

# **Probing scalar mesons below and above 1 GeV**

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# **Outline:**

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- 2) Generalized linear sigma model framework
- 3) Results
- 4) Summary & future works

# Introduction:

Scalar mesons play important roles in low - energy QCD :

- Induce spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking
- Are probes of QCD vacuum
- Are important intermediate states in low energy processes (such as  $\pi\pi$ ,  $\pi\mathbf{K}$ ,  $\pi\eta$  scatterings, and decays such as  $\eta' \rightarrow \eta\pi\pi$ , semileptonic decays of  $D_s$ ,...)

Understanding the properties of scalar mesons is known to be nontrivial :

- Some of these states are broad and therefore interfere with nearby states
- Their mass spectrum doesn't follow the conventional SU(3) multiplets

# Mass

$I = 0$	$f_0(1500) \text{ \& } f_0(1710)$
$I = 1$	$a_0(1450)$
$I = 1/2$	$K_0^*(1430)$
$I = 0$	$f_0(1370)$

$f_0(1500) \text{ \& } f_0(1710)$ : could contain high glue comp.

PDG: likely candidates for a  $q\bar{q}$  nonet

$$m[a_0(1450)] = 1474 \pm 19 \text{ MeV} > m[K_0^*(1430)] = 1425 \pm 50 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma[a_0^{tot.}]}{\Gamma[K_0^* \rightarrow \pi K]} = \begin{cases} 1.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ (PDG)} \\ 1.5 \quad \text{SU(3)} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma[a_0 \rightarrow K\bar{K}]}{\Gamma[a_0 \rightarrow \pi\eta]} = \begin{cases} 0.88 \pm 0.23 \text{ (PDG)} \\ 0.55 \quad \text{SU(3)} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma[a_0 \rightarrow \pi\eta']}{\Gamma[a_0 \rightarrow \pi\eta]} = \begin{cases} 0.35 \pm 0.16 \text{ (PDG)} \\ 0.16 \quad \text{SU(3)} \end{cases}$$

1 GeV

$I=0\&1$	$f_0(980)\&a_0(980)$
$I=1/2$	$K^*(800)\leftrightarrow k$
$I=0$	$f_0(600)\leftrightarrow\sigma$

Ideally mixed  $q\bar{q}$  nonet

$I = 0$	$\leftrightarrow$	$s\bar{s}$
$I = 1/2$	$\leftrightarrow$	$n\bar{s}$
$I = 0\&1$	$\leftrightarrow$	$n\bar{n}$

Vector meson nonet

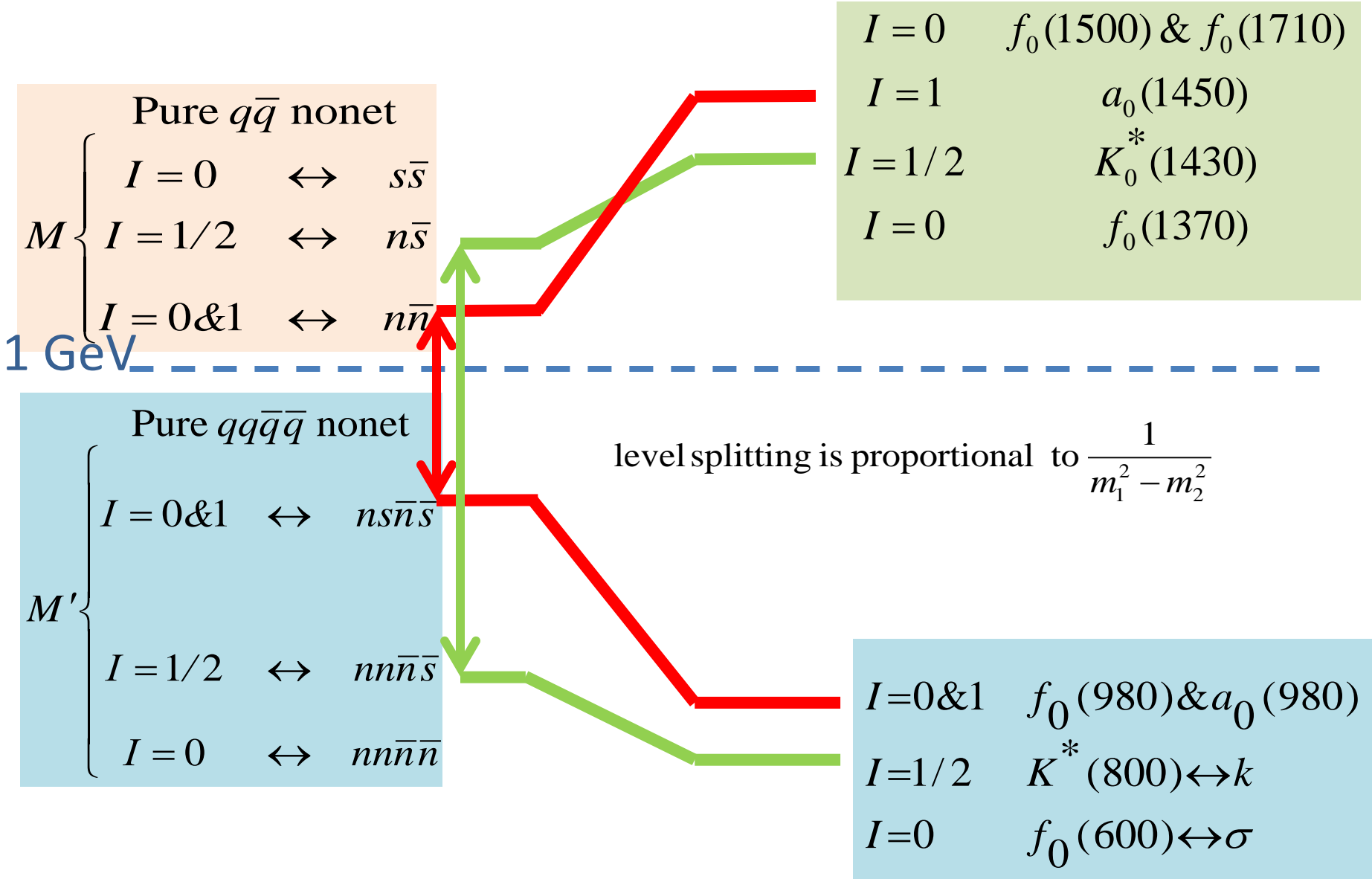
$\phi(1020)$
$K^*(892)$
$\omega(776) \text{ \& } \rho(783)$

Ideally mixed  $qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$  nonet (MIT bag model, Jaffe, 1977)

$I = 0\&1$	$\leftrightarrow$	$ns\bar{n}\bar{s}$
$I = 1/2$	$\leftrightarrow$	$nn\bar{n}\bar{s}$
$I = 0$	$\leftrightarrow$	$nn\bar{n}\bar{n}$

Mass

Mixing mechanism for scalar mesons below and above 1 GeV  
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# Generalized Linear Sigma Model Framework:

The two chiral nonets are defined in terms of scalar and pseudoscalar nonets:

$$M = S + i\phi$$

$$M' = S' + i\phi'$$

Under  $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times U(1)_A$ :

$$M \rightarrow e^{2i\nu} U_L M U_R^\dagger$$

$$M' \rightarrow e^{-4i\nu} U_L M' U_R^\dagger$$

At the quark level:

$$M_a^b = (q_{bA})^\dagger \gamma_4 \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} q_{aA}$$

$$M' \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon_{acd} \epsilon^{b\dot{e}f} (M^\dagger)_{\dot{e}}^c (M^\dagger)_{\dot{f}}^d \\ (L^{gA})^\dagger R^{fA} \\ \left( L_{\mu\nu, AB}^g \right)^\dagger R_{\mu\nu, AB}^f \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} L^{gE} = \epsilon^{gab} \epsilon^{EAB} q_{aA}^T C^{-1} \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} q_{bB} \\ R^{\dot{g}E} = \epsilon^{\dot{g}\dot{a}b} \epsilon^{EAB} q_{\dot{a}A}^T C^{-1} \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} q_{bB} \\ L_{\mu\nu, BA}^g = \epsilon^{gab} q_{aA}^T C^{-1} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} q_{bB} \\ R_{\mu\nu, BA}^{\dot{g}} = \epsilon^{\dot{g}\dot{a}b} q_{\dot{a}A}^T C^{-1} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} q_{bB} \end{array} \right.$$

Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(\partial_\mu M \partial_\mu M^\dagger) - \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(\partial_\mu M' \partial_\mu M'^\dagger) - V_0(M, M') - V_{SB}$$

$V_0$  is invariant under  $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$ , but not  $U(1)_A$   
 $V_{SB}$  is the symmetry breaking term

Approach 1:

Without making a specific choice for chiral invariant part of  $V_0$  and with modeling :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{i) axial anomaly} \\ \text{ii) } V_{SB} \\ \text{iii) condensates} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{i) } \pi, K, \eta \text{ contain small four - quark components} \\ \text{ii) } \kappa \text{ contains large four - quark component} \\ \text{iii) no predictions for : } a_0 \text{ and } f_0 \end{array} \right.$$

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Approach 2 :

Making a specific choice for chiral invariant part of  $V_0$  and modeling :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{i) axial anomaly} \\ \text{ii) } V_{SB} \\ \text{iii) condensates} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{i) Pseudoscalars contain small four - quark components} \\ \text{ii) Scalars contain large four - quark components} \\ \text{iii) Predictions for low - energy processes such as} \\ \quad \pi\pi, \pi K \text{ scatterings} \end{array} \right.$$

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In principle,  $V_0$  contains infinite terms. Terms with dimension  $\leq 4$  are:

**Break  $U(1)_A$**

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_0 = & - c_2 \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger) + \tilde{c}_3 (\det M + \text{h.c.}) + c^a \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger MM^\dagger) + c_4^b (\text{Tr}(MM^\dagger))^2 \\
 & + d_2 \text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger) + d_3 (\det M' + \text{h.c.}) + d_4^a \text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger M'M'^\dagger) \\
 & + d_4^b (\text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger))^2 + e_2 (\text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}) + e_3^a (\epsilon_{abc} \epsilon^{def} M_d^a M_e^b M_f^c + \text{h.c.}) \\
 & + e_3^b (\epsilon_{abc} \epsilon^{def} M_d^a M_e'^b M_f'^c + \text{h.c.}) + e_4^a \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger M'M'^\dagger) + e_4^b \text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger M'M^\dagger) \\
 & - e_4^c [\text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger MM'^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] + e_4^d [\text{Tr}(MM^\dagger MM'^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] \\
 & + e_4^e [\text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger M'M^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] + e_4^f \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger) \text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger) \\
 & + e_4^g \text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger) \text{Tr}(M'M^\dagger) + e_4^h [(\text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger))^2 + \text{h.c.}] \\
 & + e_4^i [\text{Tr}(MM^\dagger) \text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] + e_4^j [\text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger) \text{Tr}(M'M^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}]
 \end{aligned}$$

**N = number of quark or antiquark lines at each vertex**  
**=  $2 \times$  number of  $M$  or  $M^\dagger$  +  $4 \times$  number of  $M'$  or  $M'^\dagger$**



As our first step, we consider terms up to N = 8 with single Tr :

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_0 = & - c_2 \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger) + \tilde{c}_3 (\det M + \text{h.c.}) + c_4^a \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger MM^\dagger) + c_4^b (\text{Tr}(MM^\dagger))^2 \\
 & + d_2 \text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger) + e_2 (\text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}) + e_3^a (\epsilon_{abc} \epsilon^{def} M_d^a M_e^b M_f^c + \text{h.c.})
 \end{aligned}$$

Break  $U(1)_A$

To exactly mock up  $U(1)_A$  :

$$c_3 \left[ \gamma_1 \ln\left(\frac{\det M}{\det M^\dagger}\right) + (1 - \gamma_1) \ln\frac{\text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger)}{\text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger)} \right]^2$$

C. Rosenzweig, J. Schechter and G. Trahern, Phys. Rev. **D21**, 3388 (1980)  
 J. Schechter, Phys. Rev. **D21**, 3393 (1980)

Terms in  $V_{SB}$  that are linear in flavor symmetry breaking matrix  $A = \text{diag.}(A_1, A_2, A_3)$  and  $\text{dim.} \leq 4$  are :

$$\begin{aligned}
V_{SB} = & + k_1 [\text{Tr}(AM) + \text{h.c.}] + k_2 [\text{Tr}(AM') + \text{h.c.}] \\
& + k_3 [\text{Tr}(AMM^\dagger M) + \text{h.c.}] + k_4 [\text{Tr}(AMM'^\dagger M') + \text{h.c.}] \\
& + k_5 [\text{Tr}(AMM^\dagger M') + \text{h.c.}] + k_6 [\text{Tr}(AMM'^\dagger M) + \text{h.c.}] \\
& + k_7 [\text{Tr}(AM'M'^\dagger M') + \text{h.c.}] + k_8 [\text{Tr}(AM'M^\dagger M) + \text{h.c.}] \\
& + k_9 [\text{Tr}(AM'M'^\dagger M) + \text{h.c.}] + k_{10} [\text{Tr}(AM'M^\dagger M') + \text{h.c.}] \\
& + k_{11} [\text{Tr}(AM) + \text{h.c.}] \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger) \\
& + k_{12} [\text{Tr}(AM) + \text{h.c.}] \text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger) \\
& + k_{13} [\text{Tr}(AM) \text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] + k_{14} [\text{Tr}(AM) \text{Tr}(M'M^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] \\
& + k_{15} [\text{Tr}(AM') + \text{h.c.}] \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger) \\
& + k_{16} [\text{Tr}(AM') + \text{h.c.}] \text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger) \\
& + k_{17} [\text{Tr}(AM') \text{Tr}(MM'^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] + k_{18} [\text{Tr}(AM') \text{Tr}(M'M^\dagger) + \text{h.c.}] \\
& + k_{19} A_a^b \epsilon_{bcd} \epsilon^{aef} M_e^c M_f^d + \text{h.c.} \\
& + k_{20} A_a^b \epsilon_{bcd} \epsilon^{aef} M_e'^c M_f'^d + \text{h.c.} \\
& + k_{21} A_a^b \epsilon_{bcd} \epsilon^{aef} M_e^c M_f'^d + \text{h.c.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
V = & -c_2 \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger) + c_4^a \text{Tr}(MM^\dagger MM^\dagger) + d_2 \text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger) \\
& + e_3^a (\epsilon_{abc} \epsilon^{def} M_d^a M_e^b M_f'^c + h.c.) \\
& + c_3 \left[ \gamma_1 \ln\left(\frac{\det M}{\det M^\dagger}\right) + (1 - \gamma_1) \ln \frac{\text{Tr}(MM^\dagger)}{\text{Tr}(M'M'^\dagger)} \right]^2 - 2 \text{Tr}(AS)
\end{aligned}$$

Assuming isospin symmetry:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} A = \text{diag.}(A_1, A_2, A_3) & \text{with: } A_1 = A_2 \neq A_3 \\ \langle S_a^a \rangle = \alpha_a & \text{with: } \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \neq \alpha_3 \\ \langle S_a'^a \rangle = \beta_a & \text{with: } \beta_1 = \beta_2 \neq \beta_3 \end{array} \right.$

All together there are 12 unknown parameters:  $c_2, c_4^a, d_2, e_3^a, c_3, \gamma_1, \alpha_1, \alpha_3, \beta_1, \beta_3, A_1, A_3$

Exp. Inputs	{	$m[a_0(980)] = 984.7 \pm 1.2 \text{ MeV}$	$\oplus$ Minimum conds. $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial S_1^1} \right\rangle = 0 \\ \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial S_3^3} \right\rangle = 0 \\ \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial S_1'^1} \right\rangle = 0 \\ \left\langle \frac{\partial V}{\partial S_3'^3} \right\rangle = 0 \end{array} \right.$
		$m[a_0(1450)] = 1474 \pm 19 \text{ MeV}$	
		$m[\pi(1300)] = 1300 \pm 100 \text{ MeV}$	
		$m_\pi = 137 \text{ MeV}$	
		$F_\pi = 131 \text{ MeV}$	
		$A_3 / A_1 \approx 20 \rightarrow 30$	
		$\det M_\eta^2 = (\det M_\eta^2)_{EXP}$	
		$\text{Tr } M_\eta^2 = (\text{Tr } M_\eta^2)_{EXP}$	

$$(M_\pi^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 e_3^a \beta_3 - 2 c_2 + 4 c_4^a \alpha_1^2 & 4 e_3^a \alpha_3 \\ 4 e_3^a \alpha_3 & 2 d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(M_K^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 e_3^a \beta_1 - 2 c_2 + 4 c_4^a \alpha_1^2 - 4 c_4^a \alpha_1 \alpha_3 + 4 c_4^a \alpha_3^2 & 4 e_3^a \alpha_1 \\ 4 e_3^a \alpha_1 & 2 d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(X_a^2) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 e_3^a \beta_3 - 2 c_2 + 12 c_4 \alpha_1^2 & -4 e_3^a \alpha_3 \\ -4 e_3 \alpha_3 & 2 d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(X_\kappa^2) = \begin{bmatrix} -4 e_3^a \beta_1 - 2 c_2 + 4 c_4 \alpha_1^2 + 4 c_4^a \alpha_1 \alpha_3 + 4 c_4 \alpha_3^2 & -4 e_3^a \alpha_1 \\ -4 e_3^a \alpha_1 & 2 d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(X_0^2) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 e_3^a \beta_3 - 2 c_2 + 12 c_4^a \alpha_1^2 & 4 \sqrt{2} e_3^a \beta_1 & 4 e_3^a \alpha_3 & 4 \sqrt{2} e_3^a \alpha_1 \\ 4 \sqrt{2} e_3^a \beta_1 & -2 c_2 + 12 c_4^a \alpha_3^2 & 4 \sqrt{2} e_3^a \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 4 e_3^a \alpha_3 & 4 \sqrt{2} e_3^a \alpha_1 & 2 d_2 & 0 \\ 4 \sqrt{2} e_3^a \alpha_1 & 0 & 0 & 2 d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(M_\eta^2)_{11} = (16 c_4 \alpha_1^6 \beta_1^2 + 16 c_4 \alpha_1^5 \alpha_3 \beta_1 \beta_3 + 4 c_4 \alpha_1^4 \alpha_3^2 \beta_3^2 - 16 e_3 \alpha_1^4 \beta_1^2 \beta_3 - 16 e_3 \alpha_1^3 \alpha_3 \beta_1 \beta_3^2 - 4 e_3 \alpha_1^2 \alpha_3^2 \beta_3^3 - 8 c_2 \alpha_1^4 \beta_1^2 - 8 c_2 \alpha_1^3 \alpha_3 \beta_1 \beta_3 - 2 c_2 \alpha_1^2 \alpha_3^2 \beta_3^2 - 16 c_3 \gamma_1^2 \alpha_1^2 \beta_1^2 - 32 c_3 \gamma_1^2 \alpha_1 \alpha_3 \beta_1 \beta_3 - 16 c_3 \gamma_1^2 \alpha_3^2 \beta_3^2 - 32 c_3 \gamma_1 \alpha_1^2 \beta_1^2 - 32 c_3 \gamma_1 \alpha_1 \alpha_3 \beta_1 \beta_3 - 16 c_3 \alpha_1^2 \beta_1^2) / ((2 \alpha_1 \beta_1 + \alpha_3 \beta_3)^2 \alpha_1^2)$$

# Results:

Inputs

Predictions

State	$\bar{q}q\%$	$\bar{q}\bar{q}qq\%$	$m$ (GeV)
$\pi$	85	15	0.137
$\pi'$	15	85	1.215
$K$	86	14	0.515
$K'$	14	86	1.195
$\eta_1$	89	11	0.553
$\eta_2$	78	22	0.982
$\eta_3$	32	68	1.225
$\eta_4$	1	99	1.794

EXP.  
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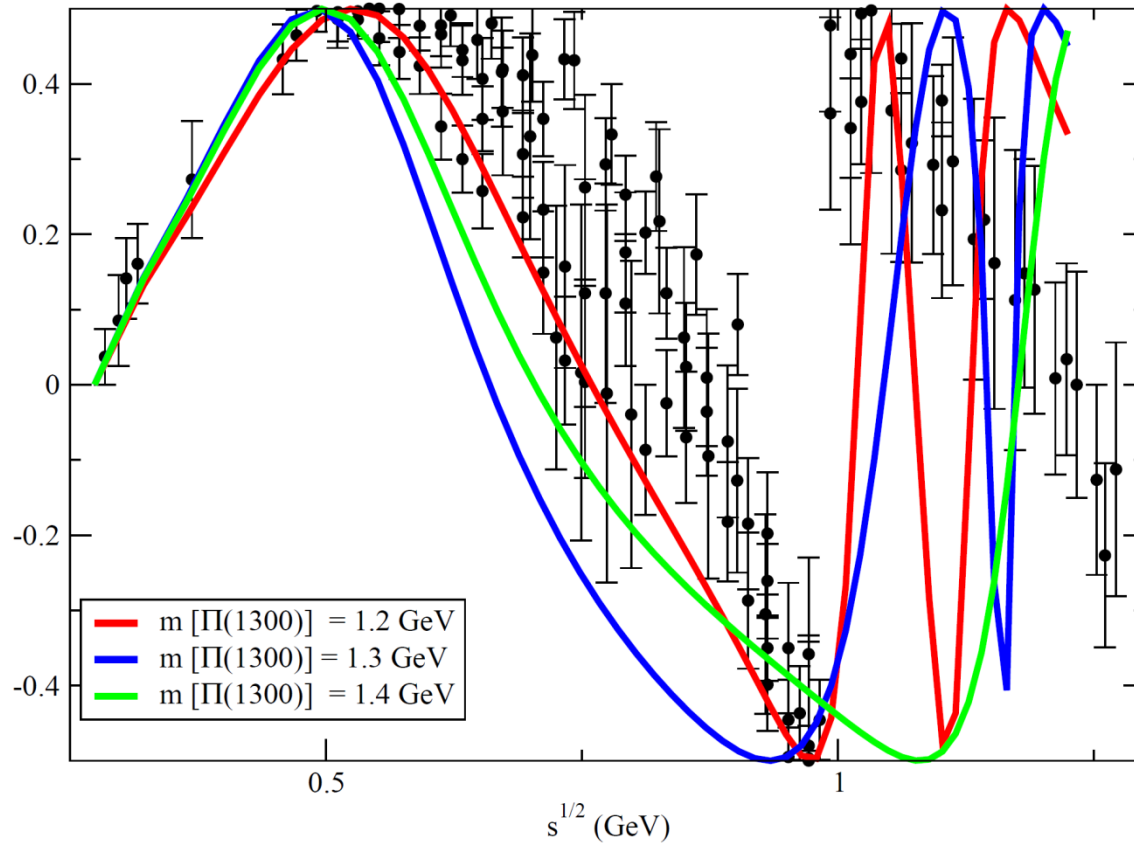
State	$\bar{q}q\%$	$\bar{q}\bar{q}qq\%$	$m$ (GeV)
$a$	24	76	0.984
$a'$	76	24	1.474
$\kappa$	8	92	1.067
$\kappa'$	92	8	1.624
$f_1$	40	60	0.742
$f_2$	5	95	1.085
$f_3$	63	37	1.493
$f_4$	93	7	1.783

EXP.  
 0.676  
 1.425  
 0.4–1.2  
 0.980  
 { 1.2–1.5  
 1.505  
 1.720  
 ...  
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Receive corrections  
 due to the unitarization of  
 □ □ scattering amplitude

Pole	Mass (MeV)	Width (MeV)
1	483	455
2	1012	154
3	1082	35
4	1663	2.1

K-matrix unitarization of prediction for real part of  $l=j=0$   $\square$   $\square$  scattering amplitude



# **Summary:**

The generalized linear sigma model seems to provide a consistent picture for the mixing of scalar and pseudoscalar mesons below 2 GeV

Scalar meson content is predicted to be reverse of the pseudoscalar meson content

Future works:

Pi K and pi eta scatterings

Eta prime decays

Inclusion of glueballs