

# Roy equations solutions and the $\sigma$ -resonance pole

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re } t_0^0(s) &= k_0^0(s) + \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{s_0} ds' K_{00}^{00}(s, s') \text{Im } t_0^0(s') \\ &+ \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{s_0} ds' K_{01}^{01}(s, s') \text{Im } t_1^1(s') \\ &+ \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{s_0} ds' K_{00}^{02}(s, s') \text{Im } t_0^2(s') + f_0^0(s) + d_0^0(s) \end{aligned}$$

$$k_0^0(s) = a_0^0 + \frac{s - 4M_\pi^2}{12M_\pi^2} (2a_0^0 - 5a_0^2)$$

$$f_0^0(s) = \sum_{l'=0}^2 \sum_{\ell'=0}^1 \int_{s_0}^{s_3} ds' K_{0\ell'}^{0l'}(s, s') \text{Im } t_{\ell'}^{l'}(s')$$

$$d_0^0(s) = \text{all the rest}$$

$$[\sqrt{s_0} = 0.8\text{GeV} \quad \sqrt{s_3} = 2\text{GeV}]$$

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## Numerical solutions of the Roy equations

Pennington-Protopopescu, Basdevant-Froggatt-Petersen (70s)

Ananthanarayan, GC, Gasser and Leutwyler (00)

Descotes-Genon, Fuchs, Girlanda and Stern (01)

Kamiński, Peláez and Ynduráin (08)

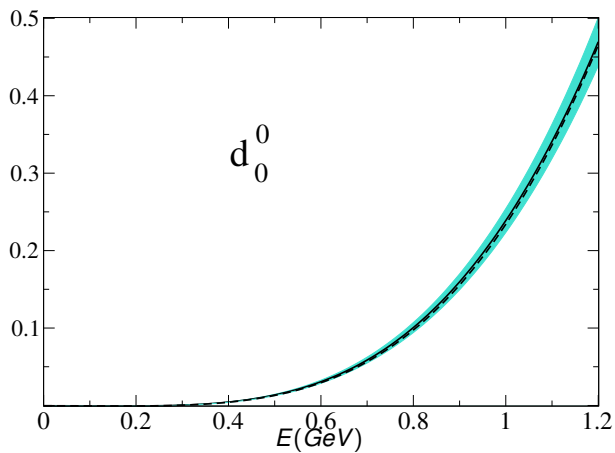
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**Input:** S- and P-wave imaginary parts above 0.8 GeV  
imaginary parts of all higher waves  
two subtraction constants, e.g.  $a_0^0$  and  $a_0^2$

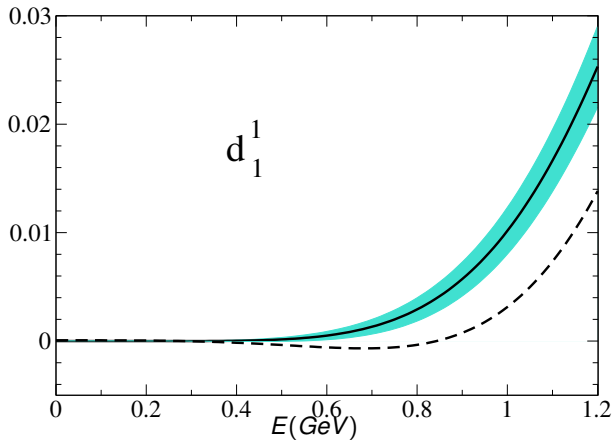
**Output:** the full  $\pi\pi$  scattering amplitude below 0.8 GeV

**Note:**  $a_0^0, a_0^2$  inside the universal band  $\Rightarrow$  the solution is unique

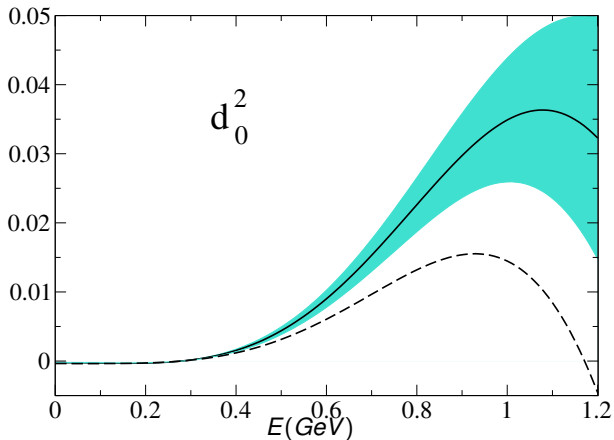
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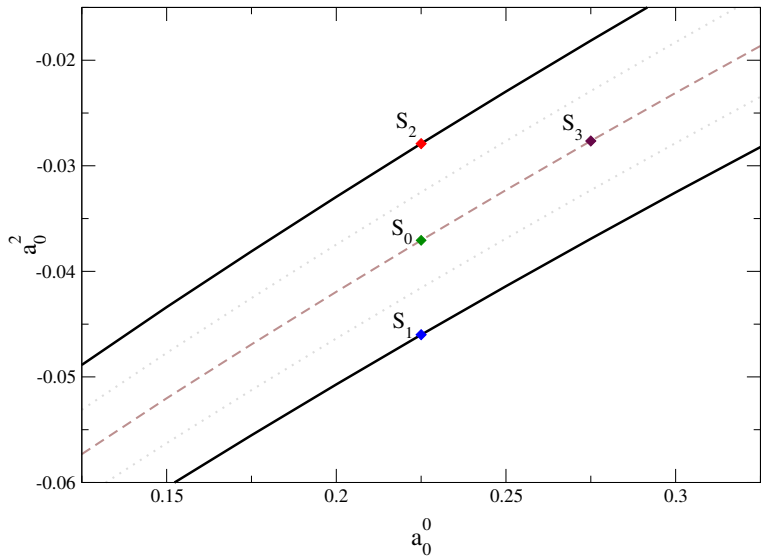


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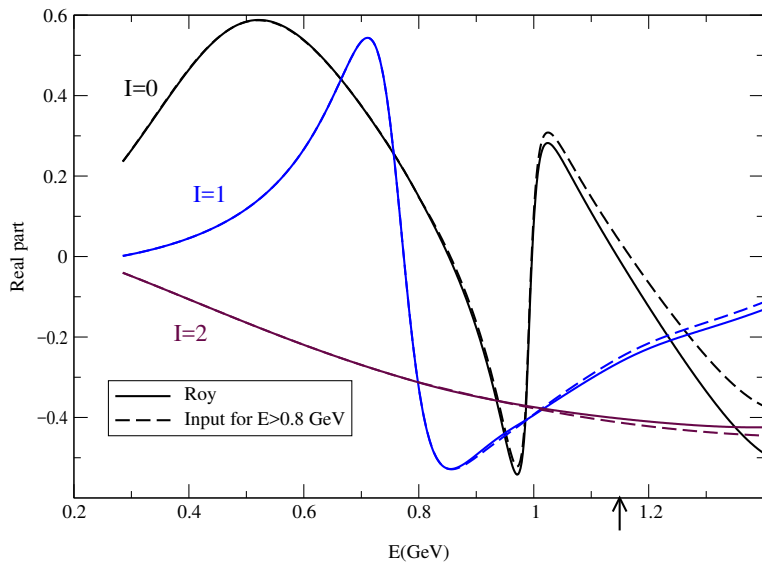




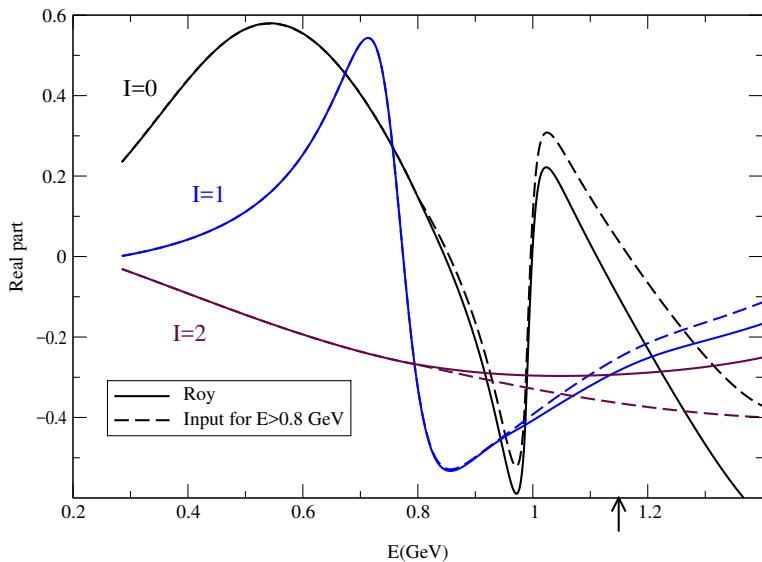
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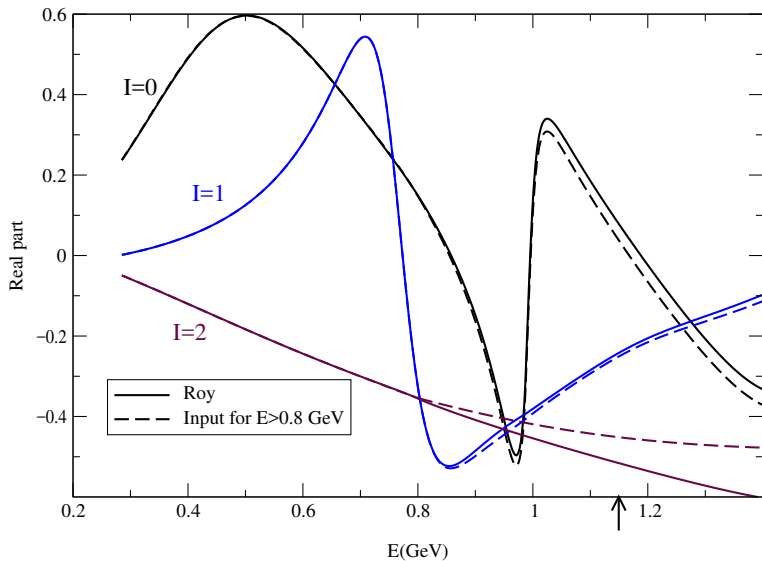
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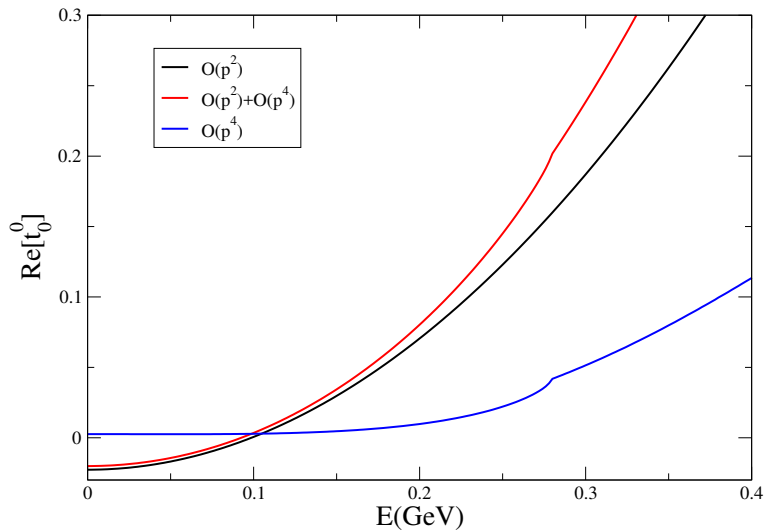
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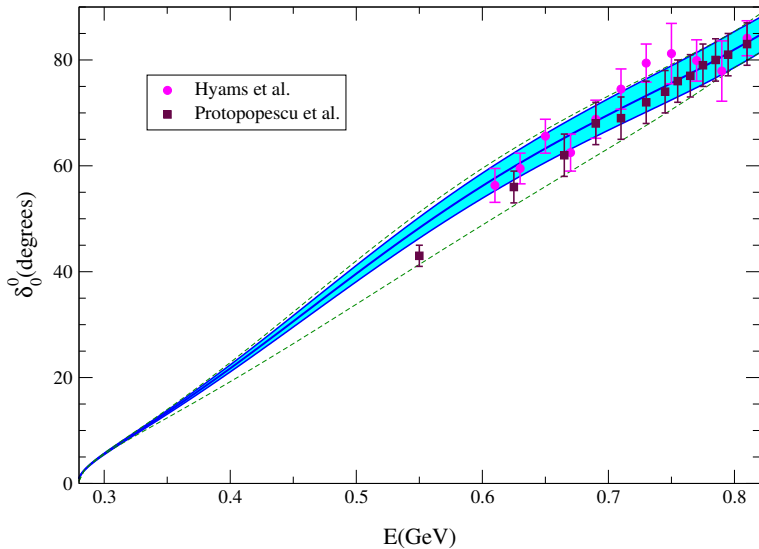
- ▶ at fixed input above 0.8 GeV, the only free parameters in the Roy equations are the two S-wave scattering lengths;
- ▶ chiral perturbation theory predicts these
- ▶ actually the most reliable prediction is for the  $\pi\pi$  amplitude below threshold
- ▶ we have fixed the two subtraction constants in this way

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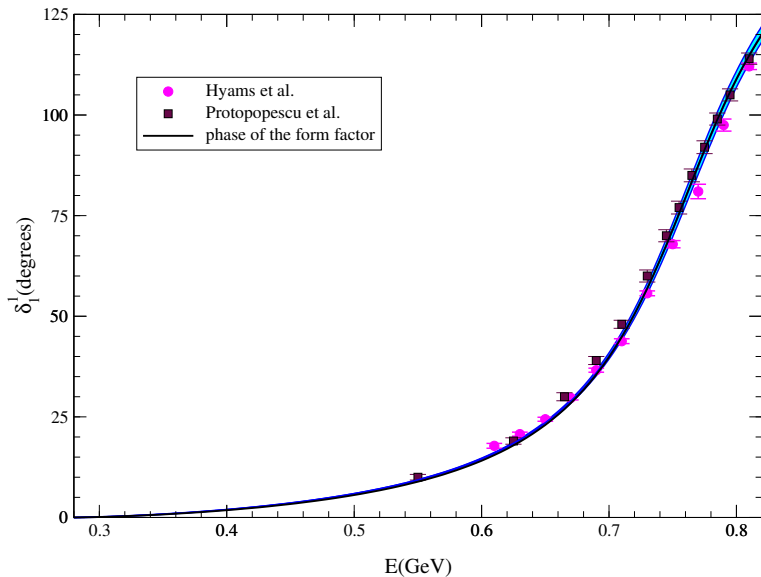
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## Scattering lengths

$$a_0^0 = 0.220 \pm 0.001 + 0.009\Delta l_4 - 0.002\Delta l_3$$

$$10 \cdot a_0^2 = -0.444 \pm 0.003 - 0.01\Delta l_4 - 0.004\Delta l_3$$

$$\text{where } \bar{l}_4 = 4.4 + \Delta l_4 \quad \bar{l}_3 = 2.9 + \Delta l_3$$

## Adding errors in quadrature

$$[\Delta l_4 = 0.2, \Delta l_3 = 2.4]$$

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All physical amplitudes can be expressed in terms of  $A(s, t, u)$

$$T^{I=0} = 3A(s, t, u) + A(t, s, u) + A(u, t, s) \Rightarrow T^{I=0} = \frac{2s - M_\pi^2}{F_\pi^2}$$

S wave projection ( $l=0$ )

$$t_0^0(s) = \frac{2s - M_\pi^2}{32\pi F_\pi^2} \quad a_0^0 = t_0^0(4M_\pi^2) = \frac{7M_\pi^2}{32\pi F_\pi^2} = 0.16$$

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$$T^{l=2} = A(t, s, u) + A(u, t, s) \Rightarrow T^{l=2} = \frac{-s + 2M_\pi^2}{F_\pi^2}$$

S wave projection  $(l=2)$

$$t_0^2(s) = \frac{2M_\pi^2 - s}{32\pi F_\pi^2} \quad a_0^2 = t_0^2(4M_\pi^2) = \frac{-M_\pi^2}{16\pi F_\pi^2} = -0.045$$

# Chiral predictions for $a_0^0$ and $a_0^2$

Quark mass dependence of  $M_\pi$  and  $F_\pi$ :

$$M_\pi^2 = M^2 \left( 1 - \frac{M^2}{32\pi^2 F^2} \bar{\ell}_3 + O(M^4) \right)$$

$$F_\pi = F \left( 1 + \frac{M^2}{16\pi^2 F^2} \bar{\ell}_4 + O(M^4) \right)$$

Phenomenological determinations ([indirect](#)):

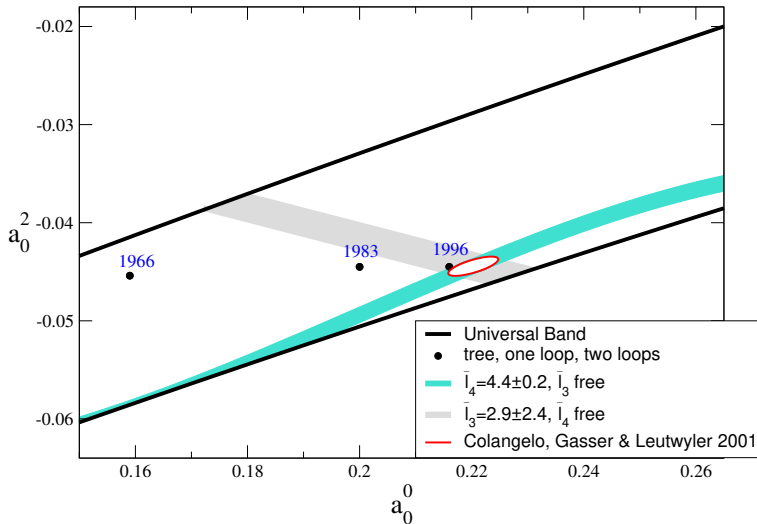
$$\bar{\ell}_3 = 2.9 \pm 2.4$$

Gasser & Leutwyler (84)

$$\bar{\ell}_4 = 4.4 \pm 0.2$$

GC, Gasser & Leutwyler (01)

Lattice calculations determine these constants **directly**

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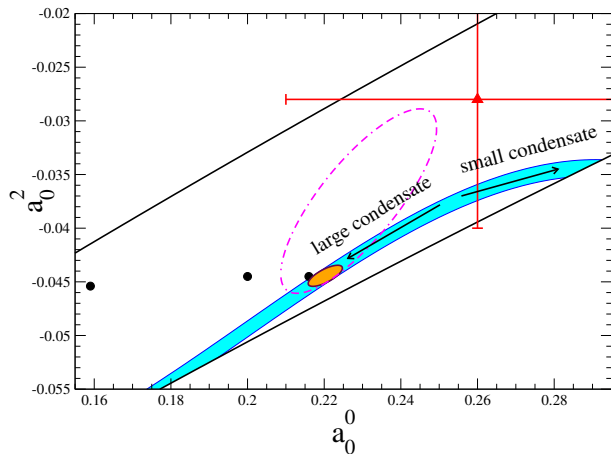
Its size tells us what fraction of the pion mass is given by the Gell-Mann–Oakes–Renner term

$$M_{\text{GMOR}}^2 \equiv 2B\hat{m}$$

or how large is the quark condensate, the order parameter of chiral symmetry breaking.

Jan Stern and collaborators have emphasized this since long!

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The E865 data on  $K_{\ell 4}$  imply that

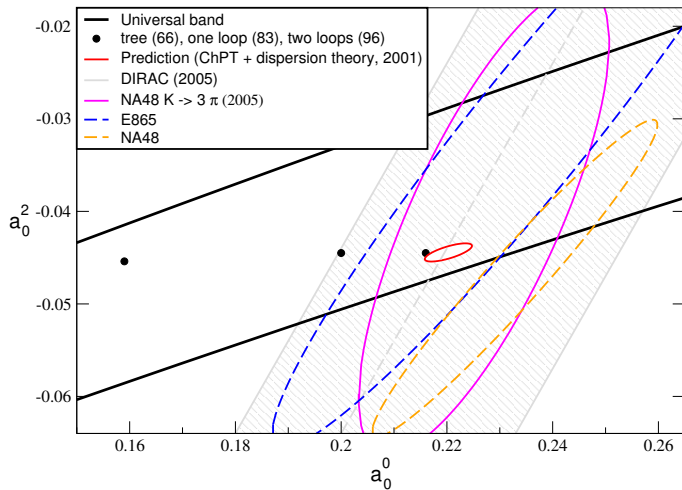
GC, Gasser and Leutwyler PRL (01)

$$M_{\text{GMOR}} > 94\% M_{\pi}$$

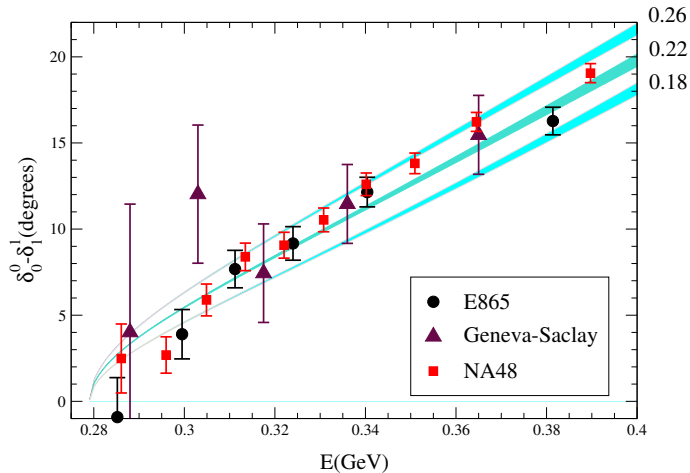
Situation after new data?



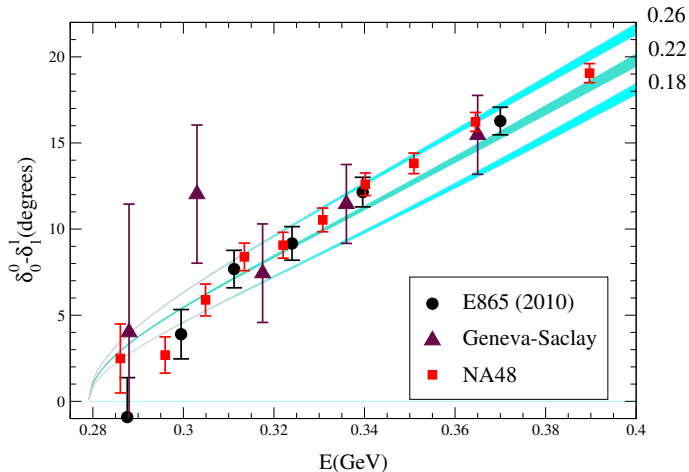
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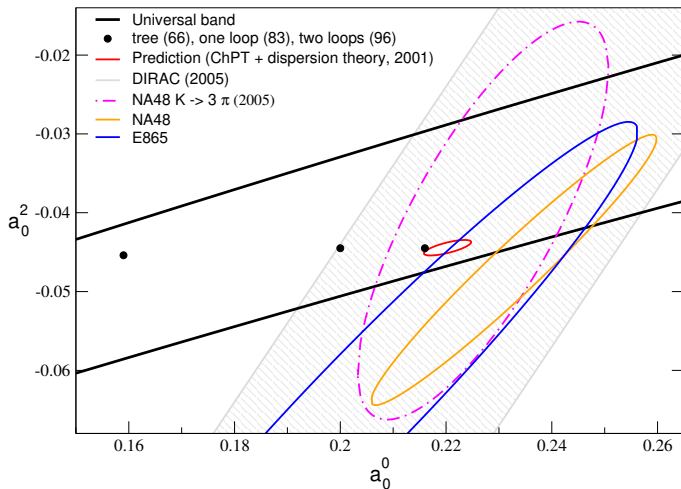


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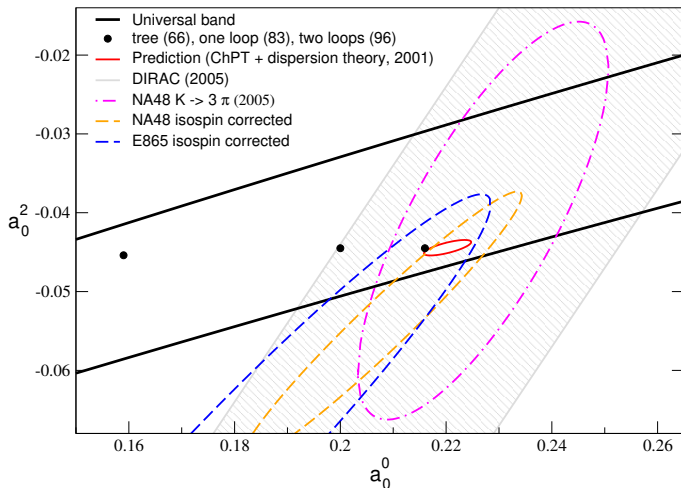
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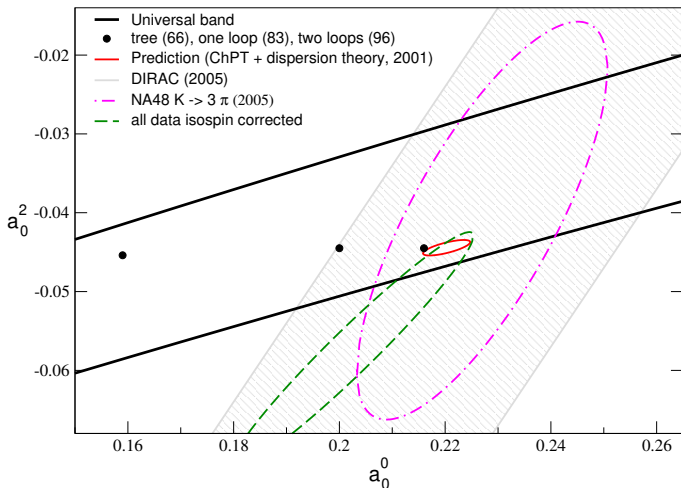
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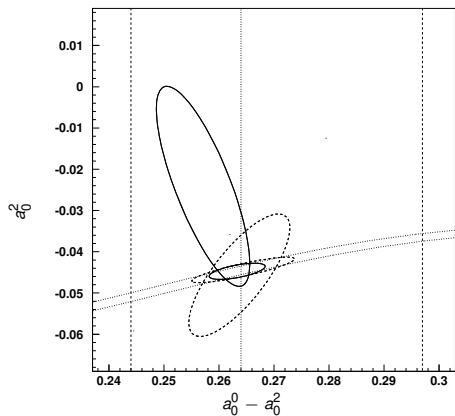
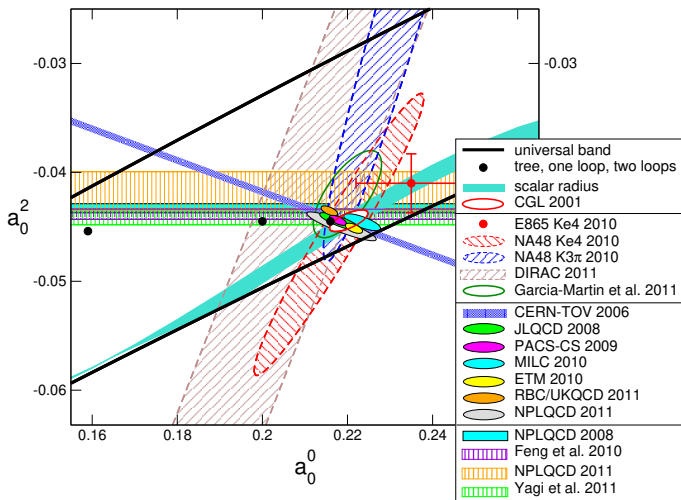


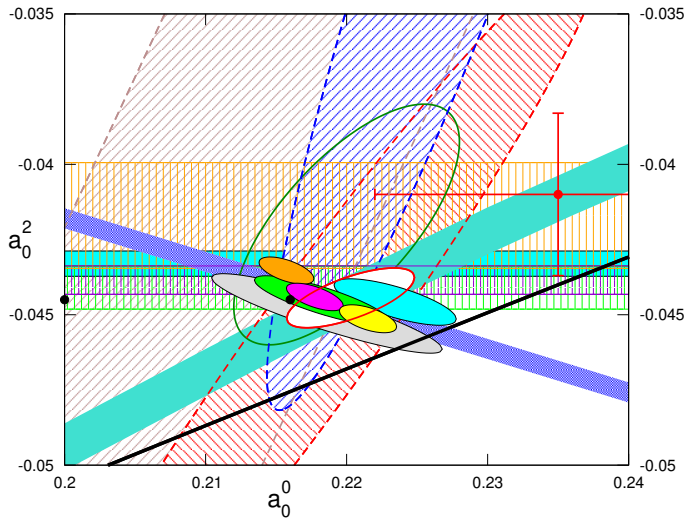
Figure from [NA48/2 Eur.Phys.J.C64:589,2009](#)

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$\delta_0^0(0.8\text{GeV})$ : current status

$\delta_0^0(0.8\text{GeV})$	analysis
$82.3^\circ \pm 3.4^\circ$	ACGL (2000)
$91.9^\circ \pm 2.6^\circ$	PY (2003)
$82.3^\circ_{-4^\circ}^{+10^\circ}$	CCL (2006)
$85.7^\circ \pm 1.6^\circ$	GMKPY (2011)
$82.9^\circ \pm 1.7^\circ$	(1)Moussallam (2011)
$80.9^\circ \pm 1.4^\circ$	(2)Moussallam (2011)

(1) shallow dip in  $\eta_0^0$

(2) deep dip in  $\eta_0^0$

$\Rightarrow$  our earlier narrower range now confirmed

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# The sigma resonance

Citation: S. Eidelman *et al.* (Particle Data Group), Phys. Lett. B **592**, 1 (2004) and 2005 partial update for edition 2006 (URL: <http://pdg.lbl.gov>)

$$f_0(600)$$

or  $\sigma$

$$J^{PC} = 0^+(0^{++})$$

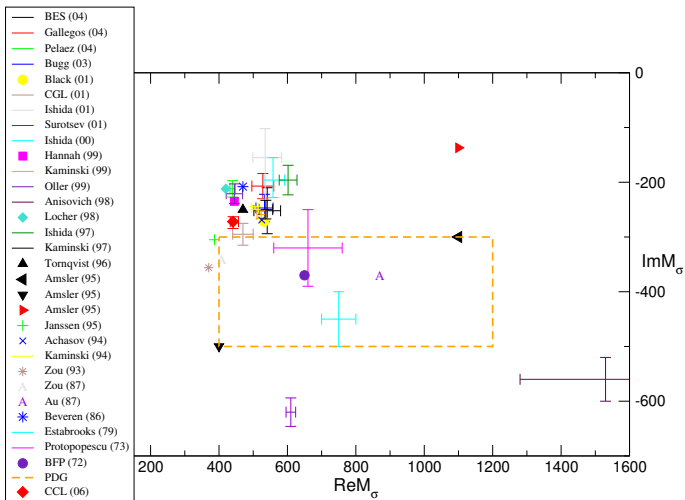
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## $f_0(600)$ T-MATRIX POLE $\sqrt{s}$

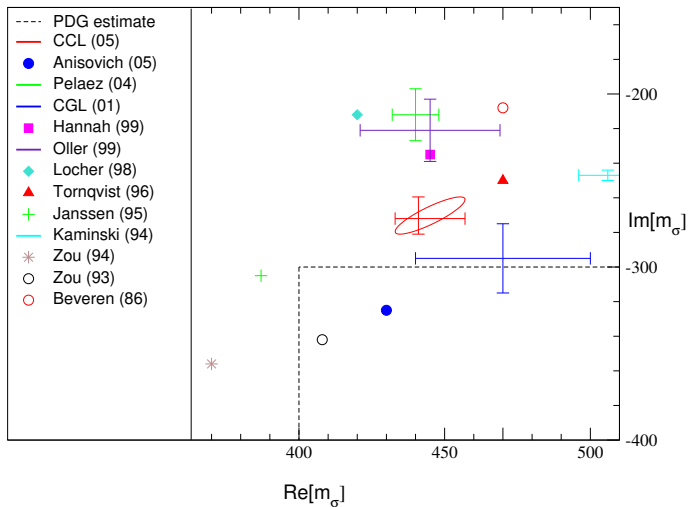
Note that  $\Gamma \approx 2 \operatorname{Im}(\sqrt{s_{\text{pole}}})$ .

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$(528 \pm 32) - i(207 \pm 23)$	<sup>2</sup> GALLEGOS	04 RVUE	Compilation
$(440 \pm 8) - i(212 \pm 15)$	<sup>3</sup> PELAEZ	04A RVUE	$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$
$(533 \pm 25) - i(247 \pm 25)$	<sup>4</sup> BUGG	03 RVUE	
$532 - i272$	BLACK	01 RVUE	$\pi^0 \pi^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$
$(470 \pm 30) - i(295 \pm 20)$	<sup>5</sup> COLANGELO	01 RVUE	$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$
$(535^{+48}_{-36}) - i(155^{+76}_{-53})$	<sup>6</sup> ISHIDA	01	$\Upsilon(3S) \rightarrow \Upsilon \pi\pi$
$610 \pm 14 - i620 \pm 26$	<sup>7</sup> SUROVTSEV	01 RVUE	$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi, K\bar{K}$
$(558^{+34}_{-27}) - i(196^{+32}_{-41})$	ISHIDA	00B	$p\bar{p} \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$
$445 - i235$	HANNAH	99 RVUE	$\pi$ scalar form factor
$(523 \pm 12) - i(259 \pm 7)$	KAMINSKI	99 RVUE	$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi, K\bar{K}, \sigma\sigma$
$442 - i227$	OLLER	99 RVUE	$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi, K\bar{K}$
$469 - i203$	OLLER	99B RVUE	$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi, K\bar{K}$
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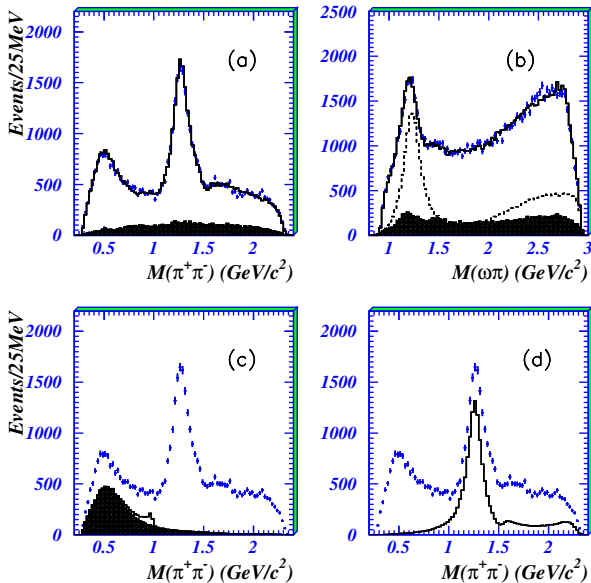
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Message n. 1 of this talk:

In  $\pi\pi$  scattering two S-wave scattering lengths are the *essential parameters* at low energy

Their knowledge fixes the  $\sigma$  pole position to a *remarkable* level of precision

$$M_\sigma = 441^{+16}_{-8} \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_\sigma = 544^{+18}_{-25} \text{ MeV}$$

The  $\sigma$  in the data – BES (04),  $J/\psi \rightarrow \omega\pi^+\pi^-$ 



## How is the $\sigma$ pole determined?

The relevant question is:

Where does the amplitude have a pole on the second Riemann sheet of the complex  $s$  plane?

The answer ought to be model- and parametrization-independent

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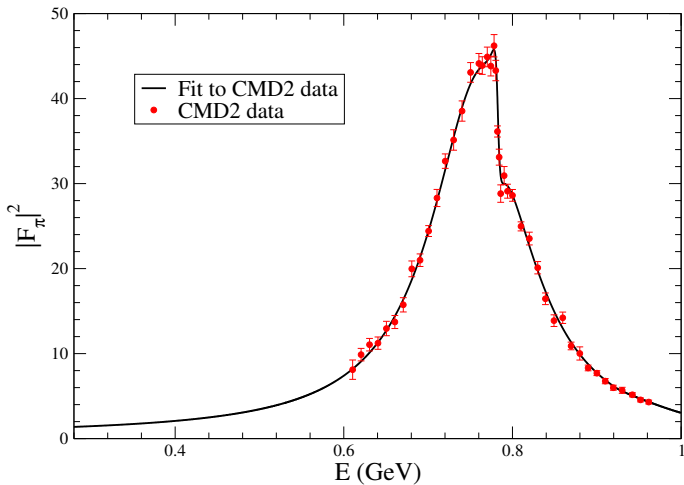
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**The outcome is parametrization-dependent**

Moreover, a shortcoming of many of the parametrizations used to fit data is the neglect of the left-hand cut

Compare to the  $\rho$  in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$



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$$K_0(s, s') = \frac{1}{\pi(s' - s)} + \frac{2 \ln((s + s' - 4M_\pi^2)/s')}{3\pi(s - 4M_\pi^2)} - \frac{5s' + 2s - 16M_\pi^2}{3\pi s'(s' - 4M_\pi^2)}$$

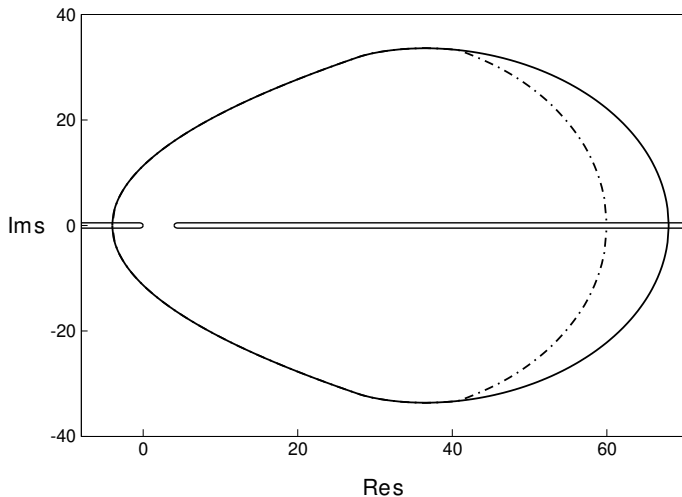
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Poles, however, are to be found on the second sheet

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The second sheet is reached by analytic continuation crossing the real axis from above: (for  $\epsilon$  infinitesimally small)

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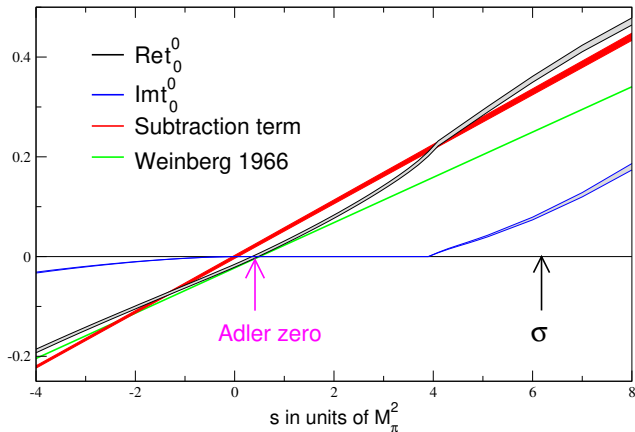
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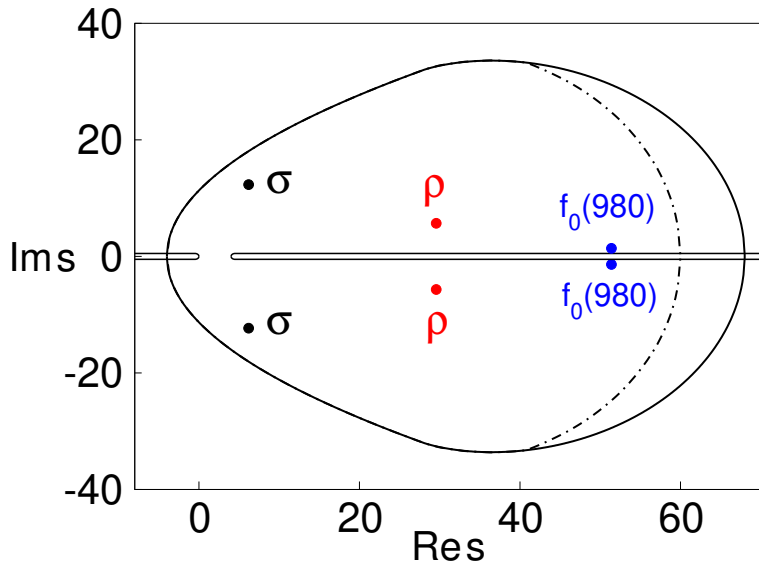
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$$M_\sigma = 441_{-8}^{+16} \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_\sigma = 544_{-25}^{+18} \text{ MeV}$$



## Other recent $\sigma$ -pole determinations

Other recent  $\sigma$ -pole determinations based on the same approach agree very well

	$\sqrt{s_\sigma}$ (MeV)
Caprini, GC, Leutwyler (06)	$441_{-8}^{+16} - i272_{-12.5}^{+9}$
Garcia-Martin, Pelaez, Yndurain (08)	$474 \pm 6 - i254 \pm 4$
Garcia-Martin, Kaminsky, Pelaez, Ruiz de Elvira (10)	$457_{-13}^{+14} - i279_{-7}^{+11}$
Moussallam (11)	$442_{-8}^{+5} - i274_{-5}^{+6}$

## The PDG does listen...

 **$f_0(500)$** 

$$I^G(J^{PC}) = 0^+(0^{++})$$

also known as  $\sigma$ ; was  $f_0(600)$ ,  $f_0(400-1200)$ 

See the review on "Scalar Mesons below 1 GeV."

Mass (T-Matrix Pole  $\sqrt{s}$ ) = (400–550)– $i$ (200–350) MeV

Mass (Breit-Wigner) = 400 to 800 MeV

Full width (Breit-Wigner) = 100 to 800 MeV

<b><math>f_0(500)</math> DECAY MODES</b>	Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )	$p$ (MeV/c)
$\pi\pi$	seen	–
$\gamma\gamma$	seen	–

# Outline

Roy equations

Meaning of  $\bar{l}_3$  and  $\bar{l}_4$

Current determination of  $a_0^0$ ,  $a_0^2$  and  $\delta_0^0(0.8\text{GeV})$

Model-independent  $\sigma$ -pole determination

**The  $\sigma$  in  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi$**

## The $\sigma$ in other processes

- ▶  $\pi\pi$  scattering is the simplest scattering process involving two pions: the simplest where the  $\sigma$  can show up
- ▶ two pions in the final state with  $I = J = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow$  the  $\sigma$  is an intermediate state
- ▶ the broad bump due to the  $\sigma$  may look different  
[energy-dependence of the  $\sigma$ -coupling to the initial state?]
- ▶ BUT: (Message n.2 of this talk)  
the  $\sigma$ -pole does not move!
- ▶ main interest: determine the  $\sigma$ -coupling to the initial state
- ▶ rest of the talk: illustrate this in  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi$

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(see, e.g. Hoferichter, Phillips, Schat (11))

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Analyticity:

$h_{J,\pm}(s)$  are analytic on the cut  $s$ -plane  $(-\infty, 0] [4M_\pi^2, \infty)$

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Oller, Roca, Schat PLB (08)

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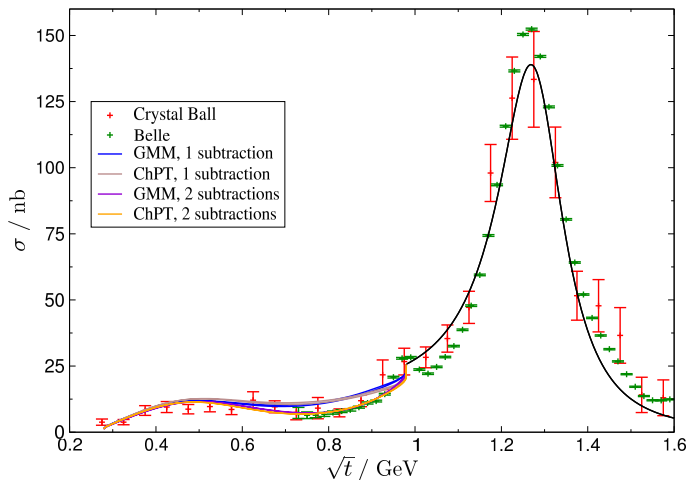
$g_{\sigma\gamma\gamma}$  can be calculated from  $h_I(s_\sigma)$

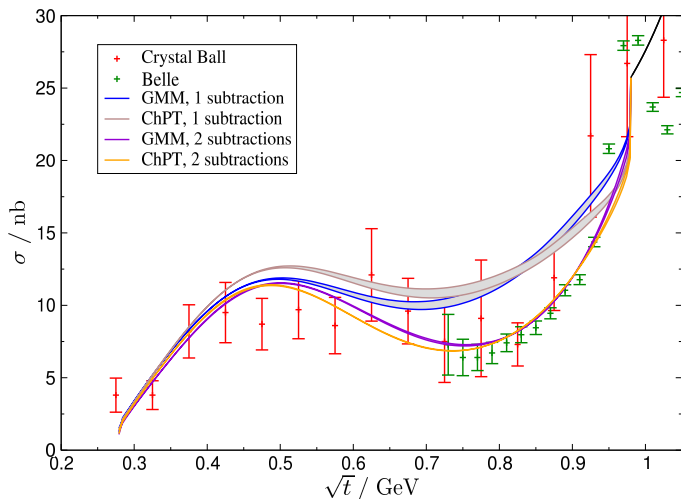
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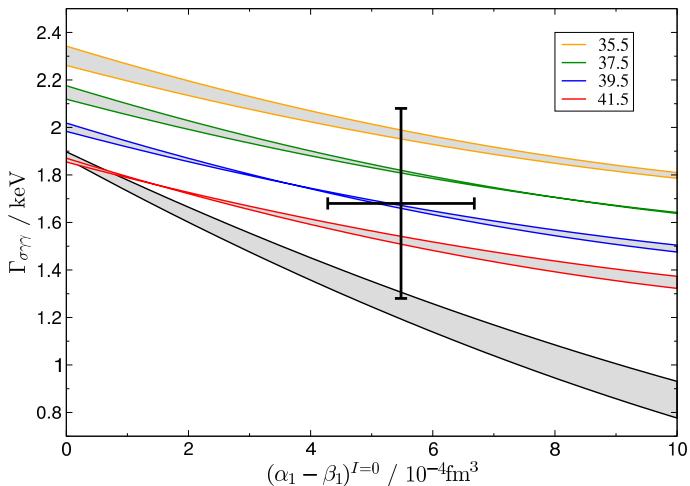
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  - ▶ Bernabéu, Prades (08)
  - ▶ Oller, Roca, Schat (08)
  - ▶ Mennessier, Narison et al. (08,10)
  - ▶ García-Martín, Moussallam (10)
  - ▶ Hoferichter, Phillips, Schat (11)

## Dispersion relations for $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi$

- ▶ the calculation of  $h_l(s)$  for complex  $s$  is unambiguous from a dispersive representation
- ▶ following Hoferichter, Phillips, Schat (11):
- ▶ given the high-energy part, the low-energy behaviour is dictated by the subtr. constants=polarizabilities
- ▶ correlation between polarizabilities and  $g_{\sigma\gamma\gamma}$
- ▶  $\chi$ PT prediction for the polarizabilities  $\Rightarrow$  prediction for  $g_{\sigma\gamma\gamma}$
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