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Calculation of Regge trajectories of strange resonances and identification of the $\kappa(800)$ as a non-ordinary meson

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Motivation

- Interest in identification of non-ordinary Quark Model states (non $q\bar{q}$?)
- “Easy” if quantum numbers are not $q\bar{q}$ -> Exotics!
- Not so easy for cryptoexotics like light scalars.

Particularly the σ and κ -mesons existence and nature has been debated for several decades

- Hard to tell what a non-ordinary meson resonance is: tetraquark, molecule, glueball... a mixture of all these...
- Classification in terms of SU(3) multiplets complicated by **mixing**.

But “ordinary” $q\bar{q}$ mesons also follow another classification

Regge Theory and Chew-Frautschi Plots

All hadrons are classified in almost linear (J, M^2) trajectories

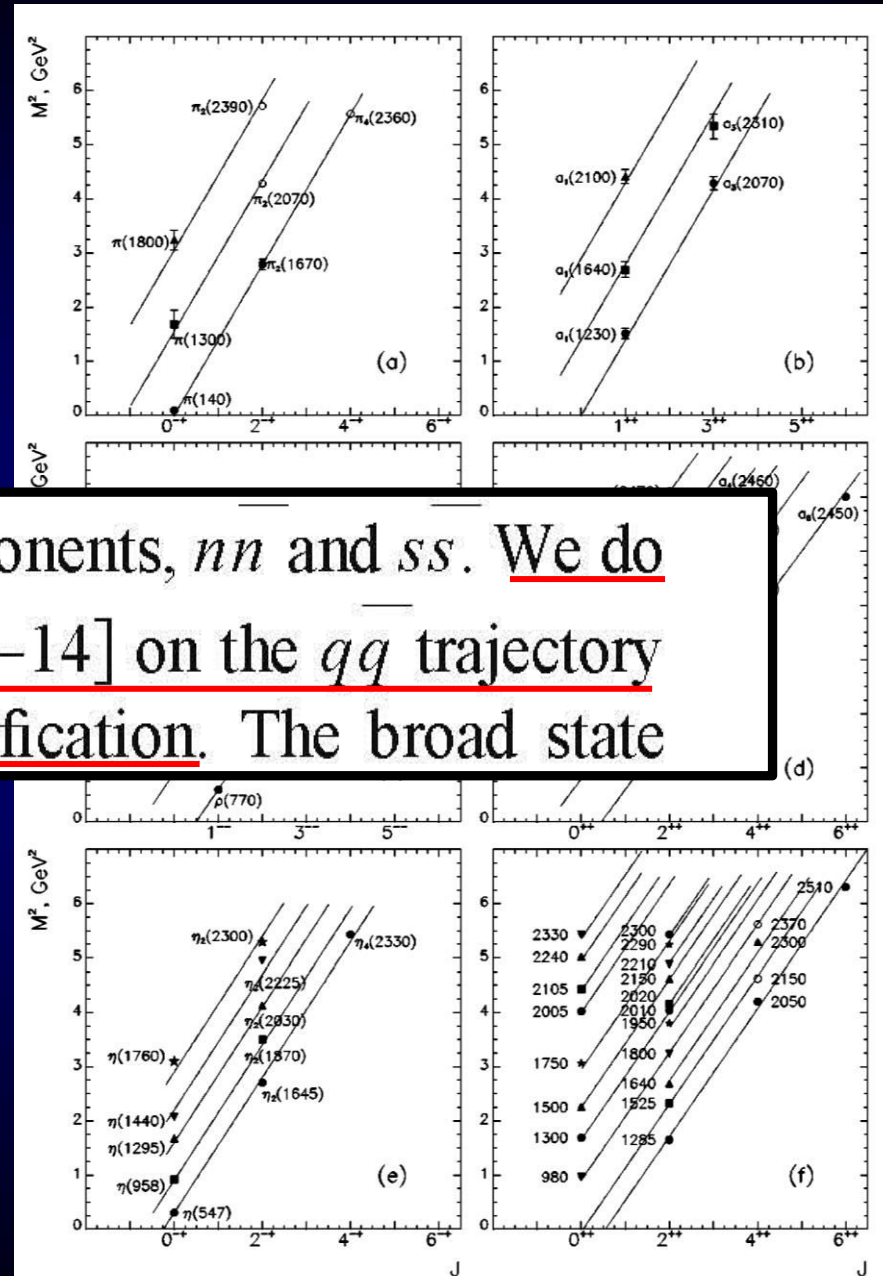
Intuitively like a quark-antiquark pair confined at the ends of a string-like/flux-tube configuration.

ALL OF THEM? Not quite...

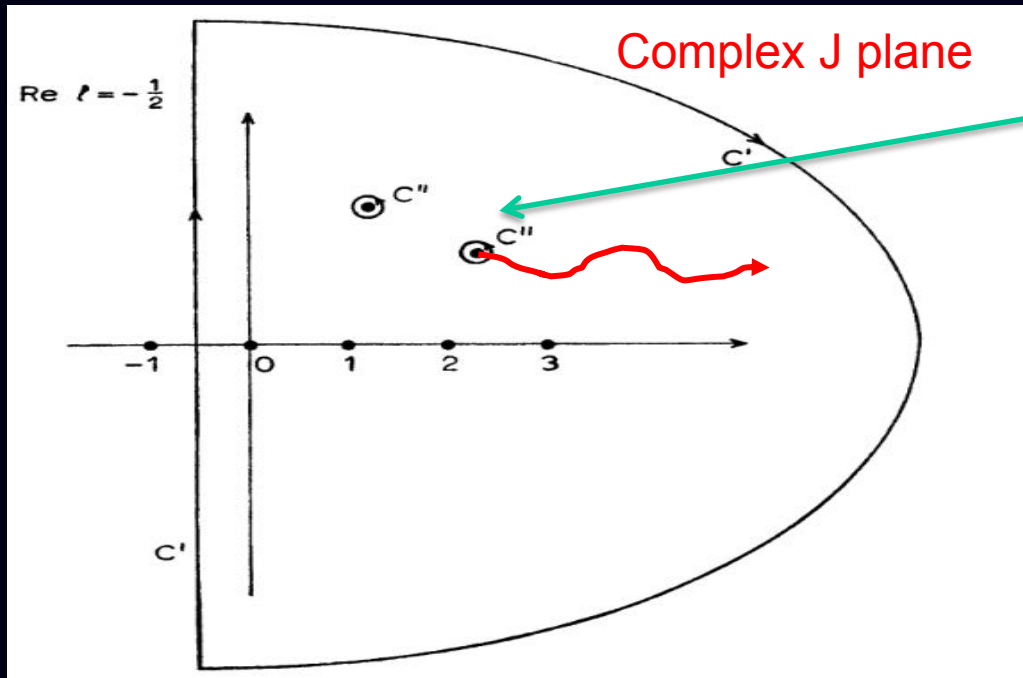
are doubled due to two flavor components, nn and ss . We do not put the enigmatic σ meson [11–14] on the qq trajectory supposing σ is alien to this classification. The broad state

And the $K_0^*(800)$ is NOT EVEN MENTIONED

Actually DIFFERENT INTERACTIONS MAY GIVE RISE TO DIFFERENT REGGE TRAJECTORIES



Amplitudes dominated by a Regge pole



Regge poles:

In complex J plane move with s

Position $\alpha(s)$

Residue $\beta(s)$

Re $\alpha(s)$ is what you know from textbooks

The contribution of a single Regge pole to a partial wave, is shown to be

$$f(J, s) = \hat{f} + \frac{\beta(s)}{J - \alpha(s)}$$

“background” regular function.

Assumption: WE WILL AVOID IT in our cases by going to the pole

Moreover, for meson-meson scattering:

- Unitarity condition on the real axis implies

$$\text{Im } \alpha(s) = \rho(s)\beta(s)$$

$$\rho(s) = \sqrt{1 - 4m_\pi^2/s}$$

- Further properties of $\beta(s)$

threshold behavior

$$\beta(s) = \frac{\hat{s}^{\alpha(s)}}{\Gamma(\alpha(s) + \frac{3}{2})} \gamma(s)$$

$$\hat{s} = \frac{s - 4m^2}{\tilde{s}}$$

suppress poles
of full amplitude

$$(2\alpha + 1)P_\alpha(z_s) \sim \Gamma(\alpha + \frac{3}{2})$$

analytic function:

$\beta(s)$ real on real axis

\Rightarrow phase of $Y(s)$ known

\Rightarrow Omnès-type disp. relation

Parametrization of Regge pole dominated amplitudes

(Already presented in ExcitedQCD2014)

The trajectory and residue should satisfy these integral equations:

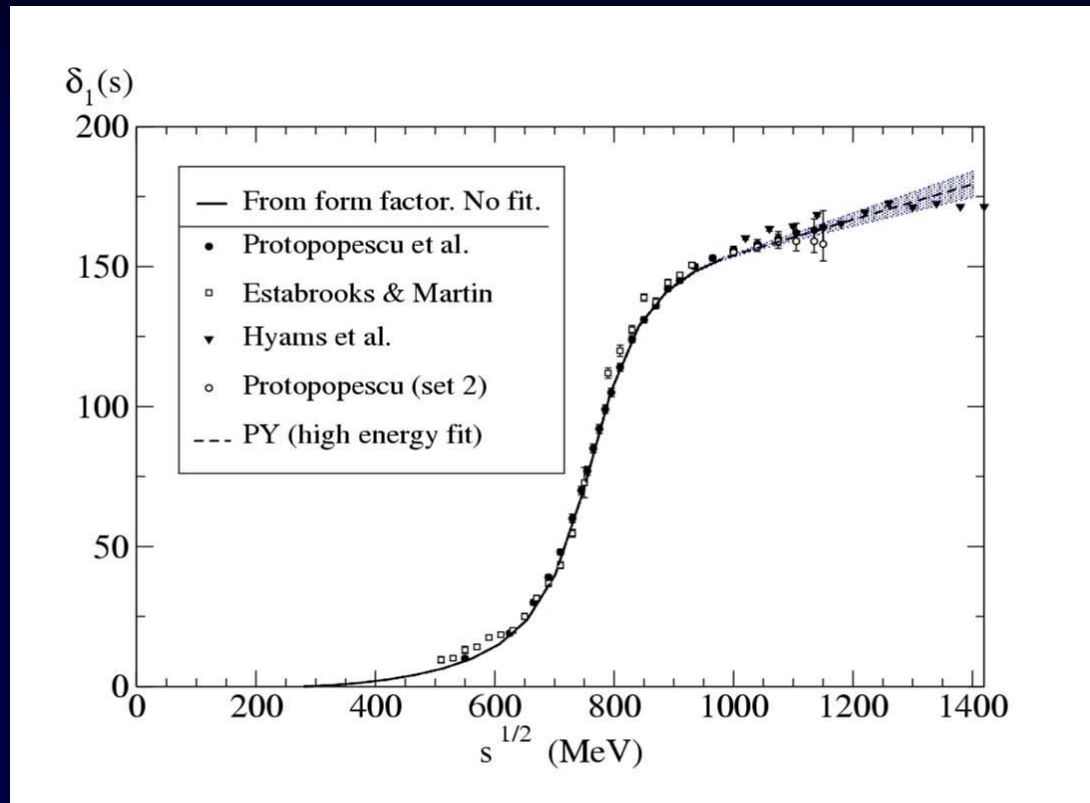
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Re}\alpha(s) &= \alpha_0 + \alpha' s + \frac{s}{\pi} PV \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im}\alpha(s')}{s'(s' - s)}, \\ \text{Im}\alpha(s) &= \rho(s) b_0 \frac{\hat{s}^{\alpha_0 + \alpha' s}}{|\Gamma(\alpha(s) + \frac{3}{2})|} \exp(-\alpha' s [1 - \log(\alpha' \tilde{s})]) \\ &+ \frac{s}{\pi} PV \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im}\alpha(s') \log \frac{\hat{s}}{\hat{s}'} + \arg \Gamma(\alpha(s') + \frac{3}{2})}{s'(s' - s)}\end{aligned}$$

Different interactions have different constants

In the scalar case a slight modification is introduced (Adler zero)

Constants fixed by forcing the amplitude to have

THE POLE AND RESIDUE OF THE DESIRED RESONANCE

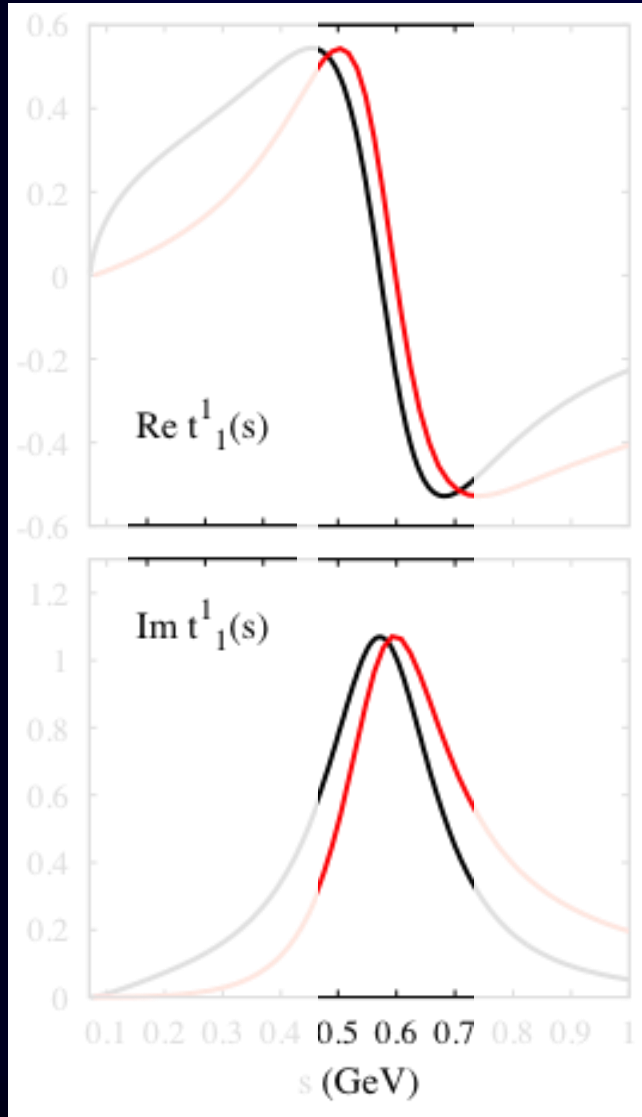


● INPUT for our purposes: **The ρ pole:**

$$\rho_{pole} \approx 763_{-1.5}^{+1.7} - i73.2_{-1.1}^{+1.0} \text{ MeV}$$

$$|g| = 6.01_{-0.07}^{+0.04}$$

Results: ρ case ($l = 1, J = 1$)



We (black) recover a fair representation of the partial wave, in agreement with the GKPY amplitude (red)

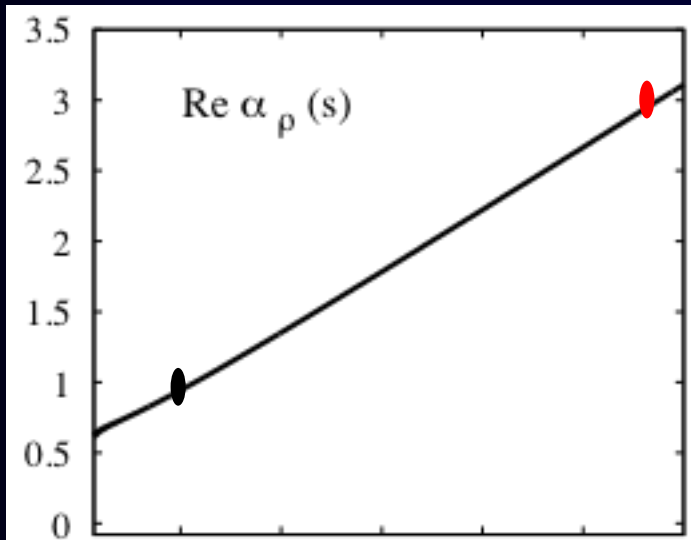
Neglecting the “background” vs. Regge pole gives a 10-15% error.

Particularly in the resonance region

Fair enough to look for the Regge trajectory

Results: ρ case ($l = 1, J = 1$)

We get a prediction for the ρ Regge trajectory, which is almost real



This is a “prediction” for the whole tower of $\rho(770)$ Regge partners:

$\rho(1690)$
 $\rho(2350)$

....

the **LINEAR** behavior
is a **RESULT**

Almost LINEAR $\alpha(s) \sim \alpha_0 + \alpha' s$

intercept $\alpha_0 = 0.520 \pm 0.002$

slope $\alpha' = 0.902 \pm 0.004 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

Previous studies from FITS:

[1] $\alpha_0 = 0.5$

[1] $\alpha' = 0.83 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

[2] $\alpha_0 = 0.52 \pm 0.02$

[2] $\alpha' = 0.9 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

[3] $\alpha_0 = 0.450 \pm 0.005$

[4] $\alpha' = 0.87 \pm 0.06 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$

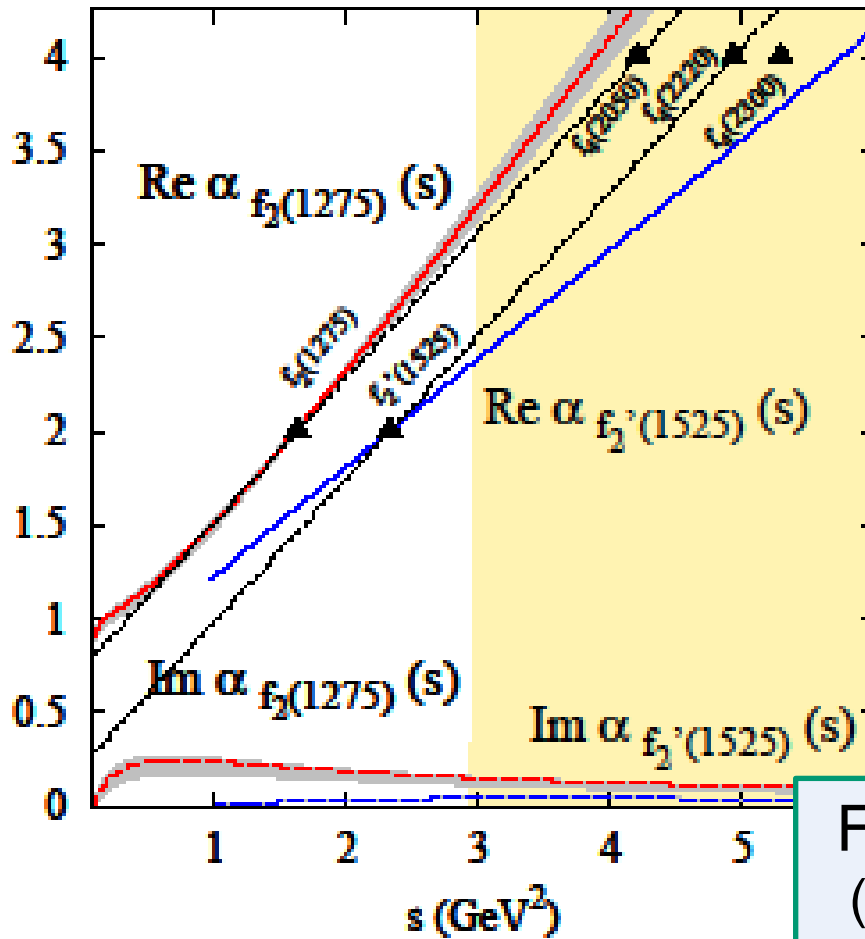
Remarkably consistent with the literature!!,
(taking into account our approximations)

$f_2(1275)$ and $f_2'(1525)$ cases ($l = 0, J = 2$)

Almost elastic: $f_2(1275)$ BR ($\pi \pi$) = 85% and $f_2'(1525)$ BR(KK)=90%.

Solving the integral equations we “predict” again:

Almost real and LINEAR $\alpha(s) \sim \alpha_0 + \alpha' s$



For the $f_2(1275)$

$$\alpha_0 = 0.9^{+0.2}_{-0.3}$$

$$\alpha' = 0.7^{+0.3}_{-0.2} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

For the $f_2'(1525)$

$$\alpha_0 = 0.53^{+0.10}_{-0.44}$$

$$\alpha' = 0.63^{+0.20}_{-0.06} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

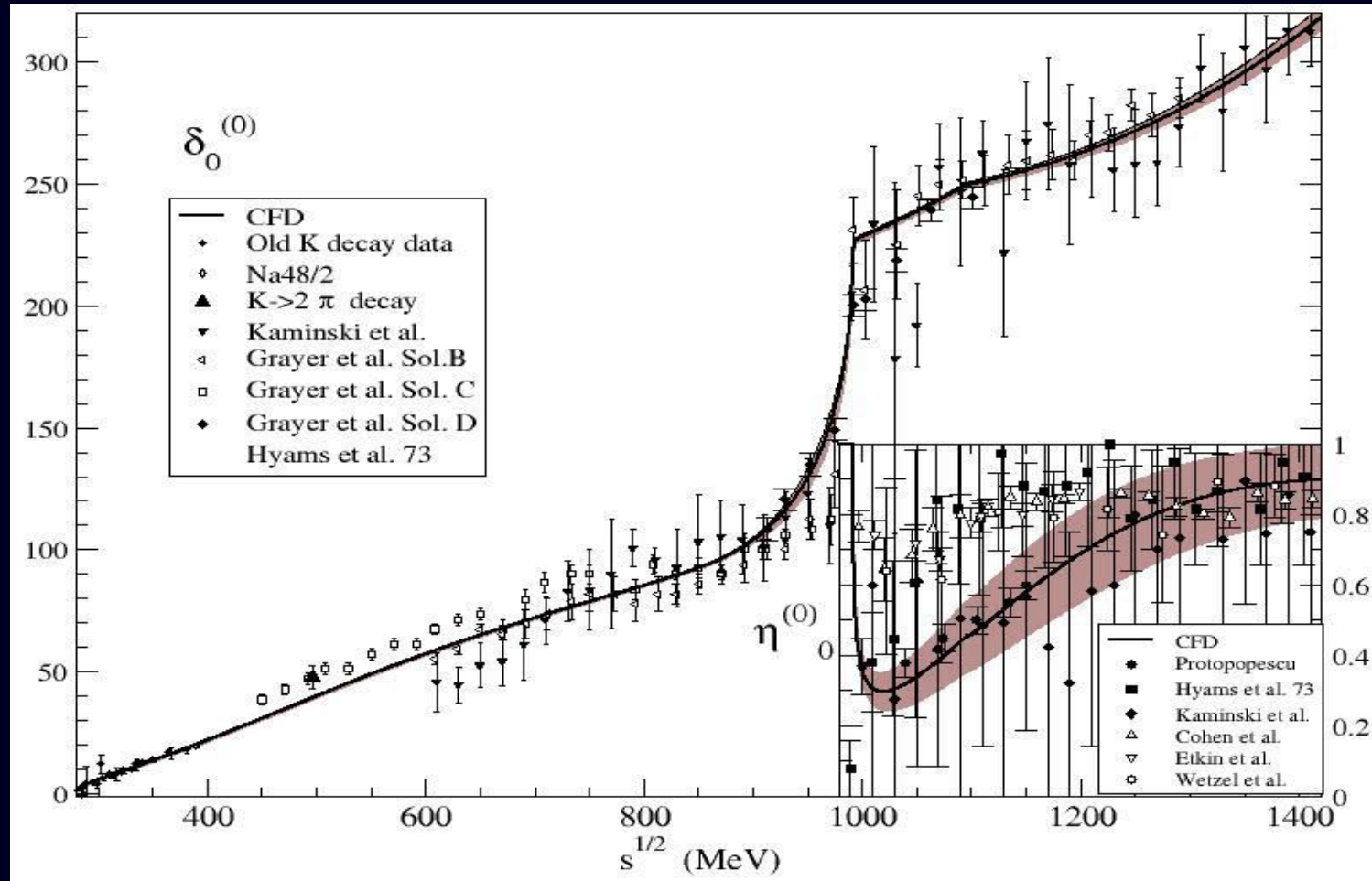
Fair agreement with the literature!!
 (taking into account our approximations)
Remember this is NOT a fit!!

The “prediction” for the rho trajectory was known since the 70’s, we have just updated it and obtained new “predictions” for the f_2 and f_2'

So, once we have checked that our approach predicts the established Regge trajectories just from the pole position and residue...

What about the $\sigma/f_0(500)$?

INPUT: Analytic continuation to the complex plane of a dispersive analysis of data

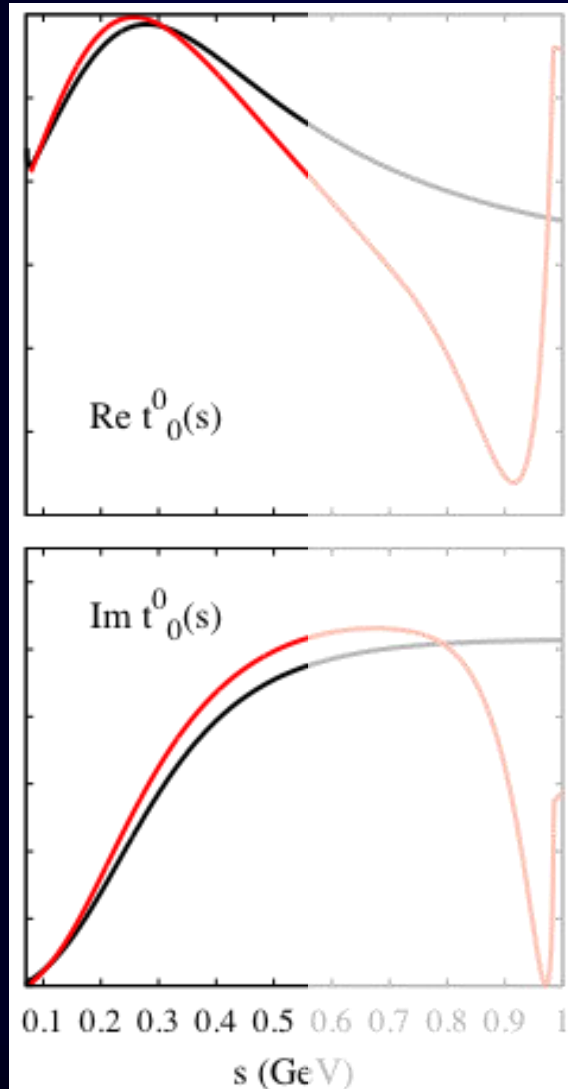


INPUT for our purposes: The σ pole:

$$(457_{-15}^{+14}) - i(279_{-7}^{+11}) \text{ MeV}$$

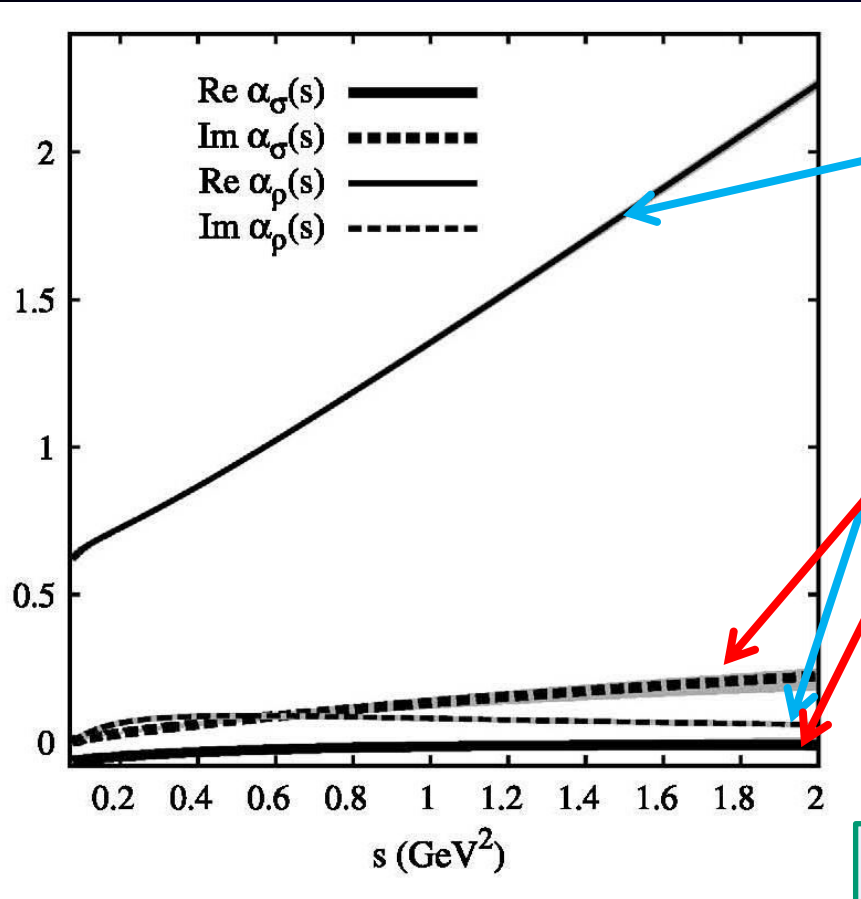
$$|g| = 3.59_{-0.13}^{+0.11} \text{ GeV}$$

Results: σ case ($l = 0, J = 0$)



Somewhat better agreement in the resonance region of the Regge pole dominated amplitude with the dispersive amplitude.

So, we apply a similar procedure but now for the $f_0(500)$



Ordinary $\rho(770)$ trajectory

$$\alpha_0 = 0.52 \quad \alpha' = 0.913 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

The $\sigma/f_0(500)$ trajectory is **not real** and much smaller

$$\alpha_\sigma(0) = -0.090^{+0.004}_{-0.012},$$

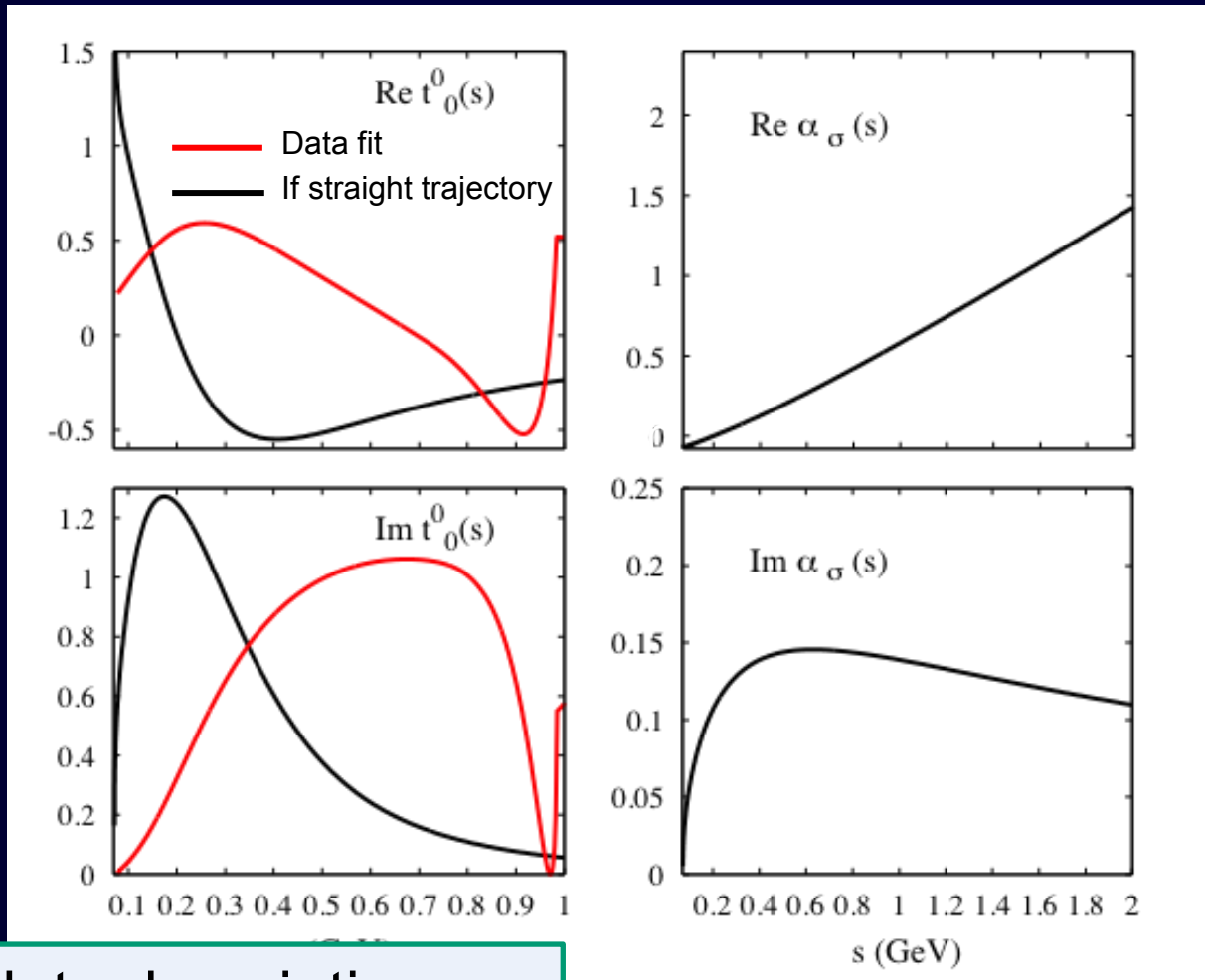
$$\alpha'_\sigma \simeq 0.002^{+0.050}_{-0.001} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

The σ trajectory is **NOT** ordinary
No evident Regge partners

Much flatter than other hadrons.
Meson physics involved? F_π , m_π ?

Results: σ case ($l = 0, J = 0$)

IF WE INSISTED in fixing the α' to an “ordinary” value $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ and the trajectory to a straight line...

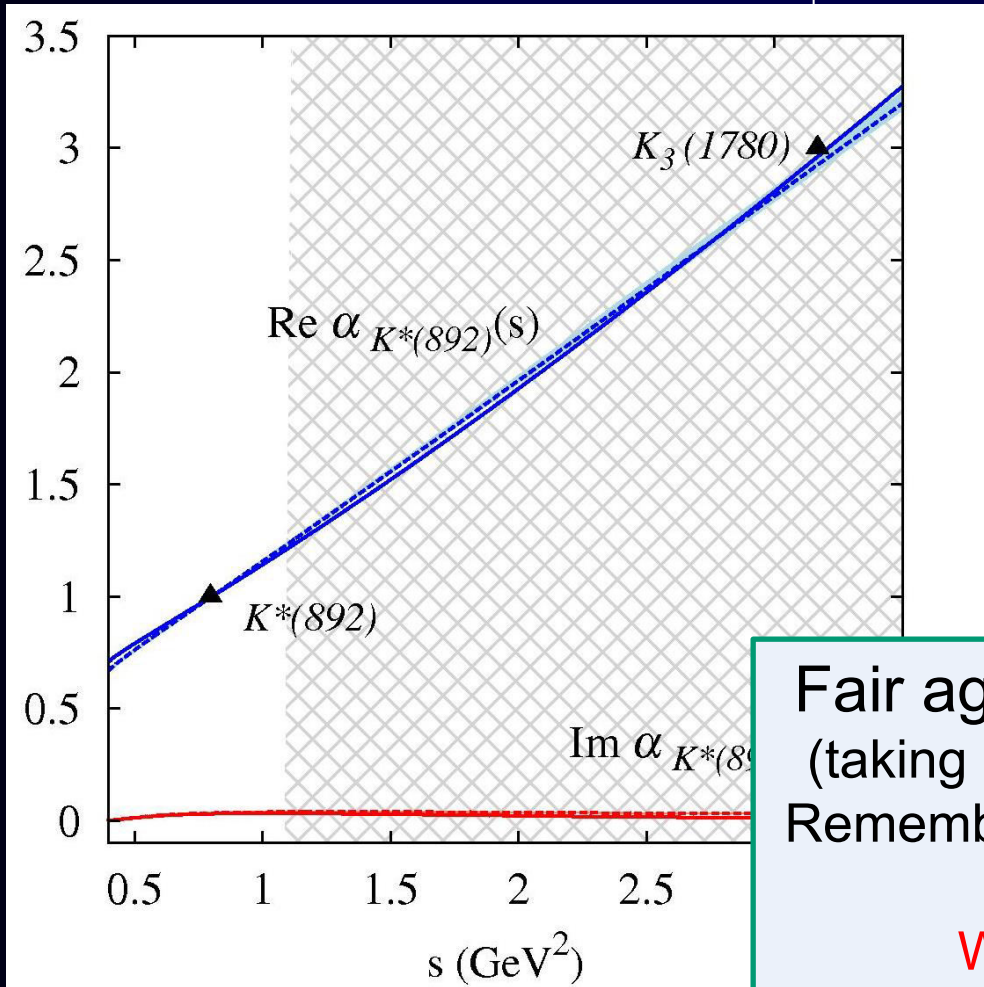


The data description would be severely spoilt

And now the trajectories with strangeness

Very elastic to $K\pi$. Different masses now. Slight modification
Solving the integral equations we “predict” again:

Almost real and LINEAR $\alpha(s) \sim \alpha_0 + \alpha' s$



For the $K^*(892)$

$$\alpha_0 = 0.32 \pm 0.01 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

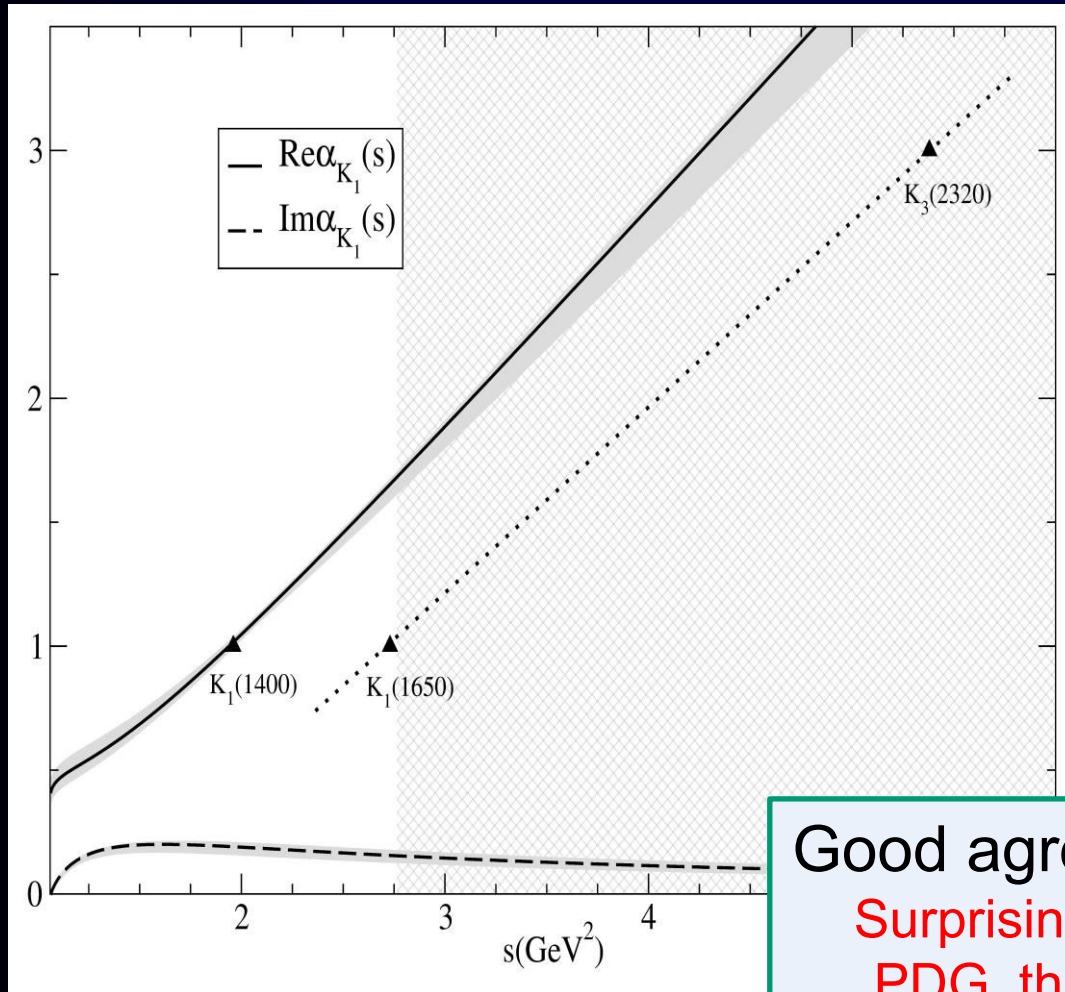
$$\alpha' = 0.83 \pm 0.01$$

Fair agreement with the literature!!
(taking into account our approximations)
Remember **this is NOT a fit** to the tower of resonances!!
We only fit the $K^*(892)$ pole
Impressive prediction of $K_3^*(1780)$

The $K_1(1400)$ case ($I = 1/2, J = 1$)

Very elastic to $K^*\pi$, $BR=94\pm 6\%$. Decays to a resonance+pion

Solving the integral equations we “predict” again:



Almost real and LINEAR

$$\alpha(s) \sim \alpha_0 + \alpha' s$$

For the $K_1(1400)$

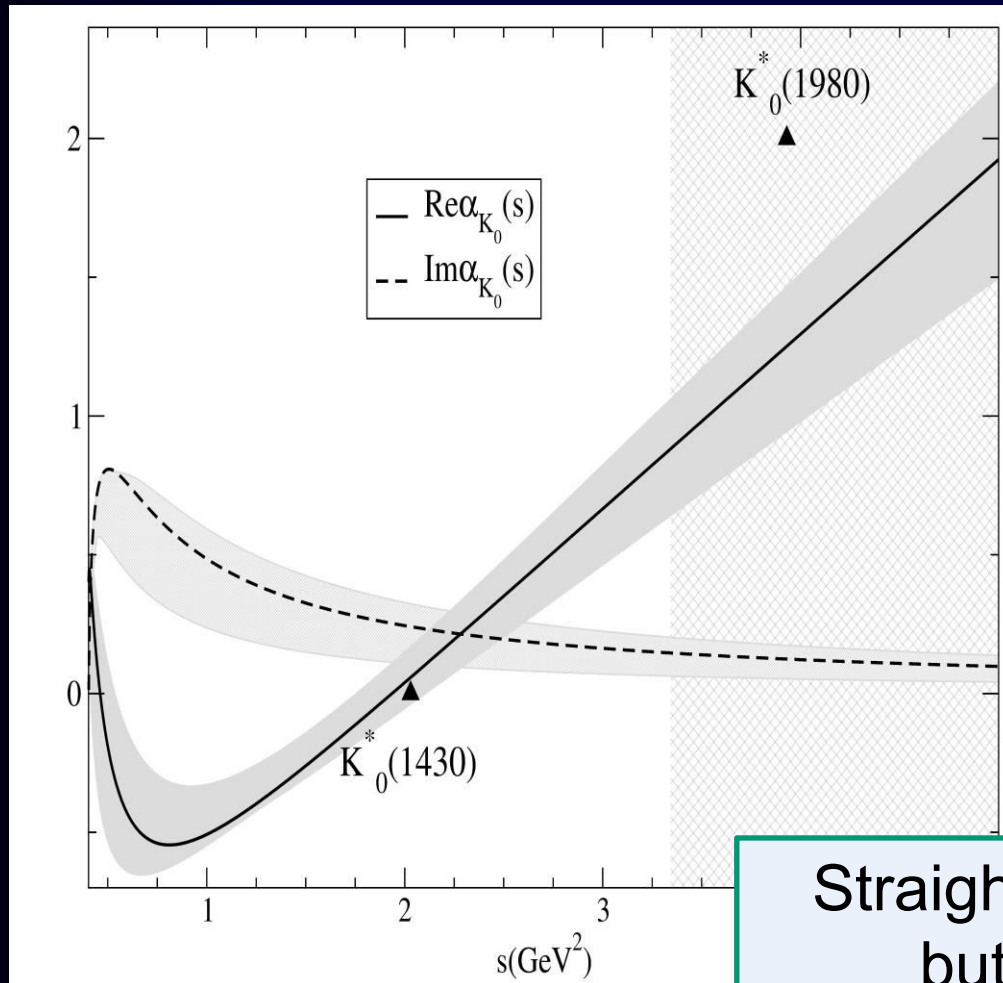
$$\alpha_0 = -0.72 + 0.13 - 0.03$$

$$\alpha' = 0.90 \pm 0.01 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

Good agreement with universal slope

Surprisingly there is no candidate in the PDG, the nearest one fits better in the $K_1^*(1650)$ trajectory

Quite elastic to $K\pi$, $BR=93\pm 10\%$. Many models predict quark-antiquark with sizable mixing to $K\pi$. Solving the integral equations we “predict” again:



LINEAR real part around resonance
 $\alpha(s) \sim \alpha_0 + \alpha' s$

For the $K_0^*(1400)$

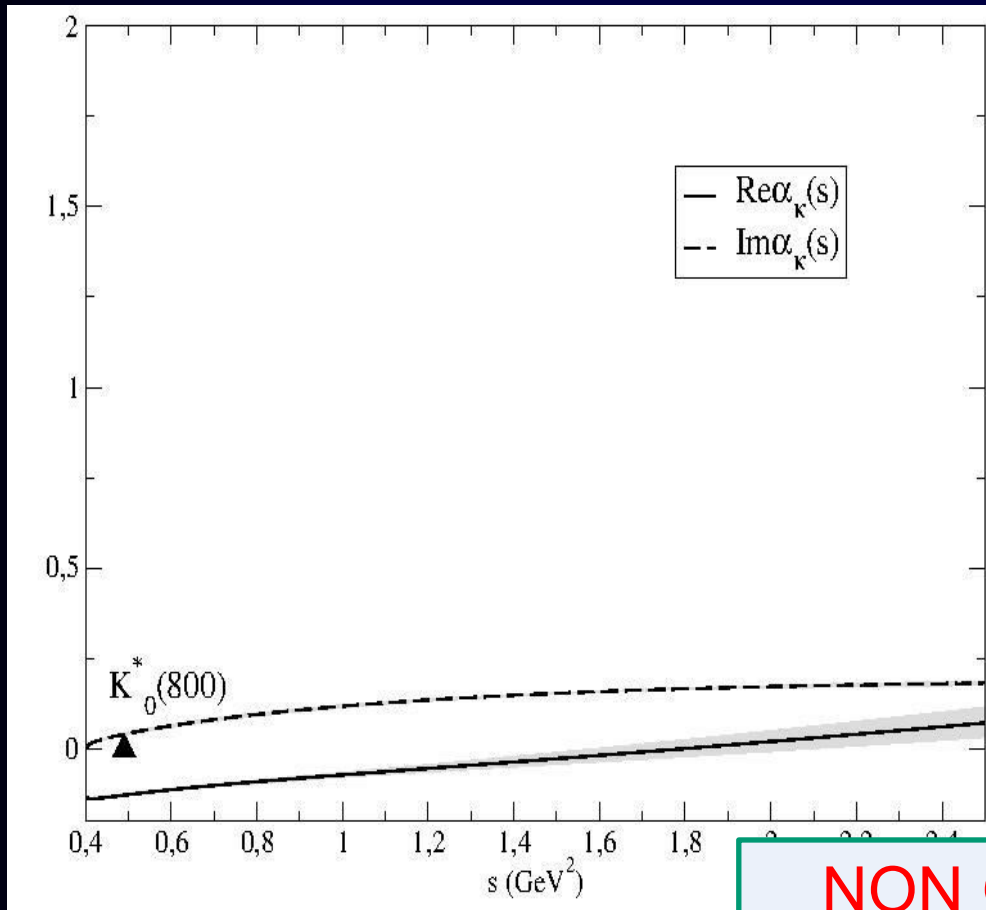
$$\alpha_0 = -0.76 + 0.21 - 0.10$$

$$\alpha' = 0.62 \pm 0.10 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

Straight line in applicability region
but slope somewhat small
(mixing?)

Elastic to $K\pi$. Cryptoexotic candidate

Solving the integral equations we “predict”:



Trajectory far from real,
Very small
Real part NON-linear

For the $K_0^*(800)$

$$\alpha_0 = -0.28 \pm 0.02$$

$$\alpha' = 0.16 \pm 0.03 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

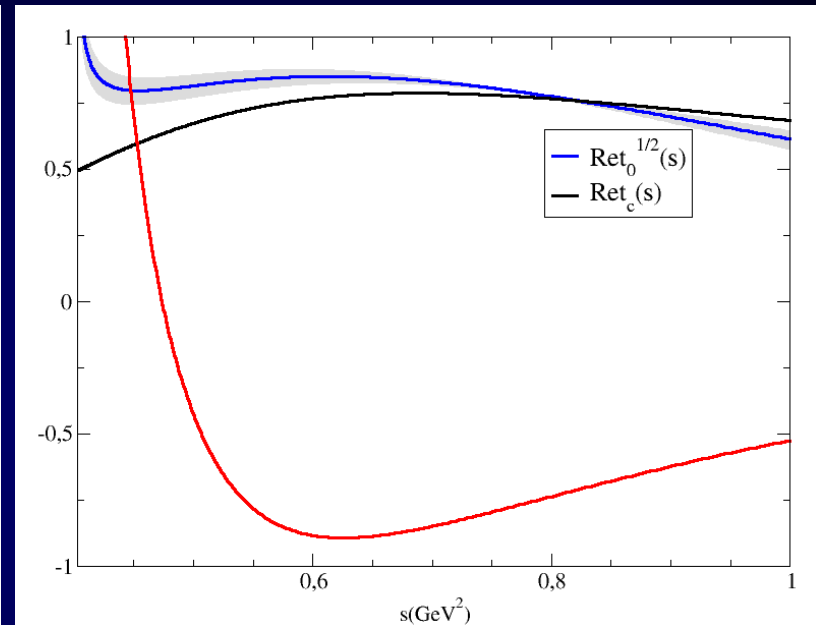
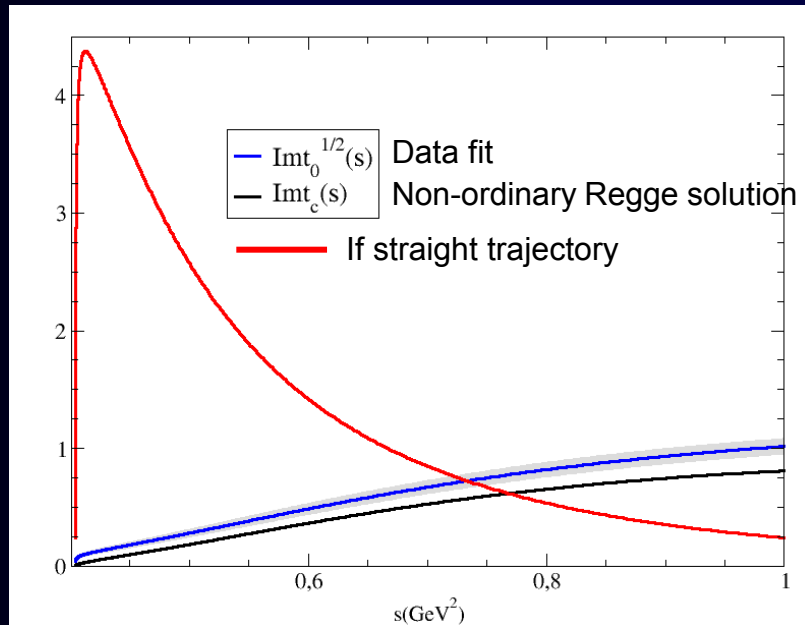
NON ORDINARY TRAJECTORY

Not real, not linear

Scales smaller than usual

Results: κ case ($l = 1/2, J = 0$)

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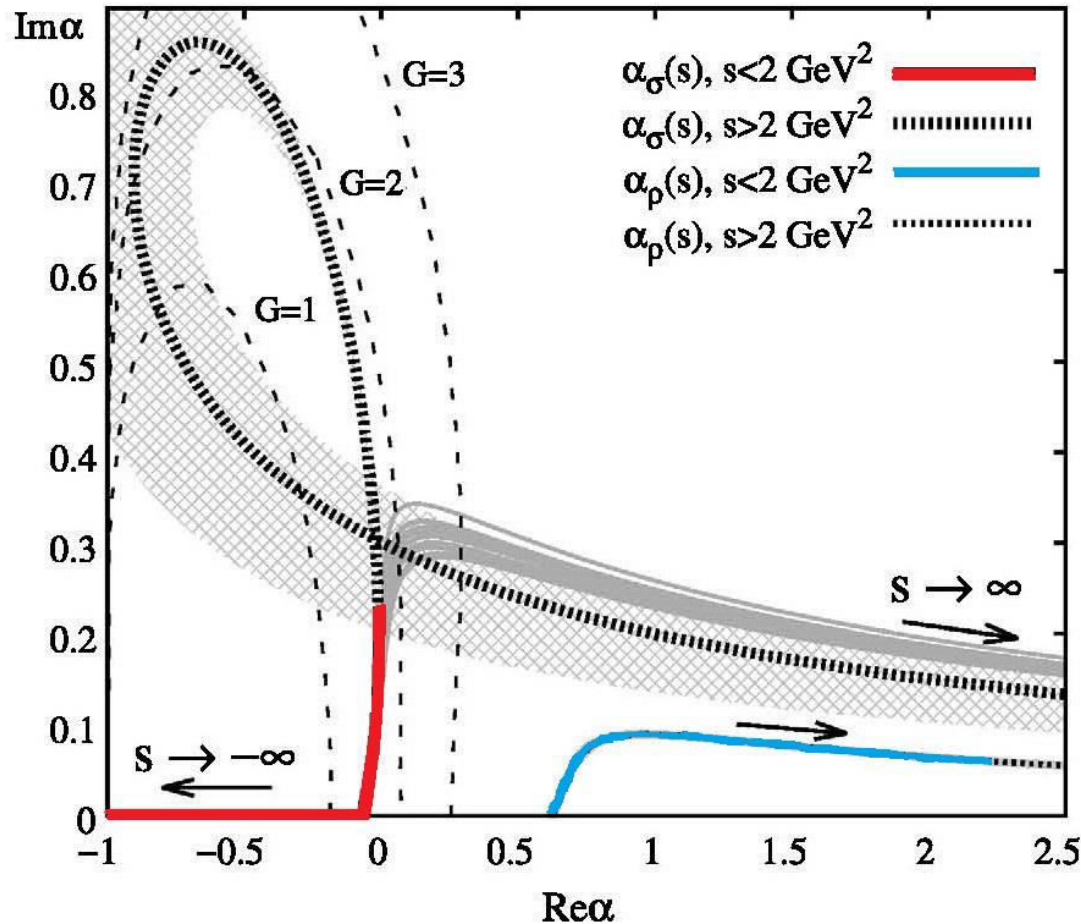
The data description
would be severely spoilt

If not-ordinary...

What then?
Can we identify the dynamics of the scalar
trajectories?

Not quite yet... but...

Plotting the trajectories in the complex J plane



Striking similarity with Yukawa potentials at low energy: $V(r) = -Ga \exp(-r/a)/r$

Our result is mimicked with $a = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$ to compare with S-wave $\pi\pi$ scattering length 1.6 GeV^{-1}

“a” rather small !!!

Non-ordinary σ trajectory

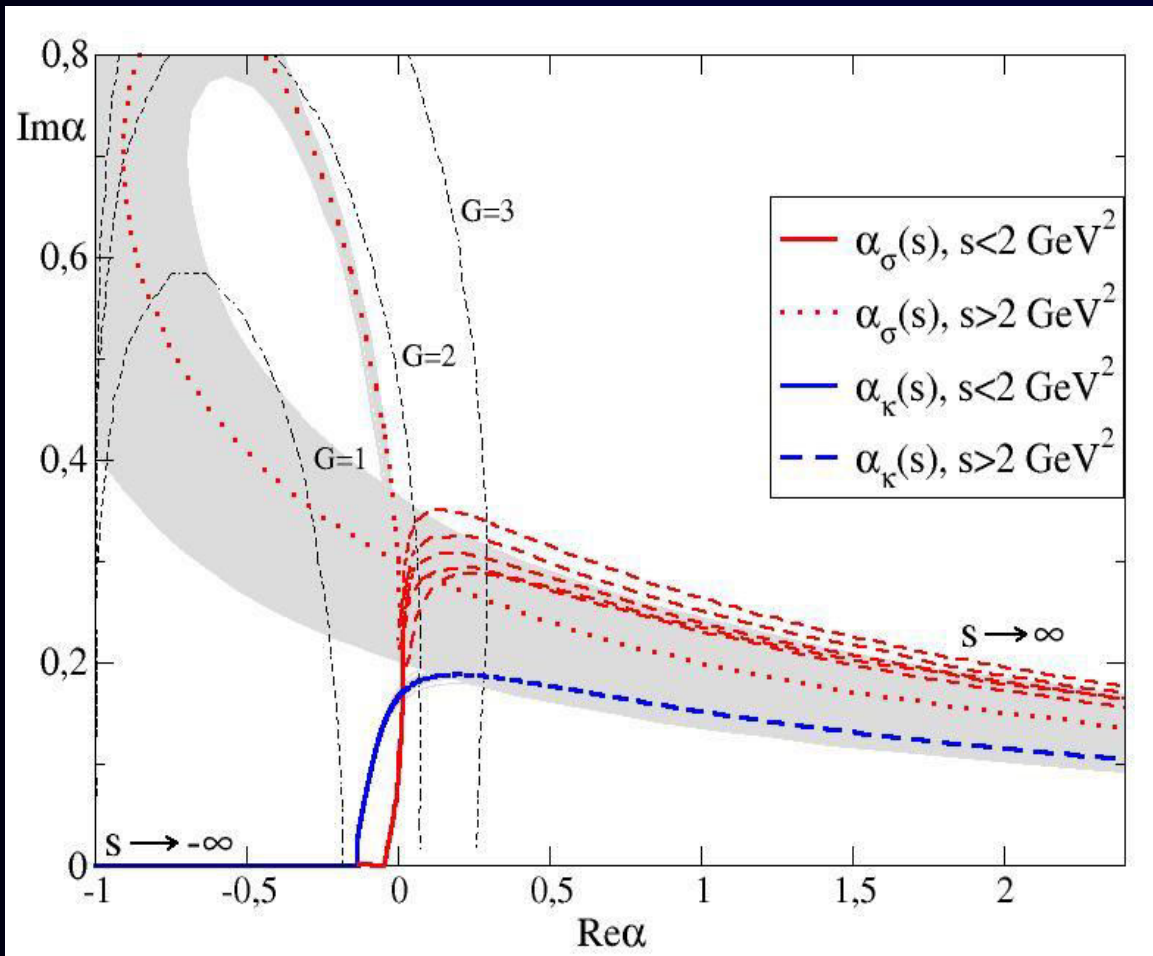
The extrapolation of our trajectory also follows a Yukawa but deviates at very high energy

Ordinary ρ trajectory

The extrapolation of our trajectory also follows a Yukawa but deviates at very high energy

Results: κ case ($l = 1/2, J = 0$)

For the kappa we find a very similar behavior to the sigma:



Compared to:
 $V(r) = -Ga \exp(-r/a)/r$

Similar order of
 magnitude for
 range

$$a_{\pi\pi} = 0.5 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

$$a_{\pi\kappa} = 0.33 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

$$a_{\pi\pi} / a_{\pi\kappa} \sim 1.52$$

Maybe a_{MM} scales as
 inverse of reduced mass

$$\mu_{\pi\kappa} / \mu_{\pi\pi} = 1.57$$

- Analytic constraints on Regge trajectories as integral equations.
- Consistent treatment of the width
- Regge trajectory from pole position and residue of isolated resonance.

- $\rho(770)$, $f_2(1270)$, $f_2'(1525)$, $K^*(892)$, $K_1^*(1400)$, trajectories: COME OUT LINEAR, with universal parameters. The $K_0^*(1430)$ linear but somewhat low.

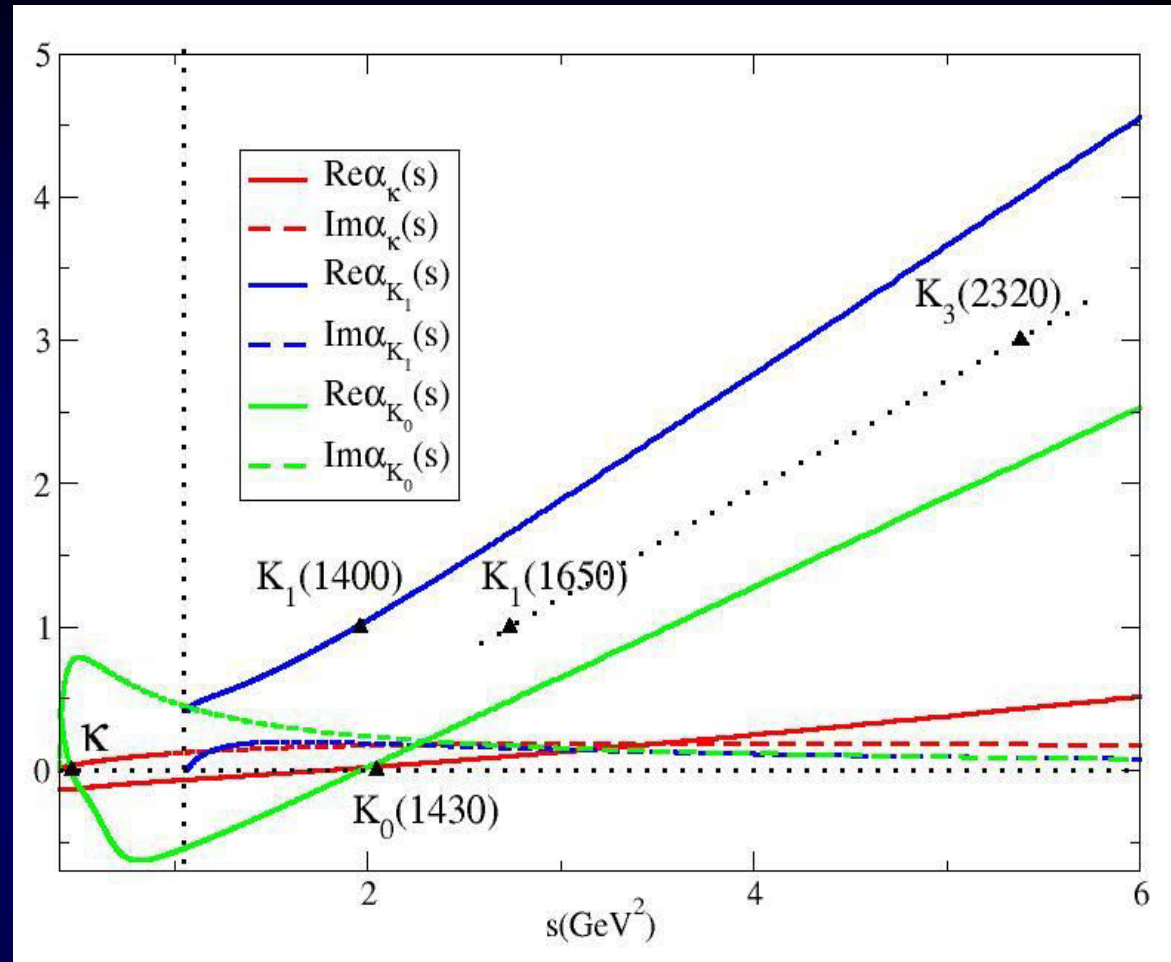
- σ and $K_0^*(800)$ trajectories: NON-LINEAR.
 - Trajectory slope **much smaller than the universal one**
 - No evident partners.
- If forced to be linear with universal slope, data description ruined
- At low energies, striking similarities with Yukawa potential trajectories

SPARE SIDES

We can compare the kappa with other strange resonances

The $K_1(1400)$ quasi elastic to $K^*\pi$ behaves as normal meson

The $K^*(1430)$ which ALMOST behaves as a normal meson but slope a little bit small (mixing?)



THE KAPPA DOES NOT BEHAVE AS a NORMAL MESON

behaves like the sigma

Is linearity due to the two subtractions and a small width?
... if we neglect $\text{Im } \alpha$...

$$\text{Re}\alpha(s) = \alpha_0 + \alpha' s + \frac{s}{\pi} PV \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im}\alpha(s')}{s'(s' - s)},$$

...and we get a straight line

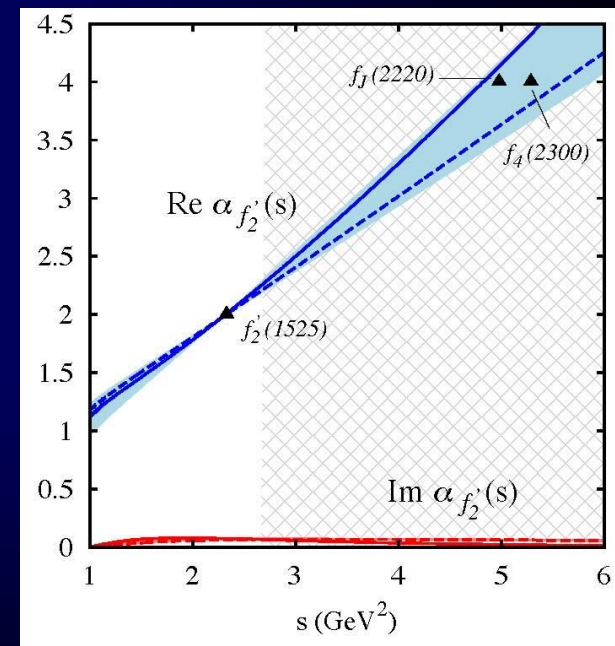
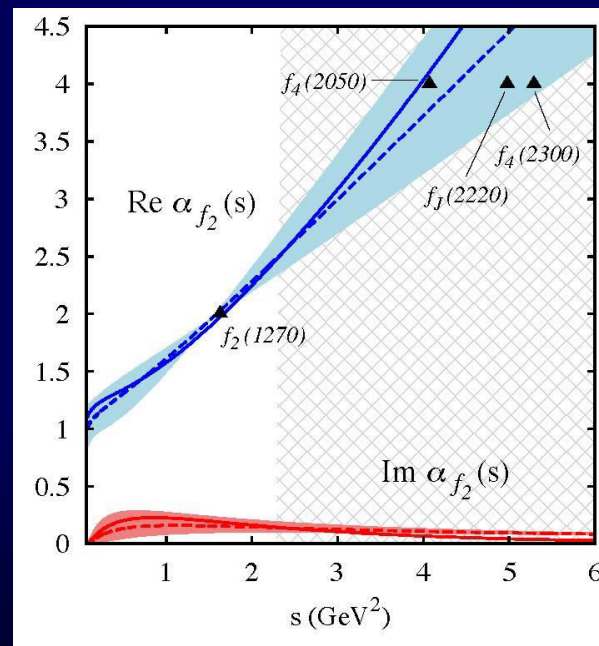
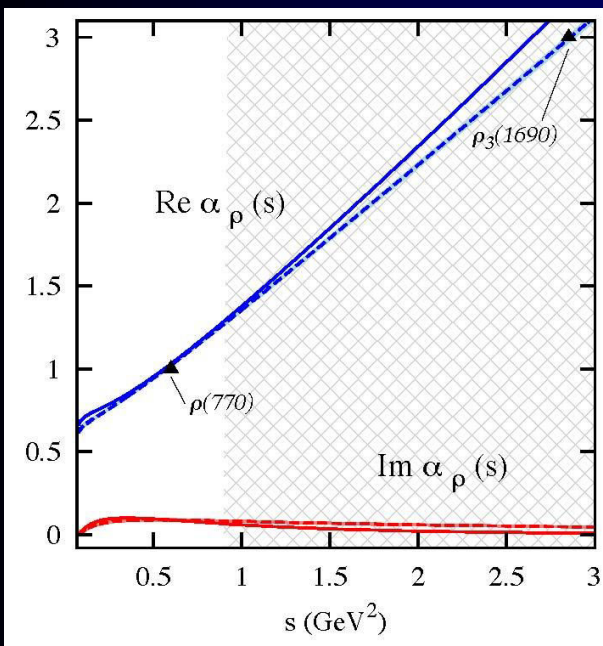
So, we have also made three subtractions. Thus if we neglect $\text{Im } \alpha$...

$$\text{Re}\alpha(s) = \alpha_0 + \alpha' s + \alpha'' s^2 + \frac{s^2}{\pi} PV \int_{4m^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im}\alpha(s')}{s'^2 (s' - s)},$$

...and we would naturally find a parabola

The fit to the pole parameters does not improve

The results barely change in the region of applicability. The trajectories are still almost a straight line and the slope at the resonance mass is almost identical



Introduction: Regge trajectories

Particles on each trajectory are somehow related by similar dynamics

“Ordinary” mesons, usually identified as $q\bar{q}$ states, well accommodated within linear Regge trajectories

...and so do “ordinary” qqq baryons

Naively this is understood from a “confining” interaction like a rotating rod and then flux tubes, stringy structures, etc...

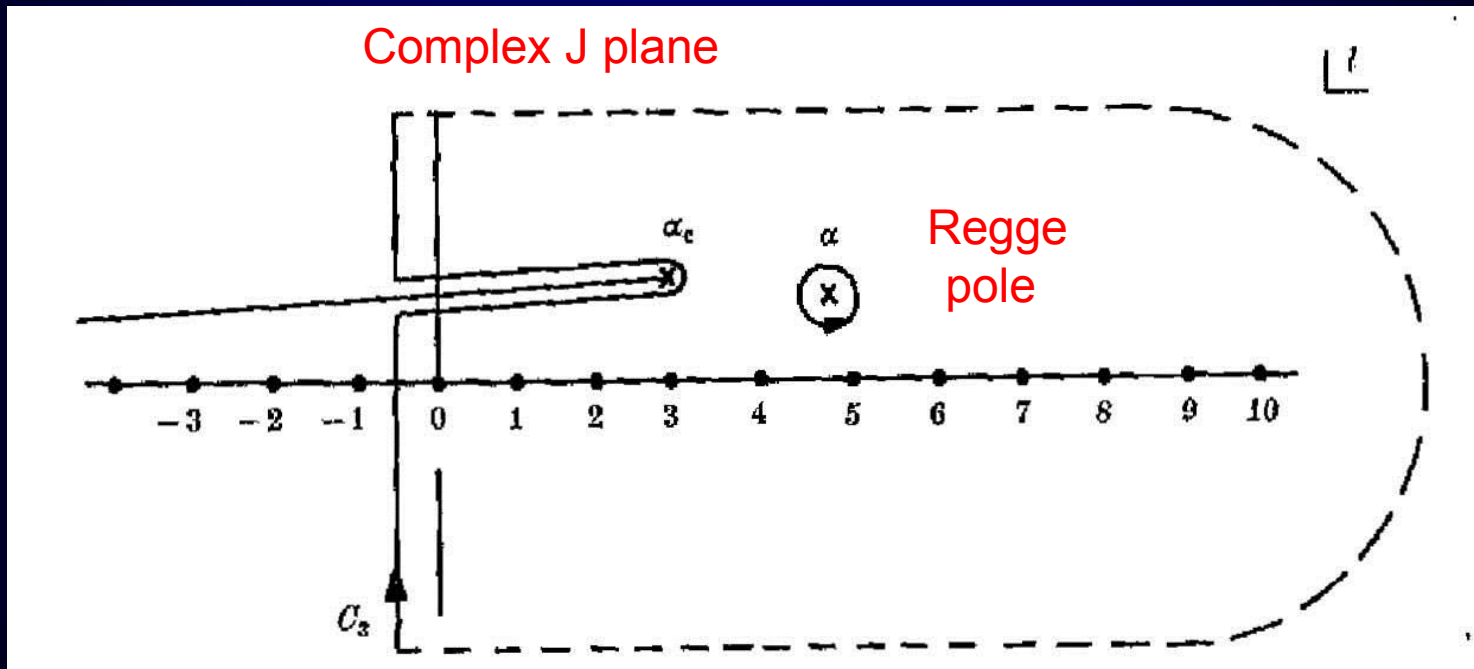
But if other resonances have different nature...

.... they do not have to fit well in this scheme

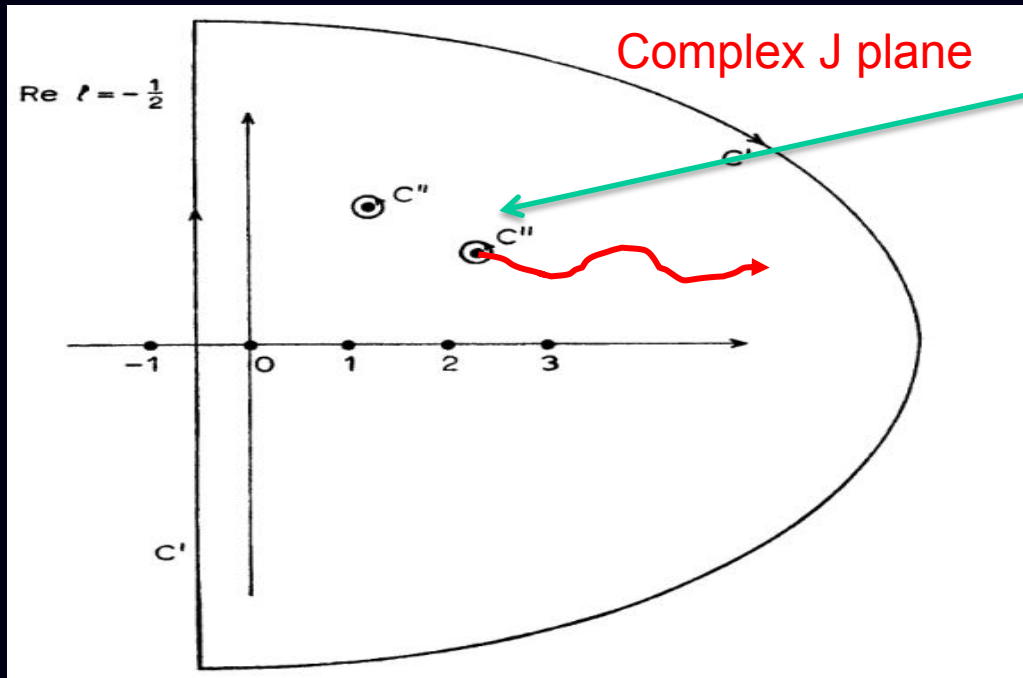
Introduction: Regge Theory

The Regge trajectories can be understood from the analytic extension to the complex angular momentum plane of the partial wave expansion through the Sommerfeld-Watson transform:

$$T(s, t) = \sum_{J=0}^{\infty} (2J+1) f_J(s) P_J(z) \quad \longrightarrow \quad T(s, t) = -\frac{1}{2i} \int_C \frac{(2J+1) f(J, s) P_J(-z)}{\sin \pi J} dJ$$



Introduction: Regge Theory



Regge poles

Position $\alpha(s)$

Residue $\beta(s)$

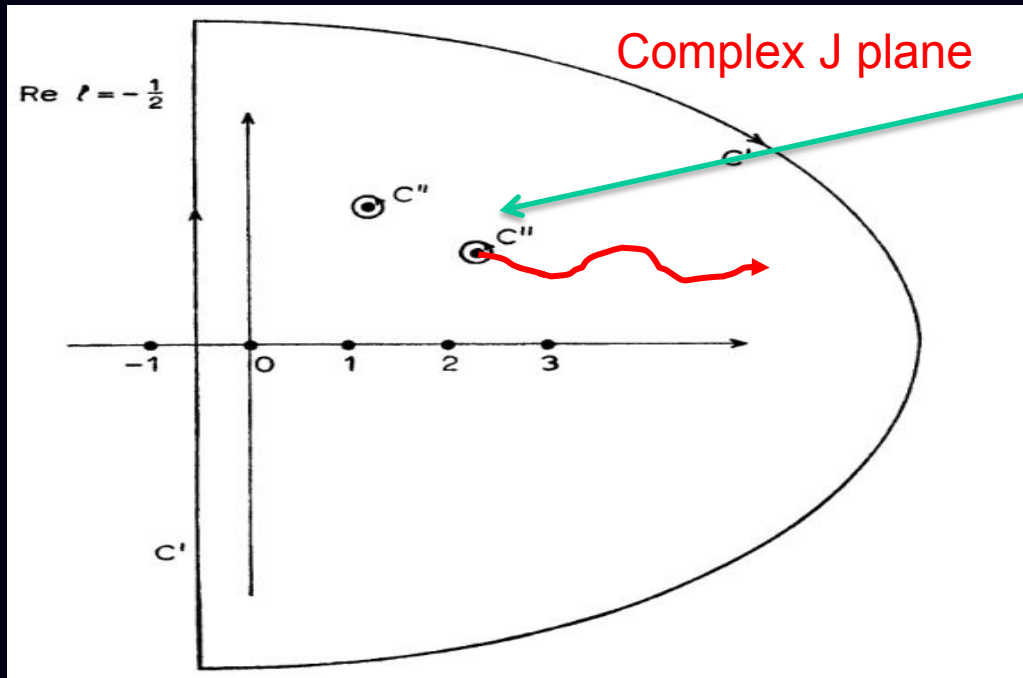
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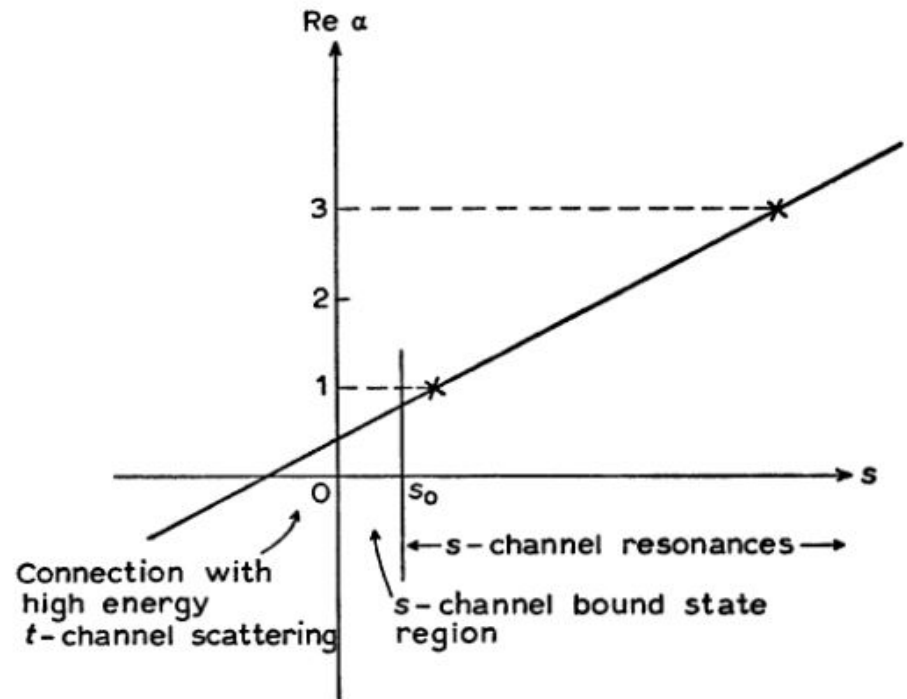
Regge poles

Position $\alpha(s)$

Residue $\beta(s)$

For different s poles move in the complex J plane along Regge Trajectories

Linear trajectories of $q\bar{q}$ mesons are just an example of some specific dynamics



Introduction: Regge Theory

But other dynamics lead to different trajectories...

However, trajectories and residues cannot be completely arbitrary due to their analytic properties (Collins, Introduction to Regge Theory)

- **Twice-subtracted dispersion relations** (we studied 3 subtractions too)

$$\alpha(s) = A + B(s - s_0) + \frac{(s - s_0)^2}{\pi} \int_{\text{thr.}}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Im}\alpha(s') ds'}{(s' - s)(s' - s_0)^2}$$

$$\gamma(s) = g^2 \exp \left\{ C(s - s_0) + \frac{(s - s_0)^2}{\pi} \int_{\text{thr.}}^{\infty} \frac{\phi_\gamma(s')}{(s' - s)(s' - s_0)} ds' \right\}$$

with

$$\beta(s) = \frac{\hat{s}^{\alpha(s)}}{\Gamma(\alpha(s) + \frac{3}{2})} \gamma(s) = \frac{\text{Im}\alpha(s)}{\rho(s)}$$

Our Approach

Fix the subtraction constants JUST from the scattering pole

- for a given set of α_0 , α' and b_0 :
 - solve the coupled equations
 - get $\alpha(s)$ and $\beta(s)$ in real axis
 - extend to complex s -plane
 - obtain pole position and residue

$$f^{II}(J, s) = \hat{f} + \frac{\beta(s)}{J - \alpha^{II}(s)}$$

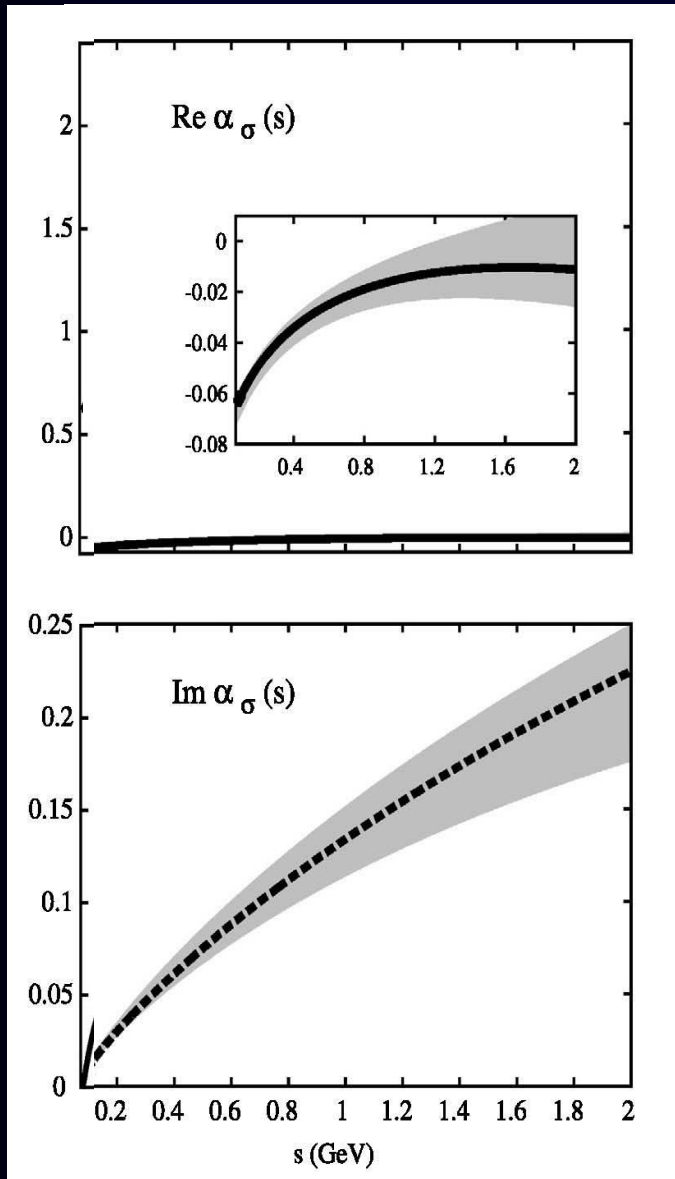
- fit α_0 , α' and b_0 so that the **pole position and residue** coincide with those given by a **dispersive analysis of scattering data**

García-Martin, Kaminski, Pelaez and Ruiz de Elvira, Phys. Rev. Lett. **107**, 072001 (2011)
JRP and A. Rodas, arXiv:1602.08404

If dispersive analysis not available, BW form

Results: σ case ($l = 0, J = 0$)

The prediction for the σ Regge trajectory, is:



- NOT approximately real
- NOT linear

intercept

$$\alpha_\sigma(0) = -0.090^{+0.004}_{-0.012},$$

slope

$$\alpha'_\sigma \simeq 0.002^{+0.050}_{-0.001} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

Compare with the rho result...

$$\alpha_0 = 0.52$$

$$\alpha' = 0.913 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

The sigma does **NOT** fit the ordinary meson trajectory

Two orders of magnitude flatter than other hadrons
Typical of meson physics?

$$F_\pi, m_\pi?$$