

**The  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$ ,  $\eta\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$  amplitudes from the  
chiral expansion and an extended  
Khuri-Treiman formalism**

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## Overview:

- Introduction
- Khuri-Treiman: elastic rescattering
- Khuri-Treiman with inelastic channels
- Results for  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$ ,  $\eta\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$

# Introduction

- High precision data on  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$   
 [KLOE(2016)] :  $4.6 \cdot 10^6$  events,  
 [Layter(1976)]: 80884 events, used in the 90's  
 Challenging for theory !
- Many recent results on 3-body decays  
 $\eta' \rightarrow \eta\pi\pi$ ,  $\eta' \rightarrow 3\pi$  ([BESIII]),  $D \rightarrow K\pi\pi$ ,  $D \rightarrow K\bar{K}\pi$ ,  
 $D \rightarrow K\bar{K}K \dots$  ([FOCUS, CLEO, Babar, LHCb])
  - Higher masses: may require coupled-channel unitarity
  - $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$ : Influence of  $a_0(980)$ ,  $f_0(980)$  resonances ?  
 [Abdel-Rehim, Black, Fariborz, Schechter (2002)]

- $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  : Two theoretical frameworks
  - Low-energy chiral expansion [ $\eta$  and  $\pi$  are (quasi) Goldstone bosons]
  - General analyticity + unitarity: [Khuri-treiman (1961)] equations

- Chiral expansion:

- Good aspect: explicit dependence on QCD+QED parameters. Determination of isospin breaking quark mass ratio

$$Q^{-2} = \frac{m_d^2 - m_u^2}{m_s^2 - m_{ud}^2}$$

- Bad aspect: unitarity not exact, slow convergence for FSI amplitudes

- Assume convergence in unphysical region, combine with Khuri-Treiman
  - New approaches: fit some parameters to data, fit some others to CHPT [P. Guo, I.V. Danilkin, D. Schott, C. Fernández-Ramírez, V. Mathieu, A.P. Szczepaniak (2015), G. Colangelo, S. Lanz, H. Leutwyler, E. Passemar (2016)]
  - Former approaches: try to predict physical amplitude from CHPT amplitude [J. Kambor, C. Wiesendanger, D. Wyler (1996), A. Anisovich, H. Leutwyler (1996)]

■ Advantages of old approach:

a) Respects chiral structure of amplitude:

$$\mathcal{T} = Q^{-2} \mathcal{T}_a + e^2 \mathcal{T}_b + (m_{K^0}^2 - m_{K^+}^2) \mathcal{T}_c$$

b) Probes KT formalism:

- approx. sol. gives diff. result from exact
- we can probe influence of 1 GeV resonances
- also probes chiral expansion

## Khuri-Treiman: single-variable amplitudes, elastic unitarity



■ Start from dispersion relations

→ Combine fixed- $t$ , fixed- $s$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{T}(s, t, u) \sim & \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{(s' - s)} \text{disc}_s[\mathcal{T}(s', t, u')] \\ & + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{du'}{(u' - u)} \text{disc}_u[\mathcal{T}(s', t, u')] \\ & + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt'}{(t' - t)} \text{disc}_t[\mathcal{T}(s, t', u')]\end{aligned}$$

→ Truncate P-W expansion inside integrand:  $J \leq J_{max}$

→ Cut integrations into two,  $1 < \Lambda_{cut} \ll (1.3)^2 \text{ (GeV}^2\text{)}$

→ Higher-energy integrations approximated by polynomial.

■ Single-variable amplitudes:

- Only *S-wave* [Khuri-Treiman (1961)],  $K \rightarrow 3\pi$  applies to  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi^0$

$$\mathcal{T}^{3\pi^0}(s, t, u) = \Phi(s) + \Phi(t) + \Phi(u)$$

- $\Phi(z)$  analytic with right-hand cut
- *S-wave* + *P-wave* (+isospin  $I=0, I=1, I=2$ )  
[KWW(1996), AL(1996)]

$$\mathcal{T}^{\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0}(s, t, u) = -\epsilon_L \left[ M_0(s) - \frac{2}{3}M_2(s) \right. \\ \left. + (s-u)M_1(t) + (s-t)M_1(u) + M_2(t) + M_2(u) \right]$$

with

$$\epsilon_L = Q^{-2} \frac{(m_K^2 - m_\pi^2)m_K^2}{3\sqrt{3}F_\pi^2 m_\pi^2}$$

## Matching with ChPT:

- ChPT expression of amplitude has same single-variable repres. up to NNLO ( $O(p^6)$ ) [Bijmans, Ghorbani (2007)]
- Matching at NLO:

$$\text{disc} [M_I(s) - \bar{M}_I(s)|_{NLO}] = NNLO$$

- Expand each difference as polynomial
- Set complete polynomial=0: four matching equations
- obtain **unique** dispersive amplitude IF : four polynomial parameters
- Note:  $s + t + u = m_\eta^2 + 3m_\pi^2$ . Must compare complete amplitudes a posteriori to check consistency

## Unitarity relations:

- Consider  $\eta\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$  partial-waves

$$\mathcal{T}_0^0(s) = \frac{\sqrt{6}\epsilon_L}{32\pi} \left( M_0(s) + \hat{M}_0(s) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{T}_1^1(s) = \frac{\epsilon_L}{48\pi} \kappa(s) \left( M_1(s) + \hat{M}_1(s) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{T}_0^2(s) = -\frac{\epsilon_L}{16\pi} \left( M_2(s) + \hat{M}_2(s) \right)$$

- $\hat{M}_l(s)$  (left-hand cut) expressed as angular integrals in terms of  $M_l(s)$
- Elastic unitarity

$$\text{disc}[\mathcal{T}_l^J(s)] = \sigma_\pi(s) (t_{\pi\pi,J}^l(s))^* \mathcal{T}_l^J(s)$$

- $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  3-body unitarity ? [I. Aitchison, R. Pasquier, PR 152 (1966)]

→ Transform DR's (singular integral eqs.) with Muskhelishvili-Omnès:

$$M_0(w) = \Omega_0(w) \left[ \alpha_0 + w \beta_0 + w^2 (\gamma_0 + \hat{i}_0(w)) \right]$$

$$M_1(w) = \Omega_1(w) w \left( \beta_1 + \hat{i}_1(w) \right)$$

$$M_2(w) = \Omega_2(w) w^2 \hat{i}_2(w)$$

Omnès functions

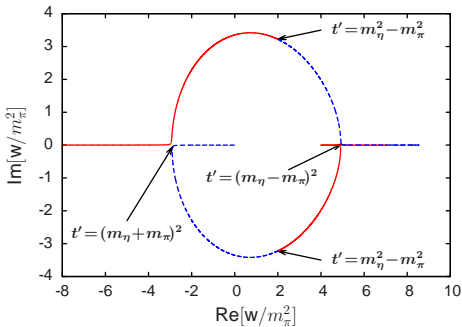
$$\Omega_I(s) = \exp \left[ \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'(s'-s)} \delta_I(s') \right]$$

Integrals

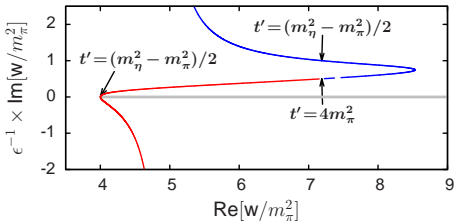
$$\hat{i}_I(w) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im} (1/\Omega_I(s'))}{(s')^n (s'-w)} \hat{M}_I(s')$$

→ Evaluation necessary for proper matching w. ChPT

- Structure of left-hand cut



- Integrals  $\hat{I}_i$  well-defined with proper  $i\epsilon$  prescriptions



## Khuri-Treiman with inelastic channels

- Include more states in unitarity:

- $\pi\eta \rightarrow \pi\eta$  easy to include (but relevant near  $a_0(980)$ )

- New amplitudes with  $K\bar{K}$ :

$K^+\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\eta$       isospin conserving  $I = 1$

$K^+\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0$

$K^+K^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$

$K^+K^- \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$

$K^0\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$

$K^0\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$

$K^+K^- \rightarrow \pi^0\eta$

$K^0\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\eta$

$K^+K^- \rightarrow K^+K^-$

$K^+K^- \rightarrow K^0\bar{K}^0$

$K^0\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow K^0\bar{K}^0$

Isospin conserving

+ isospin violating:

$[I = 1 \rightarrow I = 2]$

$[I = 0 \rightarrow I = 1]$



■ Isospin separation: partial-waves ( $J = 0$ )

→ Isospin violating amplitudes

$$I = 0 \rightarrow 1 \quad \mathbf{T}^{(01)}: \begin{pmatrix} (\pi\pi)_0 \rightarrow \eta\pi & (K\bar{K})_0 \rightarrow \eta\pi \\ (\pi\pi)_0 \rightarrow (K\bar{K})_1 & (K\bar{K})_0 \rightarrow (K\bar{K})_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$I = 1 \rightarrow 2 \quad \mathbf{T}^{(12)}: \begin{pmatrix} \eta\pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0 \\ K^+\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ Isospin conserving amplitudes

$$\underline{\mathbf{T}}^{(0)}: \begin{pmatrix} \pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi & \pi\pi \rightarrow K\bar{K} \\ \pi\pi \rightarrow K\bar{K} & K\bar{K} \rightarrow K\bar{K} \end{pmatrix}_{I=0}$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{T}}^{(1)}: \begin{pmatrix} \eta\pi \rightarrow \eta\pi & \eta\pi \rightarrow K\bar{K} \\ \eta\pi \rightarrow K\bar{K} & K\bar{K} \rightarrow K\bar{K} \end{pmatrix}_{I=1}$$

$$\underline{\mathcal{T}}^{(2)}: \pi^+\pi^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0$$

- Unitarity relation ( $J=0$ ): first order in isospin breaking:

→  $\mathbf{T}^{(01)}$  relation:

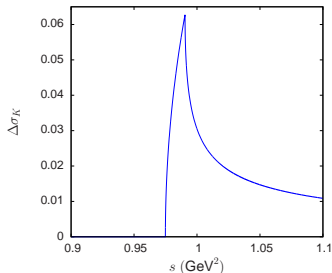
$$\text{Im} [\mathbf{T}^{(01)}] = \mathbf{T}^{(0)*} \Sigma^0 \mathbf{T}^{(01)} + \mathbf{T}^{(01)*} \Sigma^1 \mathbf{T}^{(1)} + \mathbf{T}^{(0)*} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta\sigma_K \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{T}^{(1)}$$

$$\Delta\sigma_K(s) = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{K^+}(s) - \sigma_{K^0}(s))$$

[Achasov, Devyanin, Shestakov,

PL B88(1979)367]

$$\text{with } \sigma_P(s) = \sqrt{1 - 4m_K^2/s}$$



→  $\mathbf{T}^{(12)}$  relation:

$$\text{Im} [\mathbf{T}^{(12)}] = \mathbf{T}^{(1)*} \Sigma^1 \mathbf{T}^{(12)} + \mathbf{T}^{(12)*} \sigma_\pi T^{(2)}$$

## Matrix generalisation of KT equations:

$$\mathbf{M}_0(w) = \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0(w) \left[ \mathbf{P}_0(w) + w^2 \left( \hat{\mathbf{I}}_A(w) + \hat{\mathbf{I}}_B(w) \right) \right] {}^t \boldsymbol{\Omega}_1(w)$$

→  $\boldsymbol{\Omega}_l$ : Omnès-Muskhelishvili matrices

→  $\mathbf{P}_0$  : polynomials, 12 parameters

→ “left-cut” integrals

$$\hat{\mathbf{I}}_A(w) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{(s')^2(s'-w)} \left[ \text{Im } \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{M}}_0 {}^t \boldsymbol{\Omega}_1^{-1} + \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0^{-1*} \hat{\mathbf{M}}_0 \text{Im } {}^t \boldsymbol{\Omega}_1^{-1} \right]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{I}}_B(w) = \frac{32}{\sqrt{6}\epsilon_L} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds' \Delta\sigma_K(s')}{(s')^2(s'-w)} \boldsymbol{\Omega}_0^{-1*} \mathbf{T}^{(0)*} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{T}^{(1)} {}^t \boldsymbol{\Omega}_1^{-1}$$

## Solving coupled-channel KT

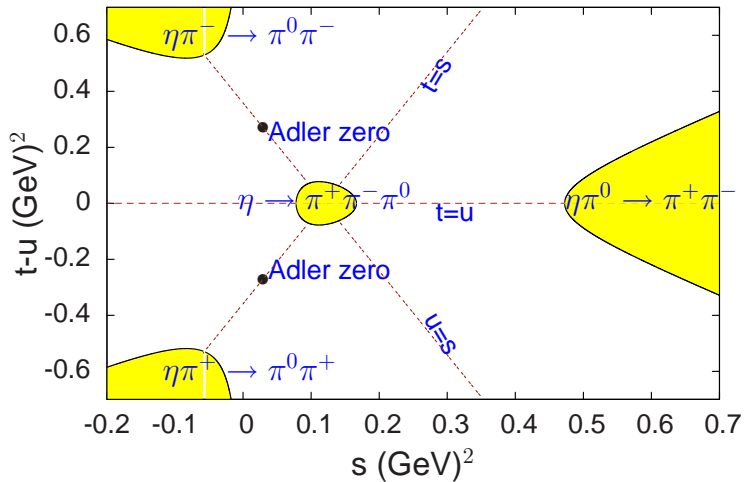
- Complete determination require analogous equations in all crossed-channels
- Simple approximations: ( $K\bar{K}$  amplitudes not needed to high accuracy)
  - $K\bar{K}$  left-cut functions neglected
  - ChPT matching of  $K\bar{K}$  amplitudes at leading-order

## Isospin conserving $T$ -matrices

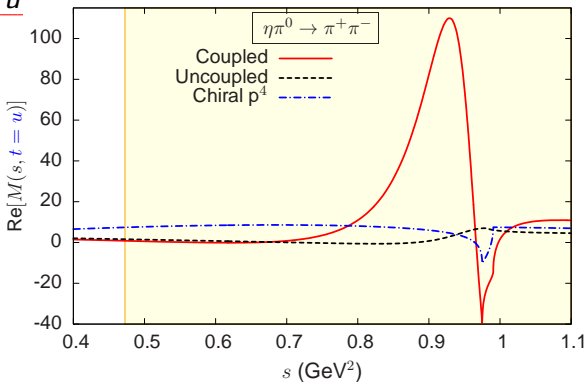
- $I = 0$ : (reasonably) good experimental constraints
- $I = 1$ : model[M. Albaladejo, B. Moussallam (2015)]
  - reproduce  $a_0(980)$ ,  $a_0(1450)$  properties
  - enforce chiral constraints on  $\eta\pi$  scalar radius

# Results

# Physical regions



- Amplitude along  $t = u$   
(medium energy)



- Influence of inelastic channels:

$$[\mathbf{M}_0]_{11}^{inel} \simeq (\boldsymbol{\Omega}_0)_{12} (\boldsymbol{\Omega}_1)_{11} \left( \mathbf{P}_0 + s^2 (\hat{\mathbf{I}}_a + \hat{\mathbf{I}}_b) \right)_{21}$$

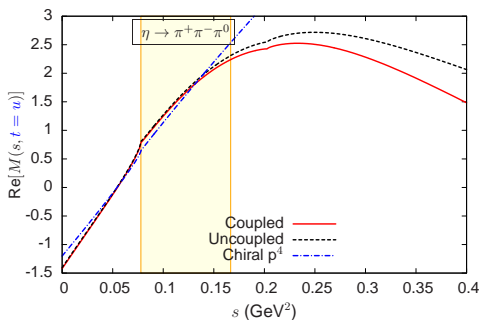
and

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(\boldsymbol{\Omega}_0)_{12} / \operatorname{Im}(\boldsymbol{\Omega}_0)_{12} &= \cot \delta_0^0 \text{ (Watson)} \\ (\boldsymbol{\Omega}_1)_{11} &> 1 \end{aligned}$$

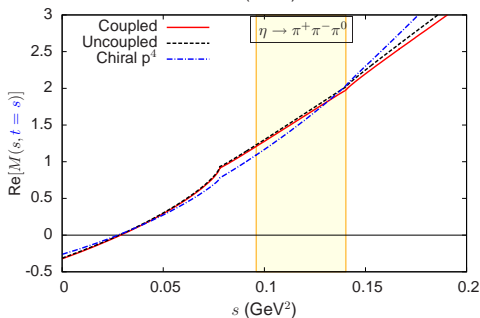


# Amplitude at low energy: $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$

Along  $t = u$  line

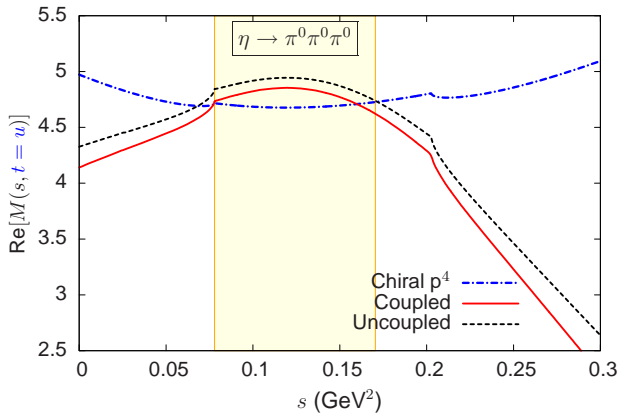


Along  $t = s$  line



■ Good matching with  
NLO ChPT

# Amplitude at low energy: $\eta \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$



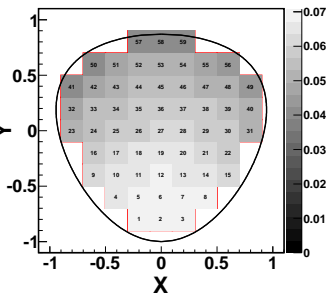
- Substantial influence of coupled-channel rescattering at low-energy
- No good matching with NLO ChPT

## Dalitz plot parameters

- Charged mode: define coordinates  $X$ ,

$$X = \sqrt{3} \frac{E_{\pi^+} - E_{\pi^0}}{Q_c}, \quad Y = 3 \frac{E_{\pi^0} - M_{\pi^0}}{Q_c} \rightarrow Y$$

$$Q_c = M_{\eta} - 2M_{\pi^+} - M_{\pi^0}$$



Description with 5 parameters

$$|\mathcal{T}_c(X, Y)|^2 = |\mathcal{T}_c(0, 0)|^2 (1 + a Y + b Y^2 + d X^2 + f Y^3 + g X^2 Y)$$

Charge conjugation :  $X \rightarrow -X$  invariance

- Neutral mode: description with one parameter

$$|\mathcal{T}_n(X, Y)|^2 = |\mathcal{T}_n(0, 0)|^2 (1 + 2 \alpha (X^2 + Y^2))$$

## Comparison with experiment

$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$O(p^4)$	single	coupled	KLOE	BESIII
a	-1.328	-1.154	-1.142	-1.095(4)	-1.128(15)
b	0.429	0.202	0.171	0.145(6)	0.153(17)
d	0.089	0.094	0.097	0.081(7)	0.085(16)
f	0.016	0.108	0.123	0.141(10)	0.173(28)
g	-0.081	-0.087	-0.088	-0.044(16)	-
$\pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$				PDG	
$\alpha$	+0.0142	-0.0274	-0.0337	-0.0318(15)	

- **b**, **f**,  $\alpha$  improved by KT and by coupled-channels
- **g** may require NNLO in matching conditions

## Quark mass ratio $Q^{-2}$

- Remark:  $Q$  is QCD scale dependent

$$\mu_0 \frac{dm_q(\mu_0)}{d\mu_0} = -(\gamma^{QCD} + \frac{3e_q^2 e^2}{8\pi^2}) m_q(\mu_0)$$

which implies

$$\mu_0 \frac{d\epsilon_L}{d\mu_0} = \frac{e^2 m_\pi^2}{48\pi^2 \sqrt{3} F_\pi^2} + O(e^2(m_d - m_u), e^2 m_q^2)$$

compensated by scale variation of (Urech) LEC's

$$\mu_0 \frac{d}{d\mu_0} (K_9^r(\mu, \mu_0) + K_{10}^r(\mu, \mu_0)) = \frac{3}{64\pi^2}$$

→ Need  $K_9^r$ ,  $K_{10}^r$ , but numerically not important.

- $Q^2$  adjusted to reproduce  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$  decay width

Mode	$\Gamma_{exp}$ (eV)	$Q$
$\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$	$299 \pm 11$	$21.6 \pm 0.2$
$\pi^0\pi^0\pi^0$	$427 \pm 15$	$21.7 \pm 0.2$

- Error determination: assume 10% error from NNLO contribs. in parameters  $\alpha_0, \beta_0, \beta_1, \gamma_0$

$$\Delta Q = \pm 2.2$$

- Recent results from  $\eta \rightarrow 3\pi$

[Guo et al. (JPAC), 1608.01447]:  $Q = 21.6 \pm 0.4$

[Colangelo et al., PRL118,022001]:  $Q = 22.0 \pm 0.7$

- Recent results from lattice QCD (hadron masses)

[ (QCDSF-UKQCD) JHEP 04,093]  $22.9 \pm 0.4$

[ (BMW) PRL 117,082001]  $23.4 \pm 0.6$

- Chiral EFT is effective in unphysical region for  $\eta \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ , NNLO corrections less than 10%
- Applications of  $\eta\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$ 
  - Vector form-factor in isospin-violating (2nd class)  
 $\tau \rightarrow \pi\eta\nu$  related by unitarity to  $\eta\pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^+$   
(P-wave) [Descotes-Genon, B.M. EPJ C74 (2014)]
  - $a_0 - f_0$  mixing phenomenon:  
 $J/\Psi \rightarrow \phi\pi^0\eta$ : seen ? [BESIII, PR D83 (2011)]  
 $B_s \rightarrow J/\Psi\pi^0\eta$  suggested [Wei Wang, PL B759 (2016)]  
Again related by unitarity to  $\eta\pi^0 \rightarrow \pi\pi$  (some work required)