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Lineshape of $a_1(1260)$ from heavy-lepton decay $\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$

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Outline

Motivation

- ALEPH and CLEO data on $\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$
- $\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$ offers a clean view of $a_1(1260)$ production
- $a_1(1420)$ triangle singularity in $a_1(1260) \rightarrow \bar{K}K^* \rightarrow f_0\pi \rightarrow 3\pi$

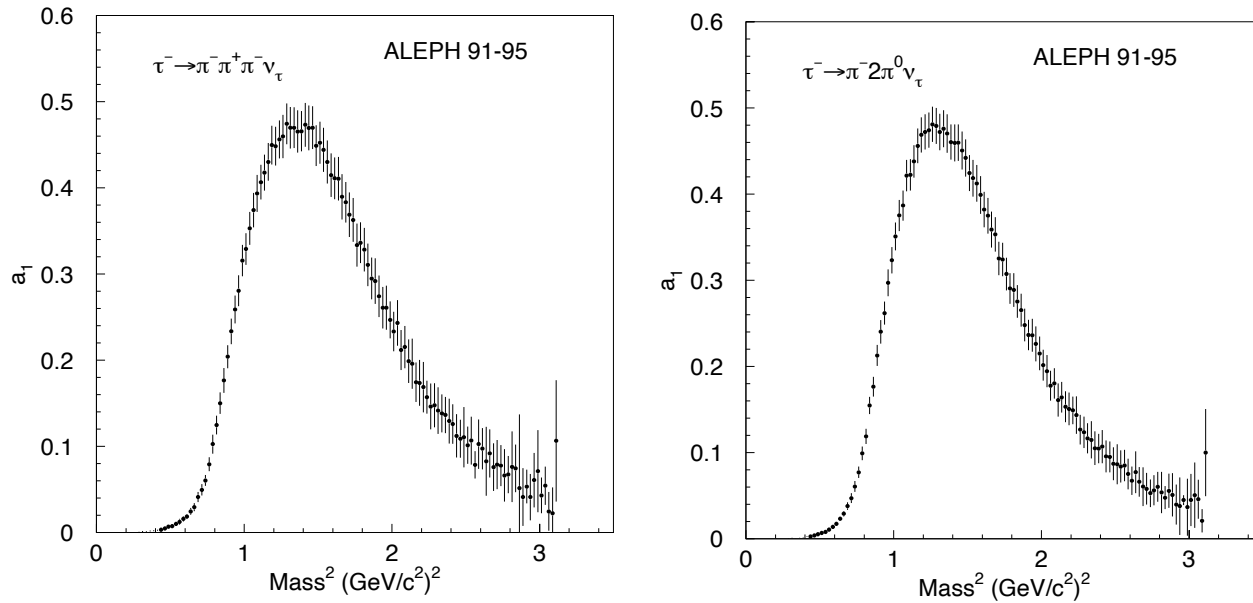
Dispersive framework for three-pion decays

- construction by unitarity and analyticity
- phase-shifts with good accuracy available
- integral equations for $a_1 \rightarrow 3\pi$

Numerical calculation

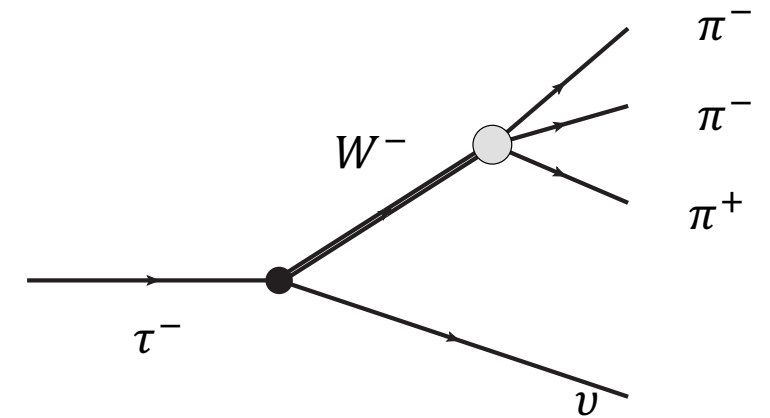
$\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$ decay

ALEPH data on $\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$



The spectral function for the 3π final state

ALEPH Collaboration, Phys. Rept. 421, 191(2005).



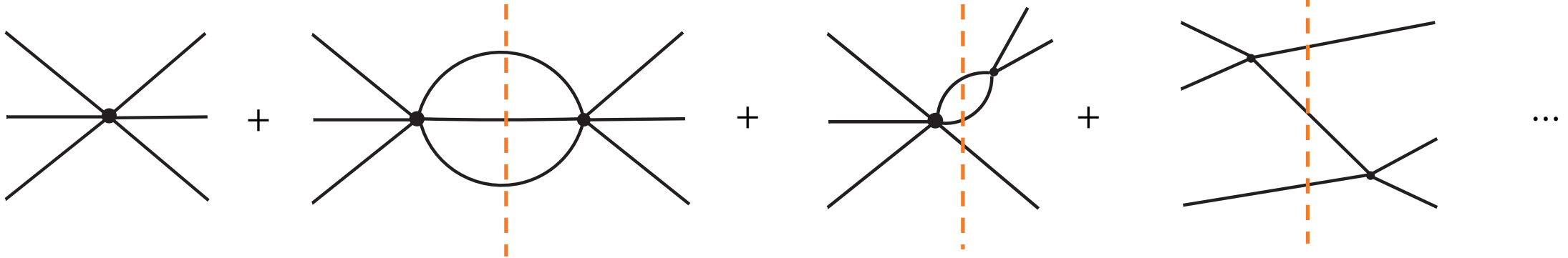
- accurate measurements of the mass distribution
- component $J^{PC} = 0^{-+}$ is suppressed by the PCAC
- the $J^{PC} = 1^{++}$ is dominant

J. H. Kuhn and E. Mirkes, Z. Phys. C 56, 661 (1992)

$\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$ decay

Final-state interactions in hadronic three-body decays play essential role

- **three-body unitary** framework used to describe **3π** interaction



Daniel Sadasivan et al., Phys. Rev. D 105, 054020 (2022)

- **$a_1(1260)$** generated from **3π** interaction

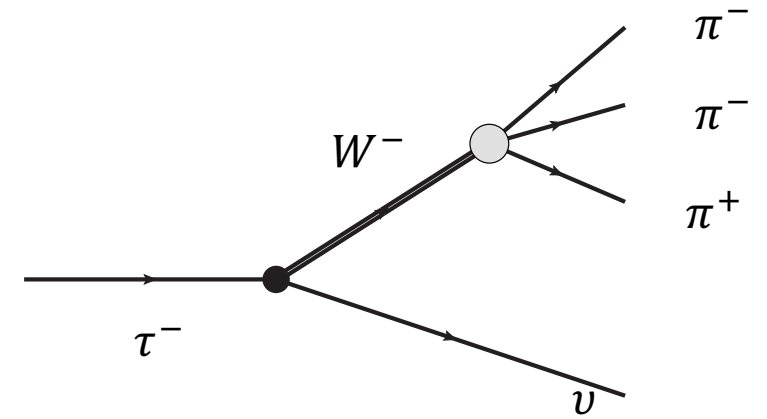
- **approximate three-body unitary**

JPAC Collaboration, Phys. Rev. D 98, 096021 (2018)

$\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$ decay

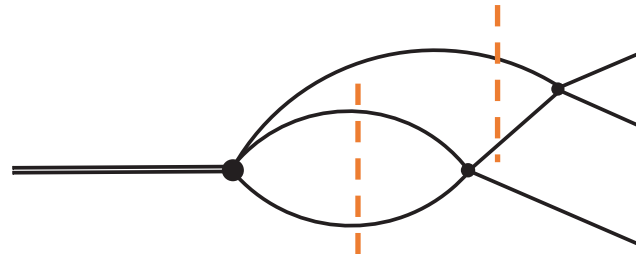
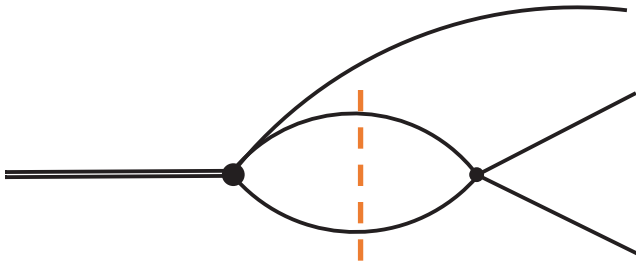
- model of this work $\tau \rightarrow \nu 3\pi$ decay

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\sigma} = \text{cons.} (m_\tau^2 - \sigma)^2 \sum_\lambda \left| \frac{A_\lambda(\sigma)}{\sigma - m_{a_1}^{(0)2} + \Sigma(\sigma)} \right|^2 d\Phi^3$$

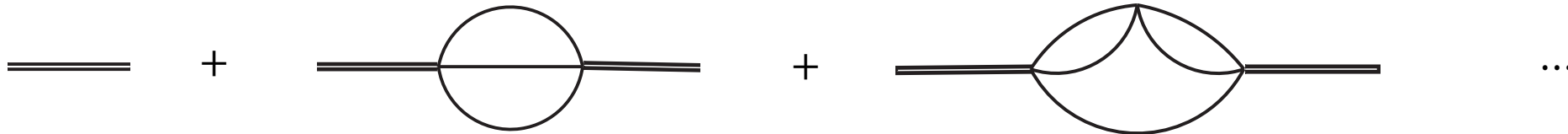


- unitarity relation of $a_1 \rightarrow 3\pi$

N. Khuri, S. Treiman, Phys. Rev. 119, 1115 (1960)

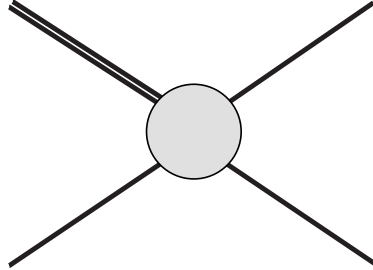


- self-energy $\Sigma(\sigma)$



Three-body decay $a_1 \rightarrow 3\pi$

scattering region



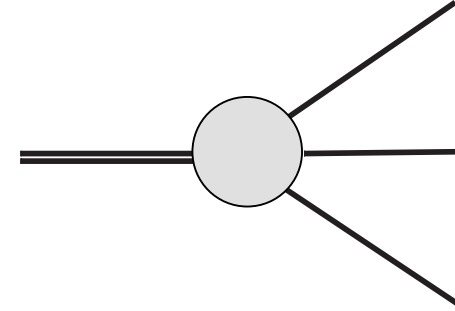
$$\sigma < 3m_\pi$$

$$s \in [(\sigma + m_\pi)^2, \infty]$$

dispersive treatment



continuation in
 σ and s



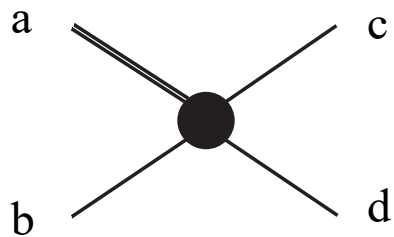
$$\sigma > 3m_\pi$$

$$s \in [4m_\pi^2, (\sigma - m_\pi)^2]$$

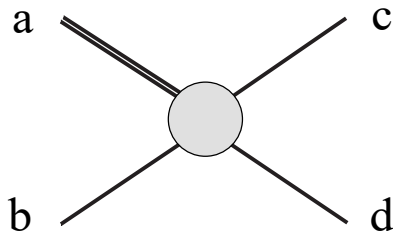
decay region

σ is three-body
invariant mass

Cartesian isospin indices

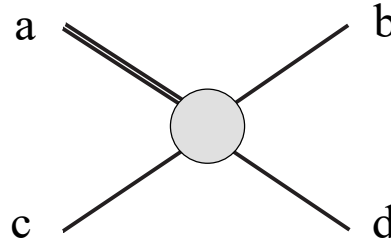


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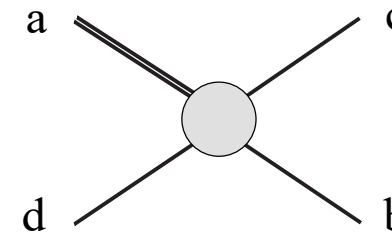
s-channel

+



t-channel

+



u-channel

amplitude can be decomposed as

$$A_{\lambda}^{(s)abcd}(s, t, u) = \bar{A}_{\lambda}^{(s)abcd}(s, t, u) + \sum_{\lambda'} (-1)^{\lambda'} d_{\lambda'\lambda}^J(\omega_t) \bar{A}_{\lambda'}^{(t)acbd}(t, s, u) + \sum_{\lambda'} (-1)^{\lambda'} d_{\lambda'\lambda}^J(\omega_u) \bar{A}_{\lambda'}^{(u)adbc}(u, t, s)$$

From unitarity to integral equations

- unitarity relation

$$A_{\lambda}^{(I)}(s, t, u) = \bar{A}_{\lambda}^{(I)}(s, t, u) + \sum_{\lambda'} (-1)^{\lambda'} d_{\lambda' \lambda}^J(\omega_t) \bar{A}_{\lambda'}^{(I')}(t, s, u) \frac{1}{2} C_{II'} + \sum_{\lambda'} (-1)^{\lambda'} d_{\lambda' \lambda}^J(\omega_u) \bar{A}_{\lambda'}^{(I')}(u, t, s) \frac{1}{2} C_{II'}$$

$$\text{Disc } A_{\lambda}^{(I)}(s, t, u) = \frac{\rho(s)}{64\pi^2} \int d\Omega' T^{*(I)}(s, t'', u'') \times A_{\lambda}^{(I)}(s, t', u')$$



$$\text{Disc } a_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = \rho(s) \tau_j^{(I)}(s) \left\{ \underbrace{a_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s)}_{\text{right-hand cut}} + \underbrace{\bar{\bar{a}}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s)}_{\text{left-hand cut}} \right\}$$

JPAC, Phys. Rev. D 101, 054018 (2020)

right-hand cut

left-hand cut

- kinematic singularities arising from the kinematics (spinor)

kinematic singularities free (KSF) amplitude

Källén or triangle function

$$a_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = \frac{(\lambda_X^{1/2}(s))^{j-1} (\lambda_{\pi}^{1/2}(s))^j}{s^{|\lambda|/2}} \hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s)$$

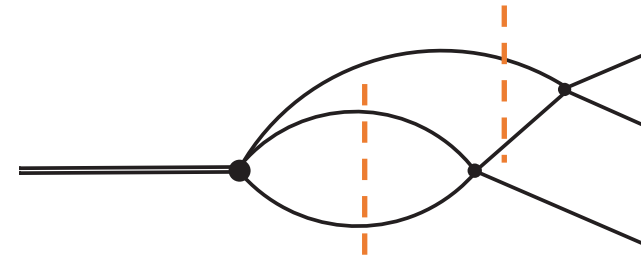
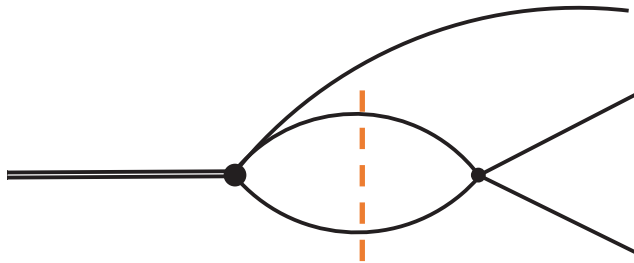
$$\lambda_M^{1/2}(s) = \lambda(s, M^2, m_{\pi}^2)$$

$$\lambda_{\pi}^{1/2}(s) = \lambda(s, m_{\pi}^2, m_{\pi}^2)$$

From unitarity to integral equations

- unitarity relation

$$\text{Disc } \hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = \rho(s) \tau_j^{(I)}(s) \left\{ \underbrace{\hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s)}_{\text{right-hand cut}} + \underbrace{\tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s)}_{\text{left-hand cut}} \right\}$$



- homogeneity contribution

$$\hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = P(s) \Omega(s) = P(s) \exp \left[\frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{\delta_j^I(s')}{s' (s' - s - i\varepsilon)} ds' \right]$$

R. Omnès, Nuovo Cim. 8, 316 (1958)

Integral equations

A. V. Anisovich and H. Leutwyler, Phys. Lett. B 375, 335 (1996)

- unitarity relation

$$\text{Disc } \hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = \rho(s) \tau_j^{(I)}(s) \left\{ \hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) + \tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) \right\}$$



It does not determine the amplitude uniquely

$$\hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = P(s) + \frac{s^n}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'^n} \frac{\sin \delta_j^I(s') e^{-i\delta_j^I(s')}}{(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} \left\{ \hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) + \tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) \right\}$$



$$\hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = \Omega_j^I(s) \left\{ P(s) + \frac{s^n}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'^n} \frac{\sin \delta_j^I(s')}{|\Omega_j^I|(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} \tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s') \right\}$$

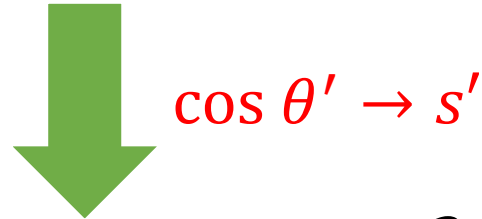
Singularities

- inhomogeneities $\tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s)$

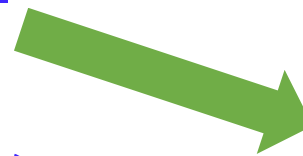
$$C_{II'} = \frac{1}{(2I + 1)} \Sigma_{a,b,c,c} P_{a,b,c,d}^I P_{a,b,c,d}^{I'}$$

$$d_{\lambda_0}^j(\theta) = (\sin \theta)^{|\lambda|} \hat{d}_{\lambda_0}^j(\theta)$$

$$\tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = (-1)^\lambda \sum_{I',\lambda',j'} (2j' + 1) C_{II'} \int d \cos \theta' \hat{C}_{II'}^{jj'}(s, \theta') \hat{d}_{\lambda_0}^j(\theta') \hat{d}_{\lambda'_0}^{j'}(\theta'_t) \hat{a}_{j'\lambda'}^{(I')}(t')$$



$$\tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s) = (-1)^\lambda \sum_{I',\lambda',j'} (2j' + 1) C_{II'} \underbrace{\frac{2s}{\lambda_M^{n/2}(s) \lambda_\pi^{n/2}(s)}}_{\text{singularity}} \int d s' K(s, s') \hat{a}_{j'\lambda'}^{(I')}(s')$$



$n = 1,3,5$
singularities

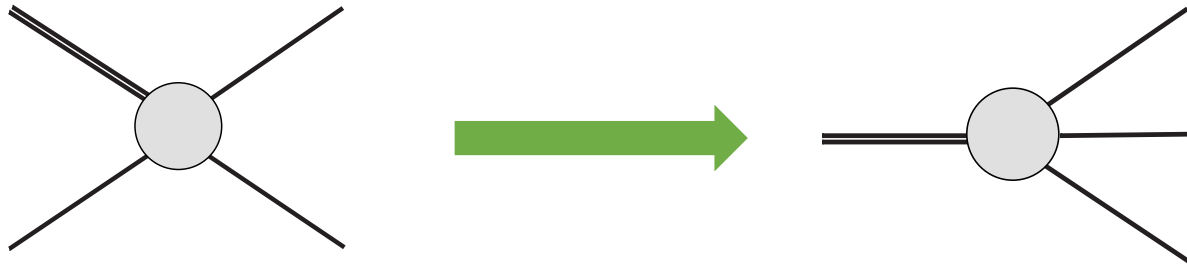
$$\hat{C}_{II'}^{jj'}(s, \theta) = (\sin^2 \theta)^{|\lambda|} K_{j\lambda}^{-1}(s, \theta) d_{\lambda'\lambda}^1(\omega_t(s, \theta)) K_{j'\lambda'}(t(s, \theta), \theta_t(s, \theta))$$

$$K_{j\lambda}(s, \theta) = (s^{-1/2} \sin \theta)^{|\lambda|} (\lambda_X^{1/2}(s))^{|j-1|} (\lambda_\pi^{1/2}(s))^j$$

$$s' = (M^2 + 3m_\pi^2 - s)/2 + \lambda_M^{1/2}(s) \lambda_\pi^{1/2}(s) / (2s) \cos \theta'$$

Decay region

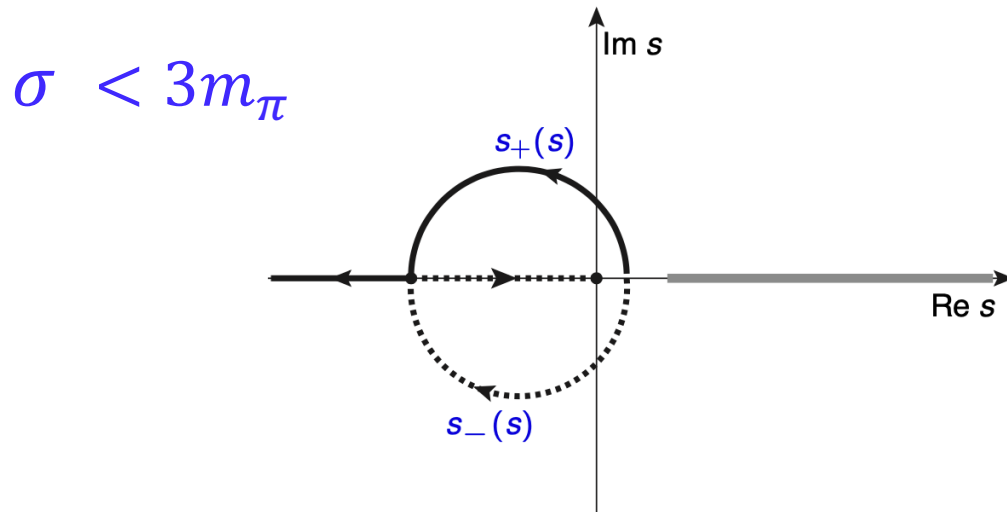
- continuation into the decay region



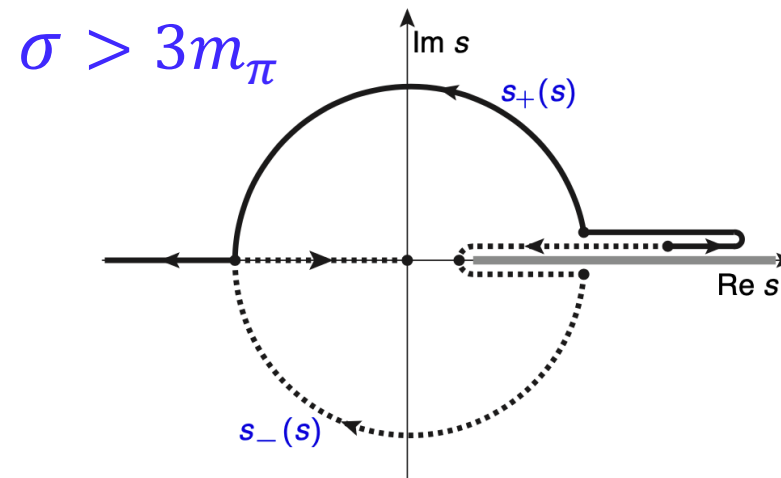
- $\sigma \rightarrow \sigma + i\delta$

J. B. Bronzan and C. Kacser,
Phys. Rev. 132, 2703 (1963)

- path deformation needed



Integration does **not** run over
the cut



Integration does **run** over the cut

Amplitude structure

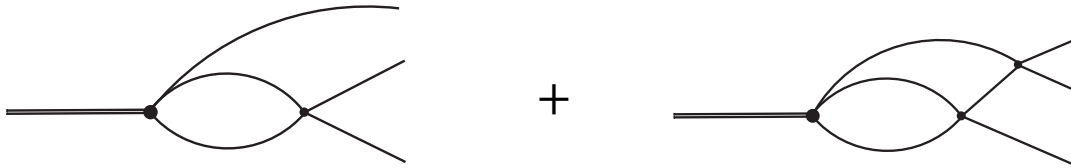
- Decay amplitude $A_\lambda(s, t, u)$

$$a_1^- \rightarrow \pi^-(p_1) \pi^-(p_2) \pi^+(p_3)$$

Only $I = 1, J = 1$ $\pi\pi$ scattering constrained

$$A_\lambda(s, t, u) = \bar{A}_\lambda(s, t, u) + \Sigma_{\lambda'} (-1)^{\lambda'} d_{\lambda'\lambda}^J(\omega_t) \bar{A}_\lambda(t, s, u)$$

$$\bar{A}_\lambda(s, t, u) = \Sigma_j (2j+1) d_{\lambda 0}^j(\theta_s) a_{j\lambda}(s) \quad a_{j\lambda}(s) = \frac{(\lambda_X^{1/2}(s))^{j-1} (\lambda_\pi^{1/2}(s))^j}{s^{|\lambda|/2}} \hat{a}_{j\lambda}(s)$$



$$\hat{a}_{j\lambda}(s) = \Omega(s) \left\{ P(s) + \frac{s^n}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'^n} \frac{\sin \delta_j^I(s')}{|\Omega|(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} \tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s') \right\}$$

- Self-energy $\Sigma(\sigma)$



$$\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma) \sim \int \Sigma_\lambda |A_\lambda(s, t, u)|^2 ds dt \quad \Sigma(\sigma) \sim \frac{\sigma}{\pi} \int_{9m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma')}{\sigma'(\sigma' - \sigma - i\varepsilon)} d\sigma$$

Real s, t, u and σ

$$\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma) \sim \int \Sigma_\lambda A_\lambda(s, t, u) * A_\lambda^{(\text{unphy})}(s, t, u) ds dt$$

Complex s, t, u and σ

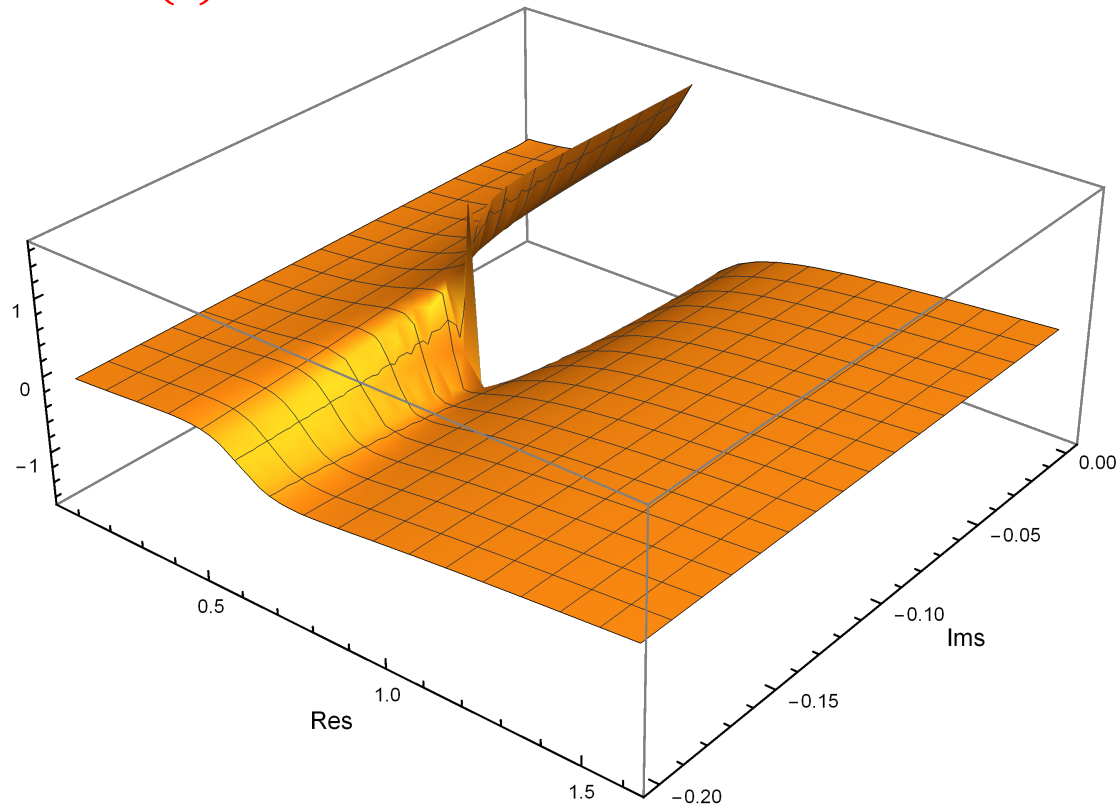
- Analytic structure of $\delta^{I=1}(s)$

$$\text{Tan}\delta^{I=1}(s) = \sqrt{\frac{s - 4m_\pi^2}{s}} \left(\frac{s - 4m_\pi^2}{4m_\pi^2} \right) \left(a + b \left(\frac{s - 4m_\pi^2}{4m_\pi^2} \right) \right)$$

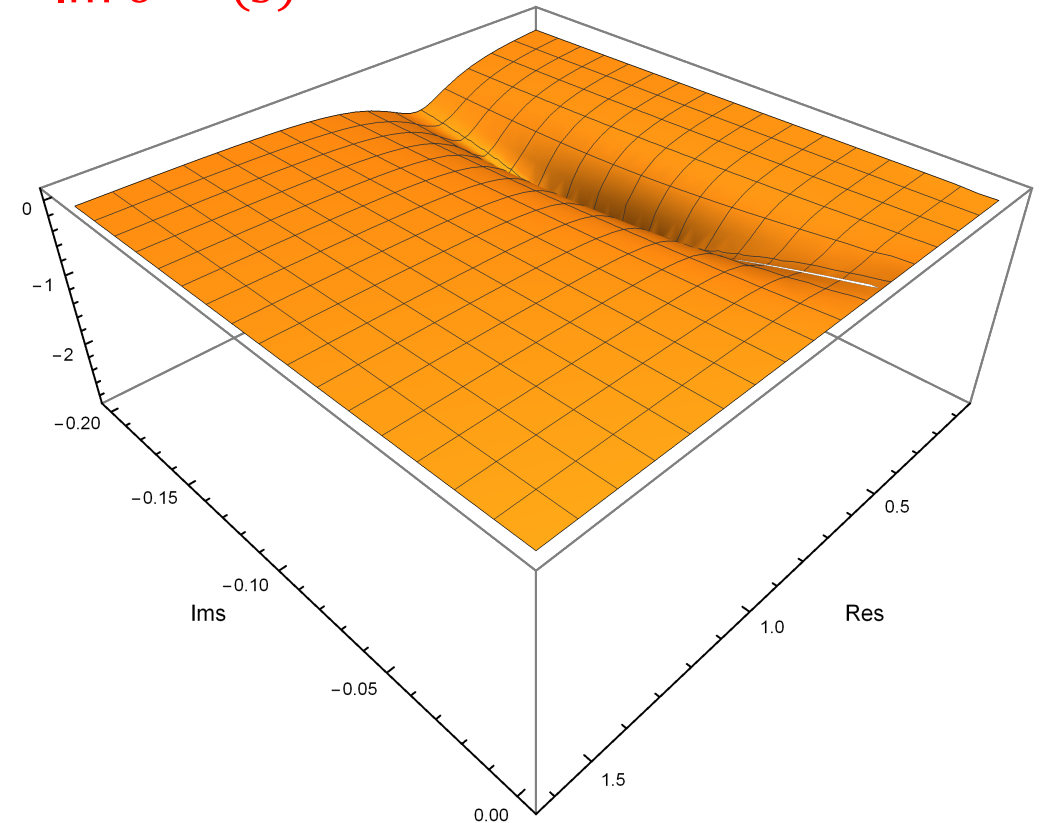
$$\delta^{I=1}(s) = \frac{1}{2i} \log \frac{1 + i \text{Tan}\delta^{I=1}(s)}{1 - i \text{Tan}\delta^{I=1}(s)}$$

A. Schenk, Nucl.Phys.B 363, 97 (1991)
G. Colangelo, J. Gasser and H. Leutwyler,
Nucl.Phys.B 603, 125 (2001)

Re $\delta^{I=1}(s)$



Im $\delta^{I=1}(s)$



Branch point: pole of ρ meson

- Analytic structure of omnès function $\Omega(s)$

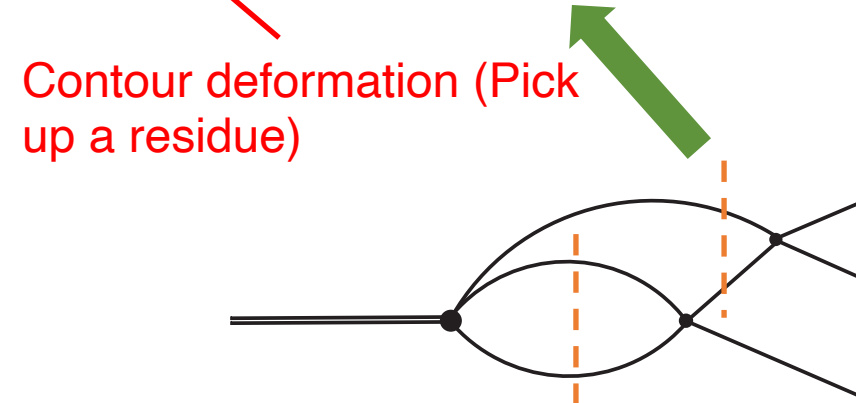
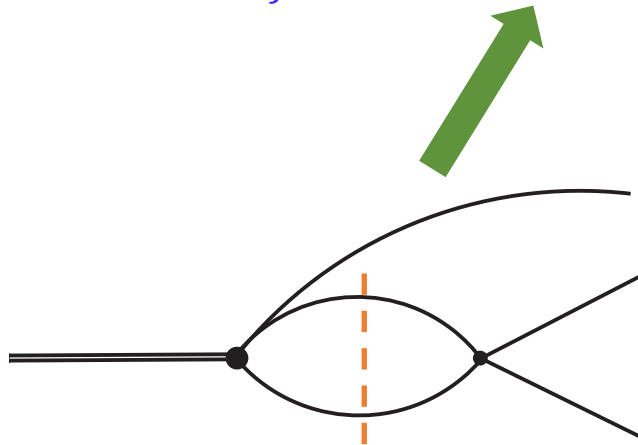
First Riemann sheet $\Omega(s) = \exp\left[\frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{\delta_j^I(s')}{s'(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} ds'\right]$

Second Riemann sheet $\Omega^{(II)}(s) = \exp\left[\frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{\delta_j^I(s')}{s'(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} ds' + i\delta^{I=1}(s)\right]$

- Analytic structure of singularities free amplitude $\hat{a}_{j\lambda}(s)$

First Riemann sheet $\hat{a}_{j\lambda}(s) = \Omega(s) \left\{ P(s) + \frac{s^n}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'^n} \frac{e^{-i\delta^{I=1}(s)} \sin \delta_j^I(s')}{\Omega(s')(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} \tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s') \right\}$

Across two-body cut $\hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(II)}(s) = \Omega^{(II)}(s) \left\{ P(s) + \frac{s^n}{\pi} \int_C \frac{ds'}{s'^n} \frac{e^{-i\delta^{I=1}(s)} \sin \delta_j^I(s')}{\Omega(s')(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} \tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s') \right\}$



Contour deformation (Pick up a residue)

Three-body and complex two-body cut

$$\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma) \sim \int \Sigma_\lambda A_\lambda(s, t, u) * A_\lambda^{(\text{unphy})}(s, t, u) ds dt$$

$$\Sigma(\sigma) \sim \frac{\sigma}{\pi} \int_{9m_\pi^2}^\infty \frac{\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma')}{\sigma'(\sigma' - \sigma - i\varepsilon)} d\sigma'$$

Complex s, t, u and σ

$$\Omega^{(\text{II})}(s) = \exp\left[\frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty \frac{\delta_j^I(s')}{s'(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} ds' + i\delta^{I=1}(s)\right]$$

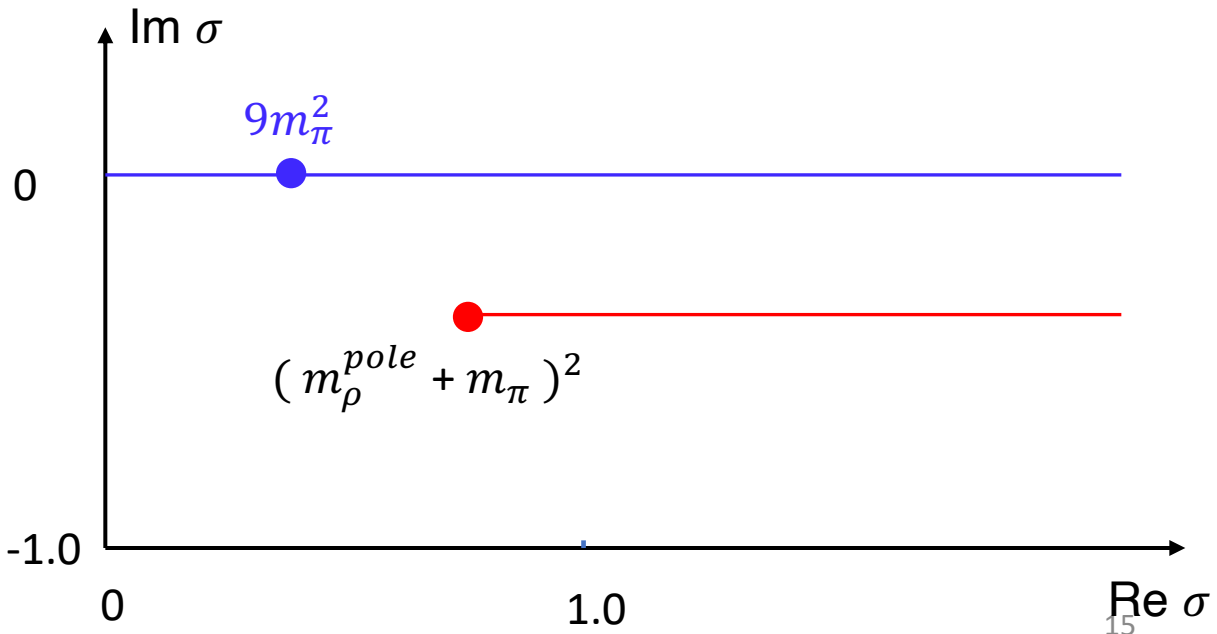
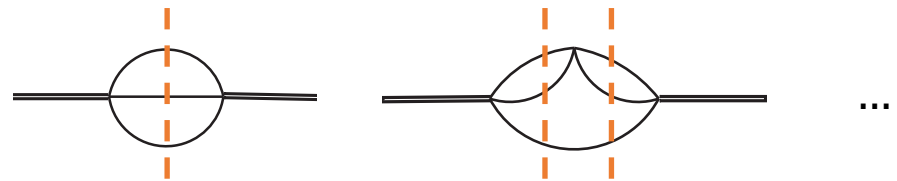
Branch point

Zero

$$\hat{a}_{j\lambda}^{(\text{II})}(s) = \Omega^{(\text{II})}(s) \left\{ P(s) + \frac{s^n}{\pi} \int_C \frac{ds'}{s'^n} \frac{e^{-i\delta^{I=1}(s)} \sin \delta_j^I(s')}{\Omega(s')(s' - s - i\varepsilon)} \tilde{a}_{j\lambda}^{(I)}(s') \right\}$$

Zero

$s \in [2m_\pi^2, (\sqrt{s} - m_\pi)^2]$



Phase-shift input

P -wave, $I = 1$

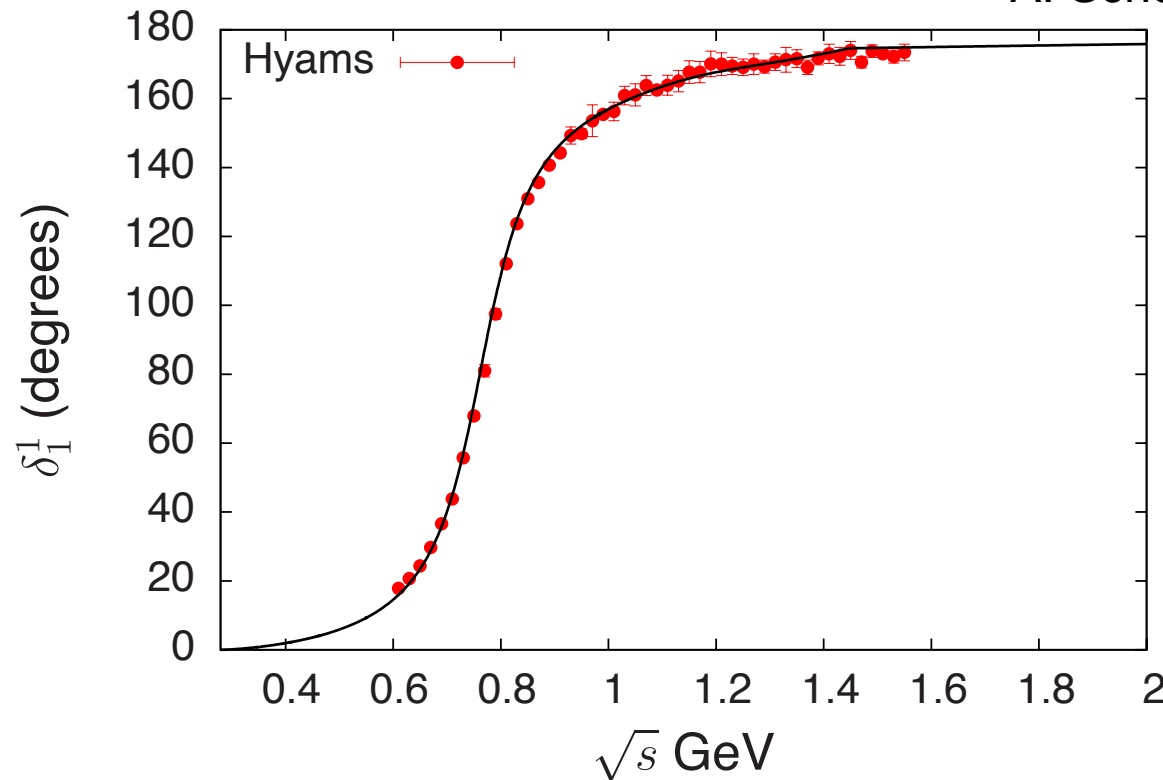
$\pi\pi$ scattering constrained by analyticity and unitarity

R. García-Martín et al., Phys. Rev. D 83, 074004 (2011)

Roy equations = partial-wave dispersion relations + crossing symmetry + unitarity

Schenk parameterization

A. Schenk, Nucl.Phys.B 363, 97 (1991)

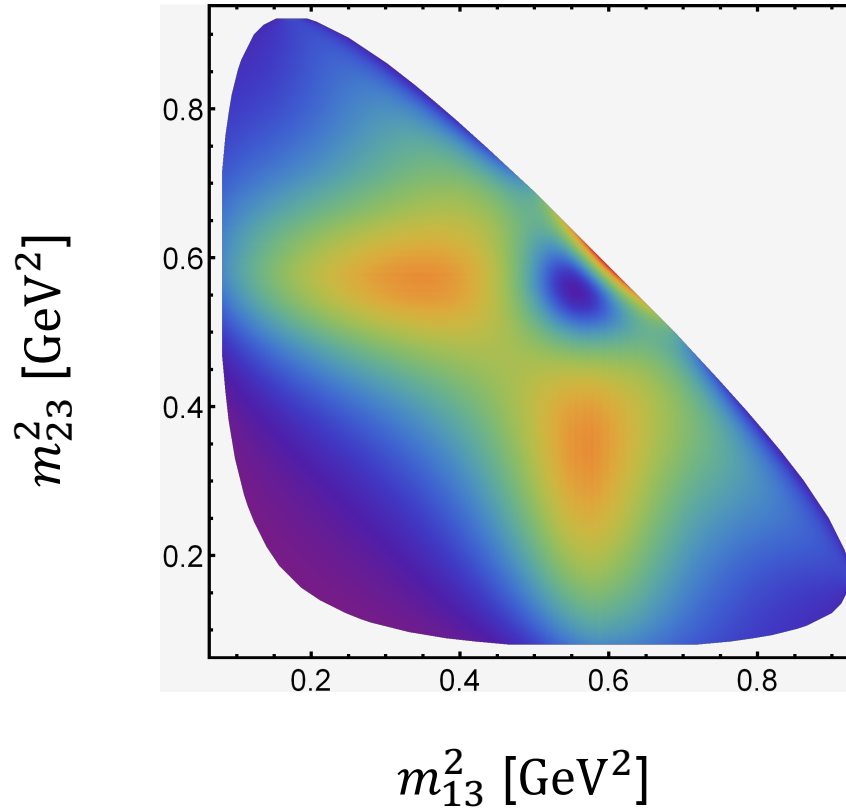


B. Hyams et al., Nucl.Phys.B 64, 134 (1973)

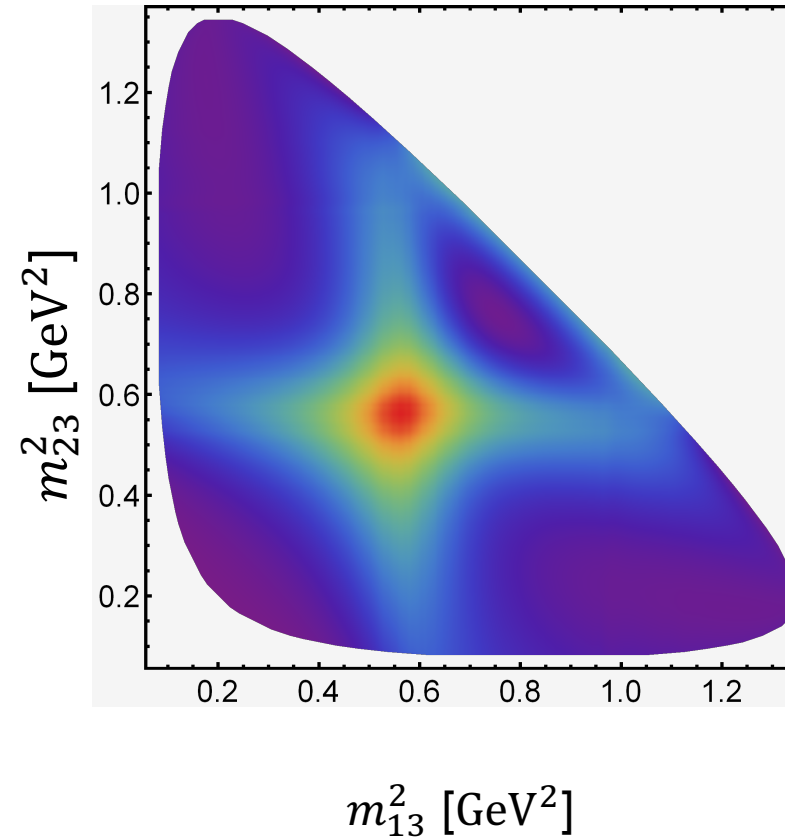
Numerical results

Dalitz plots

$$a_1^- \rightarrow \pi^-(p_1) \pi^-(p_2) \pi^+(p_3)$$



$M = 1.1$ GeV



$M = 1.3$ GeV

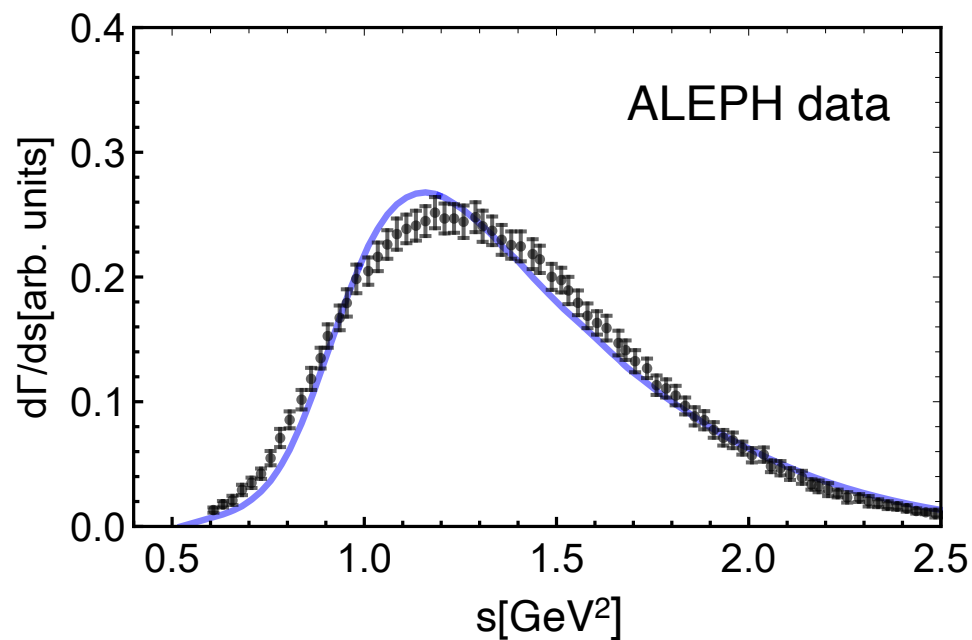
Dalitz plot shows ρ -resonance bands

Numerical results

Fit A

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\sigma} = \text{cons.} (m_\tau^2 - \sigma)^2 \sum_\lambda \left| \frac{A_\lambda(\sigma)}{\sigma - m_{a_1}^2 + i\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma)} \right|^2 d\Phi^3$$

$$\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{3} \int \Sigma_\lambda |A_\lambda(s, t, u)|^2 d\Phi^3$$



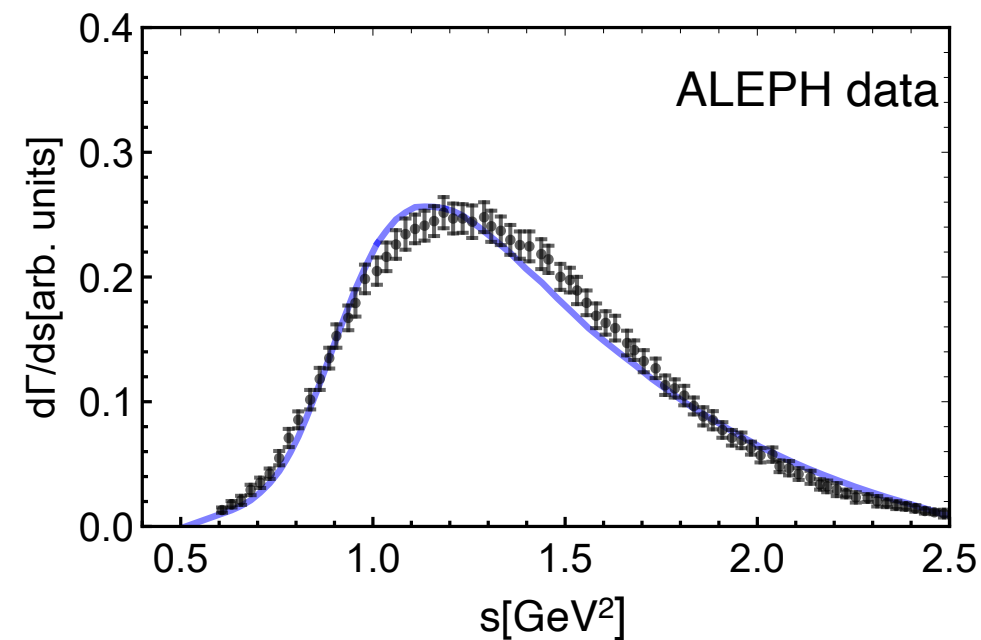
$$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f} = 220.7/(77-3)$$

$$m_{a_1} = 1.253 \text{ GeV}$$

Fit B

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{d\sigma} = \text{cons.} (m_\tau^2 - \sigma)^2 \sum_\lambda \left| \frac{A_\lambda(\sigma)}{S - m_{a_1}^{(0)2} + \Sigma(\sigma)} \right|^2 d\Phi^3$$

$$\Sigma(\sigma) = \frac{\sigma}{\pi} \int_{9m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Im}\Sigma(\sigma')}{\sigma'(\sigma' - \sigma - i\varepsilon)} d\sigma'$$



$$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f} = 143.3/(77-3)$$

$$m_{a_1}^{(0)} = 3.24 \text{ GeV}$$

Summary

- Only P -wave $\pi\pi$ scattering is included
- The 3π mass distribution was fitted
- The pole position will be explored
- $a_1(1420)$ triangle singularity in $a_1(1260) \rightarrow \bar{K}K^* \rightarrow f_0\pi \rightarrow 3\pi$ will be studied

Thank you !