

# WP3: processes with hadrons

## Introduction and comments on FsQED

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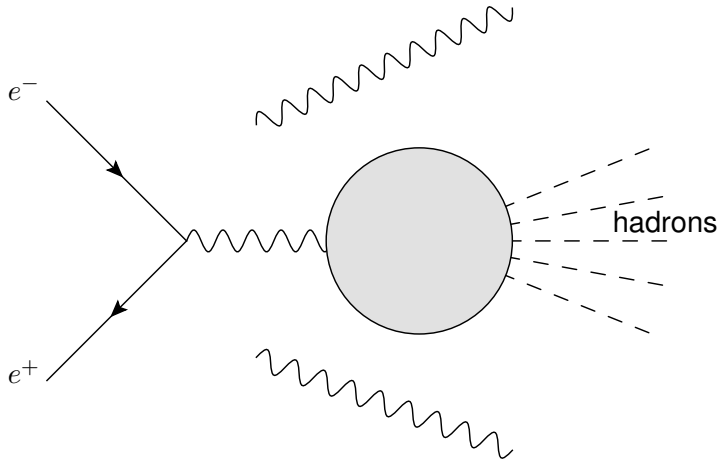
- Introduction and FsQED
  - Two-pion channel: Gilberto Colangelo
  - Three-pion channel: Bastian Kubis
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- Hadrons in Phokhara: Henryk Czyz (remote)
  - Comparison of different MCs: Fedor Ignatov
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- Perspectives on CMD-3 result: Fedor Ignatov

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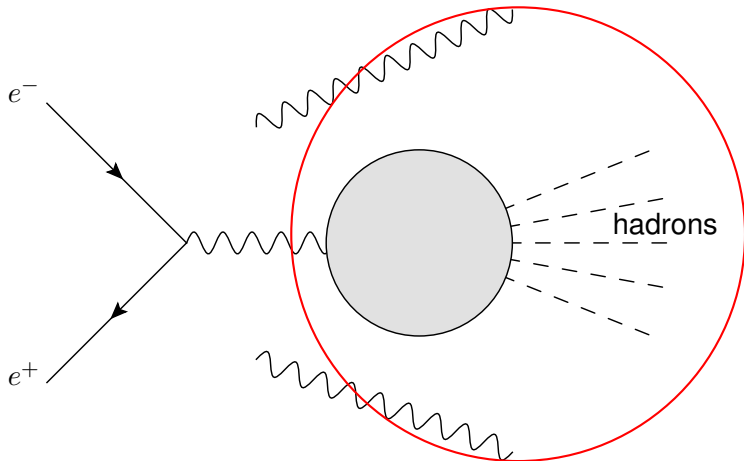
- input talks ~ 10 min. + ~ 15 min. open discussion
- additional discussion slots scheduled
- “satellite talk” on CMD-3 towards the end of session: some people will join via zoom

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## Processes with hadrons



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## Hadronic vacuum polarization in muon $g - 2$

importance of different channels: → [White Paper \(2020\)](#)

- $2\pi$ : 73% of total HVP
- $3\pi$ : 7% of total HVP
- $2K$ : 5% of total HVP
- $> 1.8 \text{ GeV}$  (without  $\bar{c}c$ ): 7% of total HVP

## FsQED

Adrian's question:

*What is "scalar QED with form factors"? Can this be defined systematically in an order-by-order expansion in  $\alpha$ ? Is it possible to write down a Lagrangian for this? Would it even make sense to go beyond LO in such a setup?*

## Processes with hadrons

Low-energy hadronic interactions in principle described by **QCD+QED** (with tiny corrections due to weak interactions):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD+QED}} &= -\frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \sum_{\psi} \bar{\psi}(i\not{D} - m_{\psi})\psi \\ &\quad + \mathcal{L}_{\text{gf}}, \\ D_{\mu} &= \partial_{\mu} + igT^A G_{\mu}^A + ieQA_{\mu},\end{aligned}$$

but QCD is **non-perturbative** at low energies

## Non-perturbative methods and their limitations

### **lattice QCD:**

- limited access to timelike region via finite-volume effects  
→ Lüscher (1991), Lellouch, Lüscher (2001)
- computationally expensive

## Non-perturbative methods and their limitations

**chiral perturbation theory** ( $\chi$ PT): systematic EFT,  
describes interaction of lightest mesons ( $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $\eta$ ) and  
photons  $\rightarrow$  Gasser, Leutwyler (1984, 1985), Urech (1995)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi\text{PT}}^\gamma = \mathcal{L}_{p^2}^\gamma + \mathcal{L}_{p^4}^\gamma + \dots,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{p^2}^\gamma = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{gf}} + e^2F_0^4Z\langle QUQU^\dagger \rangle$$

$$+ \frac{F_0^2}{4}\langle (D_\mu U)(D^\mu U)^\dagger \rangle + \frac{F_0^2}{4}\langle \chi U^\dagger + U\chi^\dagger \rangle,$$

$$U(x) = \exp\left(i\frac{\pi(x)}{F_0}\right), \quad \pi(x) = \sum_{a=1}^8 \lambda^a \pi^a(x),$$

$$D_\mu U = \partial_\mu U - iUeQA_\mu + ieQA_\mu U.$$

## Non-perturbative methods and their limitations

### chiral perturbation theory ( $\chi$ PT):

- limited to the region of **very low energies**  $\ll 4\pi F_\pi \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$
- no (explicit) hadronic resonances, extension of validity range requires unitarization
- higher-order corrections: **low-energy constants** sometimes poorly known, especially in EM sector

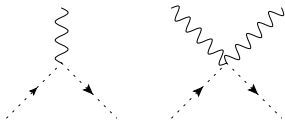
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### chiral perturbation theory ( $\chi$ PT):

- (renormalizable part of) leading chiral Lagrangian contains **scalar QED** interactions:

$$\mathcal{L}_{p^2}^\gamma \supset -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + (D_\mu\pi^+)(D^\mu\pi^-) + (D_\mu K^+)(D^\mu K^-),$$

$$D_\mu\phi = \partial_\mu\phi + ieQ_\phi A_\mu\phi$$



## Non-perturbative methods and their limitations

### hadronic models:

- e.g., RChT: inclusion of resonances in  $\chi$ PT as explicit DoF  
→ Ecker, Gasser, Pich, de Rafael (1989), + Leutwyler (1989)
- not a full-fledged EFT with mass gap and power counting
- multiplying sQED result by form factors (FsQED) *a priori*  
an ad hoc prescription
- models often phenomenologically successful, but **no systematic improvement** possible



## Non-perturbative methods and their limitations

### dispersion relations:

- use unitarity, analyticity, crossing, gauge invariance
- step 1: gauge-invariant **tensor decomposition** of photon amplitude → Bardeen, Tung (1968), Tarrach (1975)
- step 2: determine single-particle pole residues, multi-particle discontinuities from **unitarity relation**  
⇒ fixes imaginary parts
- step 3: reconstruct real parts via **dispersion integrals**, using analyticity

## Non-perturbative methods and their limitations

### **dispersion relations:**

- approximations: need to **truncate infinite sum** in unitarity relation
- limited knowledge about **sub-processes** needed as input

## Dispersion relations

**example:**  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

- step 1: BTT tensor decomposition

→ Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer (2015)

$$W_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{i=1}^5 T_{\mu\nu}^i A_i, \quad q_1^\mu T_{\mu\nu}^i = q_2^\nu T_{\mu\nu}^i = 0$$

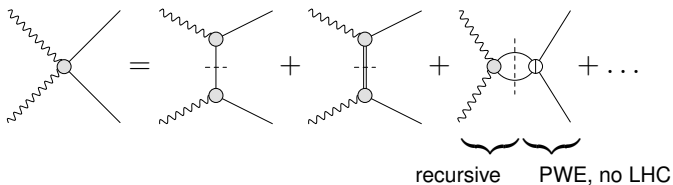
e.g.,  $T_1^{\mu\nu} = q_1 \cdot q_2 g^{\mu\nu} - q_2^\mu q_1^\nu$

$A_i$  free of kinematic singularities and zeros

## Dispersion relations

**example:**  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

- step 2: intermediate states in unitarity relation(s)



## Dispersion relations

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- step 3: solve dispersion relations

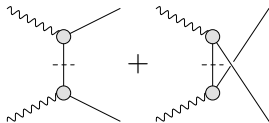
$$h_i(s) = \Delta_i(s) + \frac{\Omega(s)}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{K_{ij}(s, s') \sin \delta(s') \Delta_j(s')}{|\Omega(s')|}$$

- $\Delta_i(s)$ : inhomogeneity due to left-hand cut
- $\Omega(s)$ : Omnès function with  $\pi\pi$  phase shift  $\delta(s)$  as input
- $K_{ij}(s, s')$ : integration kernels

## Dispersion relations: coming back to FsQED

**example:**  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

- pole term in fixed- $s$  DR:



$$A_1^\pi = -F_\pi^V(q_1^2) F_\pi^V(q_2^2) \left( \frac{1}{t - M_\pi^2} + \frac{1}{u - M_\pi^2} \right),$$

$$A_4^\pi = -F_\pi^V(q_1^2) F_\pi^V(q_2^2) \frac{2}{s - q_1^2 - q_2^2} \left( \frac{1}{t - M_\pi^2} + \frac{1}{u - M_\pi^2} \right),$$

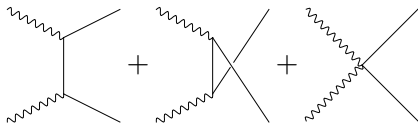
$$A_2^\pi = A_3^\pi = A_5^\pi = 0,$$

where  $\langle \pi^+(k) | j_{\text{em}}^\mu(0) | \pi^+(p) \rangle = (k + p)^\mu F_\pi^V((k - p)^2)$ .

## Dispersion relations: coming back to FsQED

**example:**  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

- sQED:



$$A_1^{\text{Born}} = - \left( \frac{1}{t - M_\pi^2} + \frac{1}{u - M_\pi^2} \right),$$

$$A_4^{\text{Born}} = - \frac{2}{s - q_1^2 - q_2^2} \left( \frac{1}{t - M_\pi^2} + \frac{1}{u - M_\pi^2} \right),$$

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**example:**  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

- $\Rightarrow$  pole terms = FsQED:

The diagram shows the pole terms in the amplitude for the process  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ . It consists of two parts: a sum of two tree-level diagrams and a sum of three loop-level diagrams.

The first part shows two tree-level diagrams separated by a plus sign. Each diagram has two incoming wavy lines (photons) and two outgoing straight lines (pions). The first diagram shows a vertical dashed line (pion) connecting two vertices, each with a photon line and a pion line. The second diagram is similar but with the pion lines crossed.

The second part shows three loop-level diagrams enclosed in large parentheses, separated by plus signs. Each diagram has two incoming wavy lines and two outgoing straight lines. The first diagram is a box diagram with a vertical dashed line and a horizontal dashed line. The second diagram is a triangle diagram with a vertical dashed line and a horizontal dashed line. The third diagram is a triangle diagram with a vertical dashed line and a horizontal dashed line, with the pion lines crossed.

$$= F_\pi^V(q_1^2) F_\pi^V(q_2^2) \times \left( \text{[Box Diagram]} + \text{[Triangle Diagram]} + \text{[Triangle Diagram]} \right)$$



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## Summary and discussion items

- on hadronic side: limiting factor **non-perturbative dynamics**
- resonances in intermediate energy range (1 . . . 2 GeV): no systematic field-theoretic approach
- most promising: **dispersion relations**, but require process-specific analyses and usually leave residual model dependence
- how to feed into MCs?