

Chiral Perturbation Theory

- Sigma Model
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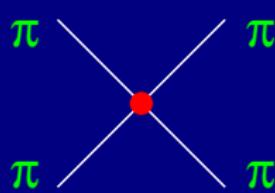


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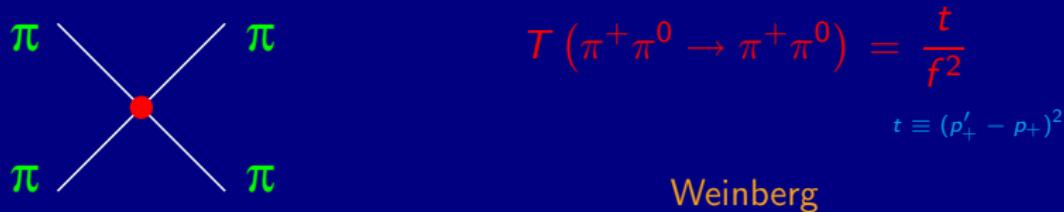
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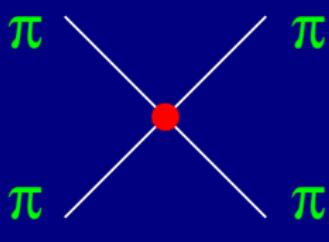


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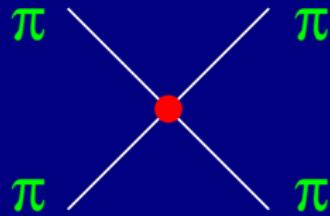


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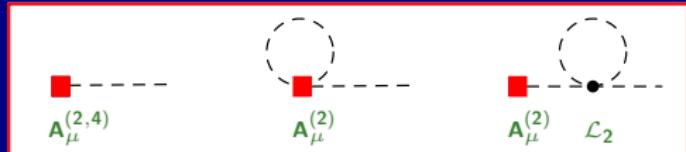
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(Bijnens–Colangelo–Ecker, Fearing–Scherer)

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Double chiral logarithms

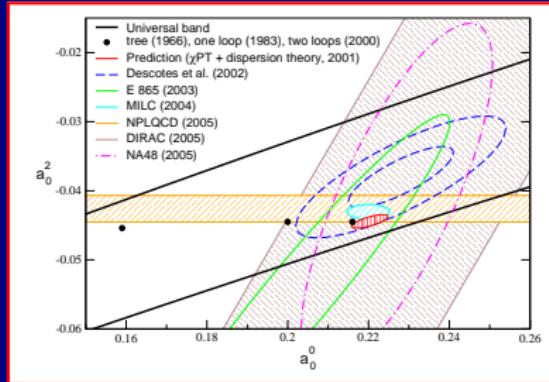
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Amoros–Bijnens–Dhonte–Talavera, Bellucci–Gasser–Sainio, Bürgui, Bijnens–Colangelo–Ecker–Gasser–Sainio,

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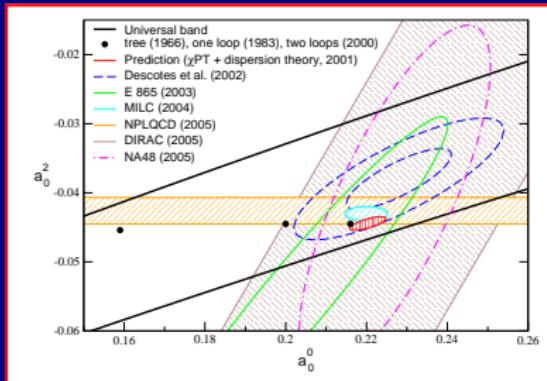
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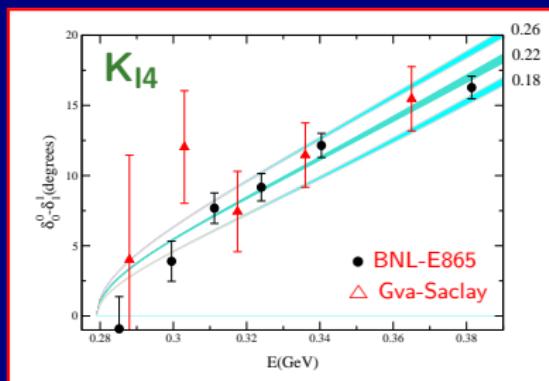


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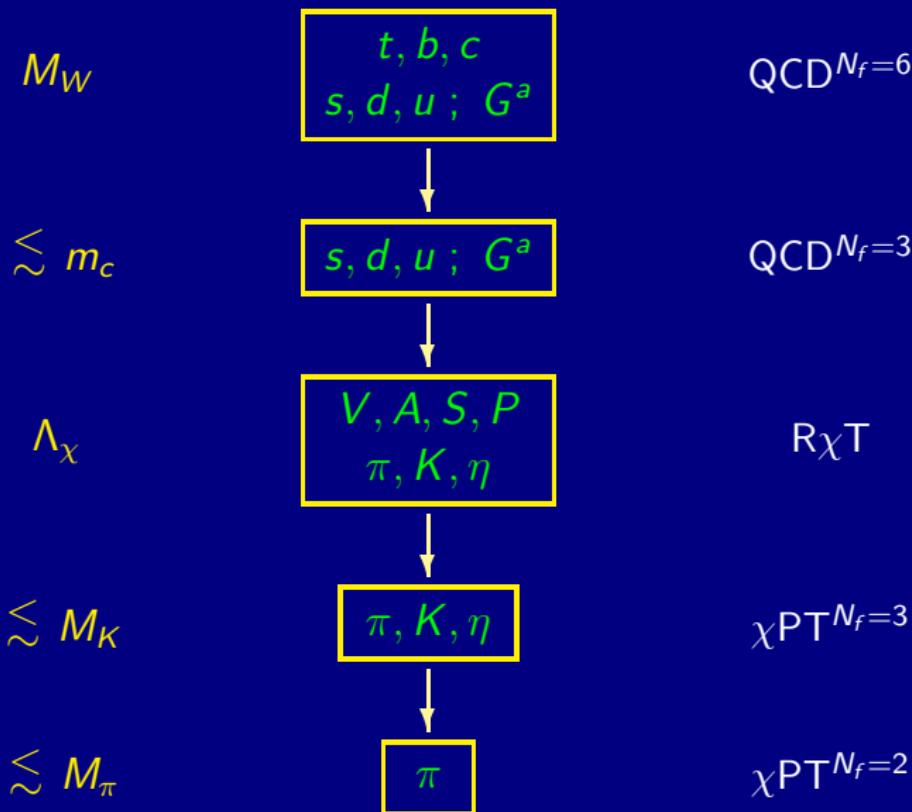
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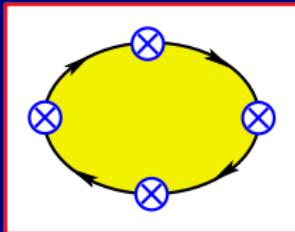
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Effective Theory



LARGE- N_C COUNTING RULES

$$g_s \sim 1/\sqrt{N_C} \quad ; \quad \alpha_s \sim 1/N_C \quad ; \quad \langle T(J_1 \cdots J_n) \rangle \sim N_C$$



- Dominance of planar gluonic exchanges
- Non-planar diagrams suppressed by $1/N_C^2$
- Internal quark loops suppressed by $1/N_C$

Colour Confinement



$J|0\rangle \sim |1\text{ Meson}\rangle$

$$\langle J(k) J(-k) \rangle = \sum_n \frac{f_n^2}{k^2 - M_n^2}$$

- **Infinite** number of mesons ($\sim \ln k^2$)
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Tree Approximation to some Local Effective Meson Lagrangian

Resonance Nonet Multiplets: $\mathbf{V}(1^{--})$, $\mathbf{A}(1^{++})$, $\mathbf{S}(0^{++})$, $\mathbf{P}(0^{-+})$

$$\mathcal{L}_2^V = \frac{F_V}{2\sqrt{2}} \langle V_{\mu\nu} f_+^{\mu\nu} \rangle + \frac{i G_V}{\sqrt{2}} \langle V_{\mu\nu} u^\mu u^\nu \rangle$$

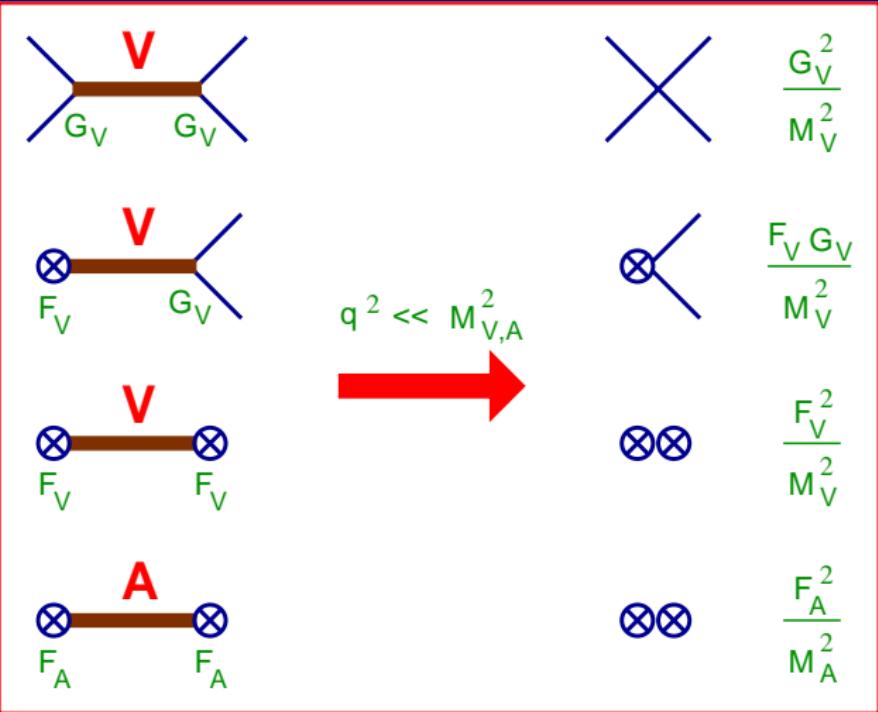
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$$\left\{ \textcolor{red}{V}[M_V, G_V, F_V], \textcolor{red}{A}[M_A, F_A] \right\} \leftrightarrow \left\{ \textcolor{red}{S}[M_S, c_d, c_m], \textcolor{red}{P}[M_P, d_m] \right\}$$

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Pseudoscalar Nonet:

$$\mathcal{L}_2 \doteq \frac{f^2}{4} \langle \chi U^\dagger + U \chi^\dagger \rangle \sim -i \frac{f}{\sqrt{24}} \eta_1 \langle \chi_- \rangle \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{\tilde{d}_m = -\frac{f}{\sqrt{24}}}$$

1–Resonance Approximation:

(Ecker, Gasser, Leutwyler, Pich, de Rafael)

$$F_V = 2 G_V = \sqrt{2} F_A = \sqrt{2} f \quad ; \quad M_A = \sqrt{2} M_V \quad ; \quad d_m = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} f$$

$$c_m = c_d = \frac{1}{2} f \quad ; \quad (Jamin, Oller, Pich)$$

$$M_P \approx \sqrt{2} M_S$$

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L_i 'S FROM RESONANCE EXCHANGE

| i | $10^3 \cdot L_i^r(M_\rho)$ | V | A | S | η_1 | Total | Total ^{b)} |
|----|----------------------------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|----------|-------|---------------------|
| 1 | 0.4 ± 0.3 | 0.6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| 2 | 1.4 ± 0.3 | 1.2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.2 | 1.8 |
| 3 | -3.5 ± 1.1 | -3.6 | 0 | 0.6 | 0 | -3.0 | -4.3 |
| 4 | -0.3 ± 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 5 | 1.4 ± 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 1.4 ^{a)} | 0 | 1.4 | 2.1 |
| 6 | -0.2 ± 0.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 7 | -0.4 ± 0.2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -0.3 | -0.3 | -0.3 |
| 8 | 0.9 ± 0.3 | 0 | 0 | 0.9 ^{a)} | 0 | 0.9 | 0.8 |
| 9 | 6.9 ± 0.7 | 6.9 ^{a)} | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6.9 | 7.2 |
| 10 | -5.5 ± 0.7 | -10.0 | 4.0 | 0 | 0 | -6.0 | -5.4 |

^{a)} Input

^{b)} Short-Distance Constraints

Recent Work

- **Three-Point Functions:**

Moussallam, Knecht–Nyffeler, Ruiz-Femenía–Pich–Portolés, Cirigliano–Ecker–Eidemüller–Pich–Portolés, Bijnens–Gámiz–Lipartia–Prades



Constraints on $\mathcal{O}(p^6)$ χ PT couplings

- **Vertices with 2 or 3 Resonances. $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$ Couplings:**

Cirigliano–Ecker–Eidemüller–Kaiser–Pich–Portolés

- **More Resonance Multiplets:**

Minimal Hadronic Ansatz

Knecht–Peris–Perrottet–Phily–de Rafael, Ruiz-Femenía–Portolés

- **$1/N_C$ Corrections:**

- **Resonance Widths**

Guerrero–Pich, Gómez-Dumm–Pich–Portolés

- **Unitarity Corrections**

Final State Interactions

Guerrero–Pich, Pallante–Pich–Scimemi, Cillero–Pich–Portolés, Jamin–Oller–Pich, Oller et al., ...

- **Quantum Loops in $R\chi T$**

Cillero–Rosell–Pich, Portolés–Rosell–Ruiz-Femenía

SUMMARY

- **Chiral Symmetry** constraints the low-energy dynamics
- Useful tool for quantitative non-perturbative analyses at low energies
- Many applications:
 - χ PT, $R\chi$ T, Baryons, $H\chi$ PT, ...
 - Isospin breaking, electromagnetism, weak decays ...
 - (Partially) Quenched χ PT, finite size effects, ... (lattice)
- Loops (unitarity) unambiguously predicted: **Chiral logarithms**
- QCD dynamics encoded in the **low-energy chiral couplings**
- The $N_C \rightarrow \infty$ limit provides good estimates of the **LECs**

Challenge: **Rigorous control of subleading $1/N_C$ corrections**