

Combining effective field theories with dispersion relations

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Outline

Introduction

- Chiral perturbation theory and its limitations
- Testing the chiral anomaly

Dispersion relations ...

- ... for two pions: pion vector form factor
- ... for three pions: $\gamma\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$, $\omega/\phi \rightarrow 3\pi$
- From hadronic decays to transition form factors: $\omega/\phi \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma^*$

Towards the π^0 transition form factor

Summary / Outlook

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... and its limitations

- strong final-state interactions render corrections large
- physics of light pseudoscalars (π , K , η) only
 - ▷ (energy) range limited by resonances: $\sigma(500)$, $\rho(770)$...
 - ▷ **unitarity** is only perturbatively fulfilled
 - ▷ not applicable to decays of (e.g.) vector mesons at all

→ find effective ways to resum rescattering / restore unitarity

→ **dispersion relations**

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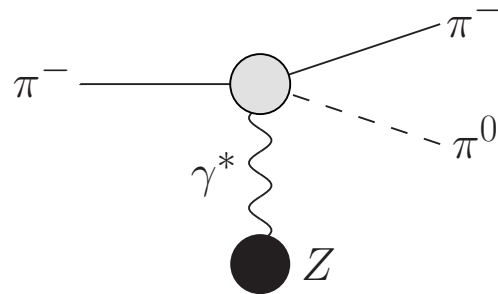
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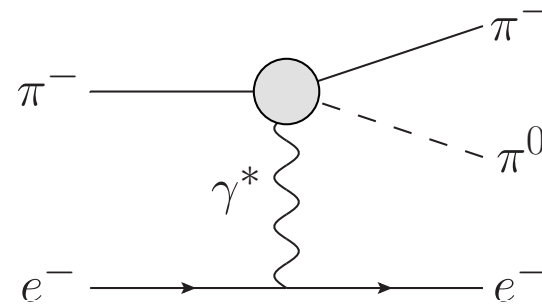
Primakoff reaction



$$F_{3\pi} = (10.7 \pm 1.2) \text{ GeV}^{-3}$$

Serpukhov 1987, Ametller et al. 2001

$$\pi^- e^- \rightarrow \pi^- e^- \pi^0$$



$$F_{3\pi} = (9.6 \pm 1.1) \text{ GeV}^{-3}$$

Giller et al. 2005

$\rightarrow F_{3\pi}$ tested only at 10% level

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- Primakoff measurement of whole spectrum
COMPASS, work in progress
- idea: use dispersion relations to exploit **all data below 1 GeV** for anomaly extraction
- effect of ρ resonance included model-independently via $\pi\pi$ P-wave phase shift

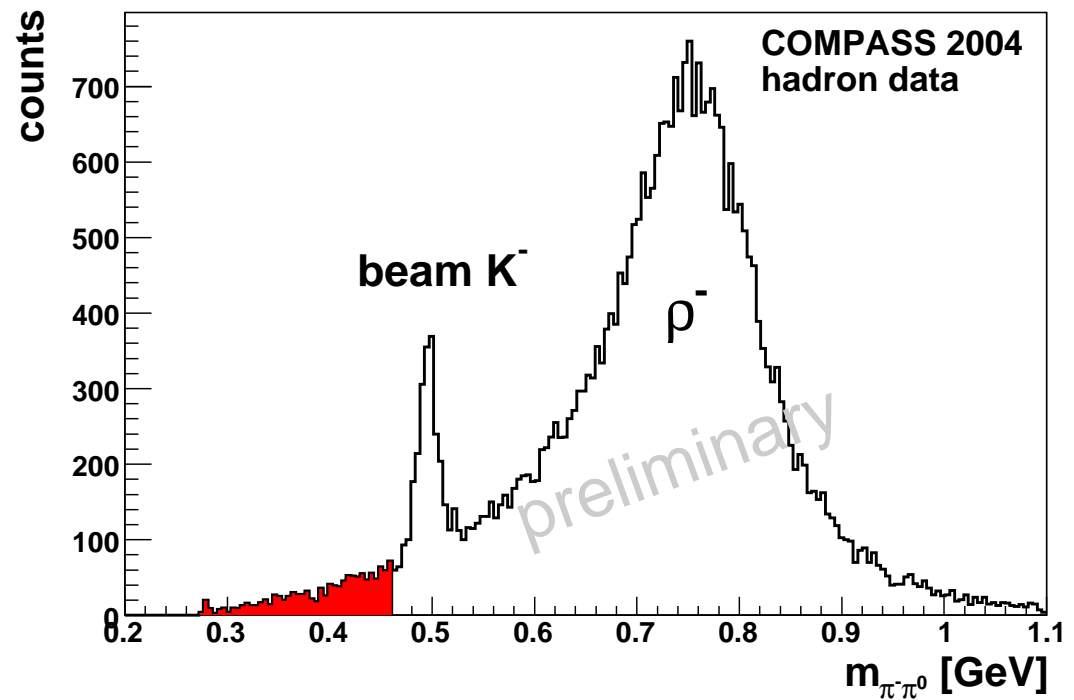
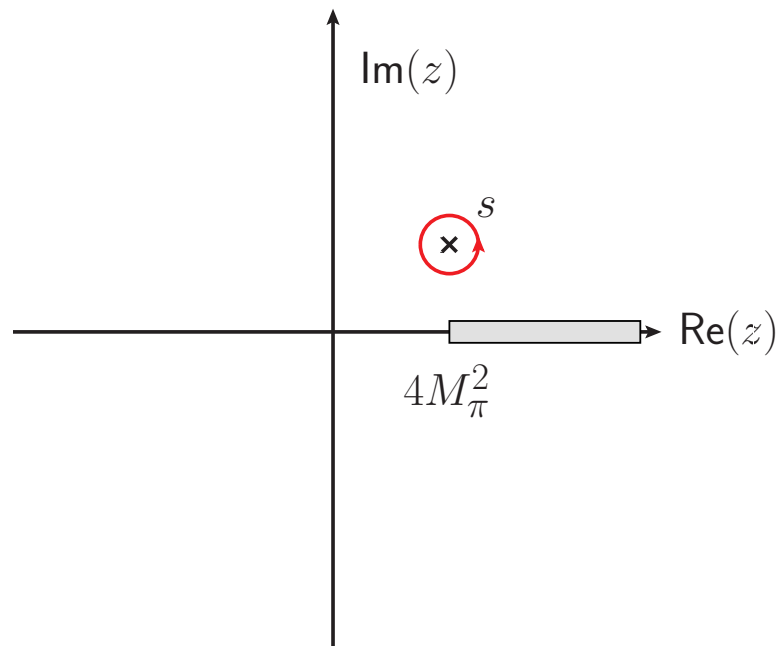


figure courtesy of T. Nagel 2009

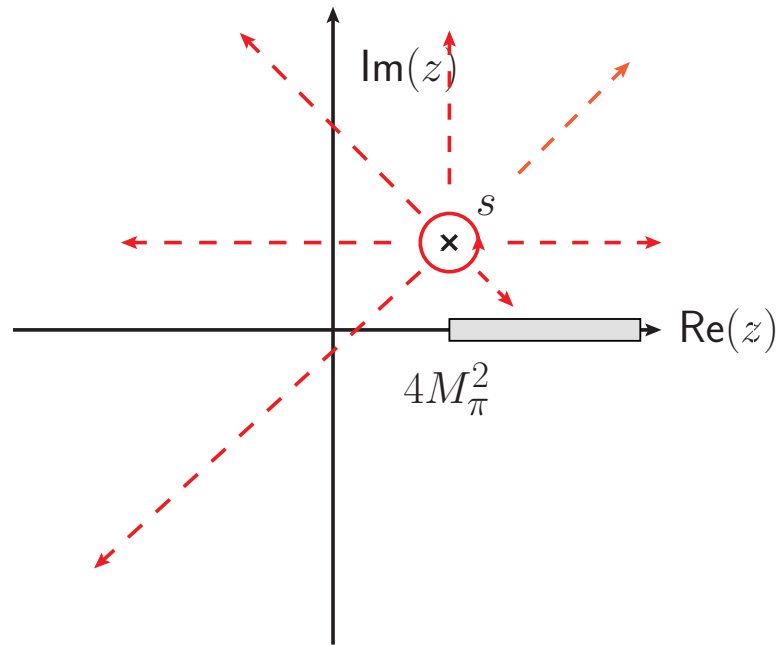
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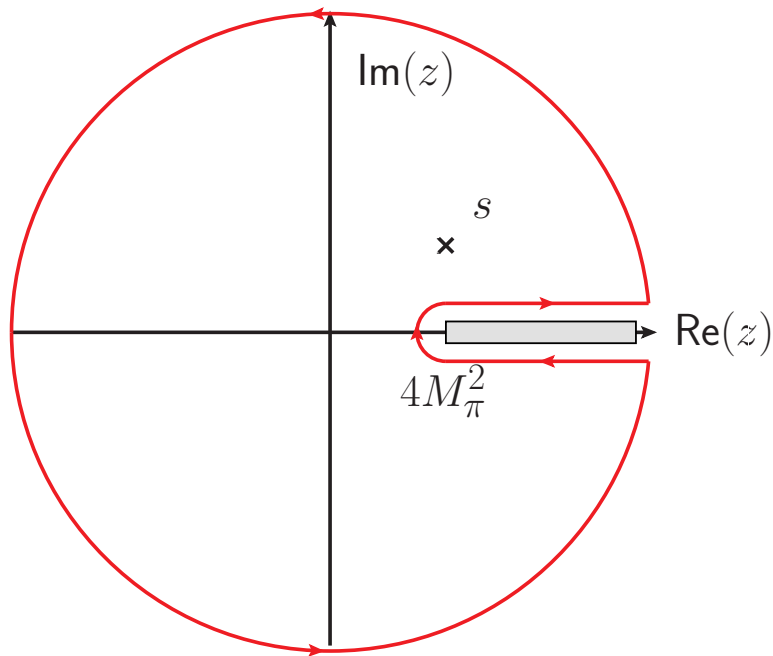
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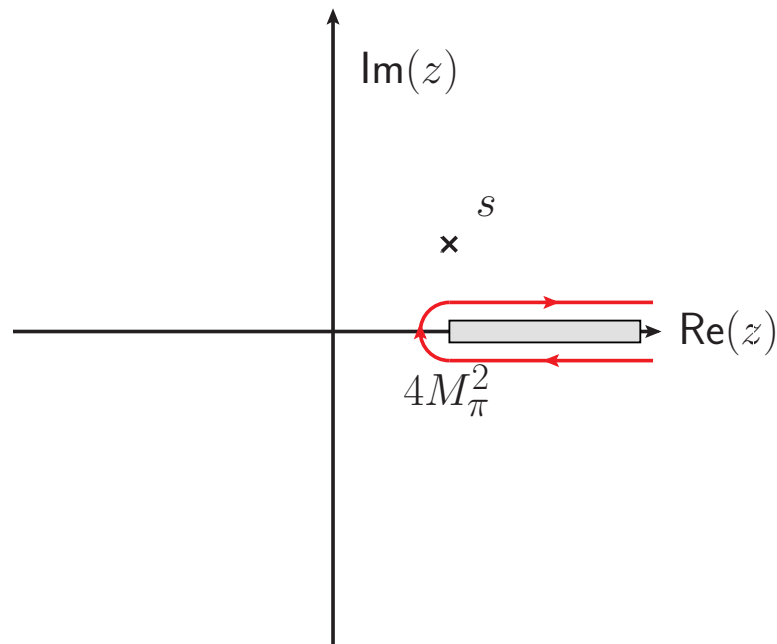
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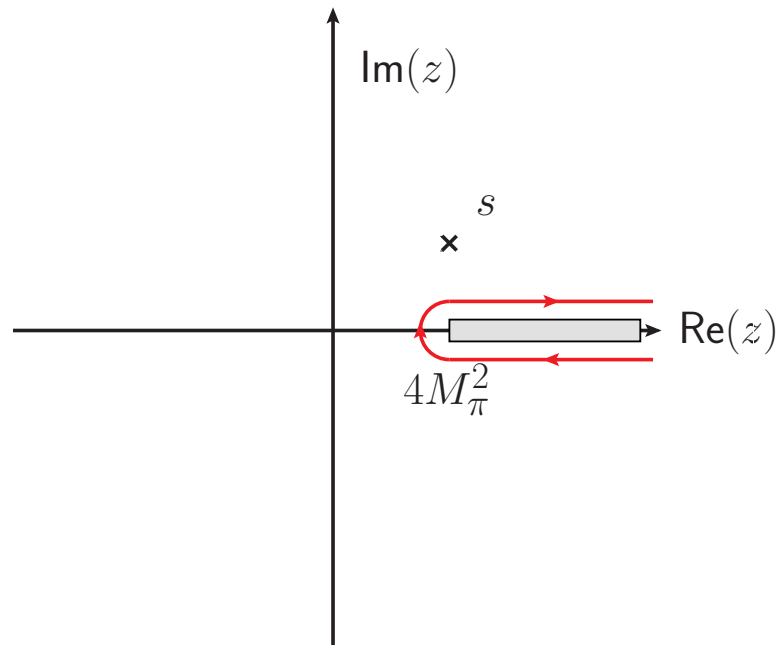
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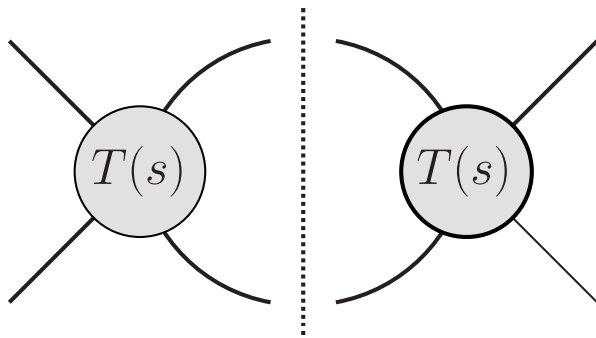
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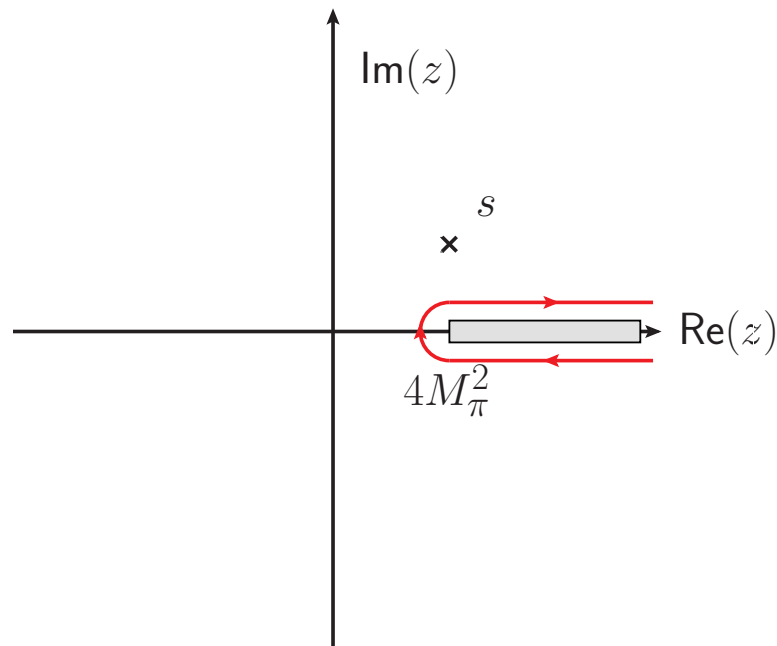
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e.g. if $T(s)$ is a $\pi\pi$ partial wave \rightarrow

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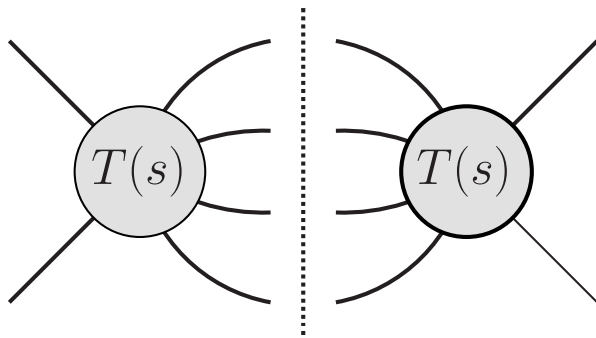
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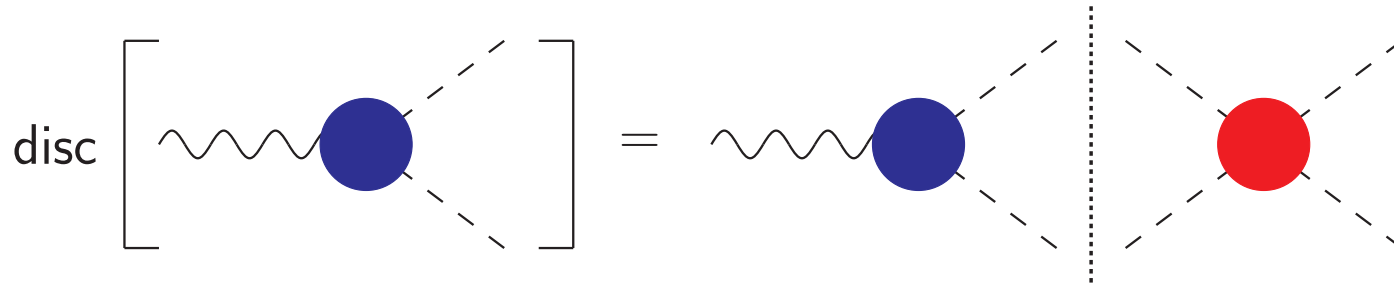
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inelastic intermediate states ($K\bar{K}$, 4π)
 suppressed at low energies
 \longrightarrow will be neglected in the following

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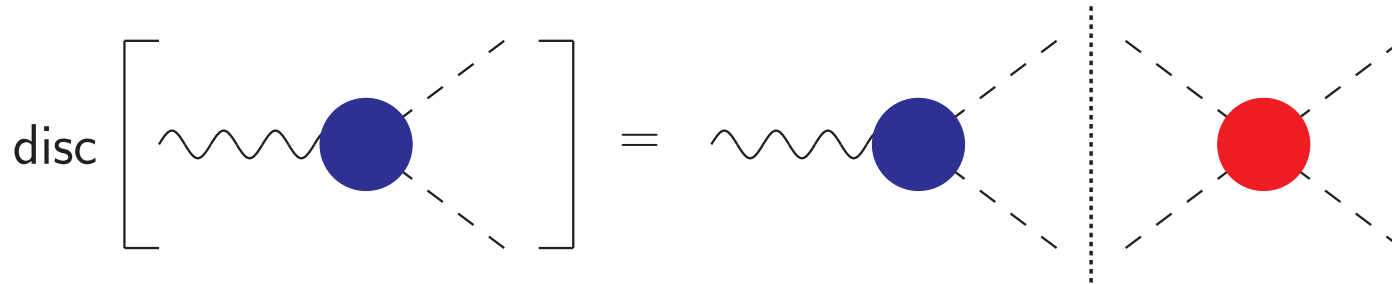


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- solution to this homogeneous integral equation known:

$$F_I(s) = P_I(s)\Omega_I(s), \quad \Omega_I(s) = \exp \left\{ \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\delta_I(s')}{s'(s' - s)} \right\}$$

$P_I(s)$ polynomial, $\Omega_I(s)$ **Omnès function** Omnès 1958

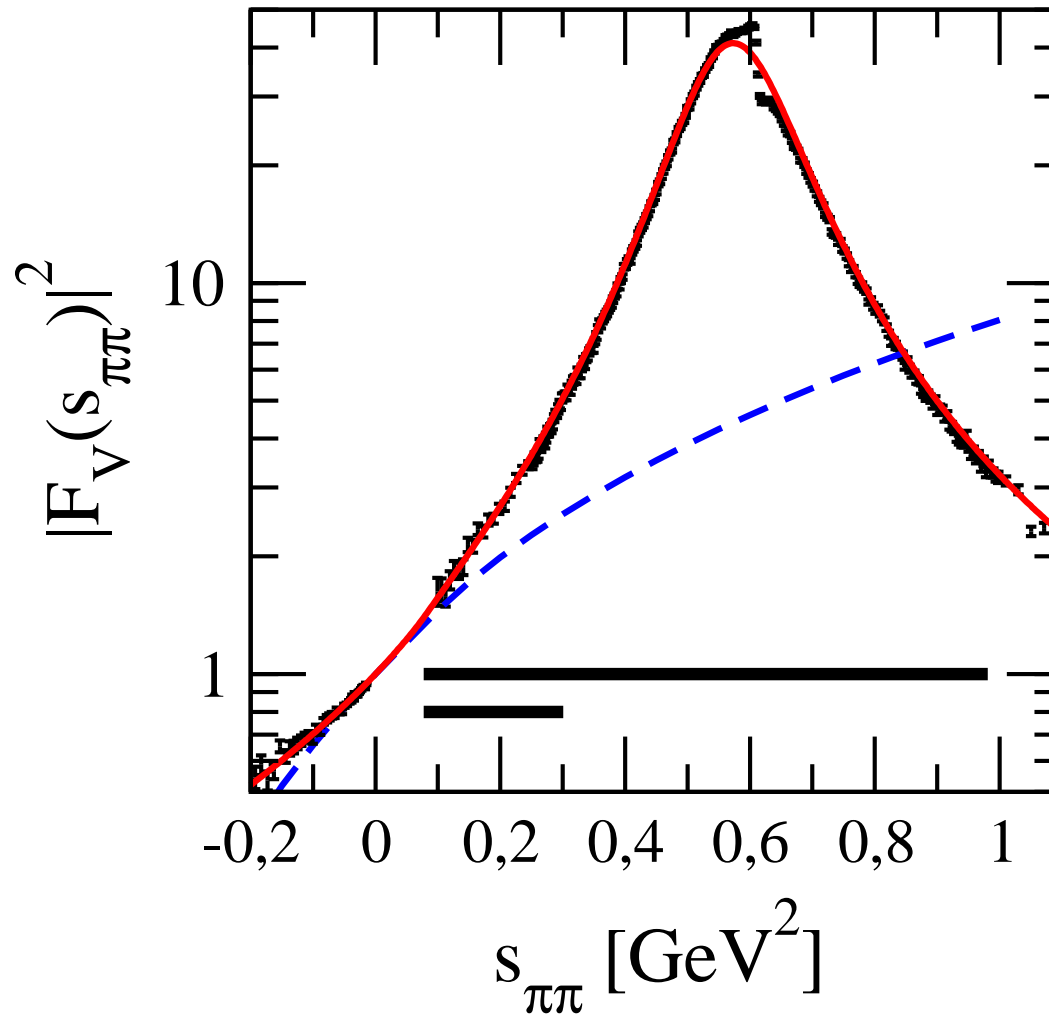
- today: high-accuracy $\pi\pi$ phase shifts available

Ananthanarayan et al. 2001, García-Martín et al. 2011

- constrain $P_I(s)$ using symmetries (normalisation at $s = 0$ etc.)

Pion vector form factor from dispersion relations

- pion vector form factor clearly **non-perturbative**: ρ resonance



ChPT at one loop

data on $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$

Omnès representation

Stollenwerk et al. 2012

→ Omnès representation vastly extends range of applicability

Dispersion relations for 3 pions

- $\gamma\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ particularly **simple** system: odd partial waves
→ **P-wave interactions only** (neglecting F- and higher)
- decay amplitude decomposed into **single-variable** functions

$$\mathcal{M}(s, t, u) = i\epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} n^\mu p_{\pi^+}^\nu p_{\pi^-}^\alpha p_{\pi^0}^\beta \mathcal{F}(s, t, u)$$

$$\mathcal{F}(s, t, u) = \mathcal{F}(s) + \mathcal{F}(t) + \mathcal{F}(u)$$

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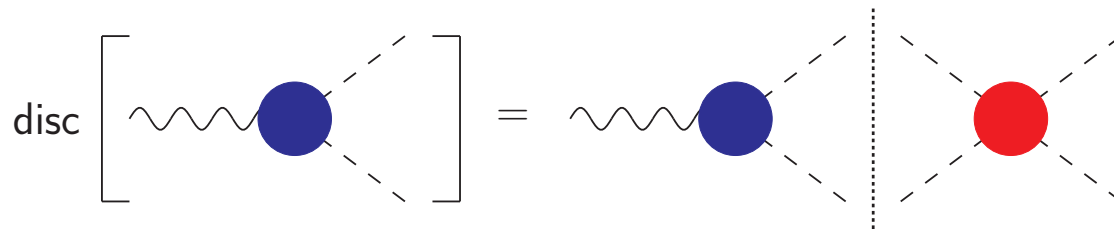
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- right-hand cut only \rightarrow **Omnès problem**

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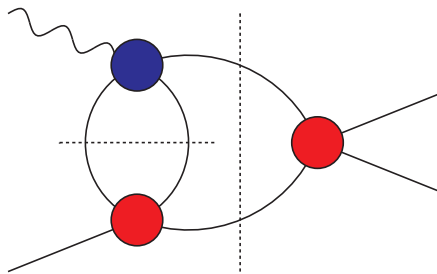
\rightarrow amplitude given in terms of pion vector form factor

$$\mathcal{F}(s, t, u) = \begin{array}{c} \pi^+ \pi^- \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{wavy line} \text{---} \text{blue circle} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \pi^0 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \pi^+ \\ \diagup \\ \text{wavy line} \text{---} \text{blue circle} \\ \diagdown \\ \pi^- \pi^0 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \pi^- \\ \diagup \\ \text{wavy line} \text{---} \text{blue circle} \\ \diagdown \\ \pi^+ \pi^0 \end{array}$$

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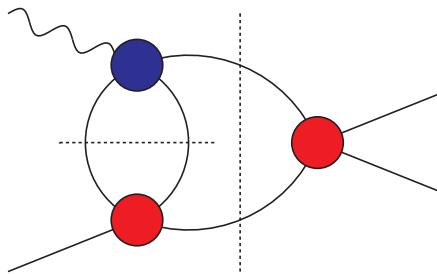
$$\mathcal{F}(s) = \text{[Diagram 1]} + \text{[Diagram 2]} + \text{[Diagram 3]} + \dots$$

The equation shows a series of diagrams representing the expansion of the scattering amplitude $\mathcal{F}(s)$. Each diagram starts with a wavy line entering a blue vertex. The first diagram is a simple vertex with two outgoing lines. The second and third diagrams show more complex internal structures, likely representing higher-order corrections or specific partial waves. The series continues with an ellipsis.

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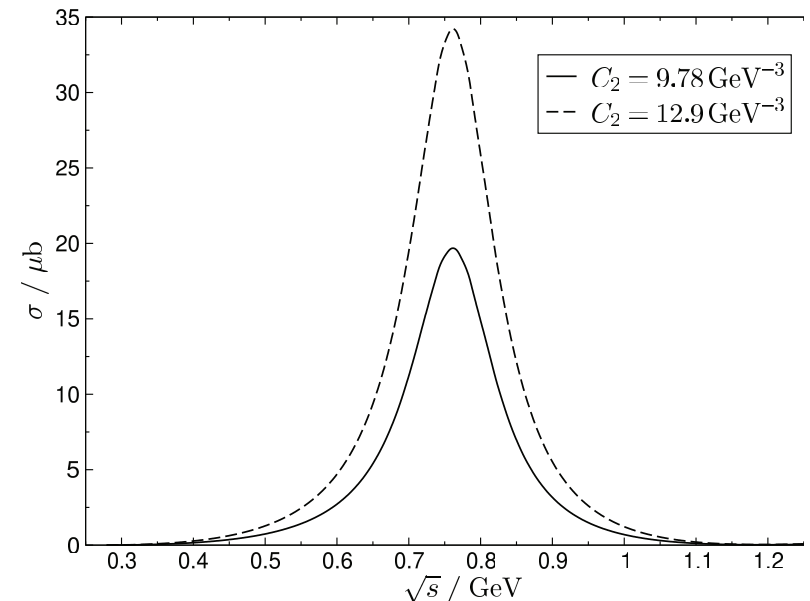
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- representation of cross section in terms of **two parameters**

→ fit to data, extract

$$F_{3\pi} \simeq C_2 = C_2^{(1)} + C_2^{(2)} M_\pi^2$$

→ $\sigma \propto (C_2)^2$ also in ρ region



Hoferichter, BK, Sakkas 2012

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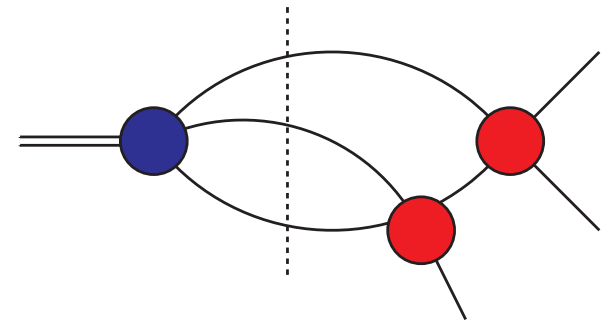
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- adding a **contact term** destroys this relation
- reconcile data with dispersion relations?

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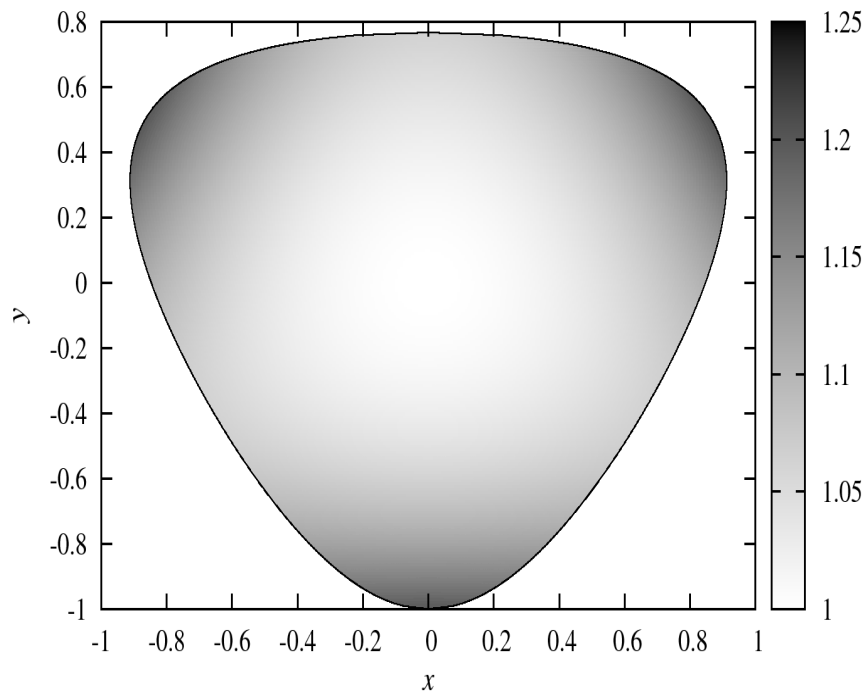


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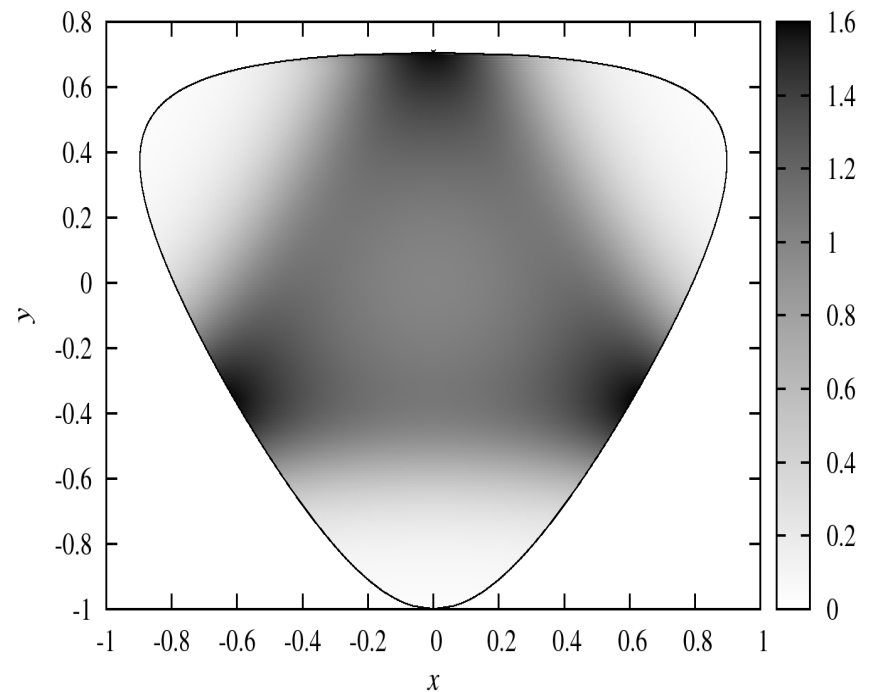
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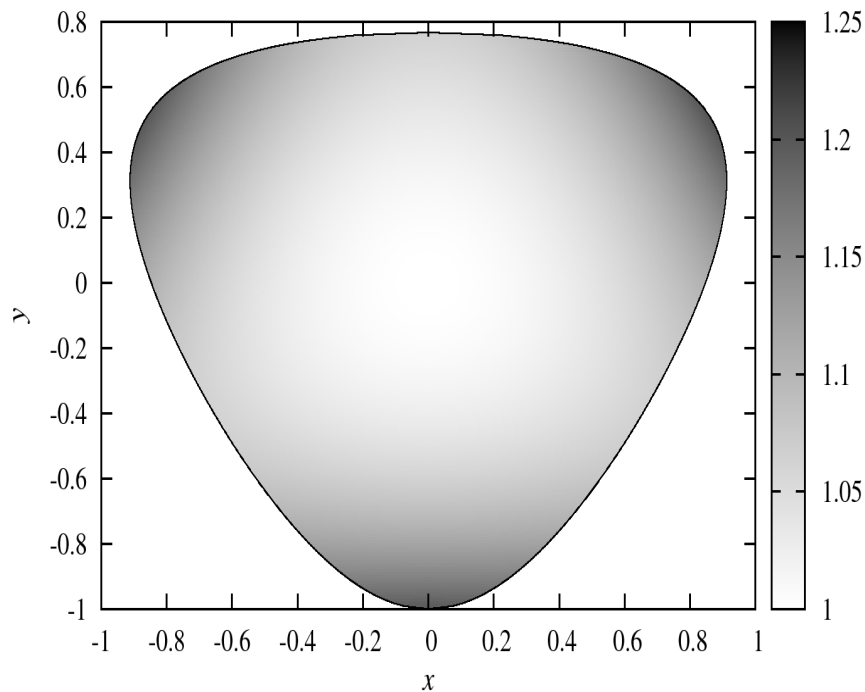
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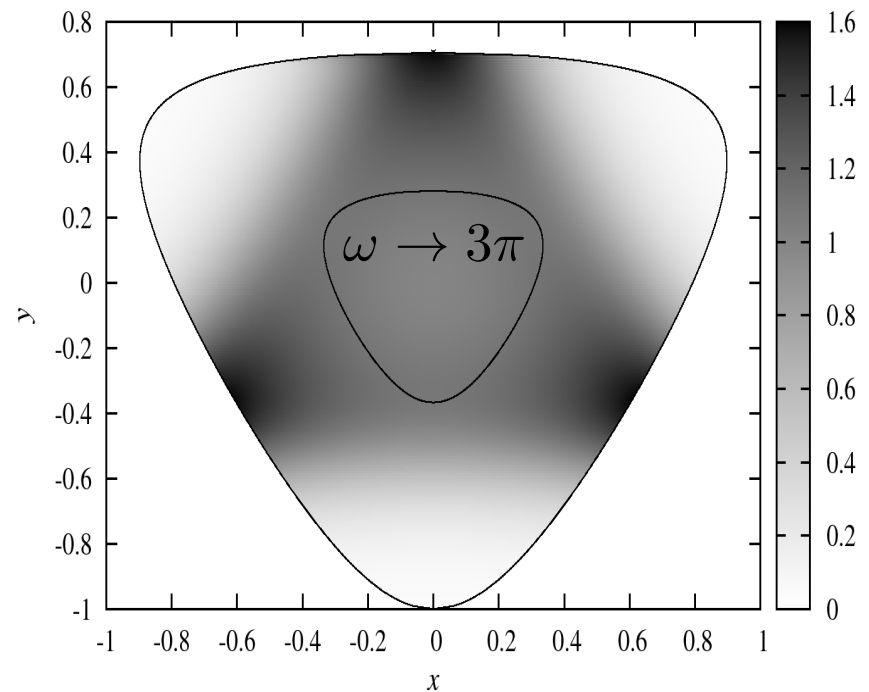
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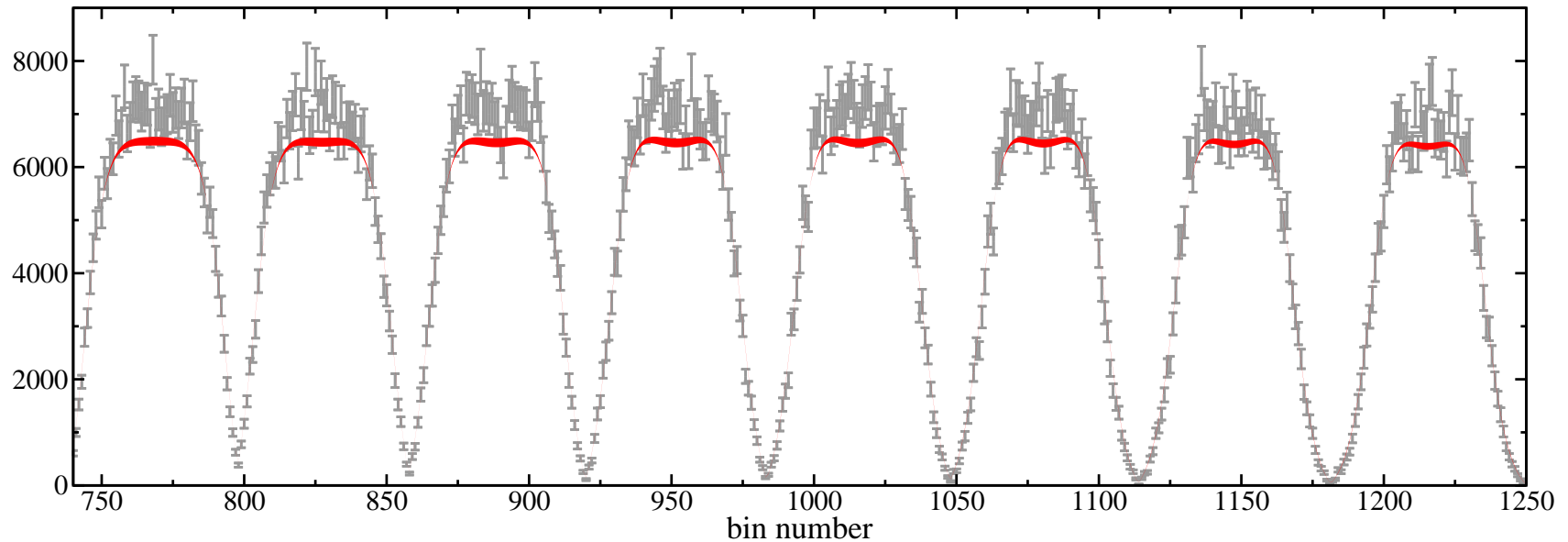


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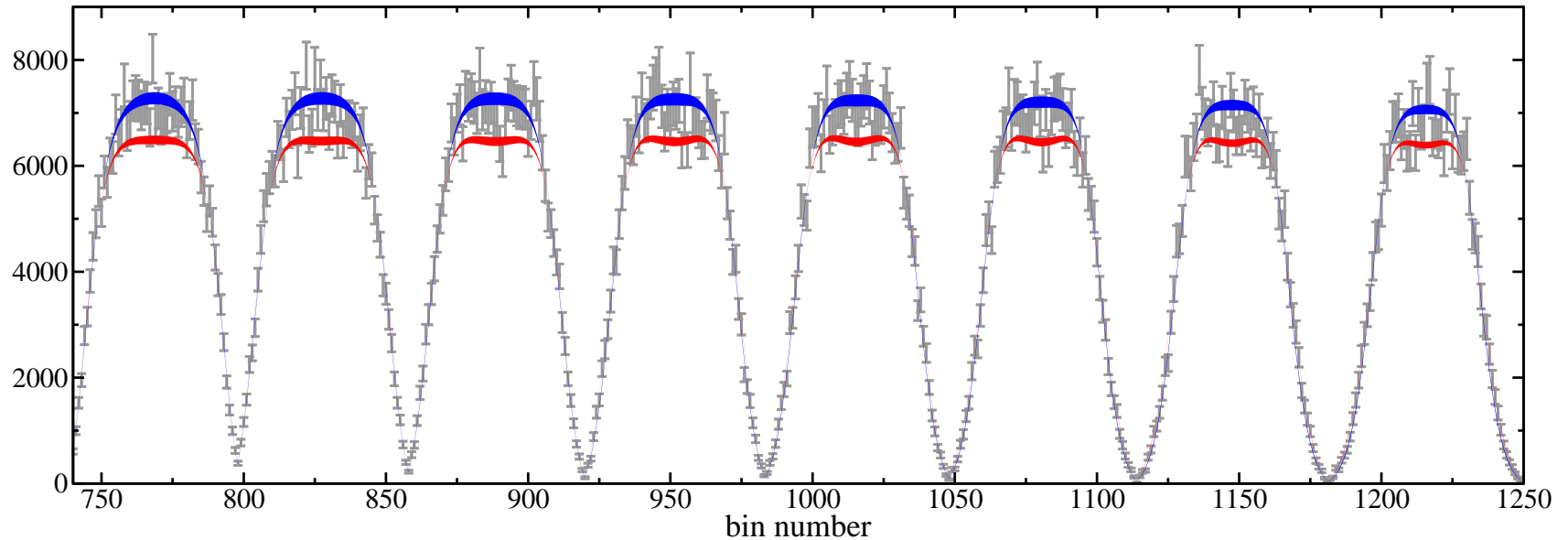
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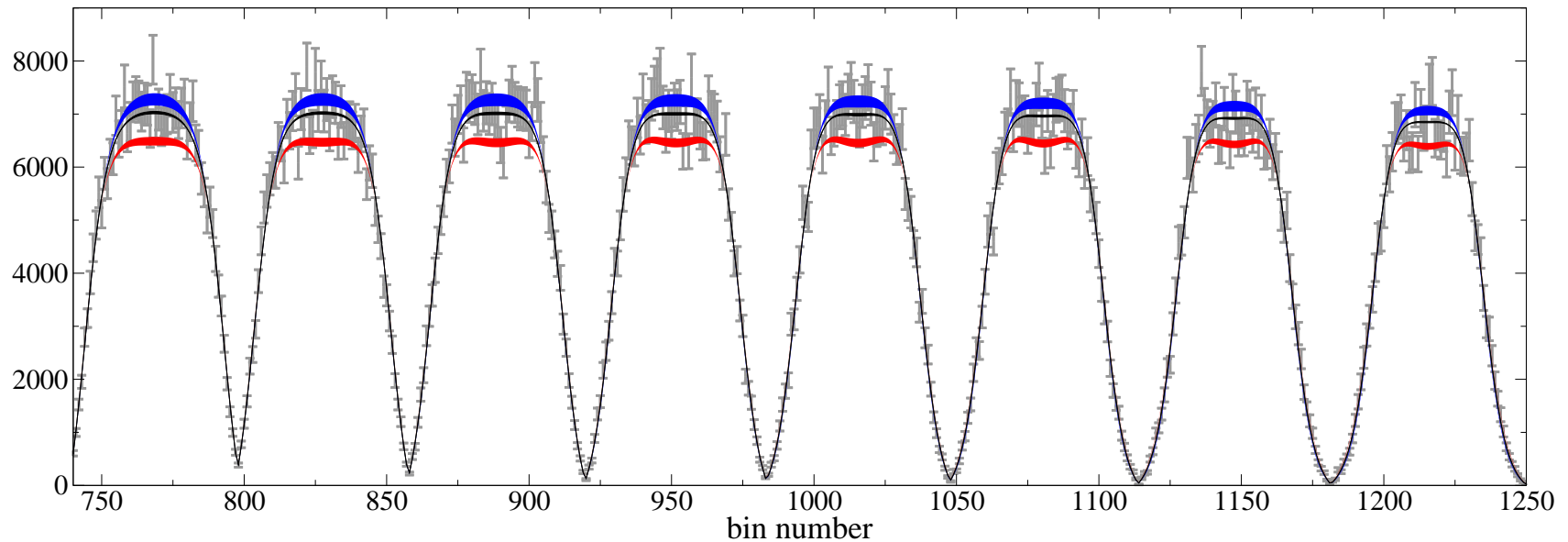
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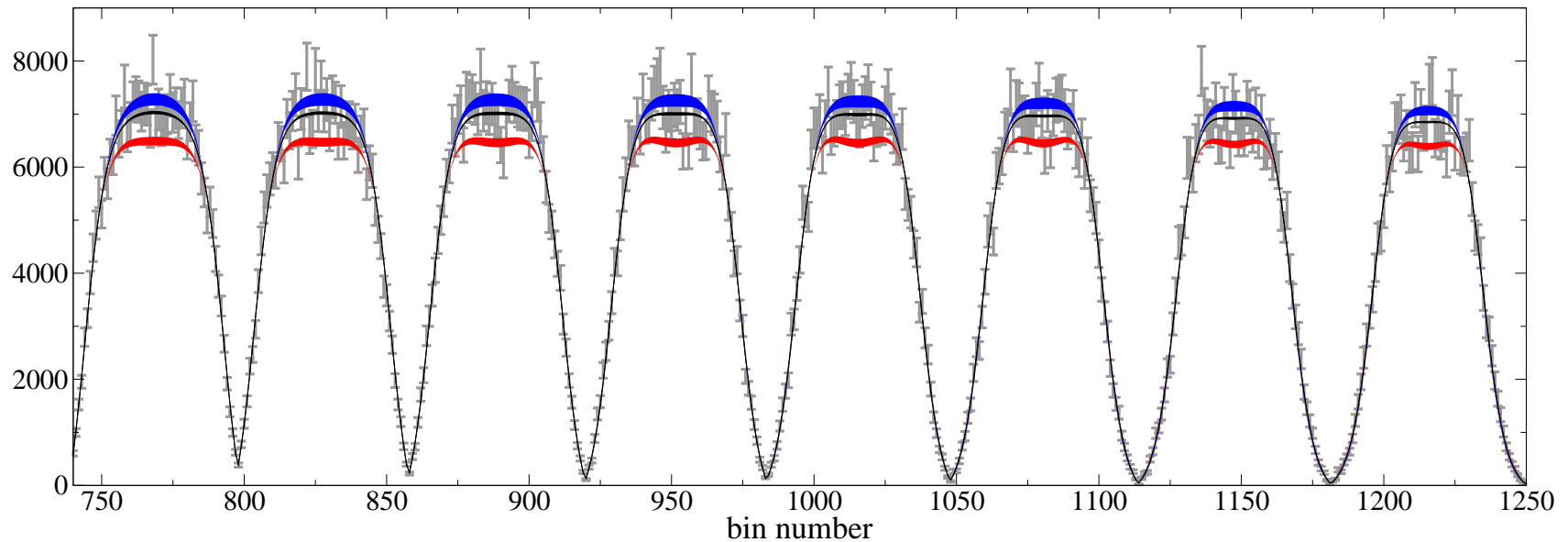
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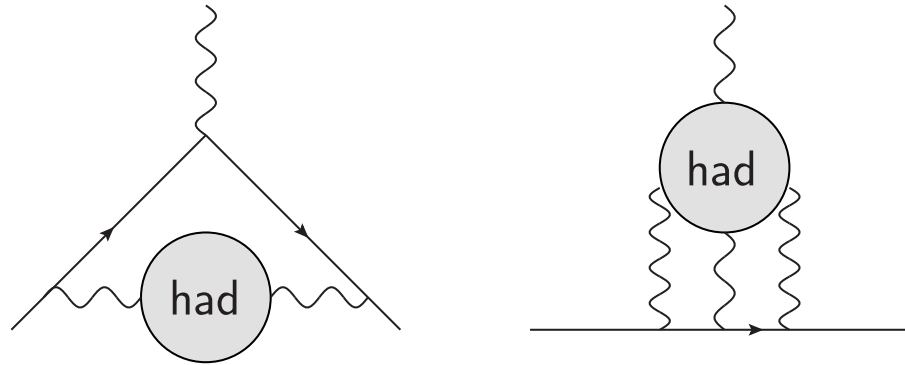
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- contact term emulates neglected rescattering effects
- no need for "background" — inseparable from "resonance"

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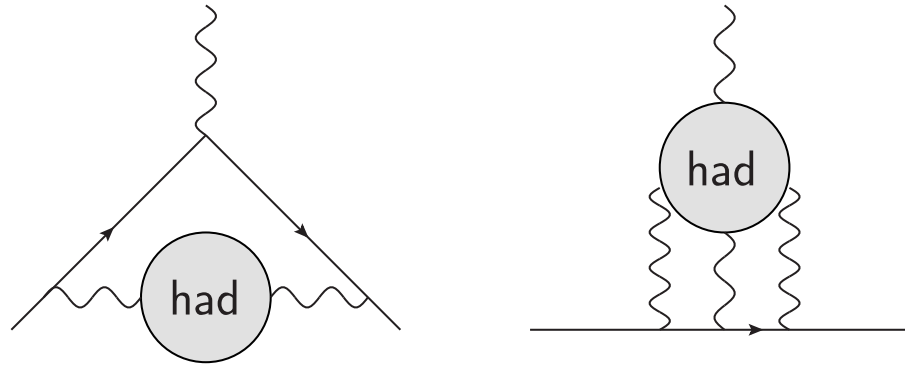


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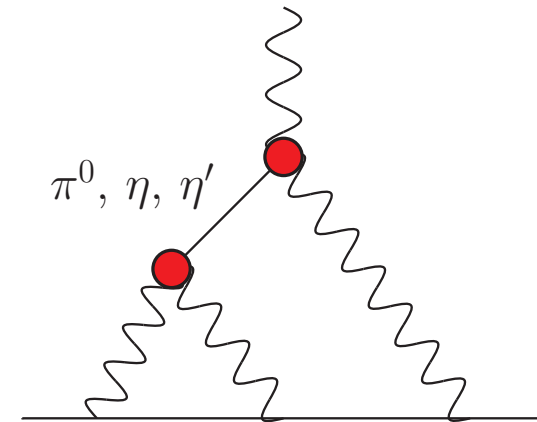
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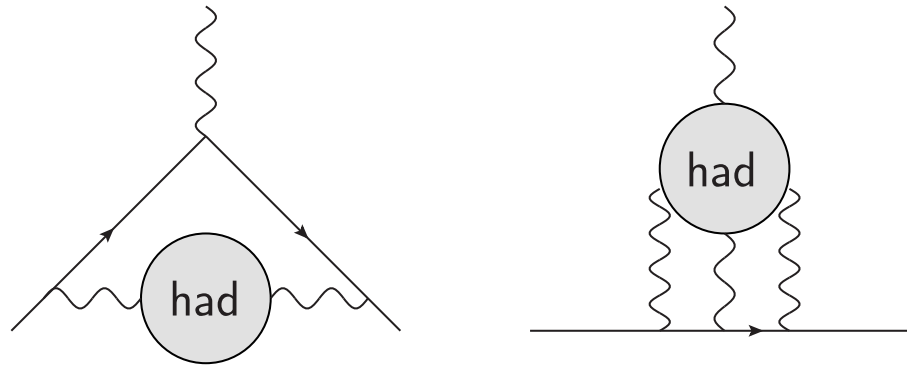
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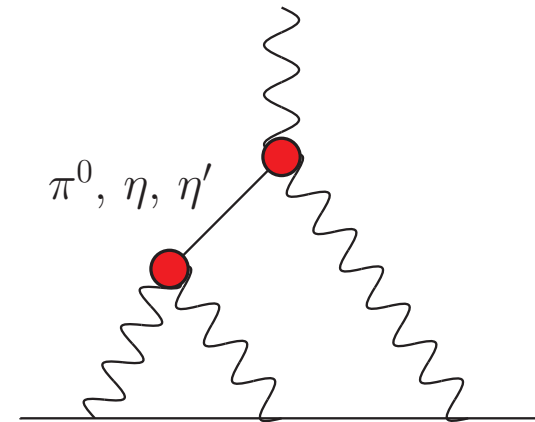
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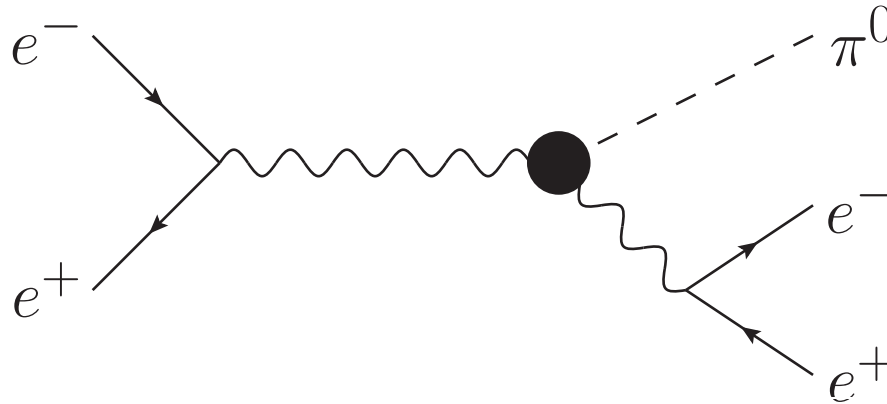
- for specific virtualities: linked to vector-meson conversion decays



→ e.g. $F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_1^2, M_\omega^2)$ measurable in $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \ell^+ \ell^-$ etc.

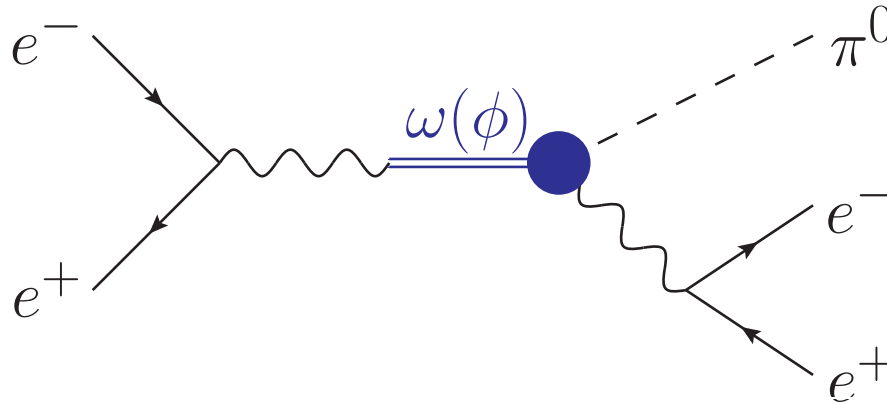
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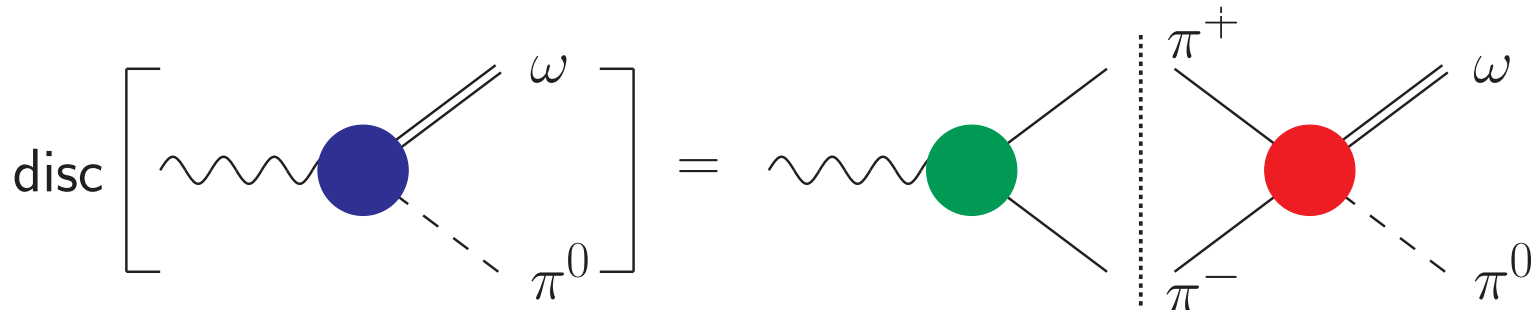
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pion vector form factor \times $\omega \rightarrow 3\pi$ decay amplitude
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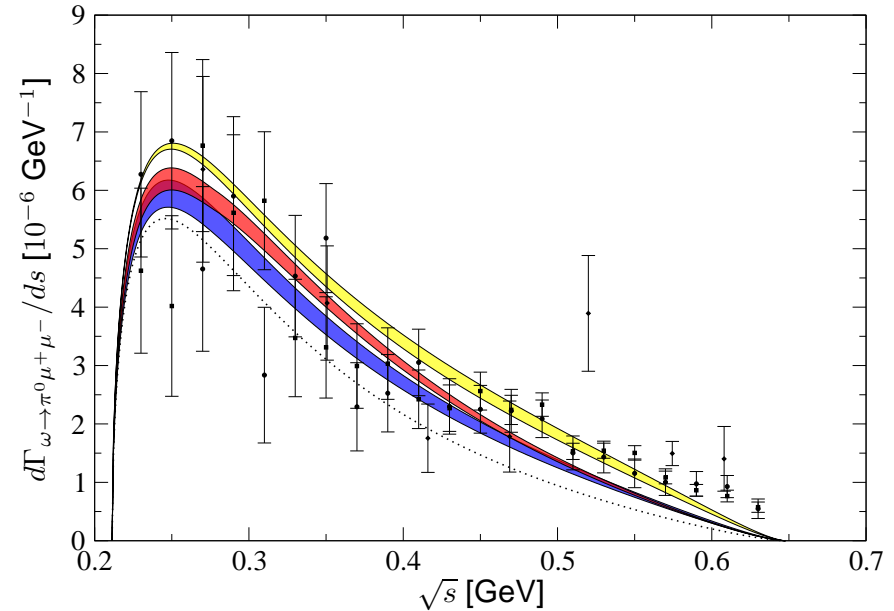
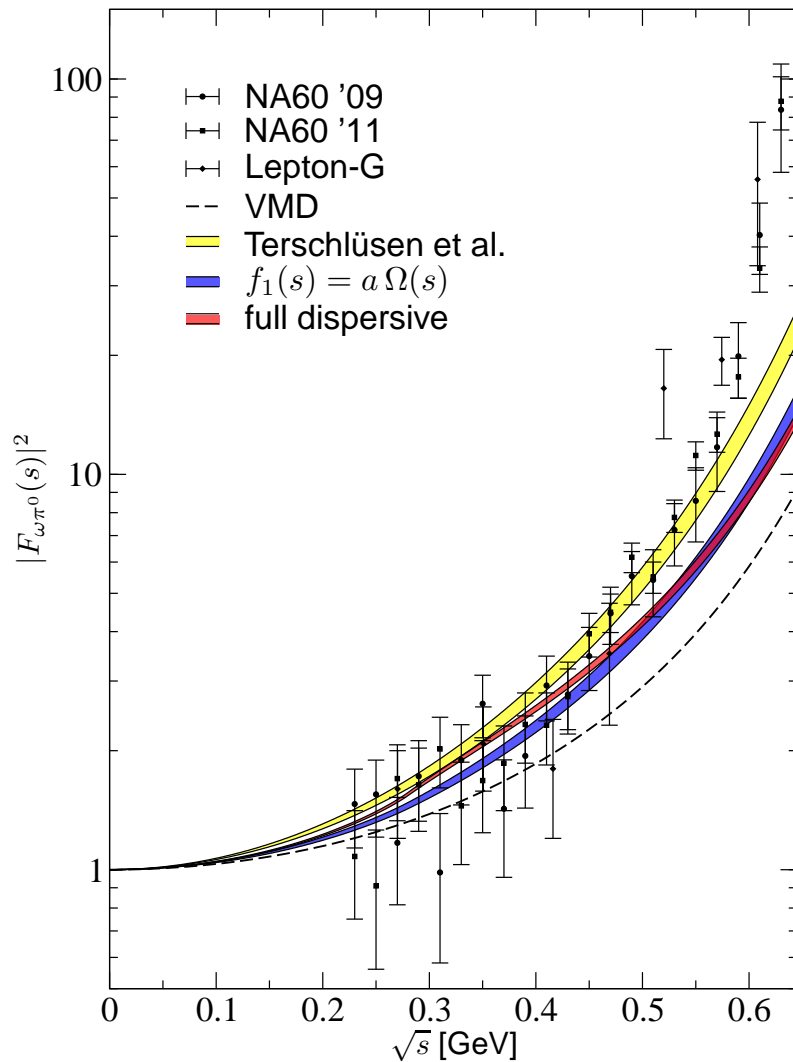
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(2nd most important ω decay channel)

→ works at 95% accuracy

Schneider, BK, Niecknig 2012

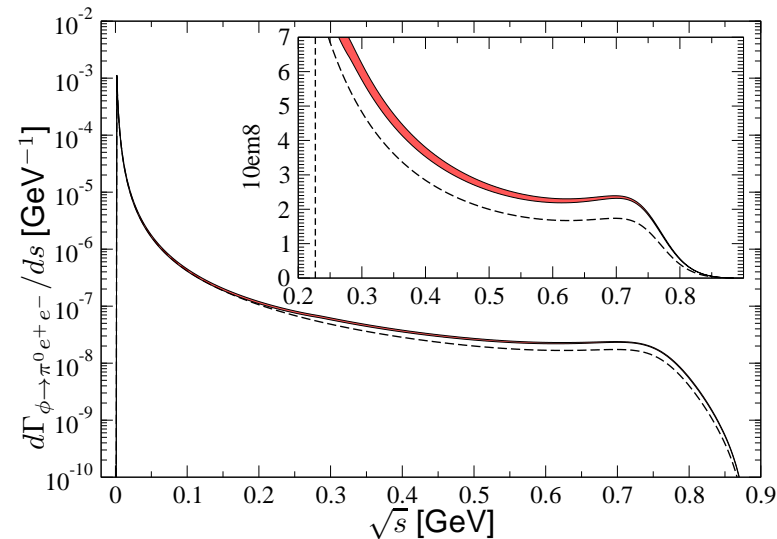
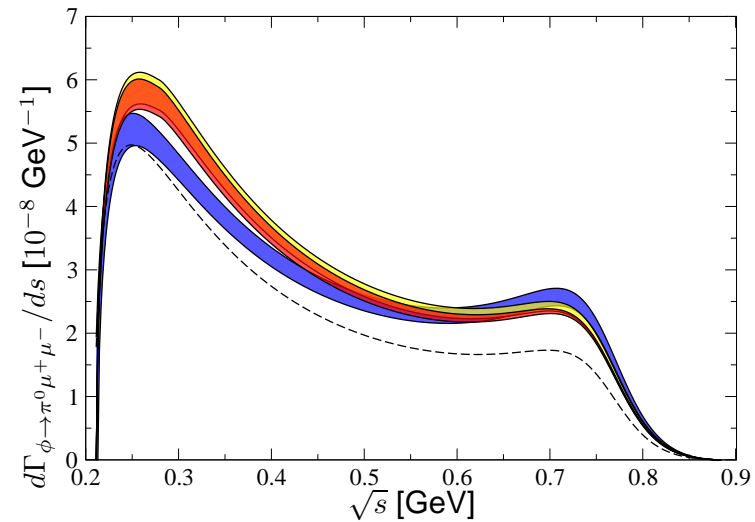
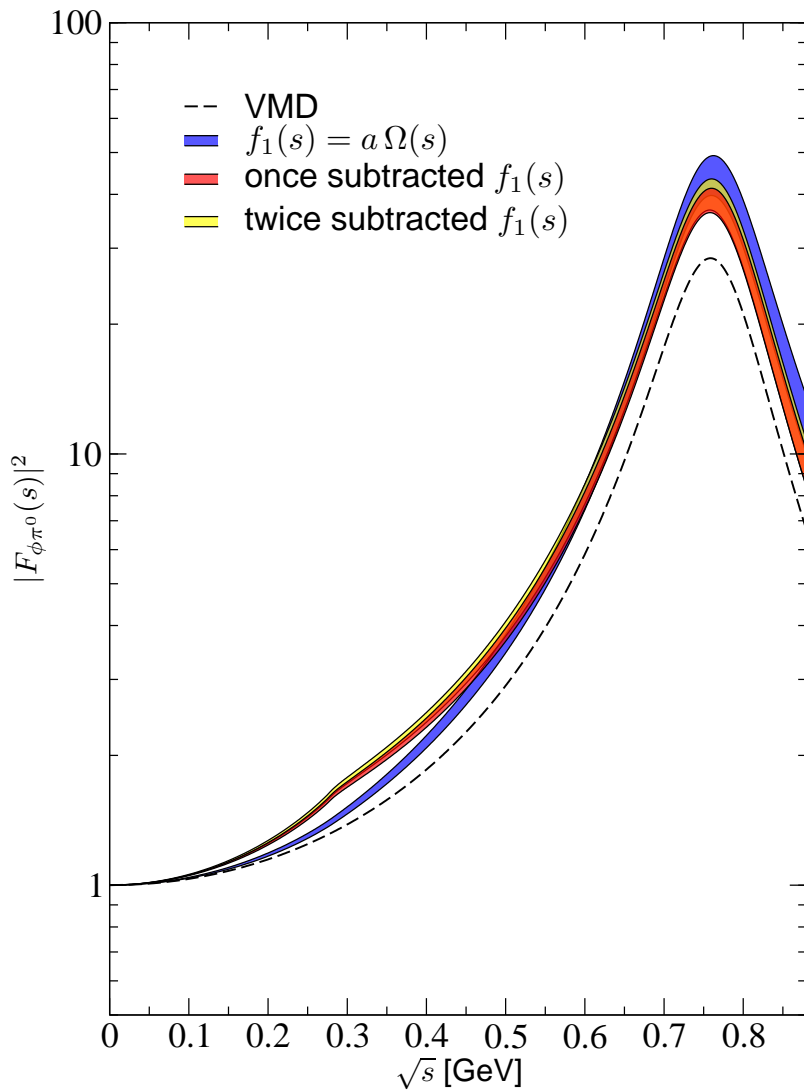
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- unable to account for steep rise in data (from heavy-ion collisions) NA60 2009, 2011
- more "exclusive" data?! CLAS?
- $\omega \rightarrow 3\pi$ Dalitz plot?

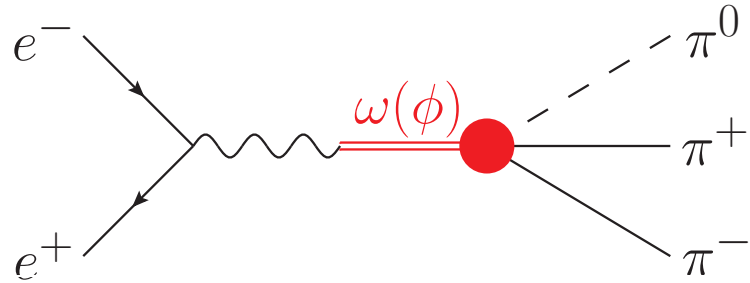
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- measurement would be extremely helpful: ρ in physical region!
- partial-wave amplitude backed up by experiment

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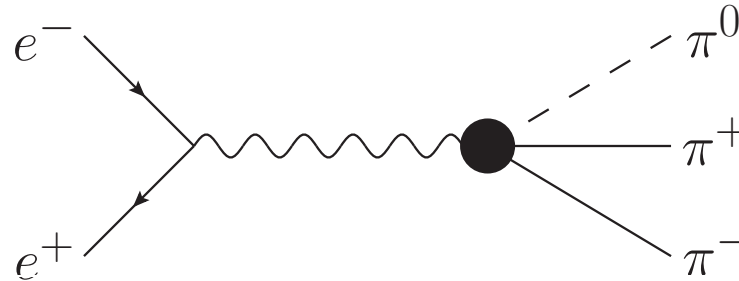


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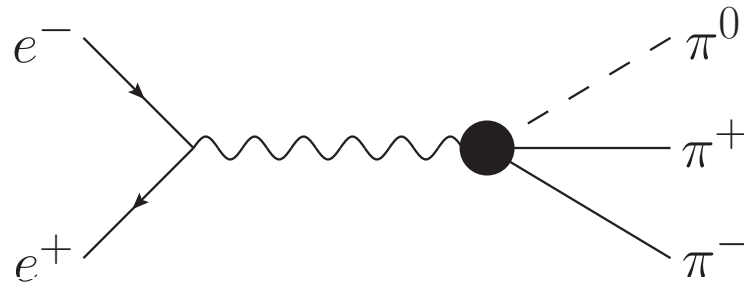


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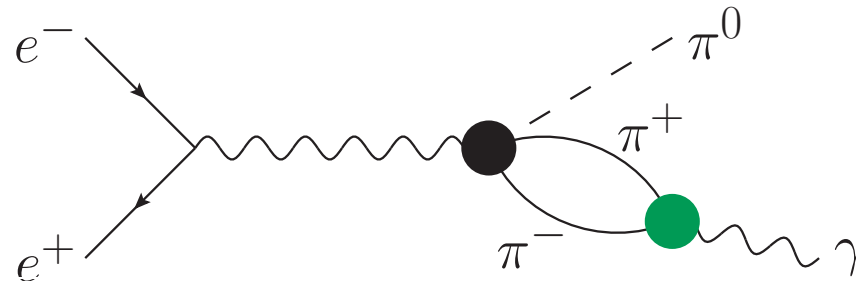
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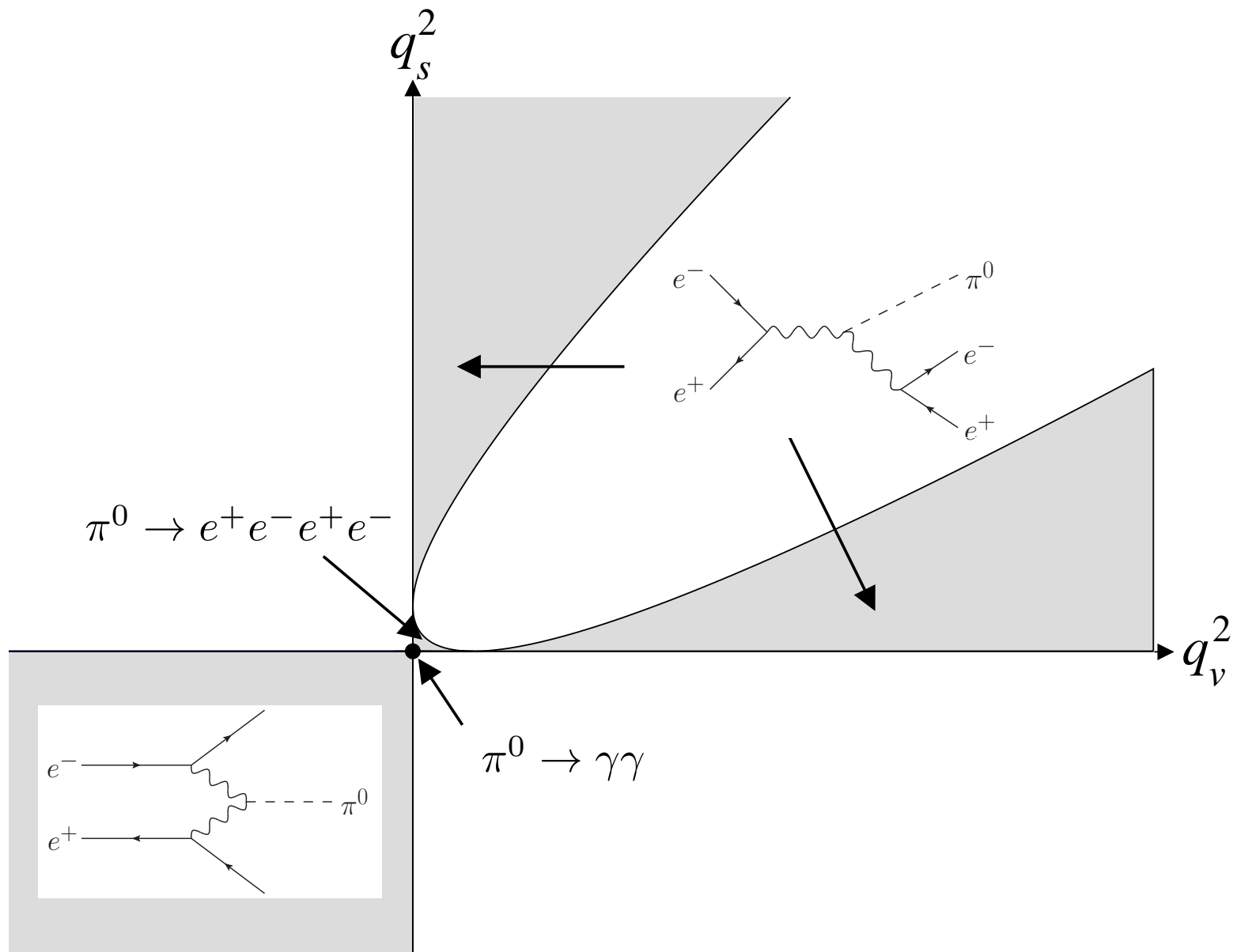
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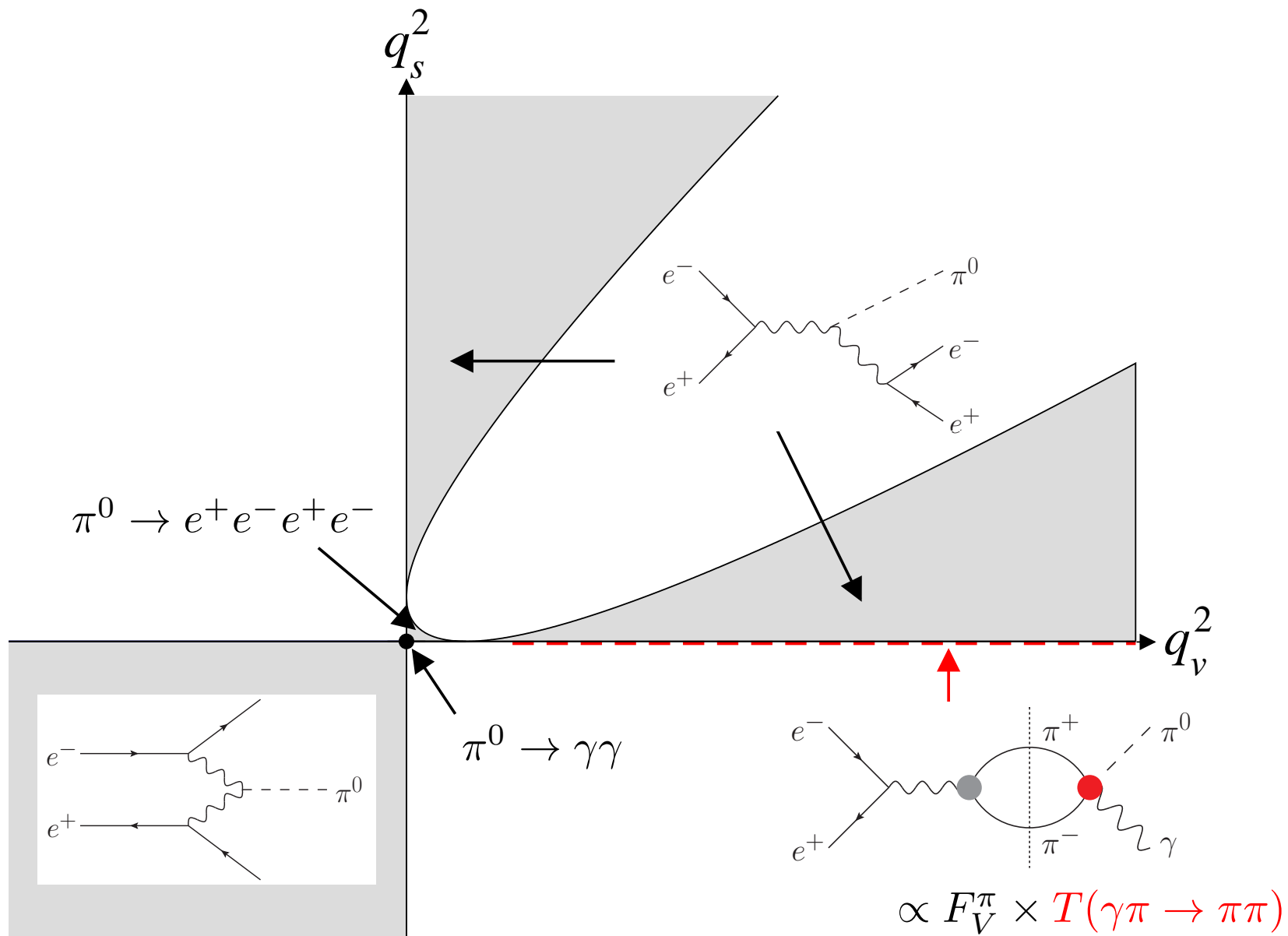
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$$F_{\pi\gamma^*\gamma}(q^2, 0) = F_{vs}(q^2, 0) + F_{vs}(0, q^2)$$

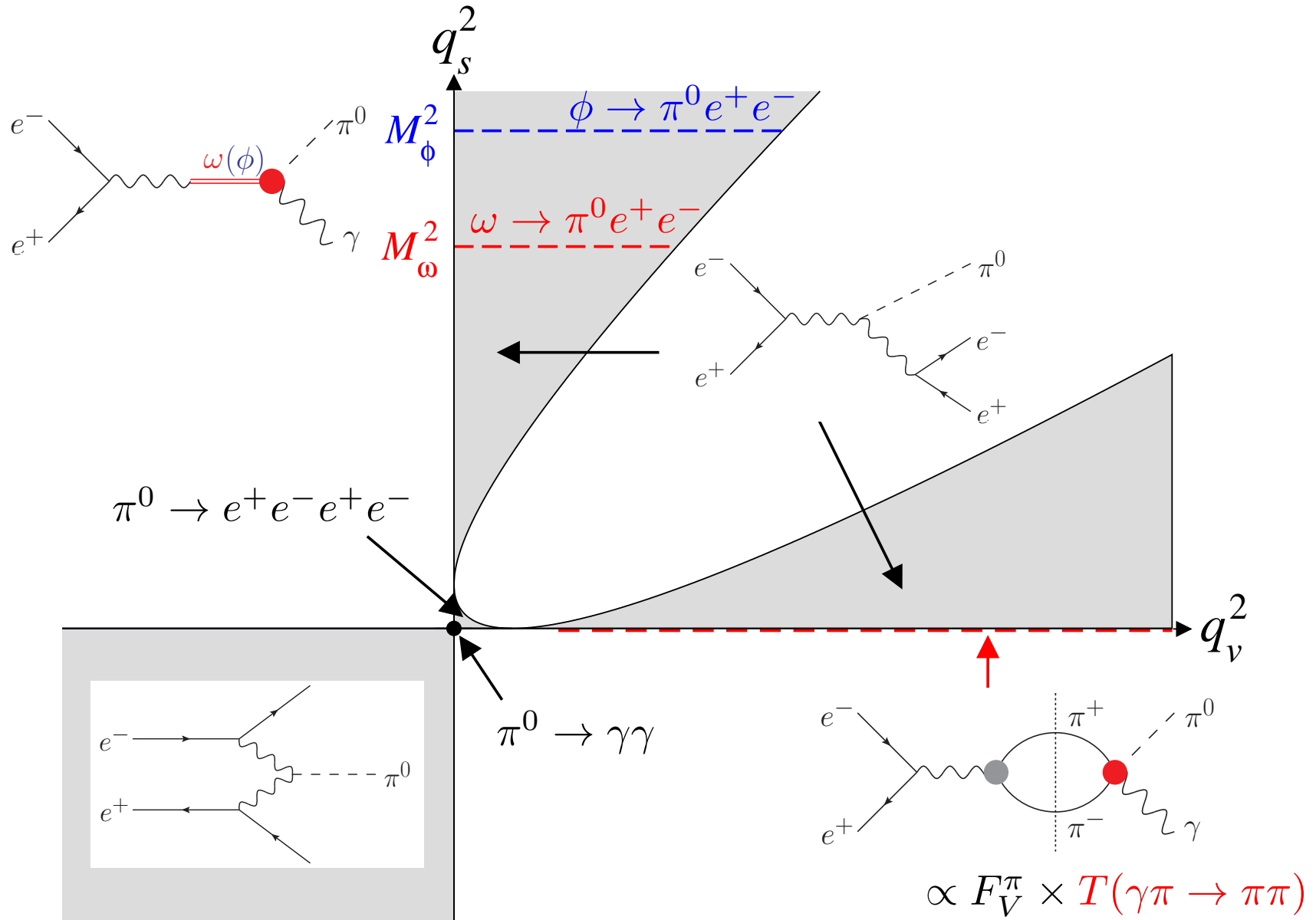
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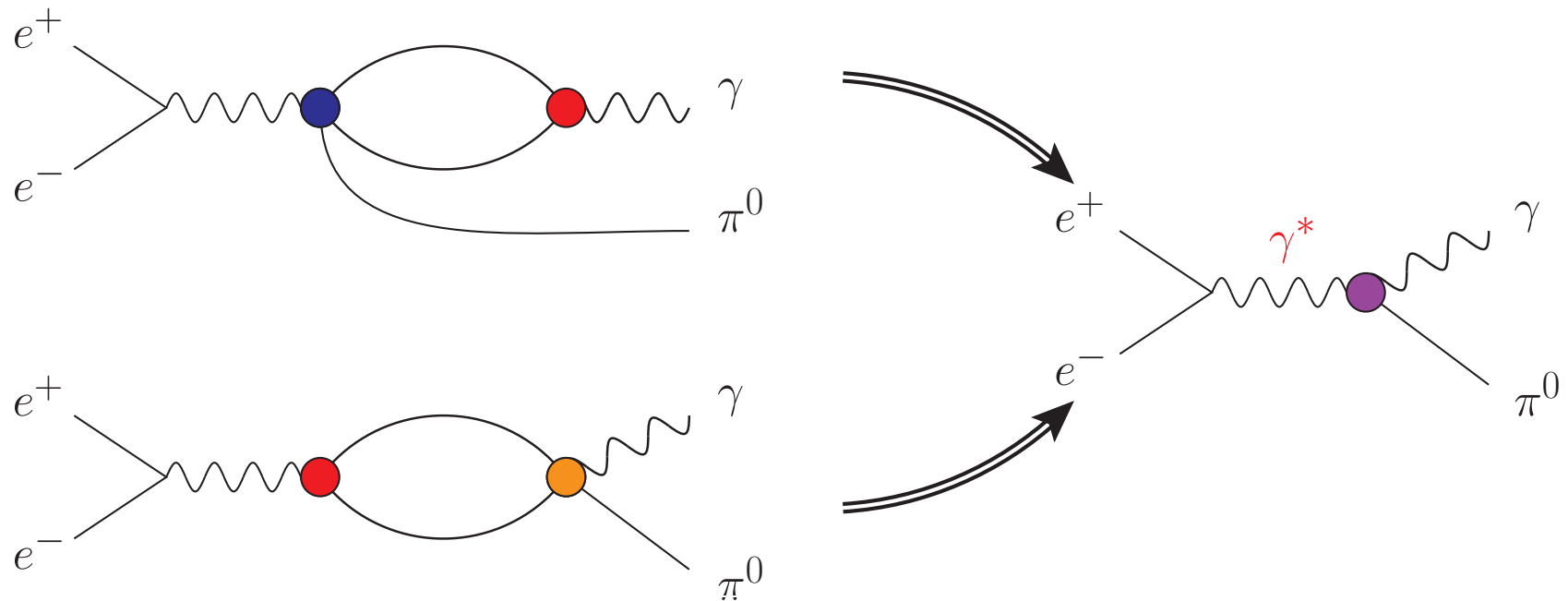
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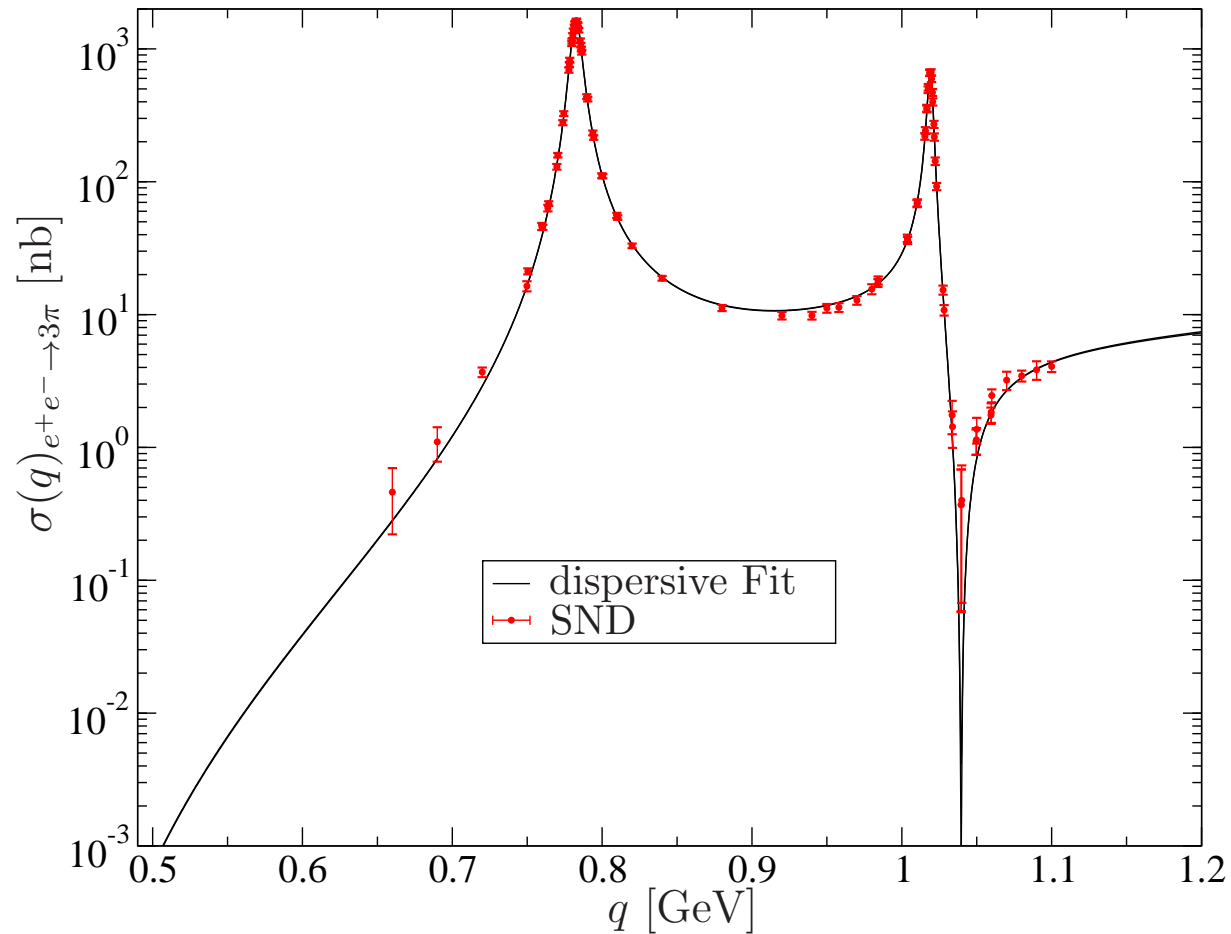
Towards a dispersive analysis of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$



- combine **isoscalar** and **isovector** contribution to $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &= \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{q_\pi^3(s')}{\sqrt{s'}} \left\{ \frac{f_1^{\gamma^* \rightarrow 3\pi}(q^2, s')}{s'} + \frac{f_1^{\gamma\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi}(s')}{s' - q^2} \right\} F_\pi^{V^*}(s')
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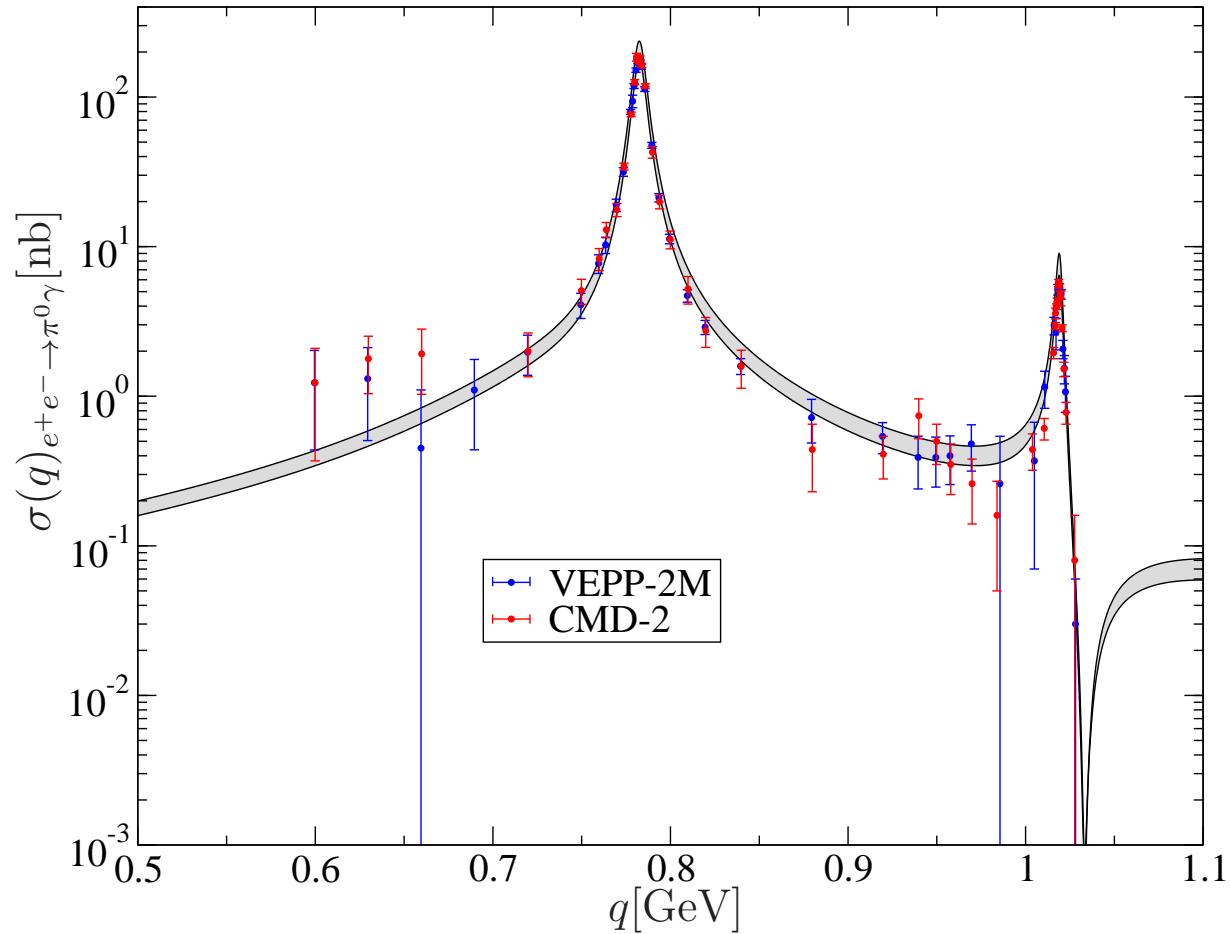
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Hoferichter, BK, Leupold, Niecknig, Schneider preliminary

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- fitted: ω, ϕ residues, one additional (linear) subtraction

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- "prediction"—no further parameters adjusted
- data well reproduced

Summary / Outlook

Dispersion relations for light-meson processes

- based on **unitarity**, **analyticity**, **crossing symmetry**
- extends range of applicability (at least) to full elastic regime
- **matching to ChPT** where it works best

Primakoff reaction $\gamma\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$

- enable improved extraction of $F_{3\pi}$ from data up to 1 GeV

Vector meson decays $\omega/\phi \rightarrow 3\pi, \pi^0\gamma^*$

- perfect analytic-unitary description of $\phi \rightarrow 3\pi$ **Dalitz plot**

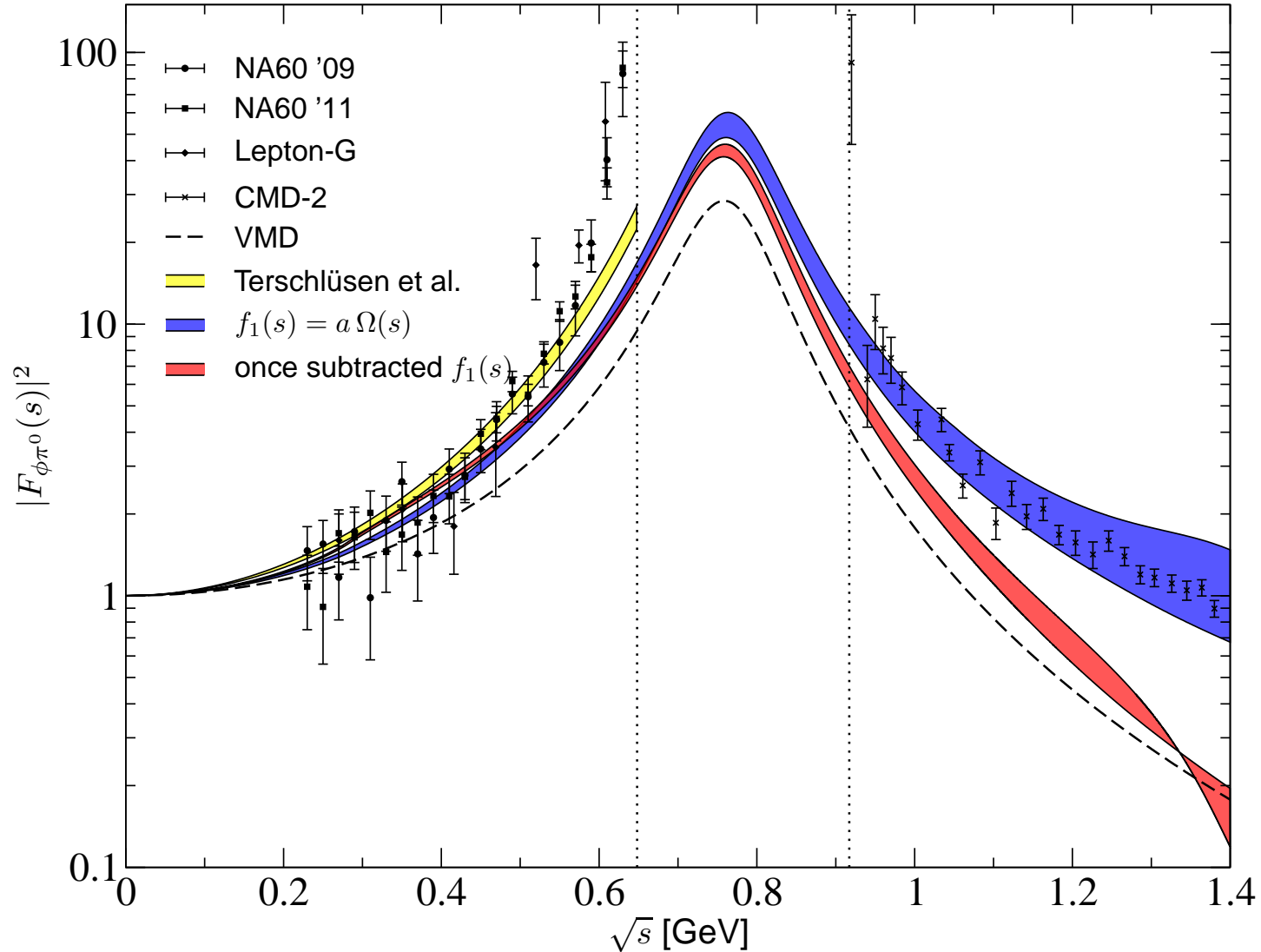
π^0 transition form factor

- successful description of $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$
- goal: **doubly-virtual π^0 transition form factor**

→ interrelate as much experimental information as possible to constrain **hadron physics in $(g-2)_\mu$**

Spares

Transition form factor beyond the $\pi\omega$ threshold



- full solution above naive VMD, but still too low
- higher intermediate states ($4\pi / \pi\omega$) more important?

Improved Breit–Wigner resonances

Lomon, Pacetti 2012; Moussallam 2013

- “standard” Breit–Wigner function with energy-dependent width

$$B^\ell(q^2) = \frac{1}{M_{\text{res}}^2 - q^2 - iM_{\text{res}}\Gamma_{\text{res}}^\ell(q^2)}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{res}}^\ell(q^2) = \theta(q^2 - 4M_\pi^2) \frac{M_{\text{res}}}{\sqrt{q^2}} \left(\frac{q^2 - 4M_\pi^2}{M_{\text{res}}^2 - 4M_\pi^2} \right)^\ell \Gamma_{\text{res}}(M_{\text{res}}^2)$$

- ▷ no correct **analytic continuation** below threshold $q^2 < 4M_\pi^2$
- ▷ **wrong phase behaviour** for $\ell \geq 1$:

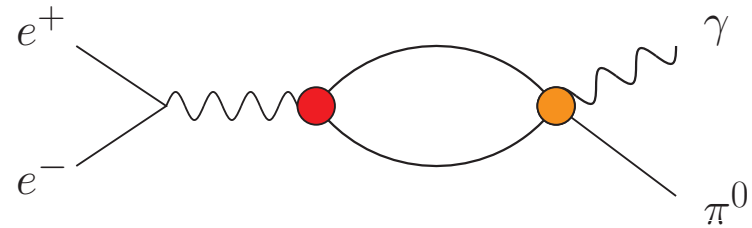
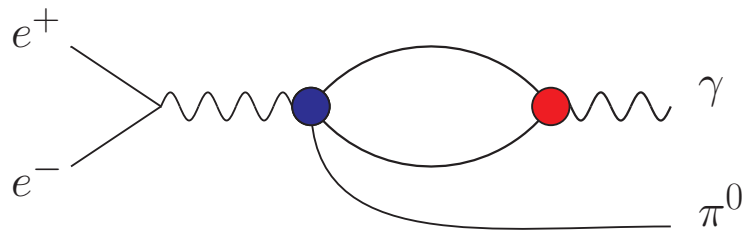
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- remedy: reconstruct via dispersion integral

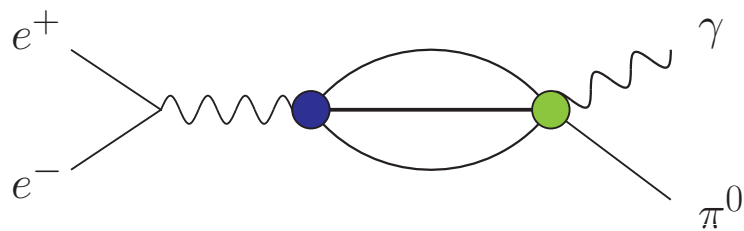
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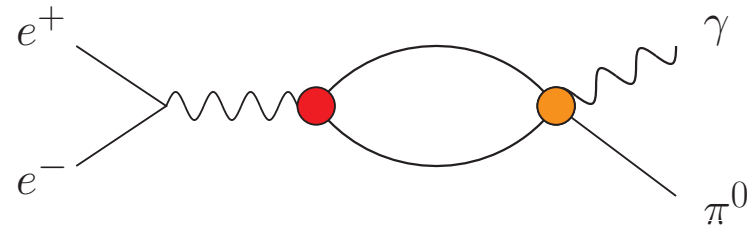
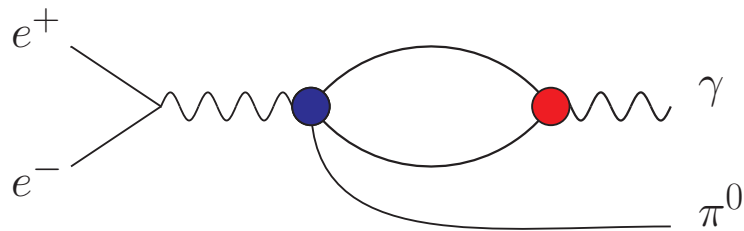
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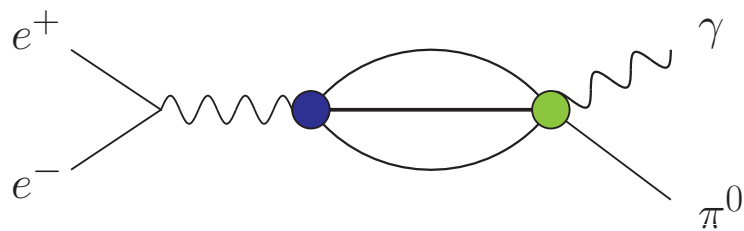
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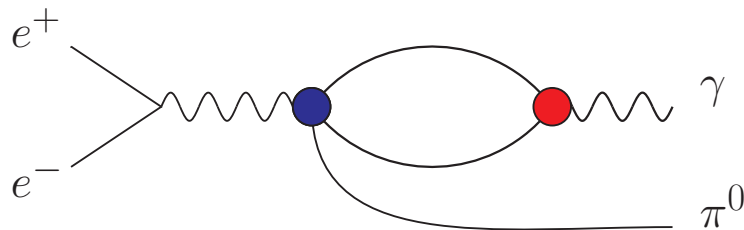


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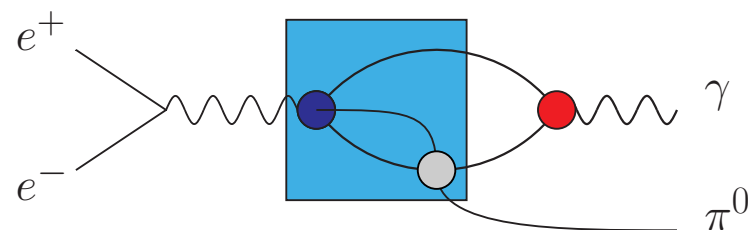


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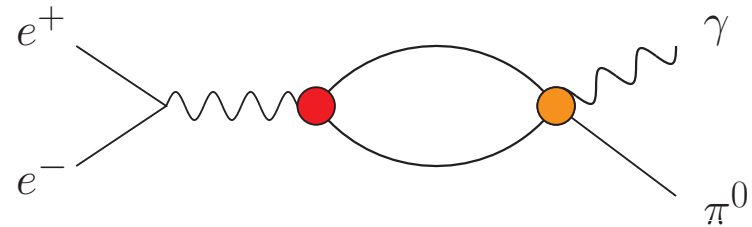
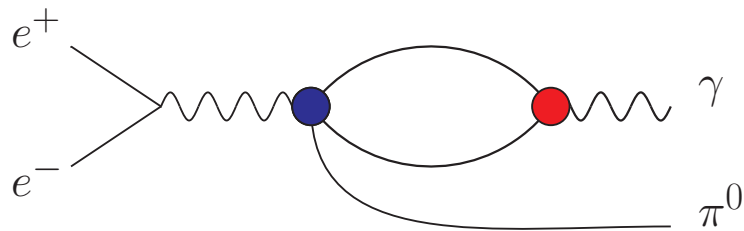


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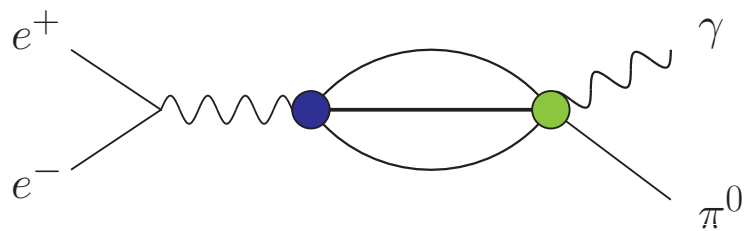


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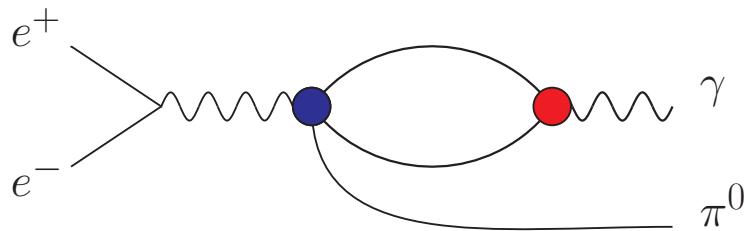


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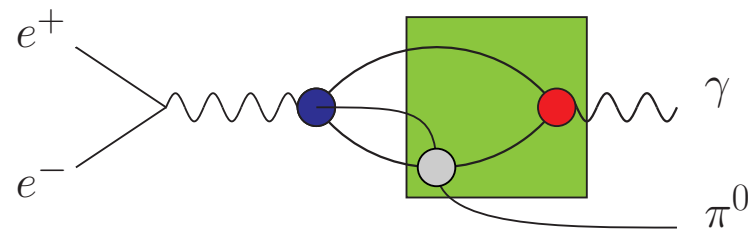


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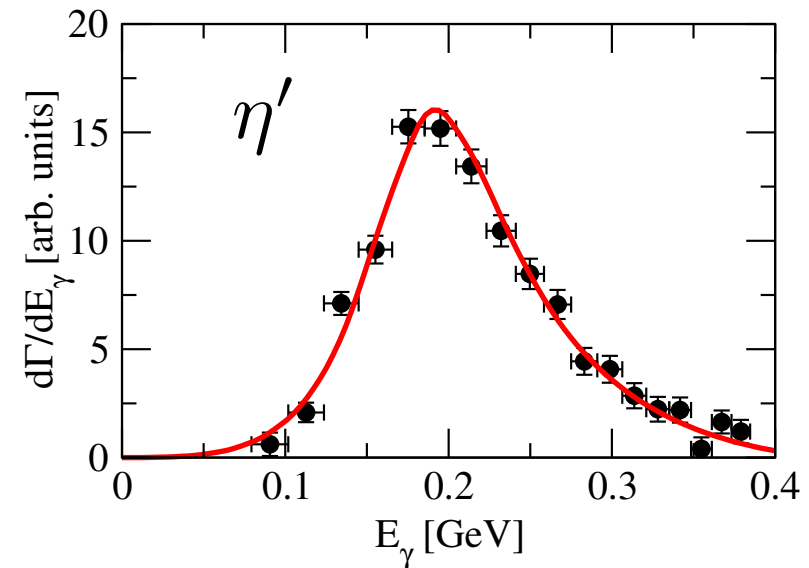
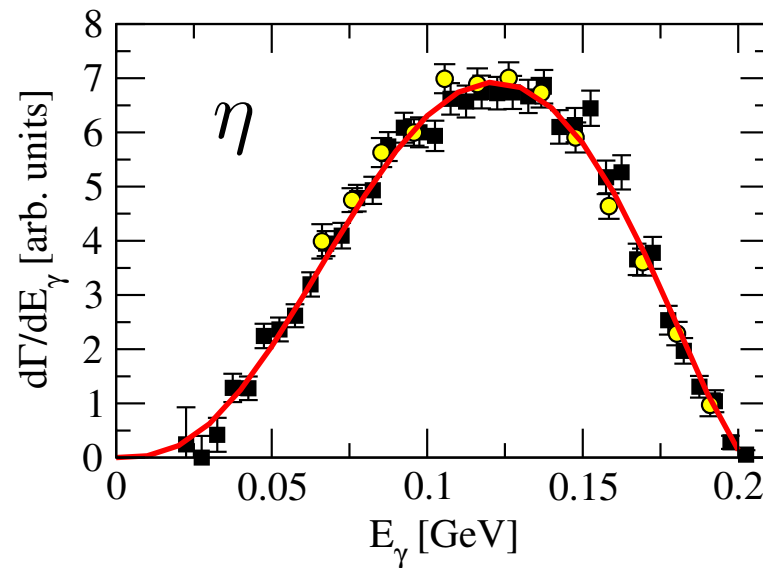
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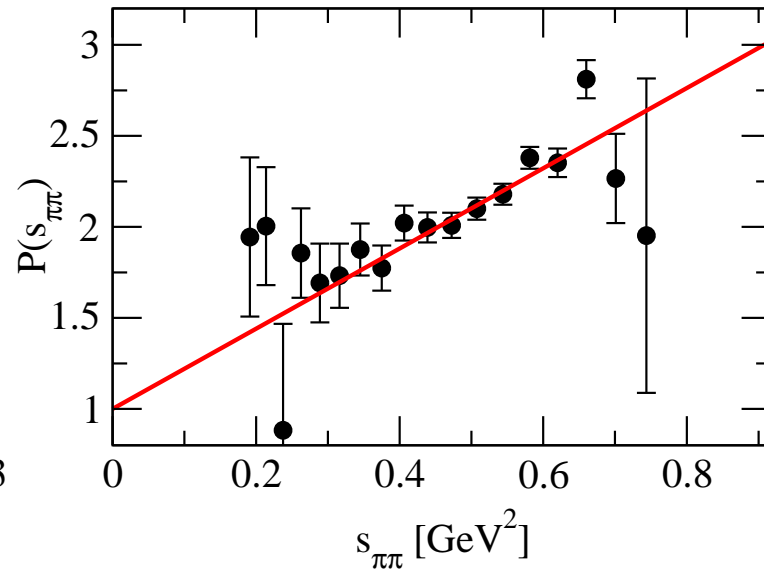
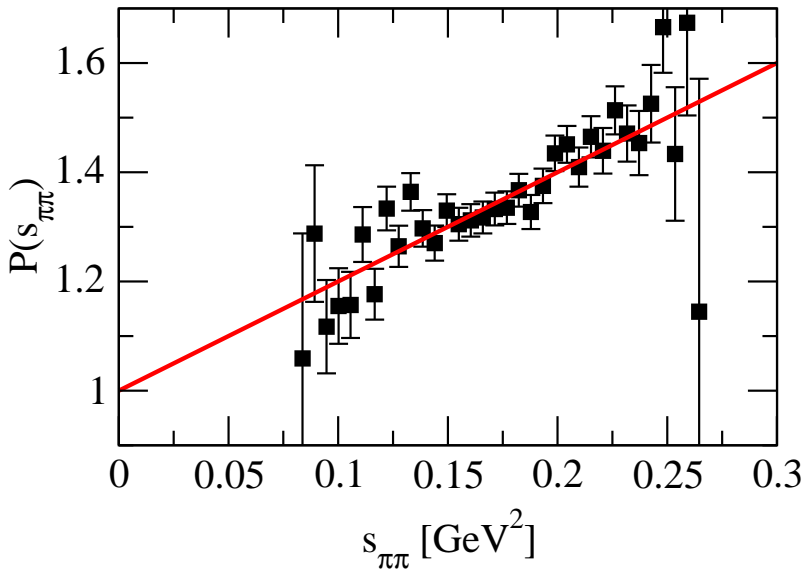
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→ exp.: $\alpha_{\text{WASA}} = (1.89 \pm 0.64) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$, $\alpha_{\text{KLOE}} = (1.31 \pm 0.08) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

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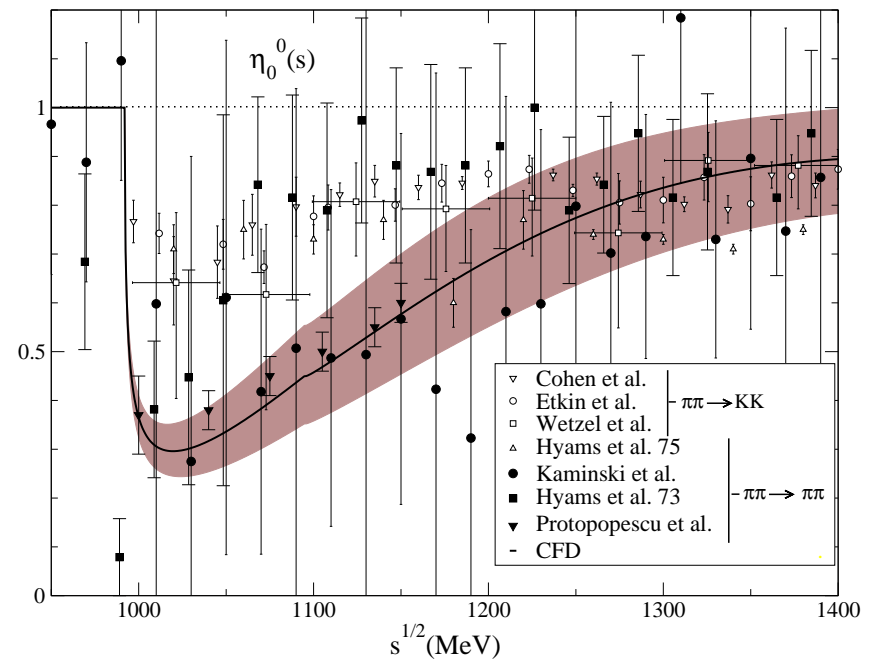
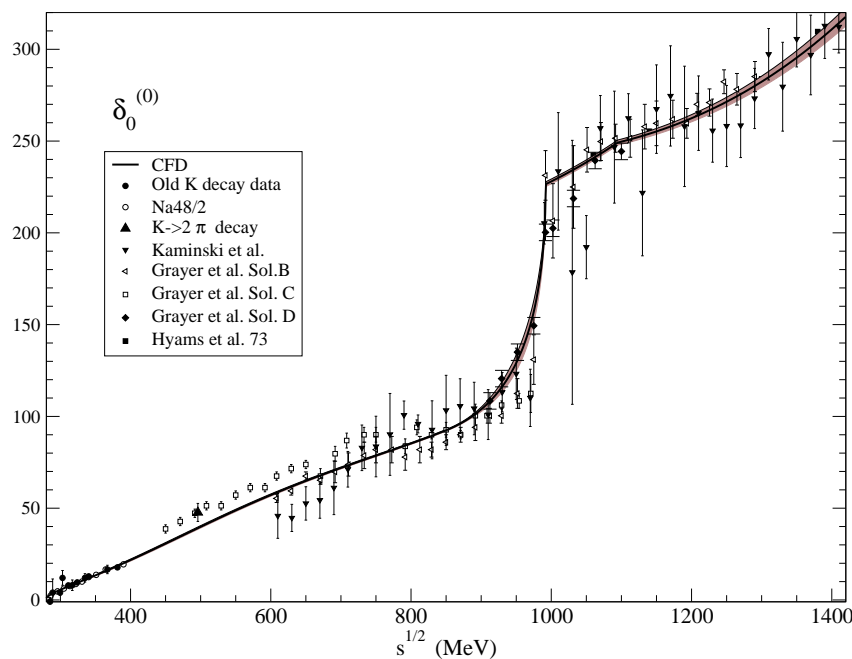
$$t_J^I(s) = k_J^I(s) + \sum_{I'=0}^2 \sum_{J'=0}^{\infty} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' K_{JJ'}^{II'}(s, s') \text{Im}t_{J'}^{I'}(s')$$

Roy 1971

- subtraction polynomial $k_J^I(s)$: $\pi\pi$ scattering lengths
can be matched to chiral perturbation theory Colangelo et al. 2001
- kernel functions $K_{JJ'}^{II'}(s, s')$ known analytically

$\pi\pi$ scattering constrained by analyticity and unitarity

- elastic unitarity \longrightarrow coupled integral equations for **phase shifts**
- modern precision analyses:
 - ▷ $\pi\pi$ scattering Ananthanarayan et al. 2001, García-Martín et al. 2011
 - ▷ πK scattering Büttiker et al. 2004
- example: $\pi\pi$ $I = 0$ S-wave phase shift & inelasticity



García-Martín et al. 2011

- strong constraints on data from analyticity and unitarity!