

# The lightest scalar-isoscalar meson, its history, new parameters and role in QCD

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## **sigma meson: $f_0(500)$ (former $\sigma$ )**

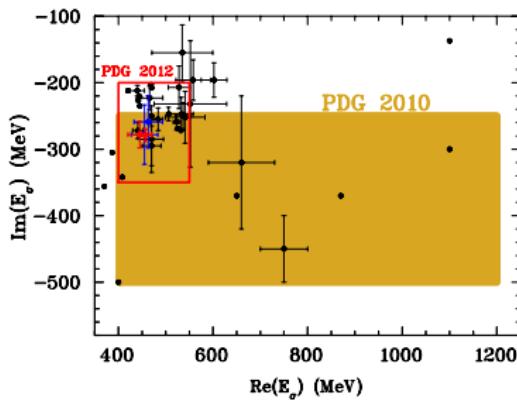
- General information on the  $f_0(500)$
- Theoretical works and experimental data '70-2014
- Shortly on what it can be

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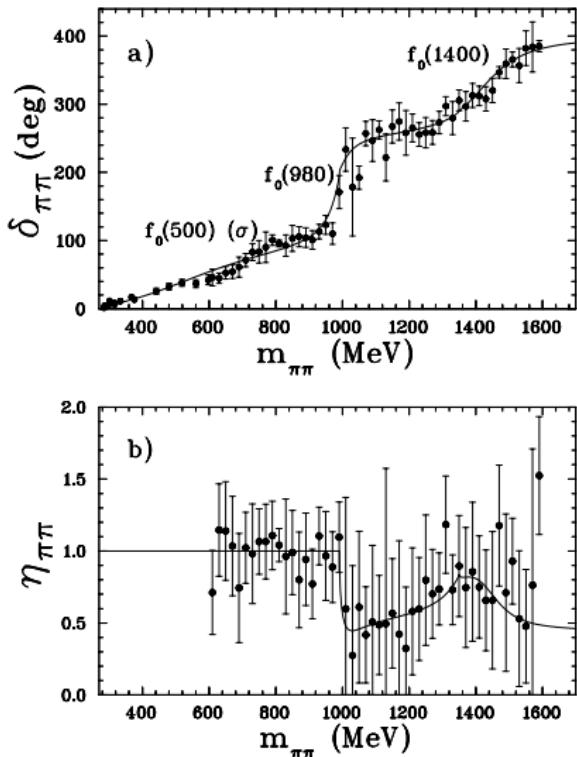
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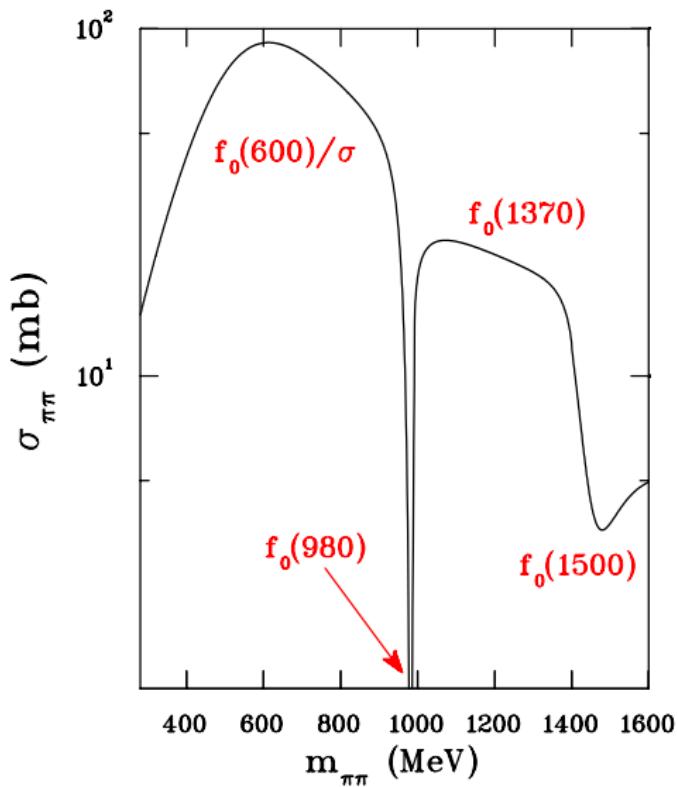
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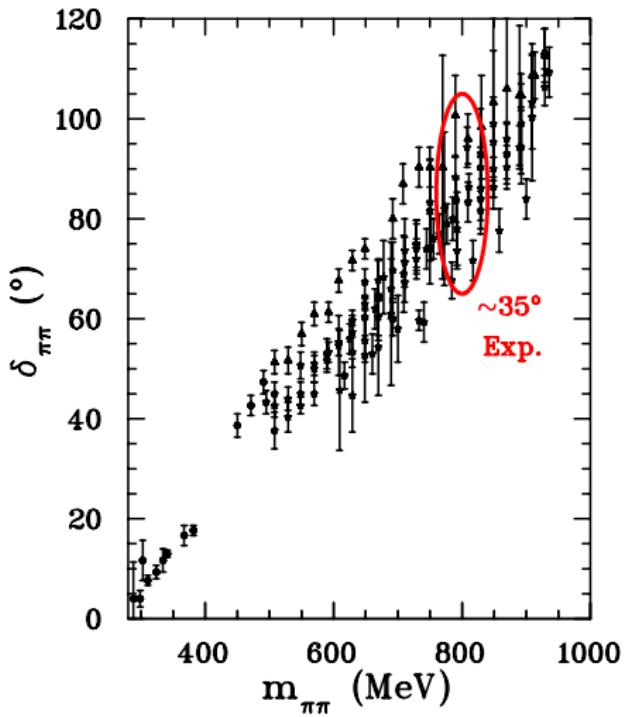
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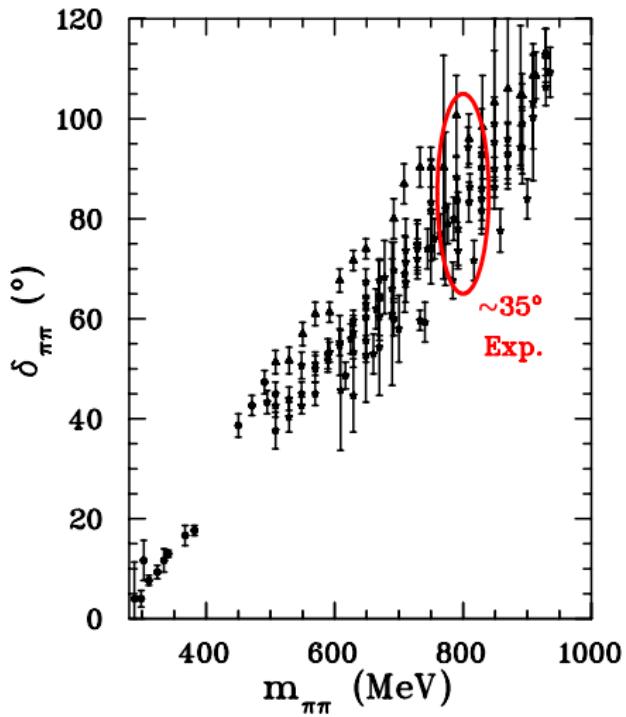
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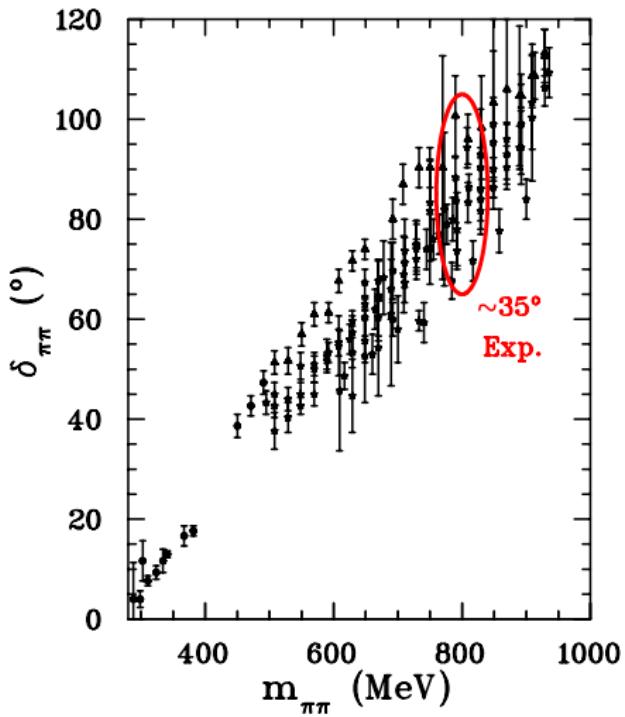
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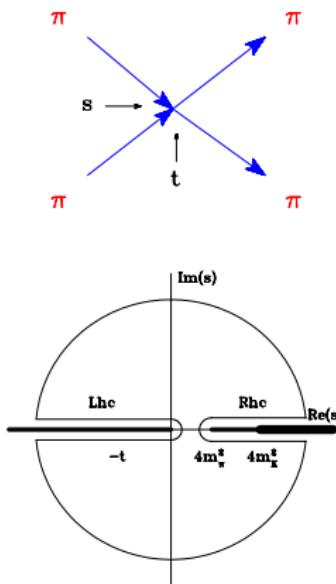
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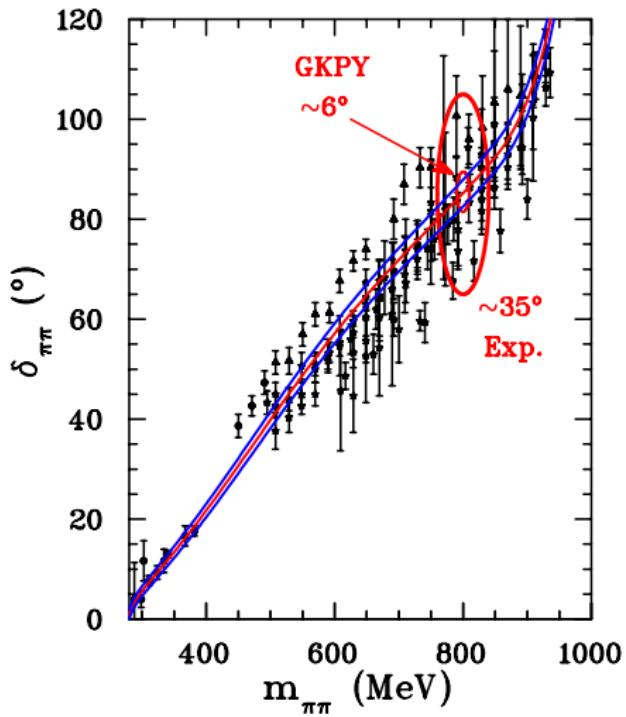


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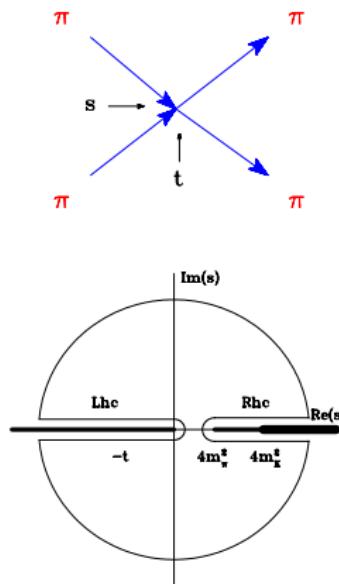


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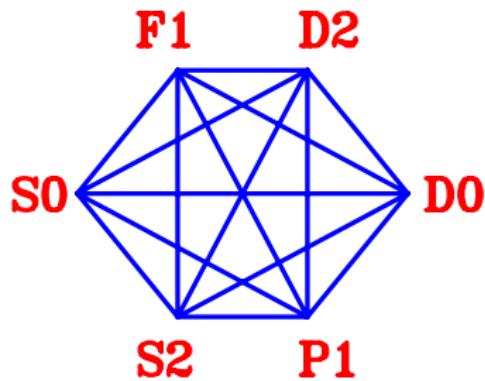
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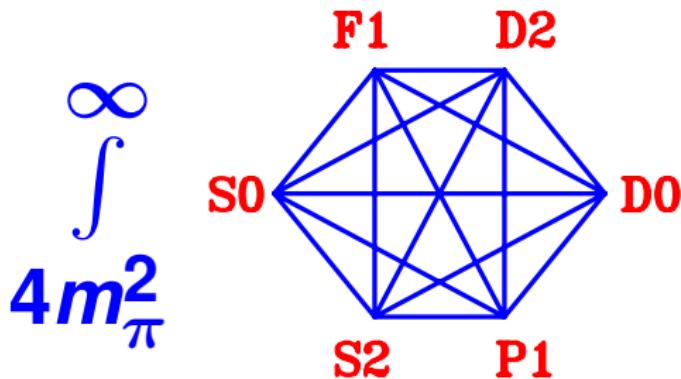
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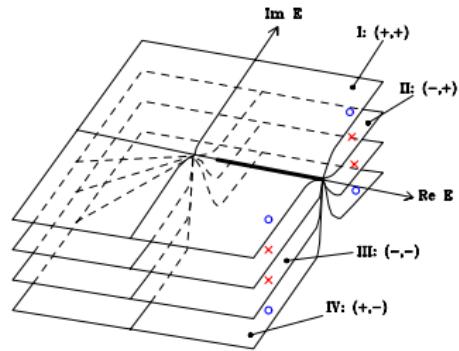
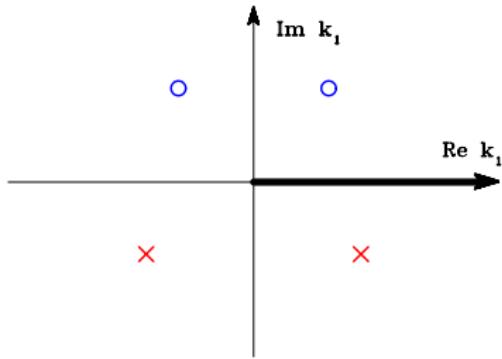
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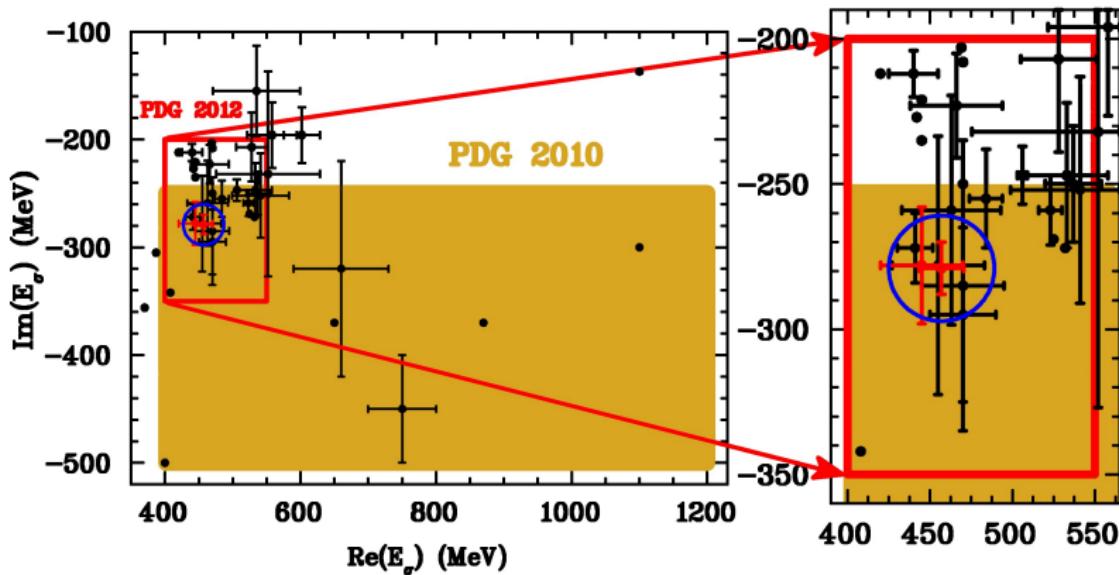
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## Renaissance of the $\sigma$ meson



Before 2012

Citation: C. Amsler *et al.* (Particle Data Group), PL **B667**, 1 (2008) and 2009 partial update for the 2010 edition (URL <http://pdg.lbl.gov>)

Since year 2012

Citation: J. Derninger *et al.* (Particle Data Group), PR **D86**, 010001 (2012) and 2013 p

$f_0(600)$   
or  $\sigma$

$I^G(JPC) = 0^+$

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

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

VALUE (MeV)	DOCUMENT ID	TECN
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$(442^{+5}_{-8}) - i(274^{+6}_{-5})$	5 MOUSSALLAM11
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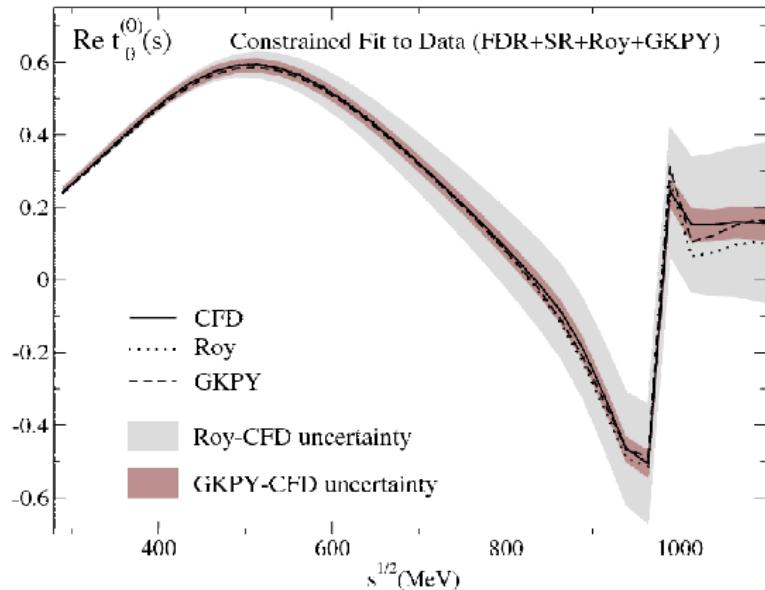
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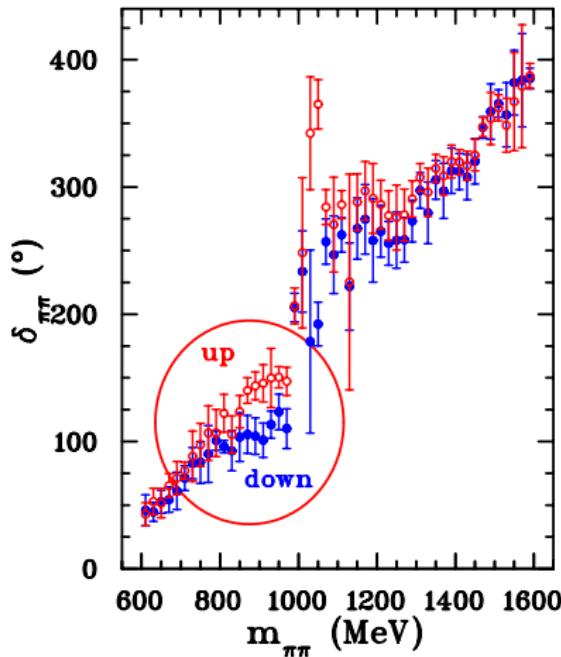


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## $\pi\pi$ amplitudes and the $\sigma$ pole

### Another group - "Bern" group:

H. Leytwyller, J. Gasser, G. Colangelo, I. Caprini: 2001-2011

FAQ: ... for sure your solution is not unique

*The Role of the input in Roy's equations for pi pi scattering*" G. Wanders, Eur. Phys. J. C17 (2000) 323-336

In the abstract:

*An updated survey of known results on the dimension of the manifold of solutions is presented. The solution is unique for a low energy interval with upper end at 800 MeV. We determine its response to small variations of the input: S-wave scattering lengths and absorptive parts above 800 MeV.*

i.e.:

Fixed two boundary conditions for the  $\pi\pi$  amplitude:

- at the threshold (S0 wave scattering length) and
- at 800 MeV

# *precise determination of the pole, its couplings to the $\pi\pi$ channel and amplitude*

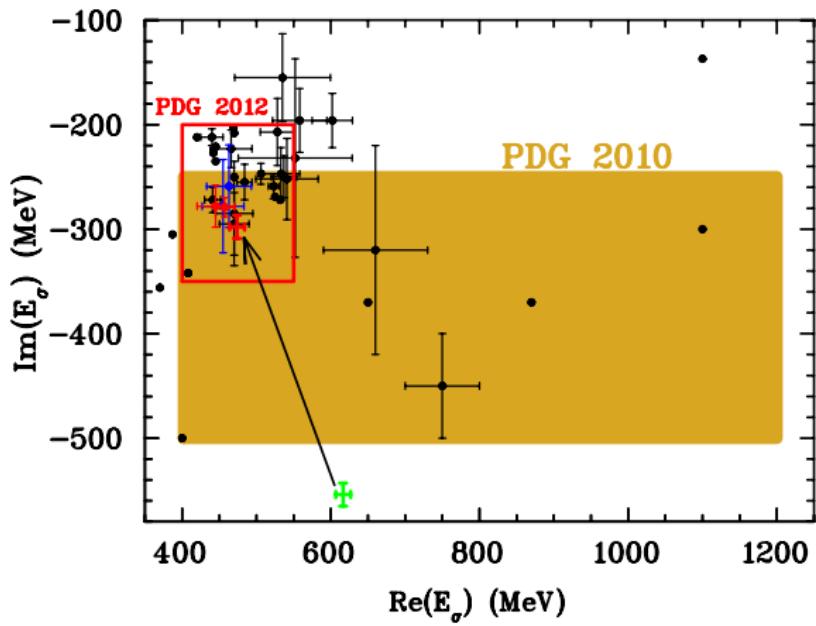
$$g^2 = -16\pi \lim_{s \rightarrow s_{pole}} (s - s_{pole}) t_\ell(s) (2\ell + 1) / (2p)^{2\ell}$$

	$\sqrt{s_{pole}}$ (MeV)	$ g $
$f_0(500)^{\text{GKPY}}$	$(457^{+14}_{-13}) - i(279^{+11}_{-7})$	$3.59^{+0.11}_{-0.13}$ GeV
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$f_0(980)^{\text{GKPY}}$	$(996 \pm 7) - i(25^{+10}_{-6})$	$2.3 \pm 0.2$ GeV
$f_0(980)^{\text{Roy}}$	$(1003^{+5}_{-27}) - i(21^{+10}_{-8})$	$2.5^{+0.2}_{-0.6}$ GeV
$\rho(770)^{\text{GKPY}}$	$(763.7^{+1.7}_{-1.5}) - i(73.2^{+1.0}_{-1.1})$	$6.01^{+0.04}_{-0.07}$
$\rho(770)^{\text{Roy}}$	$(761^{+4}_{-3}) - i(71.7^{+1.9}_{-2.3})$	$5.95^{+0.12}_{-0.08}$

## *S0 scattering length*

- ChPT + Roy eqs (Bern group):  $0.220 \pm 0.005 m_\pi^{-1}$
- GKPY:  $0.220 \pm 0.008 m_\pi^{-1}$

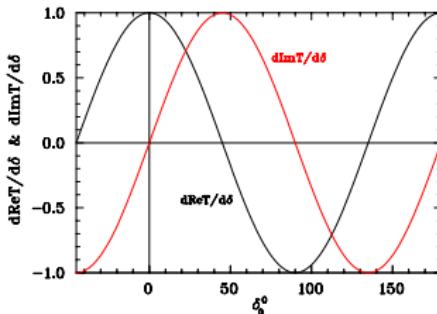
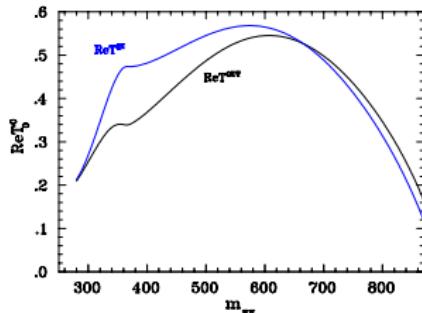
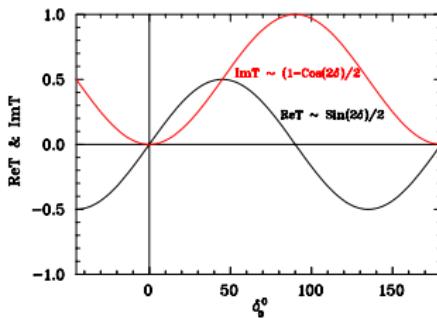
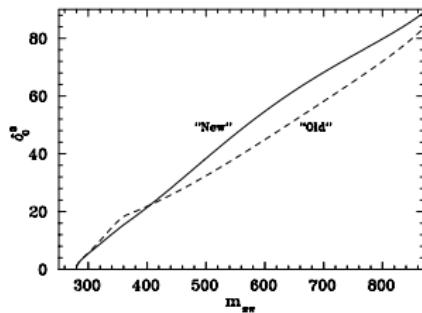
*shift of the  $\sigma$  pole caused by crossing symmetry condition*



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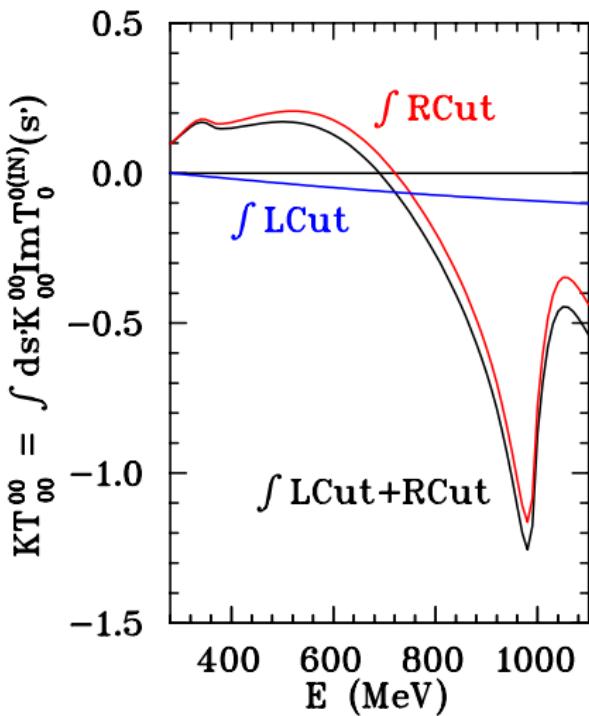
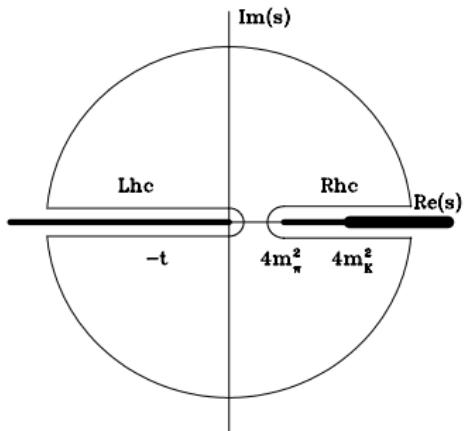
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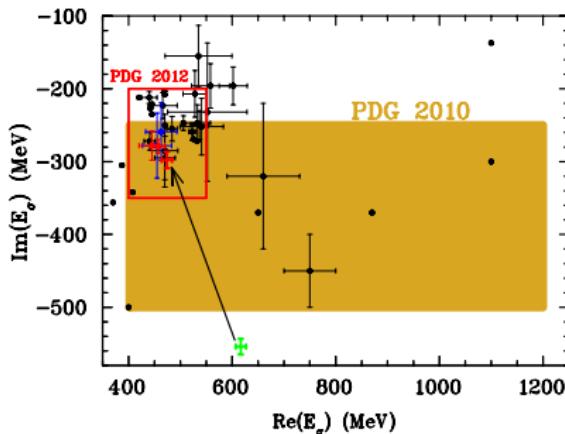


$$\text{shape of the } KT_{00}^{00} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds' K_{\ell\ell'}^{II''}(s, s') \text{Im}t_{\ell'}^{I''(IN)}(s')$$

The shape is given by coefficients in the crossing symmetry matrix  $C_{st}$  and integrated amplitudes. It is produced by the integration along the right cut



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Two things: **trigonometry** and **crossing symmetry algebra** lead to narrower and lighter  $\sigma$ .

**Nothing more and nothing instead of it is needed.**

# What it really can be?

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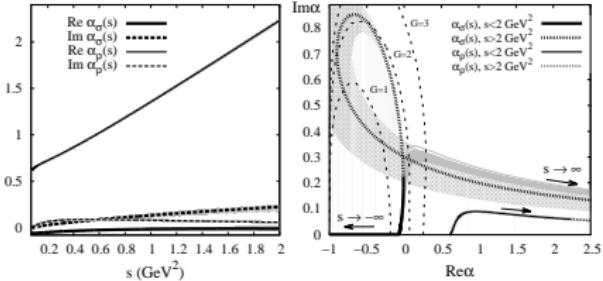


Fig. 1. (Left)  $\alpha_\rho(s)$  and  $\alpha_\sigma(s)$  Regge trajectories, from our constrained Regge-pole amplitudes. (Right)  $\alpha_\sigma(s)$  and  $\alpha_\rho(s)$  in the complex plane. At low and intermediate energies (thick continuous lines), the trajectory of the  $\sigma$  is similar to those of Yukawa potentials  $V(r) = -G a \exp(-r/a)/r$  [8] (thin dashed lines). Beyond 2  $\text{GeV}^2$  we plot our results as thick discontinuous lines because they should be considered just as extrapolations.

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In summary, our formalism and the results for the  $f_0(500)$  explains why the lightest scalar meson has to be excluded from the ordinary linear Regge fits of ordinary mesos.

"The non-ordinary Regge behavior of the  $f_0(500)$  meson"

by

J. R. Pelaez, J. T. Londergan,  
J. Nebreda and A. Szczepaniak

arXiv:1404.6058

## *Conclusions*

- the  $\sigma$  meson is once again alive and is doing well!
- for sure  $\sigma$  is not pure  $q\bar{q}$  meson but perhaps:
  - mixture of the  $q\bar{q}$  and  $\pi\pi$  components,
  - something like "correlated two-pion" state?
- opens a promising area for new analyses of states crucial for the QCD:
  - $f_0(980)$ :  $qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$ ,  $K\bar{K}$  state?,
  - $f_0(1500)$ : lowest  $gg$  state? - look at lattice QCD predictions,
- should help end the debate about the existence of the  $f_0(1370)$ ,
- it should help in precise determination of the CKM matrix elements and in the fight against the isobar model and old habits related with resonances