

# Structure-Dependent Electromagnetic Finite-Size Effects

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# QED in a finite volume

- Difficult to define charged states in finite volume with periodic boundary conditions (Gauss' law)
- QED<sub>L</sub> [Hayakawa, Uno 2008]: Photon zero-mode subtracted on every time slice

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k}} \longrightarrow \sum'_{\mathbf{k}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0}$$

- Massless photon  $\implies$  Finite-size effects (FSEs) in observable  $\mathcal{O}(L)$ :

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(L) - \mathcal{O}_{\text{IV}} = C_0 + C_{\log} \log m_P L + C_1 \frac{1}{m_P L} + C_2 \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} + \dots$$

- **Scaling in  $L$  is observable-dependent:** e.g. self-energy  $C_0 = C_{\log} = 0$
- **Coefficients depend on physical particle properties:** masses, charges, structure (**form-factors**): Point-like + structure-dependent

- We want analytical control of FSEs in a model-independent, relativistic set-up including structure-dependence
- QFT Correlators: Vertex functions from Ward identities contain **unphysical terms that have to cancel at all orders**:  
 $z_n, f_n$  [BMW 2015; RM-123 2017]
- **What we do**:
  - 1 Derive leading structure-dependence in self-energy ( $1/L^3$ ) and leptonic decays ( $1/L^2$ ) **→ Only physical quantities appear**
  - 2  $z_n, f_n$  always cancel **→ Skip them from the start?**

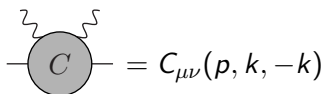


# Pseudoscalar self-energy

- Power-law FSEs given by

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta m_P^2(L) &= m_P(L)^2 - m_P^2 = -[\Sigma^L(-m_{P,0}^2, \mathbf{0}) - \Sigma(-m_{P,0}^2)] \\ &= -\frac{e^2}{2} \lim_{p_4^2 \rightarrow -m_{P,0}^2} \left( \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}' - \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int \frac{dk_4}{2\pi} \frac{C_{\mu\mu}(\mathbf{p}, k, -k)}{k^2} \Big|_{\mathbf{p}=\mathbf{0}}\end{aligned}$$

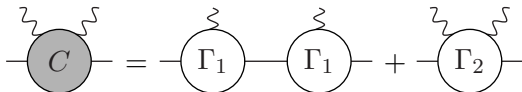
- Full FSEs can be related to the *physical* Compton scattering amplitude


$$\text{Diagram} = C_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{p}, k, -k)$$

$$\lim_{p^2 \rightarrow -m_{P,0}^2} C_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{p}, k, -k) = e^2 \int d^4x e^{-ik \cdot x} \langle P, \mathbf{p} | T \{ J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0) \} | P, \mathbf{p} \rangle$$

# The Compton scattering amplitude

- Decompose into irreducible vertex functions  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$



$$C_{\mu\mu}(p, k, -k) = \Gamma_{\mu}(p+k, -k)D_0(p+k)\Gamma_{\mu}(p, k) \\ + \Gamma_{\mu}(p-k, k)D_0(p-k)\Gamma_{\mu}(p, -k) + \Gamma_{\mu\mu}(p, k, -k)$$

- Amplitude  $C_{\mu\nu}(p, k, -k)$  satisfies Ward identities:

- $\Gamma_{\mu}$  and  $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}$  must satisfy these, **but arbitrary separation!**

- Can constrain the form of vertex functions from Ward identities, e.g.

$$k_{\mu}\Gamma^{\mu}(p, k) = D(p+k)^{-1} - D(p)^{-1}$$

- Full propagator ( $Z(p^2)$ ):  $z_n$

$$D(p) = \frac{Z(p^2)}{p^2 + m_p^2}$$

# Decomposing vertex functions

- Form-factor decomposition (**structure-dependence!**)

$$\Gamma_\mu(p, k) = (2p + k)_\mu F(k^2, (p + k)^2, p^2) + k_\mu G(k^2, (p + k)^2, p^2)$$

$$F^{(1,0,0)}(0, -m_P^2, -m_P^2) \equiv F'(0) = -\langle r_P^2 \rangle / 6$$

- Ward identity yields  $G$  as a function of  $F$  and

$$F(0, p^2, -m^2) = F(0, -m^2, p^2) = Z(p^2)^{-1}$$

- We see e.g.  $z_1 = F^{(0,0,1)}(0, -m_{P,0}^2, -m_{P,0}^2)$

**Unphysical derivative!**  $\rightarrow$  **Must always cancel in the end!**

- General method: Expand order by order in  $k \rightarrow$  arbitrary order in  $1/L$
- Next step: Plug into Compton amplitude to calculate  $\Delta m_P^2(L)$

# Getting the FSEs

- Analytic structure: Photon pole, Pion pole, branch-cut

$$\Delta m_P^2(L) = \Delta m_{pp}^2(L) + \Delta m_{psp}^2(L) + \Delta m_{cut}^2(L)$$

- Cut-term: New, specific to QED<sub>L</sub> (not in QED<sub>C</sub> [Lucini, Patella, Ramos, Tantaló 2016])

$$\Delta m_P^2(L) = e^2 m_{P,0}^2 \left\{ \frac{c_2}{4\pi^2 m_{P,0} L} + \frac{c_1}{2\pi (m_{P,0} L)^2} - \frac{\langle r_P^2 \rangle c_0}{3m_{P,0} L^3} + \frac{C}{(m_{P,0} L)^3} + \mathcal{O} \left[ \frac{1}{(m_{P,0} L)^4} \right] \right\}$$

- All unphysical terms  $z_n$  have cancelled! Result the same if one uses  $F(k^2)$  instead of  $F(k^2, (p+k)^2, p^2)$ .
- Structure-dependence the same as in NRsQED! [Davoudi, Savage 2014]
- Branch-cut term: Will be studied in the future



# Leptonic decays

- Leptonic decays  $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma]$  give information on the ratio  $|V_{us}/V_{ud}|$   
(see A. Yong's talk)

- Infrared-divergent process:

$$\Gamma(P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma]) = \Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1(\Delta E_\gamma)$$

- RM-123 strategy 2015: Add and subtract point-like  $\Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}$

$$\Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1(\Delta E_\gamma) = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} [\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L)] + \lim_{m_\gamma \rightarrow 0} [\Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(m_\gamma) + \Gamma_1(m_\gamma, \Delta E_\gamma)]$$

- RM-123 2017:  $\Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L)$  calculated to give

$$\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L) \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^2}\right)$$

- Our proposal: Replace  $\Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L)$  by

$$\Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) = \Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L) + \sum_{j=2}^n \Delta\Gamma_0^{(j)}(L)$$

- $\Delta\Gamma_0^{(j)}(L)$  are here the FSEs of order  $1/L^j$ , containing both point-like and structure terms

# Leptonic decays

- The residual volume-scaling is thus

$$\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{n+1}}\right)$$

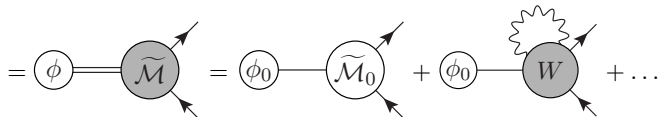
- Define the dimensionless FV function  $Y^{(n)}(L)$  as

$$\Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) = \Gamma_0^{\text{tree}} \left[ 1 + 2 \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} Y^{(n)}(L) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{n+1}}\right)$$

- NB:**  $Y^{(1)}(L) = Y(L)$  of [RM-123, 2017]

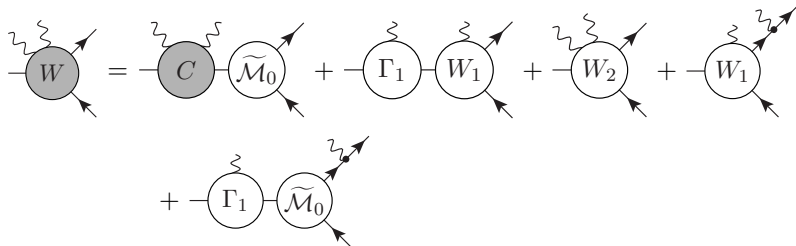
- Euclidean correlator for the decay  $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell$

$$C_W^{rs}(p, p_\ell) = \int d^4z e^{-ipz} \langle \ell^-, \mathbf{p}_\ell, r; \nu_\ell, \mathbf{p}_{\nu_\ell}, s | \text{T}[\mathcal{O}_W(z) \phi^\dagger(0)] | 0 \rangle$$



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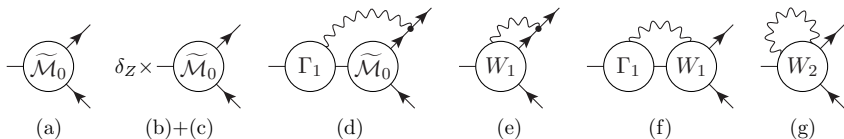
- Decompose into irreducible kernel functions as (Only two new:  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ )



- Matrix element from reduction formula (be consistent with orders in  $e$ !)

$$\mathcal{M}^{rs} = \lim_{p^2 \rightarrow -m_p^2} Z_P^{-1} D(p)^{-1} C_W^{rs}(p, p_\ell)$$

- Contributions to  $\mathcal{M}^{rs}$ :



# Vertex functions

Weak vertex without photons:

$$C_W^\rho(p) = \int d^4z e^{-ipz} \langle 0 | T[J_W^\rho(z) \phi^\dagger(0)] | 0 \rangle$$

$$W^\rho(p) = Z_p^{-1} D(p)^{-1} C_W^\rho(p) = -p^\rho F(p^2)$$

$$F(p^2) \equiv f_p \left\{ 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (p^2 + m_{p,0}^2)^n f_n \right\}$$

Weak vertex with one photon:

$$\text{Diagram} = W^{\rho\mu}(p, k) \gamma_\rho (1 - \gamma_5)$$

- Ward identity and solve order by order in  $k$  (for  $1/L^2$ ):

$$k_\mu W^{\rho\mu}(p, k) = W^\rho(p) - W^\rho(p + k)$$

$$\begin{aligned}W^{\rho\mu}(p, k) &= \delta^{\rho\mu} F(p^2) + [2\delta^{\mu\rho}(p \cdot k) + p^\rho k^\mu + 2p^\rho p^\mu] F'(p^2) \\ &+ 2(p \cdot k) p^\rho p^\mu F''(p^2) - \frac{V_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)}{m_P^2} \varepsilon_{\mu\rho\alpha\beta} k^\alpha p^\beta \\ &+ \frac{A_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)}{m_P^2} [\delta^{\rho\mu}(p \cdot k) - k^\rho p^\mu] + \mathcal{O}(k^2)\end{aligned}$$

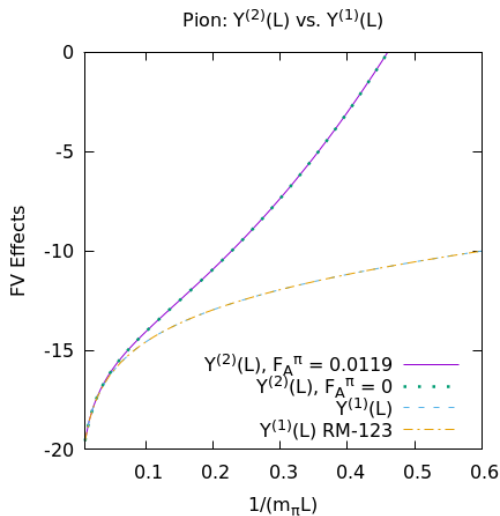
- $A_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)$ ,  $V_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)$ : appear in  $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell \gamma$
- On-shell:  $F_A^P = A_1(0, -m_P^2)$  and  $F_V^P = V_1(0, -m_P^2)$
- Known from chiral perturbation theory [Bijnens, Ecker, Gasser 1992], lattice [RM-123 2020], experiment [...] (**Discrepancies** [RM-123 2020])

- Diagrams give  $Y^{(n)}(L)$  for  $n = 2$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y^{(2)}(L) = & \frac{3}{4} + 4 \log \left( \frac{m_\ell}{m_W} \right) + \frac{c_3 - 2 c_3(\mathbf{v}_\ell)}{2\pi} - 2 A_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell) + 2 \log \left( \frac{m_W L}{4\pi} \right) \\
 & - 2 A_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell) \left[ \log \left( \frac{m_P L}{4\pi} \right) + \log \left( \frac{m_\ell L}{4\pi} \right) \right] - \frac{1}{m_P L} \left[ \frac{(1 + r_\ell^2)^2 c_2 - 4 r_\ell^2 c_2(\mathbf{v}_\ell)}{1 - r_\ell^4} \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} \left[ - \frac{F_A^P}{f_P} \frac{4\pi m_P [(1 + r_\ell^2)^2 c_1 - 4 r_\ell^2 c_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell)]}{1 - r_\ell^4} + \frac{8\pi [(1 + r_\ell^2) c_1 - 2 c_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell)]}{(1 - r_\ell^4)} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

- All unphysical quantities vanish, i.e. we could put  $f_n = z_n = 0$  from the start (as they must at all orders in  $1/L$ )
- Only  $F_A^P$  appears
- Charge radii  $\langle r_P^2 \rangle$  cancel between diagrams due to charge conservation
- $c_j(\mathbf{v}_\ell)$  FS coefficients previously only known for  $j < 3$ , now for all  $j \geq 3$  too

# Numerical results: Physical Pion



- Perfect agreement with RM-123 for  $Y^{(1)}(L)$
- The  $1/L^2$ -correction is sizeable
- Point-like  $1/L^2$  completely dominates

# Conclusions

- With model-independent principles it is indeed possible to predict FSEs beyond the point-like approximation (only physical form-factors and derivatives appear)
- Self-energy ( $1/L^3$ ):
  - Charge radii  $\langle r_P^2 \rangle$
  - Non-locality of QED<sub>L</sub>: Branch-cut
- Leptonic decays ( $1/L^2$ ):
  - Radiative leptonic decay axial form-factor  $F_A^P$
  - Charge radii cancel because of charge conservation
- Our method is general, and new software released
  - Infrared divergent FS coefficients
- Future: Semi-leptonic decays, ...