# Axial-vector and tensor contributions in four- and three-point dispersive approaches

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# Analytic HLbL: main issues

- uncertainties dominated by parts that are not (yet) incorporated in dispersive framework
- required input for axial-vector & tensor **transition form factors** (TFFs)
- kinematic singularities & ambiguities for narrow resonances
- matching to short-distance constraints (SDCs)
	- cover everything that is not explicitly included as hadronic intermediate state
	- avoid double counting

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## White Paper estimate

→ T. Aoyama *et al.*, Phys. Rept. **887** (2020) 1-166



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# Some of the progress after White Paper

**[Introduction](#page-2-0)** 

- scalar contributions in dispersive framework
	- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, PLB **820** (2021) 136502
- first steps towards including axials in dispersive framework → Zanke, Hoferichter, Kubis, JHEP **07** (2021) 106; JHEP **08** (2023) 209, Colangelo, Hagelstein, Hoferichter, Laub, Stoffer, EPJC **81** (2021) 702
- holographic-QCD models point to rather large axial contribution → **talk by A. Rebhan**
- beyond spin 1: new dispersive framework in soft-photon kinematic limit
	- → Lüdtke, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **04** (2023) 125

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# Kinematic singularities

- HLbL coefficient functions  $\tilde{\Pi}_i$  free from kinematic singularities in Mandelstam variables  $\Rightarrow$  enables dispersive treatment <sup>→</sup> Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **<sup>04</sup>** (2017) 161
- not free from kinematic singularities in  $q_i^2$ , but **residues vanish** due to sum rules
- kinematic singularities can be subtracted, but introduce **ambiguities** if sum rules are violated
- narrow resonances (apart from pseudoscalars) do not fulfill sum rules individually

# Optimized basis for resonances

- $\rightarrow$  Hoferichter, Stoffer, Zillinger, arXiv:2402.14060 [hep-ph] (to appear in JHEP)
- **new basis** constructed **without singularities** for pseudoscalars, scalars, S-wave rescattering, axial-vectors
- remaining singularities **much simplified**: only  $1/q_i^2$  poles appear (and  $1/(q_i^2+q_j^2)$ , outside  $g-2$  integration region)



# Optimized basis for resonances

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- convergence of **partial-wave expansion** checked in new basis for pion box: found even slight improvement



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# Axial vectors in optimized basis

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- → Colangelo, Hagelstein, Hoferichter, Laub, Stoffer, EPJC **81** (2021) 702
- **axial-vector poles** in **transverse part** of HLbL

→ Lüdtke, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **04** (2023) 125

• **longitudinal part**: axial-vector pole in Mandelstam variable  $s$  cancels with numerator in  $g-2$  limit  $s \rightarrow q_3^2$ , but leaves **non-pole contribution**

$$
\bar{\Pi}_{1}^{\text{axial}} = \frac{G_{2}(q_{1}^{2}, q_{2}^{2})G_{1}(q_{3}^{2})}{M_{A}^{6}},
$$
\n
$$
G_{1}(q_{3}^{2}) = \mathcal{F}_{1}(q_{3}^{2}, 0) + \mathcal{F}_{2}(q_{3}^{2}, 0),
$$
\n
$$
G_{2}(q_{1}^{2}, q_{2}^{2}) = (q_{1}^{2} - q_{2}^{2})\mathcal{F}_{1}(q_{1}^{2}, q_{2}^{2}) + q_{1}^{2}\mathcal{F}_{2}(q_{1}^{2}, q_{2}^{2}) + q_{2}^{2}\mathcal{F}_{2}(q_{2}^{2}, q_{1}^{2})
$$



# Axial vectors: TFF input

- **asymptotic constraints** on TFFs from light-cone expansion <sup>→</sup> Hoferichter, Stoffer, JHEP **<sup>05</sup>** (2020) 159
- $f_1$  TFFs: experimental constraints analyzed in a VMD representation

→ Zanke, Hoferichter, Kubis, JHEP **07** (2021) 106; JHEP **08** (2023) 209

- $f'_1$  and  $a_1$  TFFs could be related via  $U(3)$  symmetry
- holographic-QCD models can provide useful input

→ **talk by A. Rebhan**



# Axial vectors: TFF input

- with a given input for the axial-vector TFFs, we are now in a position to compute  $a_{\mu}^{\mathrm{axials}}$  in the established four-point **dispersive approach**
- numerical analysis in progress: **interplay with SDCs** is essential

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# Tensor mesons in optimized basis

- $\rightarrow$  Hoferichter, Stoffer, Zillinger, arXiv:2402.14060 [hep-ph] (to appear in JHEP)
- kinematic singularities **much simplified**: e.g., no singularities if only  $\mathcal{F}_{1,3}^T$  or only  $\mathcal{F}_{2,3}^T$  are present
- enables simple benchmark evaluation, e.g., with  $\mathcal{F}^T_1$  from quark-model ( $\mathcal{F}_{2,3,4,5}^T=0$ )
- even then: sum-rule violations lead to **basis dependence**



## Tensor mesons in optimized basis

- tensor-meson contribution including all TFFs (and  $\pi\pi$ D-wave contribution) affected by **kinematic singularities**
- for spin  $> 1$ , problem **cannot be solved** by basis change as for axials
- requires **new dispersive framework** in tree-point kinematics

# Input for tensor mesons

- **asymptotic constraints** on TFFs from light-cone expansion <sup>→</sup> Hoferichter, Stoffer, JHEP **<sup>05</sup>** (2020) 159
- similarity to  $f_0(980)$  and S-waves:  $f_2(1270)$  contribution should be compared in NWA and via  $\pi\pi$  **rescattering**
- $\bullet \ \gamma^{*} \gamma^{*} \to \pi \pi$  helicity partial waves solved with Omnès methods including  $D$ -waves
	- → Hoferichter, Stoffer, JHEP **07** (2019) 073
	- → Danilkin, Deineka, Vanderhaeghen, PRD **101** (5) (2020) 054008
- future  $\gamma^*\gamma\to\pi\pi$  single-tag measurements at BESIII will be useful to constrain  $q^2$  dependence

## Input for tensor mesons



→ T. Aoyama *et al.*, Phys. Rept. **887** (2020) 1-166

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# Master formula: HLbL contribution to  $(g-2)_u$

→ Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **09** (2015) 074, JHEP **04** (2017) 161

$$
a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = \frac{2\alpha^3}{3\pi^2} \int_0^{\infty} dQ_1 \int_0^{\infty} dQ_2 \int_{-1}^1 d\tau \sqrt{1 - \tau^2} Q_1^3 Q_2^3
$$

$$
\times \sum_{i=1}^{12} T_i(Q_1, Q_2, \tau) \bar{\Pi}_i(Q_1, Q_2, \tau)
$$

- $T_i$ : known integration kernels
- $\bar{\Pi}_i$ : hadronic scalar functions
- Euclidean momenta:  $Q_i^2 = -q_i^2$
- $Q_3^2 = Q_1^2 + Q_2^2 + 2Q_1Q_2\tau$



## DR in four-point kinematics

→ Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **09** (2015) 074, JHEP **04** (2017) 161



- first write DR in four-point kinematics
- take  $q_4 \rightarrow 0$  limit **in the very end**



## DR in triangle kinematics



- external photon at  $q_4 \rightarrow 0$
- imaginary parts reconstructed for g − 2 **kinematics**

# DR in triangle kinematics



- more complicated unitarity relation, more sub-processes
- redundancies and kinematic singularities **manifestly absent**
- combination of two dispersive approaches: assess **truncation errors**
- potentially **simplified matching to SDCs**

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## More sub-processes

• cancellation of soft divergences: solved for  $\pi\pi \to \pi\pi\gamma$ 

 $\rightarrow$  Lüdtke, Procura, Stoffer, in preparation

• test case: understand reshuffling and truncation effects in  $\gamma^*\gamma \to \pi\pi$ 

 $\rightarrow$  Geralis, Kaziukėnas, Stoffer, Toelstede, work in progress

• apply same methods to  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \gamma \to \pi \pi$ 

→ Lüdtke, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **04** (2023) 125

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# Reshuffling between two dispersive approaches



Proof of concept: VVA

 $\rightarrow$  Lüdtke, Procura, Stoffer, to appear

• reshuffling much easier to understand in VVA



• side-product: improved prediction for EW contribution to  $a_{\mu}$ 



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# **Conclusions**

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- conceptual obstacles for inclusion of **axial vectors** in NWA in dispersive framework resolved
- given data situation and asymptotic constraints, prospects best for a phenomenologically driven determination of  $f_1(1285)$  contribution
- **tensor mesons:** compare NWA with  $\pi\pi$  **rescattering:**  $\gamma^*\gamma^*\to\pi\pi$   $D$ -waves solved with Omnès methods
- full tensor contributions, assessment of overall uncertainties due to truncation and matching to SDCs: use combination with **new dispersive framework**

# <span id="page-31-0"></span>Backup

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## Narrow resonances

• in the NW limit, imaginary part from unitarity relation reduces to δ**-function**:

$$
\text{Im}_s \Pi^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \pi \delta(s - M^2) \mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}(p \to q_1, q_2)^* \mathcal{M}^{\lambda\sigma}(p \to -q_3, q_4),
$$
  

$$
\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}(p \to q_1, q_2) = i \int d^4x e^{iq_1 \cdot x} \langle 0|T\{j_{\text{em}}^{\mu}(x)j_{\text{em}}^{\nu}(0)\}|p\rangle
$$

• project onto tensor decomposition for HLbL and plug into dispersion relation for scalar functions:

$$
\check{\Pi}_i(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int ds' \frac{\mathrm{Im} \check{\Pi}_i(s')}{s' - s}
$$

- $\delta$ -function, Cauchy kernel, and polarization sum combine to propagator-like structure
- dispersive result may differ from propagator models by non-pole terms



## Narrow resonances

- decompose  $\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}$  into Lorentz structures  $\times$  **transition form factors** (TFFs)
- in the NWA, dispersive definition only involves on-shell meson ⇒ **only physical TFFs** enter



# Sum rules and basis (in)dependence

- HLbL tensor basis involves structures of **different mass dimension**
- scalar coefficient functions of higher-dimension structures asymptotically fall off faster
- implies **sum rules** for those coefficient functions:

$$
0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int ds' \operatorname{Im} \check{\Pi}_i(s')
$$

• guarantees **basis independence** of entire HLbL



# Sum rules and basis (in)dependence

• sum-rule contribution of single-particle state (resonance):

$$
\text{Im}\check{\Pi}_i(s') \sim \pi \delta(s'-M^2) \mathcal{F}(q_1^2, q_2^2) \mathcal{F}(q_3^2, 0)
$$

$$
\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\pi} \int ds' \text{Im}\check{\Pi}_i(s') \sim \mathcal{F}(q_1^2, q_2^2) \mathcal{F}(q_3^2, 0) \neq 0
$$

- sum rules **not fulfilled** by resonances
	- ⇒ NW contribution to HLbL is **basis dependent**
- basis dependence only needs to cancel in sum over intermediate states
- only pseudoscalars do not contribute to sum rules ⇒ unambiguous

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- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, PLB **820** (2021) 136502
- $\pi\pi$  rescattering previously limited to  $f_0(500)$ → Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **04** (2017) 161, PRL **118** (2017) 232001
- extension up to  $\sim$  1.3 GeV by using coupled-channel  $\gamma^*\gamma^* \to \pi\pi/\bar{K}K$  S-waves for  $I=0$

→ Danilkin, Deineka, Vanderhaeghen, PRD **101** (2020) 054008

• covers  $f_0(980)$ , dispersive description of resonance in terms of  $\pi \pi / K K$  rescattering



- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, PLB **820** (2021) 136502
- sum-rule violations in  $S$ -wave rescattering are very small
- result largely **basis independent**
- together with  $I = 2$  leads to

 $a_{\mu}^{\mathrm{HLbL}}[S\text{-wave rescattering}] = -8.7(1.0) \times 10^{-11}$ 

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, PLB **820** (2021) 136502
- dispersive  $f_0(980)$  contribution estimated from deficit in shape of integrand:



 $a_\mu^{\mathrm{HLbL}}[f_0(980)]$ rescattering  $=-0.2(1)\times 10^{-11}$ 

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, PLB **820** (2021) 136502
- dispersive  $f_0(980)$  contribution can be compared to **NWA in the same basis** for HLbL
- using TFFs from quark model  $\rightarrow$  Schuler et al. (1998)

$$
a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}}[f_0(980)]_{\text{NWA}} = -0.37(6) \times 10^{-11}
$$

with  $M_{f_0(980)} = 0.99$  GeV,  $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}[f_0(980)] = 0.31(5)$  keV

- differences to NW estimates of <sup>→</sup> Knecht et al., PLB **<sup>787</sup>** (2018) 111 mainly due to propagator model, corresponding to a different HLbL basis
- comparison to <sup>→</sup> Pauk, Vanderhaeghen, EPJC **<sup>74</sup>** (2014) 3008 difficult  $_{38}$  due to kinematic singularities

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, PLB **820** (2021) 136502
- NWA for  $a_0(980)$ :

$$
a_{\mu}^{\mathrm{HLbL}}[a_0(980)]_{\mathrm{NWA}} = -([0.4, 0.6]_{-0.1}^{+0.2}) \times 10^{-11},
$$

where TFF scale is given by  $[M_{\rho}, M_{S}]$ 

• leads to

$$
a_{\mu}^{\mathrm{HLbL}}[\mathrm{scalars}] = -9(1) \times 10^{-11}
$$

- even heavier scalars: small contribution around  $-1 \times 10^{-11}$ , but very uncertain two-photon coupling (not seen prominently in  $\gamma\gamma$  reactions)
	- $\Rightarrow$  better treat in some form in asymptotic matching