

# $K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=2}$ Decay Amplitudes

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# Introduction

- In this talk, I will review the status of the computations of the  $K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=2}$  decay amplitudes by the RBC-UKQCD collaboration.

T.Blum, P.Boyle, D. Broemmel, J. Flynn, N. Garron, E. Goode, T. Izubuchi, M. Lightman, Qi Liu, R. Mawhinney, N. Christ, C. Sachrajda, A. Soni et al.

- Preliminary results from this study were presented by E.Goode and M.Lightman at

- Lattice 2009:

[arXiv:0912.1667](https://arxiv.org/abs/0912.1667)

$\Delta I = 3/2$ ,  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  Decays with Light, Non-Zero Momentum Pions

- Lattice 2010:

<http://agenda.infn.it/contributionDisplay.py?contribId=11&sessionId=22&confId=2128>

$\Delta I = 3/2$ ,  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  Matrix Elements with Nearly Physical Pion Masses

- Other aspects of the RBC/UKQCD kaon programme will be presented by Qi Liu (following talk) and Norman Christ.

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## Introduction - Cont.

- Of course we would like to evaluate all the  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  matrix elements in lattice simulations and reconstruct  $A_0$  and  $A_2$  and understand the  $\Delta I = 1/2$  rule and the value of  $\varepsilon'/\varepsilon$  (see below).
- In the meantime however, we know  $\text{Re} A_0$  and  $\text{Re} A_2$  from experiment.  
In this talk I attempt to demonstrate that we can also compute  $\text{Re} A_2$ .
- The experimental value of  $\varepsilon'/\varepsilon$  gives us one relation between  $\text{Im} A_0$  and  $\text{Im} A_2$ , thus if we evaluate  $\text{Im} A_2$  then within the standard model we know  $\text{Im} A_0$  to some precision.  
Thanks to Andrzej Buras for stressing this to me.  
In this talk I attempt to demonstrate that we can indeed compute  $\text{Im} A_2$ .
- I stress again that ultimately of course, we wish to do better than this.

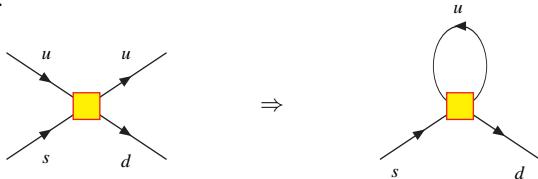
Qi Liu - Following Talk

## 2. $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ decay amplitudes from $K \rightarrow \pi$ Matrix Elements

- At lowest order in the SU(3) chiral expansion one can obtain the  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decay amplitude by calculating  $K \rightarrow \pi$  and  $K \rightarrow \text{vacuum}$  matrix elements.
- In 2001, two collaborations published some very interesting (quenched) results on non-leptonic kaon decays in general and on the  $\Delta I = 1/2$  rule and  $\varepsilon'/\varepsilon$  in particular:

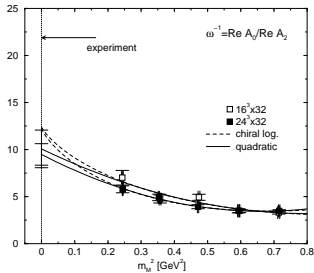
Collaboration(s)	$\text{Re } A_0/\text{Re } A_2$	$\varepsilon'/\varepsilon$
RBC	$25.3 \pm 1.8$	$-(4.0 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-4}$
CP-PACS	$9 \div 12$	$(-7 \div -2) \times 10^{-4}$
Experiments	22.2	$(17.2 \pm 1.8) \times 10^{-4}$

- This required the control of the *ultraviolet problem*, the subtraction of power divergences and renormalization of the operators – highly non-trivial.
  - Four-quark operators mix, for example, with two quark operators  $\Rightarrow$  power divergences:

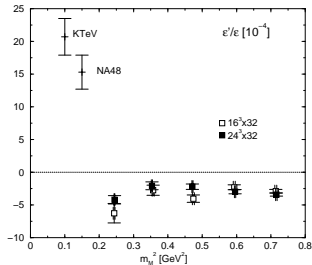


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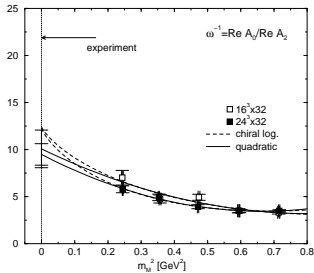


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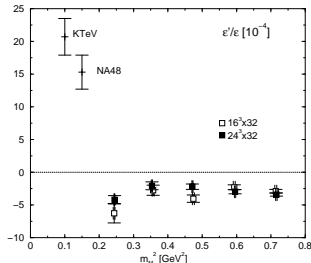
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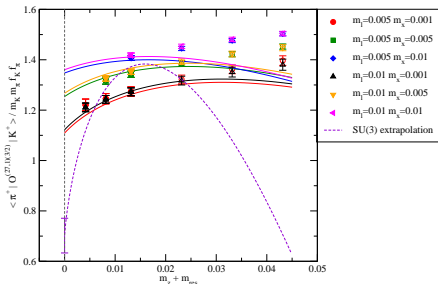
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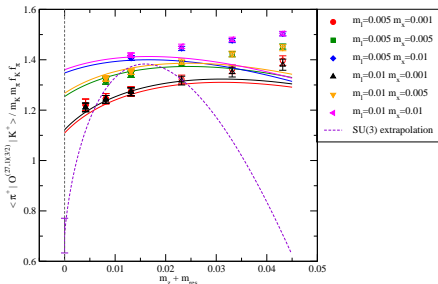
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### 3. Direct Calculations of $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ Decay Amplitudes

- We need to be able to calculate  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  matrix elements **directly**.
- The main theoretical ingredients of the *infrared* problem with two-pions in the s-wave are now understood.
- Two-pion quantization condition in a finite-volume

$$\delta(q^*) + \phi^P(q^*) = n\pi,$$

where  $E^2 = 4(m_\pi^2 + q^{*2})$ ,  $\delta$  is the s-wave  $\pi\pi$  phase shift and  $\phi^P$  is a kinematic function.

M.Lüscher, 1986, 1991, ...

- The relation between the physical  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  amplitude  $A$  and the finite-volume matrix element  $M$

$$|A|^2 = 8\pi V^2 \frac{m_K E^2}{q^{*2}} \{ \delta'(q^*) + \phi^{P'}(q^*) \} |M|^2,$$

where  $\prime$  denotes differentiation w.r.t.  $q^*$ .

L.Lellouch and M.Lüscher, hep-lat/0003023; C.h.Kim, CTS and S.Sharpe, hep-lat/0507006;

N.H.Christ, C.h.Kim and T.Yamazaki hep-lat/0507009

- Computation of  $K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=2}$  matrix elements does not require the subtraction of power divergences or the evaluation of disconnected diagrams.
- **In principle, we understand how to calculate the  $\Delta I = 3/2$   $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  matrix elements.**
- Our aim is to calculate the matrix elements with as good a precision as we can.

$K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=2}$  **Decays and the Wigner-Eckart Theorem**

- The operators whose matrix elements have to be calculated are:

$$O_{(27,1)}^{3/2} = (\bar{s}^i d^i)_L \{ (\bar{u}^j u^j)_L - (\bar{d}^j d^j)_L \} + (\bar{s}^i u^i)_L (\bar{u}^j d^j)_L$$

$$O_7^{3/2} = (\bar{s}^i d^i)_L \{ (\bar{u}^j u^j)_R - (\bar{d}^j d^j)_R \} + (\bar{s}^i u^i)_L (\bar{u}^j d^j)_R$$

$$O_8^{3/2} = (\bar{s}^i d^i)_L \{ (\bar{u}^j u^j)_R - (\bar{d}^j d^j)_R \} + (\bar{s}^i u^i)_L (\bar{u}^j d^j)_R$$

- It is convenient to use the Wigner-Eckart Theorem: (Notation -  $O_{\Delta I_z}^{\Delta I}$ )

$${}_{I=2} \langle \pi^+(p_1) \pi^0(p_2) | O_{1/2}^{3/2} | K^+ \rangle = \frac{3}{2} \langle \pi^+(p_1) \pi^+(p_2) | O_{3/2}^{3/2} | K^+ \rangle,$$

where

- $O_{3/2}^{3/2}$  has the flavour structure  $(\bar{s}d)(\bar{u}d)$ .
  - $O_{1/2}^{3/2}$  has the flavour structure  $(\bar{s}d)((\bar{u}u) - (\bar{d}d)) + (\bar{s}u)(\bar{u}d)$ .
- We can then use antiperiodic boundary conditions for the  $u$ -quark say, so that the  $\pi\pi$  ground-state is  $\langle \pi^+(\pi/L) \pi^+(-\pi/L) |$ . C-h Kim, Ph.D. Thesis
    - Do not have to isolate an excited state.
    - Size ( $L$ ) needed for physical  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decay halved (6 fm  $\rightarrow$  3 fm).

$K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=2}$  - Evaluating the LL Factor

C.h. Kim and CTS, arXiv:1003.3191

- Use the Wigner-Eckart Theorem to relate the physical  $K \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$  matrix element to that for  $K \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+$

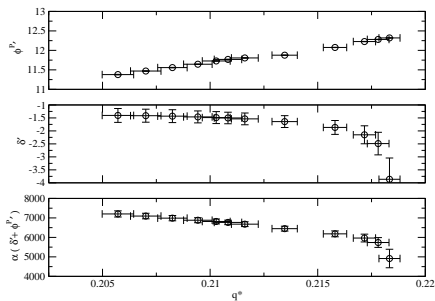
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- Calculate the  $K \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^+$  matrix element with the  $u$ -quark with twisted boundary conditions with twisting angle  $\theta$ .
- Perform a Fourier transform of one of the pion interpolating operators with additional momentum  $-2\pi/L$ .  
The ground state now corresponds to one pion with momentum  $\theta/L$  and the other with momentum  $(\theta - 2\pi)/L$ .
- The corresponding  $\pi\pi$  s-wave phase-shift can then be obtained by the Lüscher formula as a function of  $\theta \Rightarrow$  this allows for the derivative of the phase-shift to be evaluated directly at the masses being simulated.
- We have carried this procedure out in an exploratory calculation. **Fig**
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# Exploratory Evaluation of the Lellouch-Lüscher Factor

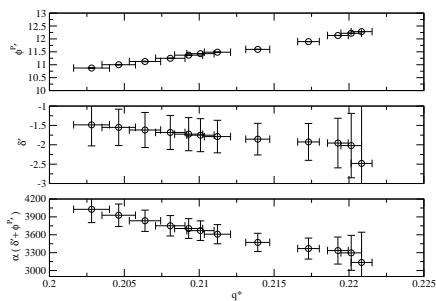
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LL factor



$$m_q = 0.004$$

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$$m_q = 0.002$$

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## Hard-Pion Chiral Perturbation Theory

- We argued that SU(2) ChPT can be used for  $K_{\ell 3}$  form factors at  $q^2 = 0$  (and other  $q^2$  where the kaon is not soft). J.Flynn, CTS, arXiv:0809.1229.

$$f^0(0) = f^+(0) = F_+ \left( 1 - \frac{3}{4} \frac{m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2 f^2} \log \left( \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) + c_+ m_\pi^2 \right)$$

$$f^-(0) = F_- \left( 1 - \frac{3}{4} \frac{m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2 f^2} \log \left( \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) + c_- m_\pi^2 \right).$$

- It is possible to calculate the chiral logarithm because this comes from a soft internal loop.
- This idea has been extended to  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decays, J.Bijnens and A Celis, arXiv:0906.0302

$$A_2 = A_2^{\text{LO}} \left( 1 - \frac{15}{4} \frac{m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2 f^2} \log \left( \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right) + \lambda_2 m_\pi^2$$

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(and to  $B \rightarrow \pi$  and  $D \rightarrow \pi$  semileptonic decays. J.Bijnens and I Jemos, arXiv:1006.1197)

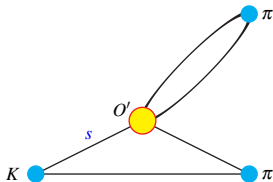
**It would be useful to know the results at NNLO.**

- It would be reassuring to confirm that it is possible to develop an effective theory in which hard and soft pions are separated.



4. Preliminary  $\Delta I = 3/2$  Matrix Elements

RBC-UKQCD, M.Lightman and E.Goode, Lattice 2010



- The RBC/UKQCD strategy at this stage is to perform the simulations on a large lattice,  $L \simeq 4.5$  fm, with light pions ( $32^3 \times 64 \times 32$ )

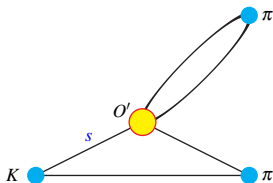
$$m_\pi \simeq 145 \text{ MeV} \quad \text{Unitary } m_\pi \simeq 180 \text{ MeV} .$$

- The price is that the lattice is coarse,  $a^{-1} \simeq 1.4$  GeV.
- With DWF,  $m_{\text{res}}$  increases as the coupling becomes stronger  $\Rightarrow$  change the gauge action (from Iwasaki) by multiplying by the *Auxilliary Determinant* .

D.Renfrew, T.Blum, N.Christ, R.Mawhinney and P.Vranas, arXiv:0902.2587

R. Mawhinney, Lattice 2010

- This is tuned to suppress  $m_{\text{res}}$  but to maintain topology changing.

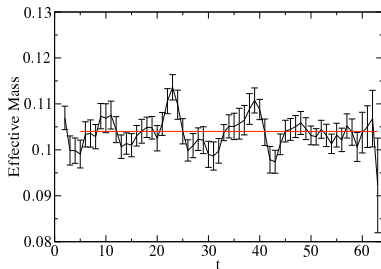
Preliminary  $\Delta I = 3/2$  Matrix Elements – Cont.

- The masses and momenta are as follows:

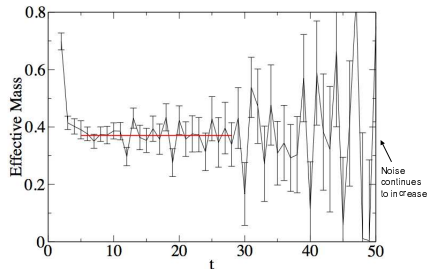
Quantity	This Calculation	Physical
$m_\pi$	145.6(5) MeV	139.6 MeV
$m_K$	519(2) MeV	493.7 MeV
$E_{\pi\pi}(p_\pi \simeq 0)$	294(1) MeV	
$E_{\pi\pi}(p_\pi \simeq \sqrt{2}\pi/L)$	516(9) MeV	
$E_{\pi\pi}(p_\pi \simeq \sqrt{2}\pi/L) - m_K$	-2.7(8.3) MeV	

- The results presented here were obtained with 47 configurations (plan to continue to 100).

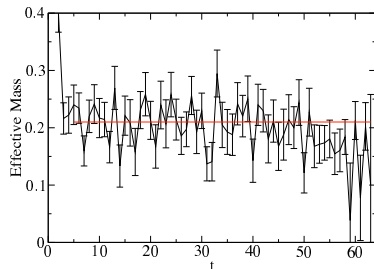
# Effective Masses



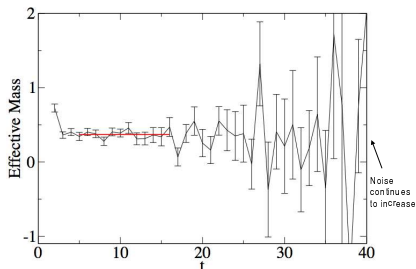
$$m_{\pi} = 0.10400(37) \Rightarrow 145.6(5) \text{ MeV}$$



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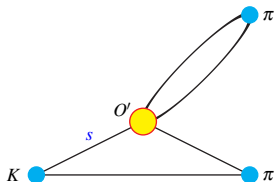


$$E_{\pi\pi} = 0.2100(10) \Rightarrow 294(1) \text{ MeV}$$



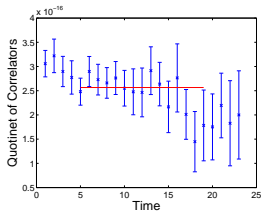
$$E_{\pi\pi} = 0.3687(61) \Rightarrow 516(9) \text{ MeV}$$

# Effective Masses – Cont.

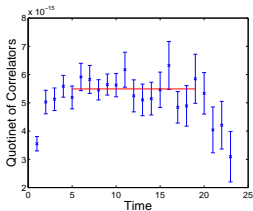


Source	Re(A <sub>2</sub> ) (10 <sup>-8</sup> GeV)
$t_K = 20$	1.52(12)
$t_K = 24$	1.52(10)
$t_K = 28$	1.71(13)
$t_K = 32$	1.35(22)
Weighted Average	1.56(7)
Experiment	1.5

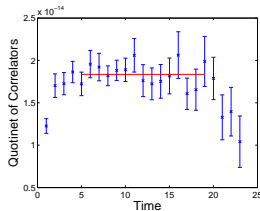
Stat. error only



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$$O'_7{}^{3/2} = (\bar{s}d)_L (\bar{u}d)_R$$



$$O'_8{}^{3/2} = (\bar{s}^i d^j)_L (\bar{u}^j d^i)_R$$

Sample plateaus for the matrix elements at matched kinematics ( $p_\pi = \sqrt{2}p_{\min}$ ).

## 5. Conclusions

- We have preliminary results for the  $\Delta I = 3/2$   $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decay amplitude on  $32^3$  lattices with 2+1 flavours of DWF and the Iwasaki-DSDR gauge action.
- $m_\pi = 145.6(5)$  MeV,  $m_K = 519(2)$  MeV,  $E_{\pi\pi} = 516(9)$  MeV .
- **Re  $A_2 = 1.56(7)(25) \times 10^{-8}$  GeV .**  
Error is dominated by lattice artefacts,  $a^{-3}$  on a coarse lattice.
- **Im  $A_2 = -9.6(4)(24) \times 10^{-13}$  GeV .**  
In addition to lattice artefacts, we are in the process of performing the NPR for the EWP operators  $O_{7,8}$  The result above is obtained by taking  $Z_{ij} = 0.9(0.18)\delta_{ij}$ .
- **Im  $A_2$ /Re  $A_2 = -6.2(0.3)(1.3) 10^{-5}$  .**
- We are confirming that these calculations are possible.
- Calculations of the  $\Delta I = 1/2$  amplitudes are much more challenging - Qi Liu next talk.