

# EFTs: Bounding the systematic uncertainties of the Inverse Amplitude Method

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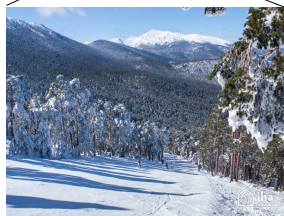
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- Explained the size of the atom and of all beautiful things

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_e v_{\text{Higgs}}}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{m_e}$$

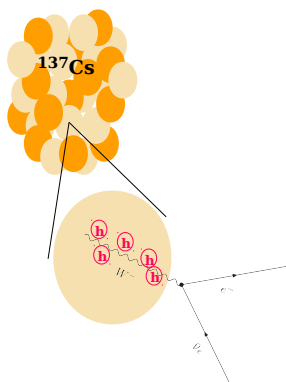
$$\propto a_{\text{Bohr}}$$



Bohr radius  
gives us scale

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- ▶ Also, drag on the  $W$  explains slowness of  $\beta$  radioactive decay



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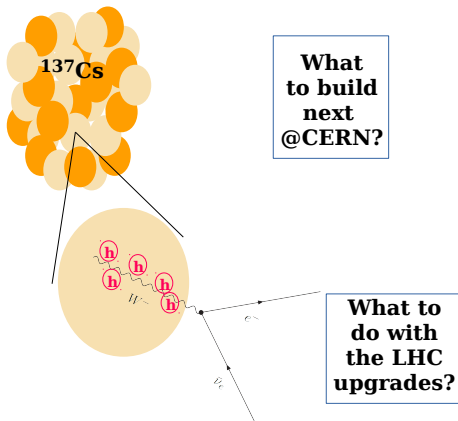
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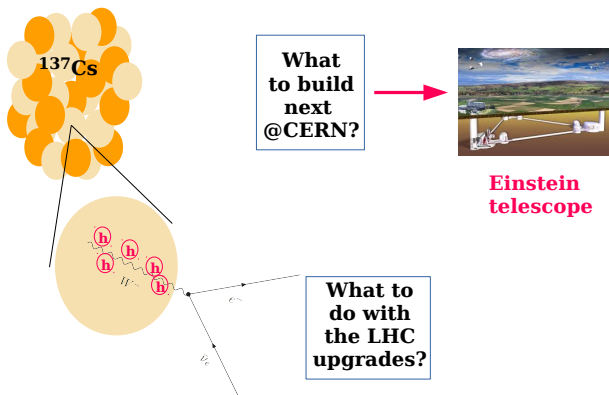
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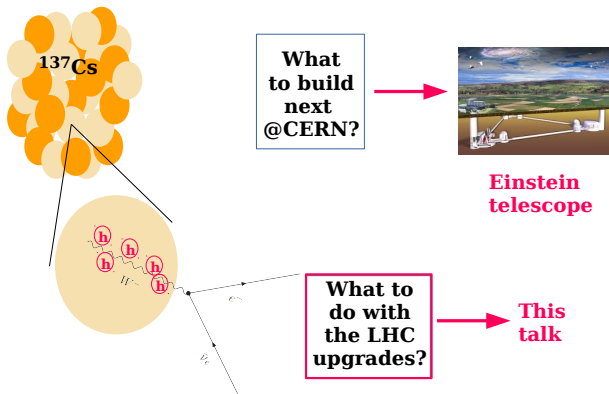
## So what now?



## FCC look up! High Energy physics w Gravitational Waves



## Meanwhile, exploit the LHC



## Too many terms = too much noise



Maybe enough scientists with enough coefficients will find  
**separation from SM...**

<http://notapipe.biz/quality-quantity-and-infinite-monkeys/>

# LHC is unique for Electroweak Symmetry Breaking Sector

Cut to the chase: Vector Boson Scattering

- ▶  $\vec{W}_L \simeq \vec{\omega}$  Goldstone bosons of symmetry breaking
- ▶  $h$  additional scalar particle distinguished by symmetry breaking
- ▶ Relevant processes:  
 $W_L W_L \rightarrow W_L W_L$ ,  $W_L W_L \rightarrow (h)h$ ,  $hh \rightarrow hh$ ,  $W_L h \rightarrow W_L h$

(Under hypothesis of  $SU(2)$  isospin custodial symmetry)



## HEFT Lagrangian for electroweak symmetry breaking

Compact, TeV-scale seven-number version

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L} = & \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + 2a \frac{h}{v} + b \left( \frac{h}{v} \right)^2 \right) \partial_\mu \omega^a \partial^\mu \omega^b \left( \delta_{ab} + \frac{\omega^a \omega^b}{v^2} \right) \\
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## Derivative expansion ( $\simeq$ ChPT)

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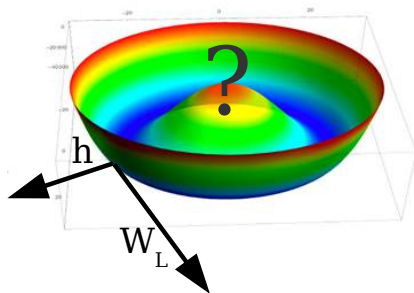
## Note the different counting

- ▶ In SMEFT you would think  $\partial_\mu \omega^a \partial^\mu \omega^a \partial_\nu \omega^b \partial^\nu \omega^b$  is of order 8
- ▶ In HEFT  $\omega$  does not cost you a power, so this is NLO
- ▶ Needed for renormalization of loops of  $LO$  terms

R. L. Delgado, A. Dobado and FJLE, JHEP 02 (2014) 121;

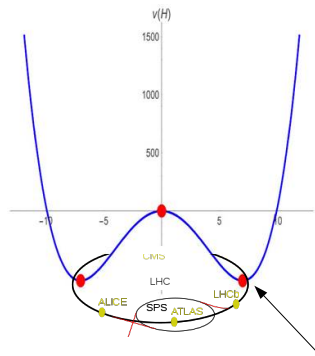
Also G. Buchalla et al. Phys.Lett.B 731 (2014) 80-86, etc.

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Picture from J. Lorenzo Díaz Cruz, Rev. mex. fis. **65** 2020

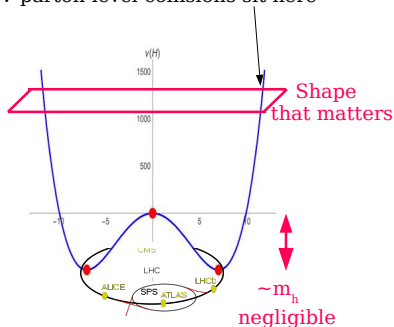
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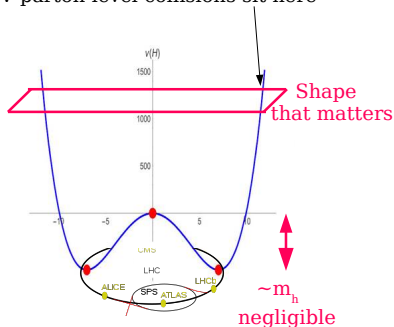


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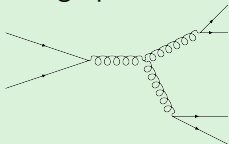
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Seven-parameter EFT description  
of what's important @LHC with new EWSBS physics

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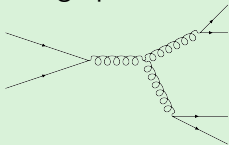
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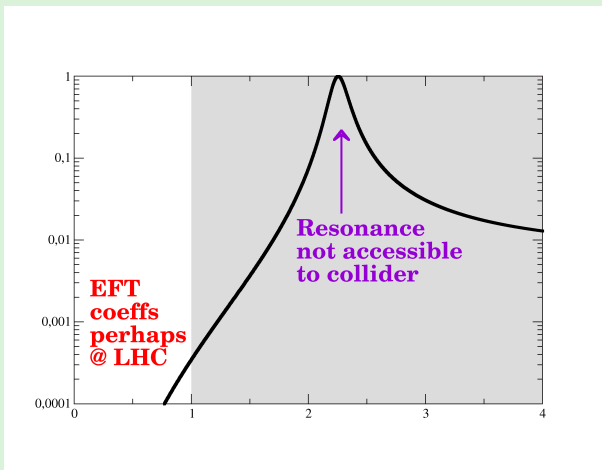
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- ▶ Low energy respect to new physics (strongly interacting?  $V \sim T$  requires resummation)



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(typical HEFT expansion)

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Advantage: for  $s > s_{th}$ ,

$$\text{Im} \frac{1}{t_{IJ}(s)} = -\sigma(s) \simeq -1$$

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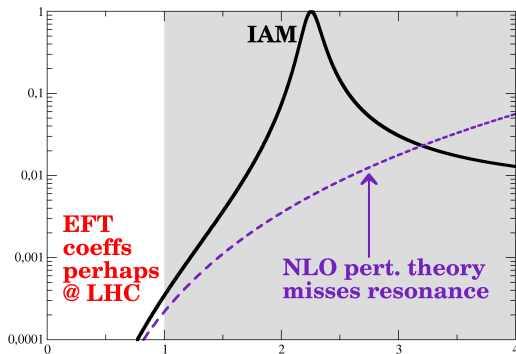
- ▶ Exact in IAM
- ▶ Only order by order in EFT

$$\text{Im } t_1(s) = \sigma(s) |t_0(s)|^2$$

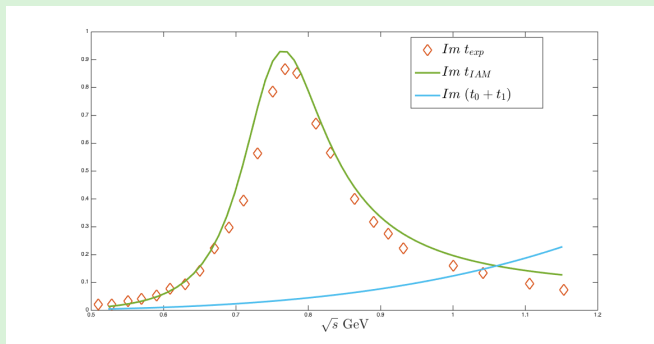


## Why would anyone care?

- ▶ EFT reliable only near threshold



## Much used in hadron physics to obtain resonances



(This is an IAM prediction from threshold data, not a fit)

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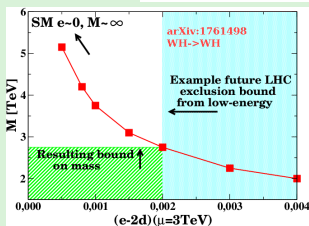
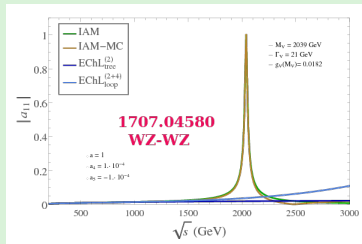
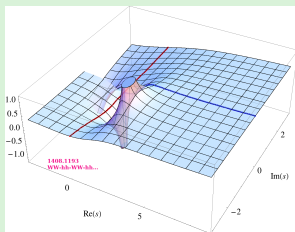
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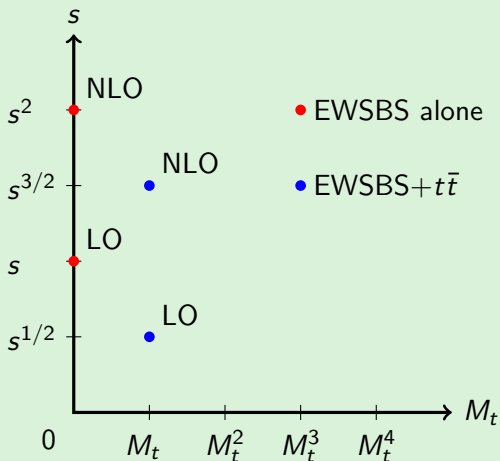
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# Prediction of resonances from HEFT



LHC bounds on HEFT coeffs  $\implies$  bounds on new physics scale

## Coupling to top-antitop sector

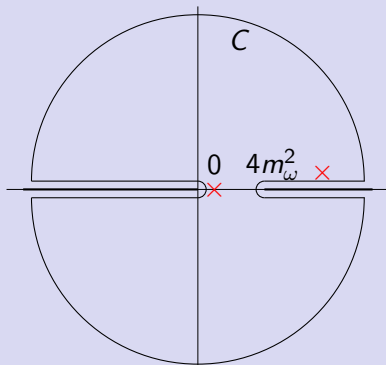


$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_t = & -M_t \left( 1 + c_1 \frac{h}{v} + c_2 \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right) \\
 & \times \left\{ \sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega^2}{v^2}} t\bar{t} \right. \\
 & \quad + \frac{i\omega^0}{v} \bar{t}\gamma^5 t \\
 & \quad + i\sqrt{2} \frac{\omega^+}{v} (-\bar{t}_R b_L) \\
 & \quad \left. + i\sqrt{2} \frac{\omega^-}{v} (\bar{b}_L t_R) \right\} \\
 & + g_t \frac{M_t}{v^4} (\partial_\mu \omega^i \partial^\mu \omega^j) t\bar{t} \\
 & + g'_t \frac{M_t}{v^4} (\partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h) t\bar{t}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Castillo et al. EPJC 77 436 (2017)

## Use its dispersive derivation: 2010.13709

- ▶ Causality  $\implies$  analyticity
- ▶ Large circumference convergence  $G \propto e^{-s}$  (1912.08747)
- ▶ Can apply Cauchy's theorem



to the function  $t_0^2(s')/t(s')(s - s')s'^3$ .

Master formula is a dispersion relation for  $G(s) \equiv \frac{t_0^2(s)}{t(s)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(s) = & G(0) + G'(0)s + \frac{1}{2}G''(0)s^2 + PC(G) + \\
 & + \frac{s^3}{\pi} \int_{RC} ds' \frac{\text{Im } G(s')}{s'^3(s' - s)} + \\
 & + \frac{s^3}{\pi} \int_{LC} ds' \frac{\text{Im } G(s')}{s'^3(s' - s)}
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## Dispersion relation: approximations

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(s) = & \underbrace{G(0) + G'(0)s + \frac{1}{2}G''(0)s^2}_{\text{NLO subtraction constants}} + \underbrace{PC(G)}_{\text{Neglected}} + \\
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NLO imaginary part  $\text{Im } G \rightarrow -\text{Im } t_1$

Gives  $t \simeq t_0^2 / (t_0 - t_1) = t_{IAM}$ .

## Sources of uncertainty

- ▶ Neglected pole contributions of  $t^{-1}$ :  
subthreshold Adler zeroes and CDD zeroes of  $t$ .
- ▶ Inelasticities due to  $KK$  ( $hh$  in HEFT),  $4\omega$ , etc.
- ▶  $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$  truncation of subtraction constants.
- ▶ Left cut approximation  $Im G \simeq -Im t_1$ .



## The SM is a very specific theory



$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{2}(v+h)^2(\partial_\mu\vec{\omega})^2 \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu h)^2 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

In terms of three Goldstone bosons  $\vec{\omega}$  and Higgs  $h$  fields

## SMEFT extension



$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(v+h)^2 A \left( \frac{(v+h)^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) (\partial_\mu \vec{\omega})^2$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + C \left( \frac{(v+h)^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \right) (\partial_\mu h)^2 + \dots$$

$$A(0) = 1, \quad C(0) = 0$$

## HEFT extension

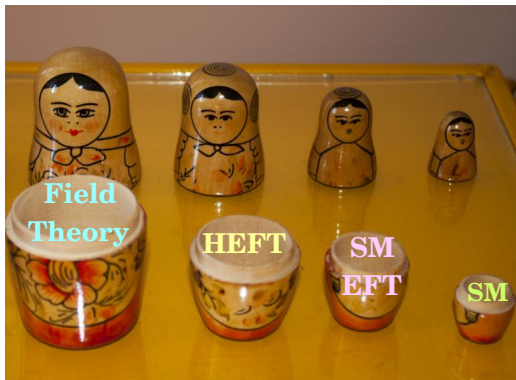


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$$F(0) = 1$$

(n.b. field redefinition shows  $SMEFT \subset HEFT$ )

If different symmetry breaking pattern... still field theory



## But $S$ -matrix theory more general



## Basic particle concepts part of $S$ -matrix theory



Dispersion relations,  
partial-wave expansions,  
resonances, elasticities...

S-matrix too general: ambiguous  $\implies$  HEFT input



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**IAM**



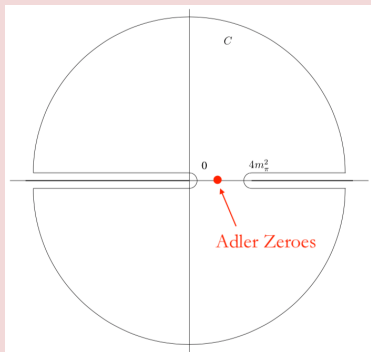
## Other unitarization methods

- ▶  $K$ -matrix (no good analyticity properties)
- ▶  $N/D$  method (integral equations, not algebraic)
- ▶ Large  $N$  method (only approximate for  $O(4) \rightarrow O(3)$ )
- ▶ **Inverse Amplitude Method**  $\implies$   
control theory uncertainties (this work)

We have provided improved/simplified versions of all methods

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## Adler zeroes of $t$ near threshold



EFT feature

$$t_0 + t_1 = a + bs + cs^2$$

vanishes near  $s = -a/b$

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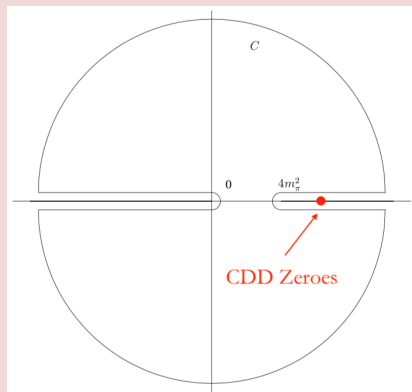
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2. If present, modify

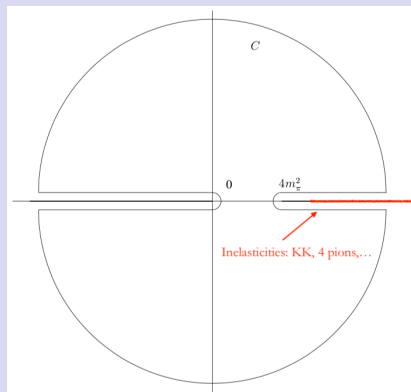
$$t_{\text{IAM}} = \frac{t_0^2}{t_0 - t_1} \rightarrow \frac{t_0^2}{t_0 - t_1 + \frac{s}{s-s_c} \text{Re}(t_1)} .$$



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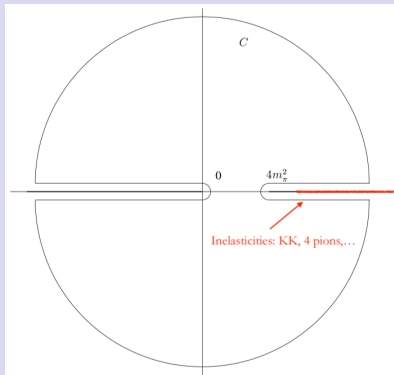
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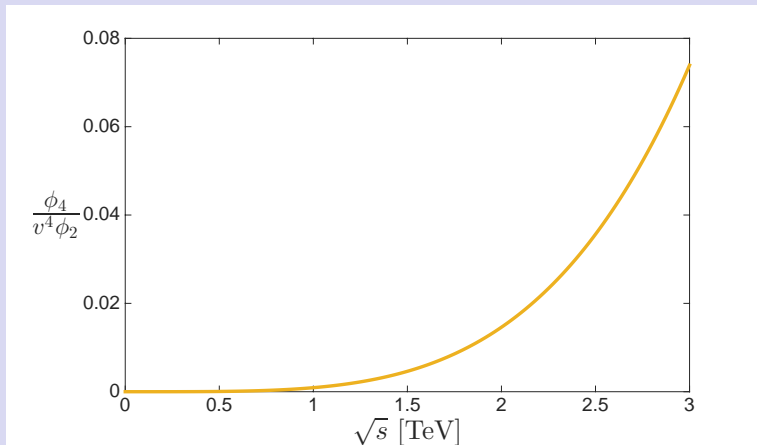
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- ▶ Difference with SMEFT: here, in ChPT or HEFT, additional particles \*not\* suppressed by the chiral counting. But **phase space** helps.



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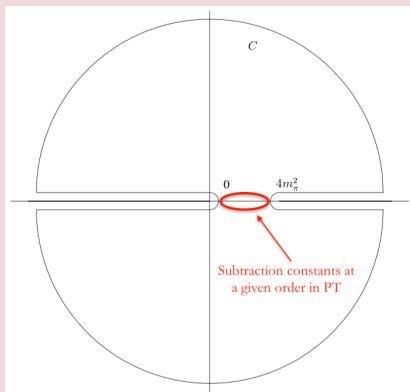


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In hadron physics,  
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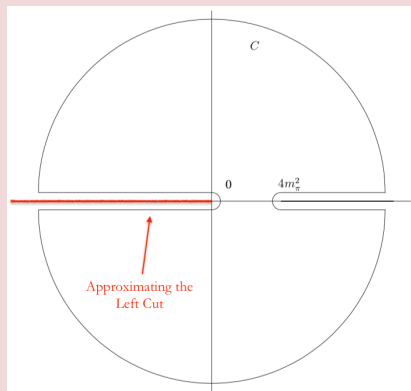
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$$\int_{LC} ds' \frac{\text{Im } G + \text{Im } t_1}{s'^3 (s' - s)} .$$

*i.e.*, failure of IAM's

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- ▶ **Intermediate- $|s|$** : Match to ChPT + natural-size counterterm.  
Currently studying LC parameterizations from GKPY eqns.
- ▶ **High  $-|s|$** : Sugawara-Kanazawa relates it to right cut: Regge asymptotics there. Far from RC anyway.

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Uncertainty	Behavior	Displacement $m_\rho$	improvable?
Adler zeroes of $t$	$(m_\pi/m_\rho)^4$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-4}$	Yes
CDD poles at $M_0$	$M_R^2/M_0^2$	$0 - \mathcal{O}(1)$	Yes
Inelastic 2-body	$(\sqrt{s}/(4\pi f_\pi))^4$	$10^{-3}$	Yes
Inelastic 4...-body	$(\sqrt{s}/(4\pi f_\pi))^4$	$10^{-4}$	Partly
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