

- Existing fit of the L_i at NNLO:
fit 10 Amoros, Bijmans, Talavera, Nucl. Phys. B 602 (2001) 87 [hep-ph/0101127]
- INPUT:
 - masses: $m_{\pi^0}^2, m_{\eta}^2, m_{K^+}^2, m_{K^0}^2$ PDG-00
 - $F_{\pi} = 92.4 \text{ MeV}$
 - $K_{\ell 4}$: f_s, f'_s, g_s, g'_s (linear fit E865) L_1^r, L_2^r, L_3^r
 - $F_K/F_{\pi} = 1.22 \pm 0.01$ L_5^r
 - $m_s/\hat{m} = 24$ L_5^r, L_7^r, L_8^r
 - $L_4^r \equiv L_6^r \equiv 0$ (1/ N_c suppressed)
 - $L_9^r \equiv 6.9 \times 10^{-3} (\langle r^2 \rangle_V^{\pi})$ (\sim no contributions in quantities involved)
 - $L_{10}^r \equiv 0$ (no contributions in quantities involved)
- C_i^r from resonance saturation: Vector, Axial-Vector, Scalar, η' .
Scale of saturation $\mu \equiv 0.77 \text{ GeV}$. $\mu = 0.5, 1 \text{ GeV}$ within errors.

New fits: input

- Since 2001 many two-loop calculations+quantities better known phenomenologically \Rightarrow new global fit of the L_i^r at NNLO: **Bijnens,IJ (2011)**
- INPUT (fit 10) \rightarrow (new fits)
 - ① masses: $m_{\pi^0}^2, m_{\eta}^2, m_{K^+}^2, m_{K^0}^2$ PDG-00 \rightarrow PDG-10
 - ② $F_{\pi} = 92.4$ MeV $\rightarrow F_{\pi} = 92.2$ PDG-10
 - ③ $K_{\ell 4}$: f_s, f'_s, g_s, g'_s (linear fit E865) \rightarrow (quadratic fit NA48/2)
 - ④ $F_K/F_{\pi} = 1.22 \pm 0.01$ $\rightarrow F_K/F_{\pi} = 1.197 \pm 0.007$
 - ⑤ $m_s/\hat{m} = 24$ $\rightarrow m_s/\hat{m} = 27.8$
 - ⑥ $L_4^r \equiv L_6^r \equiv 0$ \rightarrow constraint released
 - ⑦ $L_9^r \equiv 6.9 \times 10^{-3} (\langle r^2 \rangle_V^{\pi})$ $\rightarrow L_9^r \equiv 5.93 \times 10^{-3}$
 - ⑧ $L_{10}^r \equiv 0$
 - ⑨ $\pi\pi$ scattering threshold parameters
 - ⑩ πK scattering threshold parameters
 - ⑪ $\langle r^2 \rangle_S^{\pi}$ pion scalar radius
- C_i^r from resonance saturation: Vector, Scalar, η' .
- C_i^r from **Jiang et al.(2010))** and with random values (simulated annealing algorithm) also tested

Fit 10 and new fit: output

fit10 iso: as fit 10 but no isospin breaking corrections

fit All: new best fit

	fit 10 iso	fit All
$10^3 L_1^r$	0.39 ± 0.12	0.88 ± 0.09
$10^3 L_2^r$	0.73 ± 0.12	0.61 ± 0.20
$10^3 L_3^r$	-2.34 ± 0.37	-3.04 ± 0.43
$10^3 L_4^r$	$\equiv 0$	0.75 ± 0.75
$10^3 L_5^r$	0.97 ± 0.11	0.58 ± 0.13
$10^3 L_6^r$	$\equiv 0$	0.29 ± 0.85
$10^3 L_7^r$	-0.30 ± 0.15	-0.11 ± 0.15
$10^3 L_8^r$	0.60 ± 0.20	0.18 ± 0.18
χ^2 (dof)	0.26 (1)	1.28 (4)

- new info on $K_{\ell 4}$ form factors \Rightarrow large N_c relation $2L_1 \sim L_2$ unsatisfied
- $L_4^r, L_6^r, L_7^r, L_8^r$ related to masses (not well constrained)
- change in values of $F_K/F_\pi \Rightarrow$ very different L_5^r
- better convergence for fit All (see after)

	fit 10 iso			fit All		
	p^2	p^4	p^6	p^2	p^4	p^6
m_π^2	0.753	0.006	0.241	1.035	-0.084	0.049
m_K^2	0.702	0.007	0.291	1.106	-0.181	0.075
m_η^2	0.747	-0.047	0.291	1.186	-0.224	0.038
F_π	1	0.136	-0.075	1	0.311	0.108
F_K	1	0.308	-0.003	1	0.441	0.216
F_K/F_π	1	0.171	0.049	1	0.129	0.068

- expansion for masses improved for fit All (but a bit suspicious)
- C_i^r appearing in the masses are zero in resonance estimate
- F_K/F_π convergence is quite good for both fits

- $K_{\ell 4}$ data analysis: two possible fits of F_s formfactor

$$F_s(q^2) \sim f_s + f'_s q^2 + f''_s q^4 \rightarrow \text{fit All}$$

$$F_s(q^2) \sim f_s + f'_s q^2 \rightarrow \text{fit 10/fit 10 iso}$$

ChPT does not predict the value for f''_s !

Using f'_s we obtain $L_2^r > L_1^r$ but L_7^r, L_8^r small. Convergence for masses worse.

- **Matching between two- and three-flavour ChPT** Gasser *et al.* (2007,2009)

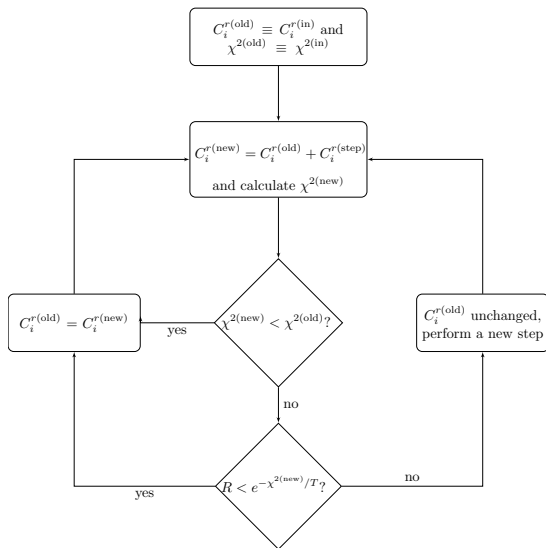
Expand three-flavour results for $m_{u,d} \rightarrow 0$, keeping m_s fixed $\Rightarrow \bar{\ell}_i$ can be written in terms of L_i^r, C_i^r .

	fit 10 iso	All	All linear	lattice/disp
$\bar{\ell}_1$	-0.6	-0.1	-1.9	-0.4 ± 0.6
$\bar{\ell}_2$	5.7	5.3	5.7	4.3 ± 0.1
$\bar{\ell}_3$	1.3	4.2	4.1	3.3 ± 0.7
$\bar{\ell}_4$	4.0	4.8	4.5	4.4 ± 0.4

$\bar{\ell}_2$ always wrong. It depends on L_2^r and on two N_c suppressed C_i^r (see after).

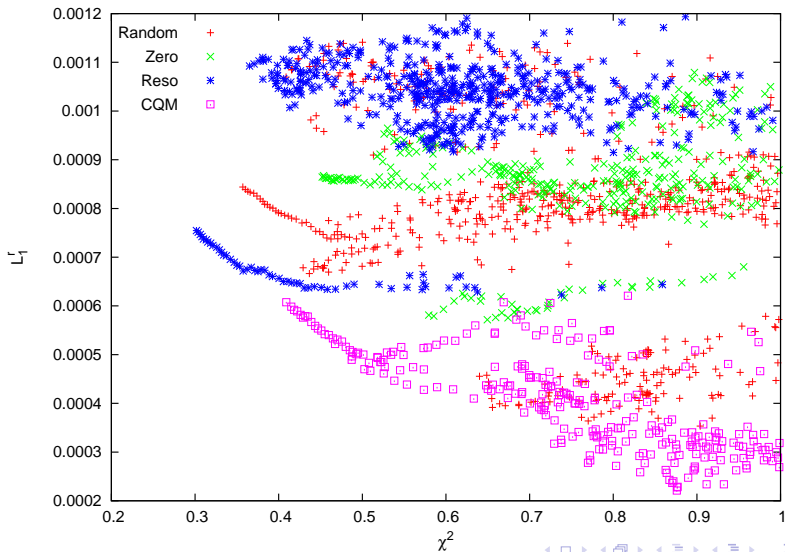
C_i^r with random values

Can we find a set of C_i^r of expected size (i.e. $1/(16\pi^2)^2$) producing good L_i^r fits?



- started with different $C_i^{r(in)}$
- $C_i^{r(step)} \propto 10^{-2}/(16\pi^2)^2$ and chosen so to respect large N_c suppressions
- need to add convergence constraints for masses and decay constants
- $\bar{\ell}_i$ included as input
- obtain several good fits (with good convergence) and ok C_i^r

An example: L_1^r



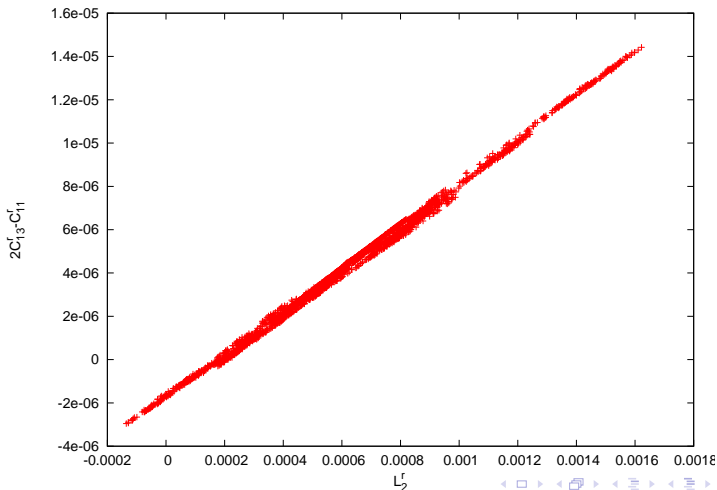
Our best fits for random C_i

C_i^r	best reso	best random
$10^3 L_1^r$	0.75 ± 0.09	0.85 ± 0.09
$10^3 L_2^r$	0.81 ± 0.45	0.54 ± 0.05
$10^3 L_3^r$	-3.91 ± 0.28	-3.51 ± 0.28
$10^3 L_4^r$	0.16 ± 0.10	0.20 ± 0.10
$10^3 L_5^r$	1.40 ± 0.09	1.40 ± 0.09
$10^3 L_6^r$	0.10 ± 0.14	0.12 ± 0.14
$10^3 L_7^r$	-0.32 ± 0.13	-0.32 ± 0.13
$10^3 L_8^r$	0.64 ± 0.16	0.63 ± 0.16
χ^2	0.30	0.36

C_i^r	best reso			best random		
	p^2	p^4	p^6	p^2	p^4	p^6
m_π^2	0.987	0.021	-0.008	0.993	0.021	-0.012
m_K^2	1.057	-0.054	-0.003	1.060	-0.058	-0.002
m_η^2	1.132	-0.133	0.001	1.136	-0.135	-0.001
F_π/F_0	1	0.178	-0.010	1	0.187	-0.010
F_K/F_0	1	0.395	0.009	1	0.404	0.011
F_K/F_π	1	0.217	-0.020	1	0.217	-0.020

A correlation plot

- By varying the C_i^r we can study correlations between different LECs
- Here strong correlation between L_2^r and C_{13}^r, C_{11}^r due to $\bar{\ell}_2$



- [Ecker et al.\(2010\)](#) use simplified NNLO expression to fit lattice data points on F_K/F_π .
- LECs fitted: $L_5^r, C_{14}^r + C_{15}^r, C_{15}^r + 2C_{17}^r$
- Other L_i^r as in fit 10

	Ecker et al.(2010)	fit All	best reso	best rand
$10^3 L_5^r$	0.76 ± 0.008	0.58 ± 0.13	1.40 ± 0.009	1.40 ± 0.009
$10^5 (C_{14}^r + C_{15}^r)$	0.31 ± 0.007	0	-0.987	-1.061
$10^5 (C_{15}^r + 2C_{17}^r)$	1.1 ± 0.14	0	0.22	2.009

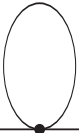
- Setting C_{14}^r and C_{17}^r as in [Ecker et al.\(2010\)](#), ($C_{15}^r=0$) we find a fit with $\chi^2 \approx 3$ and $10^3 L_5^r \approx 0.59 \Rightarrow L_7^r$ and L_8^r very small
- However very bad convergence for mass expansions.

- a new global fit of the \mathcal{L}_4 couplings at NNLO from phenomenology has been performed
- the new data/dispersive analysis available give results very different from the previous fit 10
- results show disagreement with large N_c estimates of the couplings
- however many quantities better predicted and convergence of masses improved
- better treatments of some observables ($K_{\ell 4}$, inclusion of lattice data) might improve a lot this fit
- the study with random sets of C_i^r shows that ChPT has a chance to work well once the C_i^r are better estimated

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Chiral Logarithms as main prediction of ChPT

Expansion of ChPT is not Taylor expansion: logarithms of masses (and energies) arise



A Feynman diagram showing a meson loop. It consists of a horizontal line with a black dot at its left end. A loop is formed by two curved lines connecting the dot to itself, one above and one below the horizontal line.

$$\approx \infty + m^2 \log\left(\frac{m^2}{\mu^2}\right) + \dots$$

m = mass of meson in loop, μ = arbitrary scale

E.g. for the masses

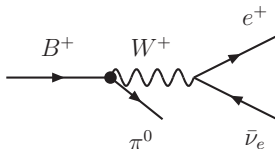
$$M^2 \approx \underbrace{m_0^2}_{\text{LO}} + \underbrace{\frac{m_0^4}{(4\pi F_0)^2} \log \frac{m_0^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{L_i^r}{F_0^2} m_0^4}_{\text{NLO}} + \mathcal{O}(m_0^6)$$

$L_i^r \approx 10^{-2} \Rightarrow$ chiral logarithm $\log \frac{m_0^2}{\mu^2}$ is leading contribution at $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$ (NLO).

The chiral logs encode mass dependence of the observables

Motivation

- Consider decays of a heavy meson into light mesons



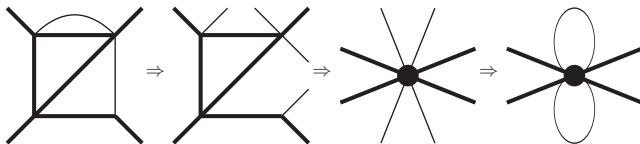
- $m_B \approx 3000 \text{ MeV}$, $m_D \approx 2000 \text{ MeV}$, $m_\pi \approx 140 \text{ MeV}$
- $q^\mu = (p_{B/D} - p_\pi)^\mu =$ momentum transfer to leptons
 $0 \leq q^2 \leq (M - m_\pi)^2 = q_{\text{max}}^2$ with $M = m_B, m_D$
- two different kinematical regimes
 - $q^2 \approx q_{\text{max}}^2 \Rightarrow E_\pi \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$ **soft pion** (ChPT ok)
 - $q^2 \approx 0 \Rightarrow E_\pi > 1 \text{ GeV}$ **hard pion** (ChPT ???)

PROBLEM

- lattice calculates the decay at any q^2 but simulations done with HEAVY pions ($m_\pi > 300 \text{ MeV}$) \Rightarrow need extrapolation formulas to achieve $m_\pi \sim 140 \text{ MeV}$

Argument for Hard Pion Chiral Perturbation Theory

Flynn and Sachrajda (2009), Bijmans and Celis (2009), Bijmans and IJ (2010)



In the Feynman diagrams appear both **hard** and *soft* lines.

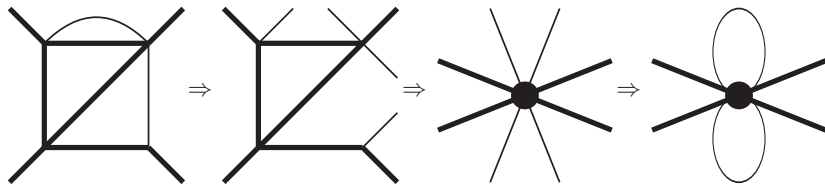
The *soft* lines can be separated from the **hard/short-distance** structure of the rest of the diagram.

They are the only responsible of the non analyticities arising for $m_\pi \rightarrow 0$ (e.g. the chiral logarithms)

The **hard** part is describable by an effective Lagrangian consistent with all the symmetries and with couplings that depend on hard kinematical quantities.

Assumption: this Lagrangian is sufficiently complete to describe the neighbourhood of the hard process.

Example



- 1 consider a diagram with *soft (thin)* and **hard (thick)** lines
- 2 identify the *soft* lines and cut them \Rightarrow remove the soft singularities
- 3 the resulting diagram is analytic in the soft part and thus should be describable by a vertex of an effective Lagrangian. The coupling contains information on the hard quantities
- 4 insert back the loops with the *soft* lines: this last diagram should reproduce the soft singularities of the first one

However only arguments not proof!!!

$$O(q^2, m^2) = L(q^2, 0) \times \left(1 + \alpha m^2 \log \left(\frac{m^2}{\mu^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(m^2) \right)$$

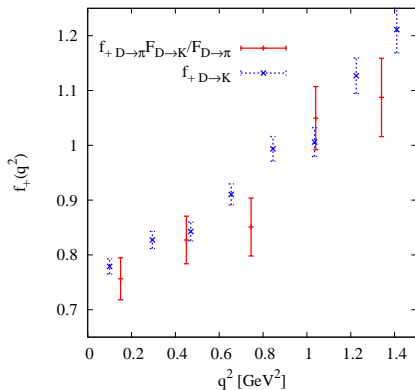
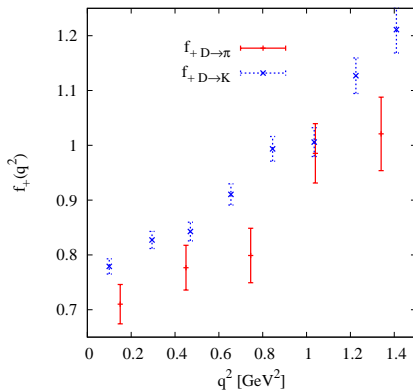
α is what we calculate. $L(q^2, 0)$ depends on the hard quantities (q^2, m_B) .
Hard pion ChPT applied so far to

- $K \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu_\ell$ (two-flavour) [Flynn and Sachrajda \(2009\)](#)
- $K \rightarrow \pi \pi$ (two-flavour) [Bijnens and Celis \(2009\)](#)
- results agree with three-flavour standard ChPT
- $B(D) \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu_\ell$ (two-flavour) [Bijnens and IJ \(2010\)](#) \rightarrow agree with a relativistic formalism
- [Bijnens and IJ \(2011\)](#)
 - 1 $B(D) \rightarrow M \ell \nu_\ell$ with $(M = \pi, K, \eta)$ (three-flavour),
 - 2 $B \rightarrow D \ell \nu_\ell$ (three-flavour)
 - 3 π and K scalar and vector formfactors (three-flavour)
 - 4 checked including two-loop diagrams for scalar and vector formfactors of the pion (two-flavour)

Comparison with data

- use three-flavour results and compare $f_{D \rightarrow \pi}^+(q^2)$ with $f_{D \rightarrow K}^+(q^2)$ CLEO coll. (2009)
- the chiral logs are responsible of the differences between the two decays

$$\frac{f_{D \rightarrow \pi}^+}{1 + \log_{D \rightarrow \pi}} \approx \frac{f_{D \rightarrow K}^+}{1 + \log_{D \rightarrow K}}$$



Vector and scalar formfactors of the pion

$$\langle \pi^+(p_2) | j_\mu^{\text{elm}} | \pi^+(p_1) \rangle = (p_2 + p_1)_\mu F_V^\pi(s)$$

- similar for scalar formfactor
- hard pion ChPT can be applied here. It predicts for $s \gg m_\pi^2$, $m_\pi^2 \rightarrow 0$

$$F_V^\pi(s) = F_V^{\pi\chi}(s) \left(1 - \frac{1}{F^2} \frac{m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2} \log \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2) \right)$$

where $F_V^{\pi\chi}(s)$ unknown (contains only hard quantities, no m_π)

$$\alpha = -1/(16\pi^2 F^2)$$

- same result obtained taking ChPT prediction [Bijnens *et al.* \(1998\)](#) and expand it for $s \gg m_\pi^2$, $m_\pi^2 \rightarrow 0$
- standard ChPT also predicts

$$F_V^{\pi\chi}(s) = 1 + \frac{s}{16\pi^2 F^2} \left(\frac{5}{18} - 16\pi^2 l_6^r + \frac{i\pi}{6} - \frac{1}{6} \ln \frac{s}{\mu^2} \right)$$

A two-loop check (two-flavour hard pion ChPT)

- so far including only one-loop diagrams
- what happens if two-loop diagrams are added? If hard pion ChPT is valid α must not change and we must obtain the same chiral logarithm:

$$F_V^\pi(s) = F_V^{\pi\chi}(s) \left(1 - \frac{1}{F^2} \frac{m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2} \log \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2) \right)$$

- take ChPT two-loop result and expand it for $s \gg m_\pi^2$, $m_\pi^2 \rightarrow 0$
- terms like $sm_\pi^2 \log^2(m_\pi^2)$ exactly cancel as hard pion ChPT predicts
- furthermore $F_V^\pi(s)$ is the same as before, coefficient α of the chiral log not affected

$$F_V^{\pi\chi}(s) = 1 + \frac{s}{16\pi^2 F^2} \left(\frac{5}{18} - 16\pi^2 l_6' + \frac{i\pi}{6} - \frac{1}{6} \ln \frac{s}{\mu^2} \right)$$

- this is a test of validity of hard pion ChPT

Conclusions

- ChPT valid only for soft mesons (at low energies), but sometimes needed at higher energies to perform chiral extrapolations
- chiral logarithms can still be predicted with hard pion ChPT
- we applied (two-flavour) hard pion ChPT to semileptonic decays of B and D mesons
- we extended results to three-flavour hard pion ChPT: more $B(D) \rightarrow M$ transitions ($M = \pi, K, \eta$) and first comparison with experiments
- $B \rightarrow D\ell\nu_\ell$ decay also better understood
- we checked hard pion ChPT arguments for scalar and vector pion form factors including two-loop diagrams

Numerical analysis explanation

- 1 Evaluation of each side of the relation using experimental data and/or dispersive analysis:
[CGL] G. Colangelo, J. Gasser and H. Leutwyler (2001) ($\pi\pi$ scattering)
[BDM] Büttiker, Descotes-Genon, Moussallam (2004) (πK scattering)
[NA48/2] NA48/2 coll. (2008) ($K_{\ell 4}$)
[E865] S. Pislak *et al.* (2003) ($K_{\ell 4}$)
- 2 Evaluation using NNLO ChPT results; $L_i = \text{fit10}$ Amoros *et al.* (2001).
J. Bijnens (2007)
- 3 We quote the difference of the two evaluations \Rightarrow it contains only the p^6 piece coming from the C_i and higher order terms.
- 4 Errors obtained adding in quadrature the uncertainties from experiments/dispersive results. No theoretical uncertainty due to higher orders. Theoretical uncertainty due to L_i^r (probably under-)estimated.

An example

Results for 5 relations involving $\pi\pi$ scattering observables

	[CGL]	NLO 1-loop	NLO LECs	NNLO 2-loop	NNLO 1-loop	remainder
LHS (1)	0.009 ± 0.039	0.054	-0.044	-0.041	-0.002(3)	0.041 ± 0.039
RHS (1)	-0.102 ± 0.002	-0.009	-0.044	-0.060	-0.008(6)	0.018 ± 0.002
10 LHS (2)	0.334 ± 0.019	0.209	0.097	0.103	0.029(11)	-0.105 ± 0.019
10 RHS (2)	0.322 ± 0.008	0.177	0.097	0.120	0.034(13)	-0.107 ± 0.008
LHS (3)	0.216 ± 0.010	0.166	0.029	0.053	0.016(6)	-0.047 ± 0.010
RHS (3)	0.189 ± 0.003	0.145	0.029	0.049	0.020(7)	-0.054 ± 0.003
10 LHS (4)	0.213 ± 0.005	0.137	0.032	0.053	0.035(12)	-0.043 ± 0.005
10 RHS (4)	0.175 ± 0.003	0.121	0.032	0.050	0.029(10)	-0.057 ± 0.003
10^3 LHS (5)	0.92 ± 0.07	0.36	0.00	0.56	-0.01(13)	0.00 ± 0.07
10^3 RHS (5)	1.18 ± 0.04	0.42	0.00	0.57	0.03(13)	0.15 ± 0.04

Heavy Meson ChPT for semileptonic $B(D)$ decays

Need to include heavy mesons: $m_b \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow$ Heavy Quark Effective Theory combined with ChPT.

$$H^a(v) = \frac{1 + \not{v}}{2} [B_\mu^{*a}(v)\gamma^\mu - B^a(v)\gamma_5]$$

v : four-velocity of the heavy meson

a : light quark flavour index, $B^1 = B^+$ and $B^2 = B^0$ (similarly for B_μ^*)

$$D_{ab}^\mu H_b(v) = \delta_{ab} \partial^\mu H_b(v) + \Gamma_{ab}^\mu H_b(v) \quad \Gamma_{ab}^\mu = \frac{1}{2} [u^\dagger \partial_\mu u + u \partial_\mu u^\dagger]_{ab}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{heavy}} = -i \text{Tr} [\bar{H}_a i v \cdot D_{ab} H_b] + g \text{Tr} [\bar{H}_a u_{ab}^\mu H_b \gamma_\mu \gamma_5]$$

g : coupling of the heavy meson doublet to the Goldstone boson ($BB^*\pi$, $B^*B^*\pi$)

Tr is over the γ -matrix indices

Extra Check: the relativistic Lagrangian

- $q^2 \neq q_{\max}^2 \Rightarrow$ in the loops may appear very off-shell B and B^*
- do different treatments of the off-shell behavior lead to different nonanalyticities?
- according to our argument it should not be the case
- to test this, we calculate also in a relativistic formulation

The relativistic Lagrangian still respects the spin-flavour symmetries:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = \nabla^\mu B^\dagger \nabla_\mu B - m_B^2 B^\dagger B - \frac{1}{2} B_{\mu\nu}^{*\dagger} B^{*\mu\nu} + m_B^2 B_\mu^{*\dagger} B^{*\mu}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = gM_0 (B^\dagger u^\mu B_\mu^* + B_\mu^{*\dagger} u^\mu B) + \frac{g}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} (-B_\mu^{*\dagger} u_\alpha \nabla_\mu B_\beta^* + \nabla_\mu B_\nu^{*\dagger} u_\alpha B_\beta^*)$$

$$B_{\mu\nu}^* = \nabla_\mu B_\nu^* - \nabla_\nu B_\mu^*, \quad \nabla_\mu = \partial_\mu + \Gamma_\mu$$

B, B^* now in the relativistic form and column-vectors in light flavour space

Extra Check: the relativistic Lagrangian

From \mathcal{L}_{kin} we find the propagators of the B and B^* respectively:

$$\frac{i}{p^2 - m_B^2} \quad \frac{-i \left(g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{m_B^2} \right)}{p^2 - m_B^2}$$

in contrast with the propagators in HMChPT formalism

$$\frac{i}{v \cdot p} \quad \frac{-i (g_{\mu\nu} - v_\mu v_\nu)}{v \cdot p}$$

This shows the different off-shell behavior.

Correctly we find the same coefficients in the two formalisms!

Sketch of the proof for heavy mesons semileptonic decay

- $q^2 \ll q_{\max}^2 \Rightarrow$ operators with an arbitrary numbers of derivatives on the external π are not negligible since its momentum is large
- look at $\langle \pi(p_\pi) | O | B(v) \rangle$ O =operator in J_μ^V with more derivatives
- keep only: $\mathcal{O}(1)$, $\mathcal{O}(m_\pi)$ and $\mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2 \log m_\pi^2)$. NO: $\mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2)$ without logarithms
- partial integration and dimensional analysis on $\langle \pi(p_\pi) | O | B(v) \rangle$
- $\langle \pi(p_\pi) | O | B(v) \rangle$ are all proportional to the lowest order ones up to terms $\mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2)$ (and without logarithms) which are of higher order
- constants of proportionality can be absorbed in the couplings \Rightarrow they change with the q^2 !
- NOTE: kaon loops do not affect the discussion \Rightarrow two- and three- flavour hard pion ChPT both OK