

Hadronic vacuum polarization: $\pi\pi$ channel and pion form factor



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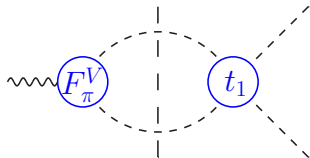
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- How to estimate uncertainty in the $\pi\pi$ channel?
 - ↪ **local error inflation** wherever tensions between data sets arise
- In QCD: **analyticity** and **unitarity** imply strong relation between pion form factor and $\pi\pi$ scattering
 - ↪ defines **global fit function**
- Main motivation: Can one use these constraints to corroborate the uncertainty estimate for the $\pi\pi$ channel?
- Idea not new de Trocóniz, Ynduráin 2001, 2004, Leutwyler, Colangelo 2002, 2003, Ananthanarayan et al. 2013, 2016
- Here: towards practical implementation, first numerical results
see talk at Tsukuba meeting for more details on the formalism

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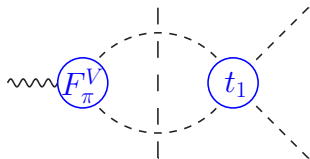
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- Solution in terms of **Omnès function** Omnès 1958

$$F_\pi^V(s) = P(s)\Omega_1(s) \quad \Omega_1(s) = \exp \left\{ \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\delta_1(s')}{s'(s' - s)} \right\}$$

- Asymptotics + normalization $\Rightarrow P(s) = 1$

- In practice: inelastic corrections $F_\pi^V(s) = G_3(s)G_4(s)\Omega_1(s)$

- **3π states**: forbidden for $m_u = m_d$, but otherwise correction factor

$$G_3(s) = 1 + \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{9M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } G_3(s')}{s'(s' - s)} \quad \text{Im } G_3(s) \sim (s - 9M_\pi^2)^4$$

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Intermediate states beyond $\pi\pi$

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- **4 π states**: correction factor

$$G_4(s) = 1 + \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{16M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } G_4(s')}{s'(s' - s)} \quad \text{Im } G_4(s) \sim (s - 16M_\pi^2)^{9/2}$$

- In practice: negligible below $\pi\omega$ threshold [Eidelman, Łukaszuk 2003](#)

$$G_4(s) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^p c_i (z(s)^i - z(0)^i) \quad z(s) = \frac{\sqrt{s_{\pi\omega} - s_1} - \sqrt{s_{\pi\omega} - s}}{\sqrt{s_{\pi\omega} - s_1} + \sqrt{s_{\pi\omega} - s}} \quad s_{\pi\omega} = (M_\pi + M_\omega)^2$$

- **Inelastic phase** above $s_{\pi\omega}$ constrained by P -wave behavior and Eidelman–Łukaszuk bound

Parameterization of the $\pi\pi$ phase shift

- Isospin $I = 1$ P -wave t_1 related to other $\pi\pi$ channels by **Roy equations**
↔ manifestation of analyticity, unitarity, and crossing symmetry
- Mathematical properties well understood [Gasser, Wanders 1999](#)
↔ **uniqueness properties** depend on the phase shift
- Solving δ_1 below $\sqrt{s_m} = 1.15$ GeV, there are **two free parameters**
↔ take $\delta_1(s_m)$ and $\delta_1(s_A)$, $\sqrt{s_A} = 0.8$ GeV
- Family of solutions from [Caprini, Colangelo, Leutwyler 2011](#)
↔ effective parameterization in terms of $\delta_1(s_m)$ and $\delta_1(s_A)$
- In total: **3 + p fit parameters** for F_π^V

Fit to $\pi\pi$ data sets: strategy

- For now: **one fixed representation** for $F_\pi^V(s)$, e.g. 1 free parameter in conformal polynomial
- For now: fix ω parameters to PDG values
↪ 4 fit parameters in total
- Full statistical and systematic covariance matrices
↪ **iterative fit** to avoid d'Agostini bias
- VP excluded by definition [Tsukuba talk](#)
- In practice, take **bare cross section**, remove FSR
- In calculation of HVP, add FSR in the end via

$$|F_\pi^V(s)|^2 \rightarrow |F_\pi^V(s)|^2 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \eta(s)\right)$$

Fit to $\pi\pi$ data sets: fixed ω parameters

	$\delta(s_A)$ [°]	$\delta(s_M)$ [°]	$10^3 \epsilon_{\rho\omega}$	c_1	χ^2/dof	p	$10^{10} a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi} _{[0.6,0.9]}$ DR	1711.03085
SND	110.4	165.5	1.95	0.24	5.30	$7 \cdot 10^{-26}$	374.1(3.6)	371.7(5.0)
CMD2	109.8	165.5	1.80	0.20	3.37	$2 \cdot 10^{-8}$	368.3(3.0)	372.4(3.0)
BaBar	110.6	166.0	2.08	0.22	1.53	$7 \cdot 10^{-8}$	377.3(2.0)	376.7(2.7)
KLOE	110.5	165.8	1.87	0.15	1.67	$2 \cdot 10^{-8}$	367.1(1.1)	366.9(2.1)

• Some observations:

- Caprini, Colangelo, Leutwyler 2011: $\delta(s_A) = 108.9(2.0)^\circ$, $\delta(s_M) = 166.5(2.0)^\circ$
↪ $\pi\pi$ phases remarkably consistent among all fits
- Differences mainly in $\epsilon_{\rho\omega}$ and c_1
- Reduced χ^2 and p -values terrible, why?

Fit to $\pi\pi$ data sets: fitting the ω mass

	M_ω [MeV]	χ^2/dof	p -value	$10^{10} a_\mu^{\pi\pi} _{[0.6, 0.9]}$ DR	1711.03085
SND	781.54(8)	1.37 [5.30]	5.8% [$7 \cdot 10^{-26}$]	373.9(3.6) [374.1(3.6)]	371.7(5.0)
CMD2	782.09(7)	1.38 [3.37]	10.1% [$2 \cdot 10^{-8}$]	370.7(3.0) [368.3(3.0)]	372.4(3.0)
BaBar	781.91(7)	1.13 [1.53]	7.3% [$7 \cdot 10^{-8}$]	375.6(2.1) [377.3(2.0)]	376.7(2.7)
KLOE	782.12(14)	1.60 [1.67]	$3 \cdot 10^{-7}$ [$2 \cdot 10^{-8}$]	366.6(1.1) [367.1(1.1)]	366.9(2.1)

Further observations:

- In general vast improvement, most fits acceptable now
- PDG: $M_\omega = 782.65(12)$ MeV (dominated by $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma$ SND, CMD2)
 \leftrightarrow shifts much larger than $\Delta M_\omega = \bar{M}_\omega - M_\omega = 0.13$ MeV from radiative corrections
- Fitting Γ_ω does not yield further improvements
- For KLOE only modest improvement, why?

Fit to $\pi\pi$ data sets: energy rescaling

	ξ	χ^2/dof	p -value	$10^{10} a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi} _{[0.6, 0.9]}$ DR	1711.03085
SND	1.00142(11)	1.37 [1.37]	5.9% [5.8%]	373.8(3.6) [373.9(3.6)]	371.7(5.0)
CMD2	1.00071(10)	1.38 [1.38]	10.1% [10.1%]	370.6(3.0) [370.7(3.0)]	372.4(3.0)
BaBar	1.00095(9)	1.13 [1.13]	7.4% [7.3%]	375.5(2.1) [375.6(2.1)]	376.7(2.7)
KLOE	1.00069(18)	1.59 [1.60]	$3 \cdot 10^{-7}$ [$3 \cdot 10^{-7}$]	366.5(1.1) [366.6(1.1)]	366.9(2.1)
KLOE ($3\xi_i$)	1.00125(20)	1.36	$8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	365.3(1.1)	366.9(2.1)
	1.00023(16)				
	1.00041(28)				
KLOE ($2\xi_i$)	1.00122(19)	1.35	$9 \cdot 10^{-4}$	365.2(1.1)	366.9(2.1)
	1.00025(16)				

Further observations:

- Energy rescaling $\sqrt{s} \rightarrow \xi\sqrt{s}$ equivalent to fit of ω mass
- KLOE fit improves significantly by allowing for different rescalings in KLOE08 and KLOE10/KLOE12

Fit to $\pi\pi$ data sets: systematics

	ξ	χ^2/dof	p -value	$10^{10} a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi} _{[0.6, 0.9]}$ DR	1711.03085
SND	1.00142(11) [1.00142(11)]	1.43 [1.37]	4.2% [5.9%]	375.6(4.5) [373.8(3.6)]	371.7(5.0)
CMD2	1.00069(10) [1.00071(10)]	1.40 [1.38]	10.2% [10.1%]	372.9(3.4) [370.6(3.0)]	372.4(3.0)
BaBar	1.00096(9) [1.00095(9)]	1.13 [1.13]	7.2% [7.4%]	375.9(2.2) [375.5(2.1)]	376.7(2.7)
KLOE ($2\xi_i$)	1.00121(19) [1.00122(19)] 1.00023(16) [1.00025(16)]	1.30 [1.35]	0.4% [$9 \cdot 10^{-4}$]	367.2(1.4) [365.2(1.1)]	366.9(2.1)

- Systematic uncertainties:

- Dominant effect: order of the **conformal polynomial** (here: $p = 3$)
 \hookrightarrow some further improvement for KLOE
- Others: asymptotics of phase (negligible), uncertainties in Roy phase (~ 0.5 units), s_1 (~ 0.5 units)

Fit to $\pi\pi$ data sets: a first look at combinations

	χ^2/dof	p -value	$10^{10} a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi} _{[0.6, 0.9]}$	
			DR	KNT18
direct scan	1.40	1.7%	373.8(2.7)	370.8(2.6)
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KLOE	1.30	0.4%	367.2(1.4)	366.9(2.1)
all	1.31	$3 \cdot 10^{-6}$	369.9(1.1)	369.4(1.3)

- Caveats:

- Systematic errors missing

↔ total errors likely larger than in direct integration (but not much)

- Fits not perfect: PDG **scale factors**?

- Very stable prediction for low-energy region: $a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi} |_{\leq 0.63} = 133.0(3)(5) \cdot 10^{-10}$

↔ compare to 131.1(1.0) KNT18, 133.3(7) Ananthanarayan et al. 2016

- Better understanding of $\pi\pi$ channel from **analyticity** and **unitarity**?
- Some preliminary fit results
 - Acceptable fit only for variable ω mass \Rightarrow energy rescaling
 - KLOE08 and KLOE10/KLOE12 seem to favor different such rescalings
 - Systematic error dominated by order of conformal polynomial
 - \hookrightarrow **Eidelman–Łukaszuk bound**
 - For [0.6, 0.9] GeV good agreement with direct integration within (comparable) errors
 - Parameterization becomes increasingly stringent for small energies
- Outlook
 - Combination strategy: PDG scale factors?
 - Space-like data
 - Can we help resolve the controversy in $\pi\pi$ channel?

How to define the pion form factor?

- In QCD: matrix element of the electromagnetic current $j_{em}^\mu = \bar{q}Q\gamma^\mu q$

$$\langle \pi^\pm(p') | j_{em}^\mu | \pi^\pm(p) \rangle = \pm (p + p')^\mu e F_\pi^V(s) \quad s = (p' - p)^2$$

- Relation to cross section

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha(s)^2}{3s} \sigma_\pi^3(s) |F_\pi^V(s)|^2 \frac{s+2m_e^2}{s\sigma_e(s)} \quad \sigma_\pi(s) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M_\pi^2}{s}}$$

- Two issues

- **Vacuum polarization:** $\alpha(s) = \alpha(0)/(1 - \Pi(s)) \quad \alpha \equiv \alpha(0)$
- **Final-state radiation:** $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)) = \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\eta(s)\right)$

- Usually

- For HVP: bare cross section including FSR

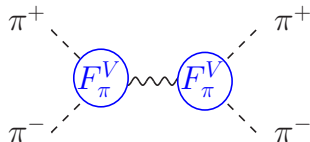
$$\sigma_0(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3s} \sigma_\pi^3(s) |F_\pi^V(s)|^2 \frac{s+2m_e^2}{s\sigma_e(s)} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\eta(s)\right)$$

- Absorb VP into form factor, i.e. $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3s} \sigma_\pi^3(s) |\tilde{F}_\pi^V(s)|^2 \frac{s+2m_e^2}{s\sigma_e(s)}$

- Here: keep the QCD $F_\pi^V(s)$!

Role of ρ - γ (and ρ - ω) mixing

- In the context of τ data, ρ^0 - γ mixing critical [Jegerlehner, Szafron 2011](#)
- Reason: **isospin-breaking corrections** [Cirigliano, Ecker, Neufeld 2001, 2002](#) expressed in terms of ρ^+ and ρ^0 Breit-Wigner parameters
↔ need to identify a **physical ρ^0 state**
- Here: external states are e^+e^- and $\pi^+\pi^-$
- ρ^0 - γ diagonalization related to $\pi^+\pi^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ transition
- Consider coupled channel system of e^+e^- and $\pi^+\pi^-$ [Hanhart 2012](#)
- Similarly: 3π channel for ρ - ω mixing



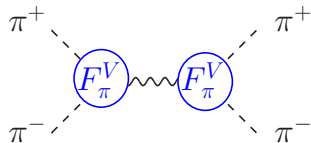
Step 1: $\pi^+\pi^-$ scattering

- Partial-wave projected amplitude

$$t_\gamma(s) = -\frac{4\pi\alpha(s)}{s}(s - 4M_\pi^2)(F_\pi^V(s))^2$$

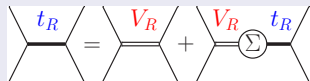
- VP from $\pi^+\pi^-$ states

$$\Pi_\pi(s) = -\frac{\alpha s}{12\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\sigma_\pi^3(s') |F_\pi^V(s')|^2}{s'(s' - s - i\epsilon)}$$



Full amplitude

$$t(s) = \underbrace{\tilde{t}(s)}_{48\pi t_1(s)} + \underbrace{\xi_\pi(s)\Gamma_{\text{out}}(s)t_R(s)\Gamma_{\text{in}}^\dagger(s)\xi_\pi(s)}_{t_\gamma(s)}$$



↪ takes form of single-channel Bethe–Salpeter equation with

- “potential” $V_R(s) = -\frac{4\pi\alpha}{s}$

- centrifugal barrier factors $\xi_\pi(s) = \sqrt{s - 4M_\pi^2}$

- self energy $\Sigma_\pi(s) = \frac{s^2}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\tilde{\sigma}_\pi(s') \xi_\pi^2(s') |\Gamma(s')|^2}{s'^2(s' - s - i\epsilon)}$

$$t_R(s) = \frac{V_R(s)}{1 - V_R(s)\Sigma_\pi(s)}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{out}}(s) = \Gamma_{\text{in}}^\dagger(s) = F_\pi^V(s)$$

Step 2: $\pi^+\pi^-$ and e^+e^- (and $\mu^+\mu^-$) scattering

• Lepton VP

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↔ same form as for $\pi^+\pi^-$ with $\xi_\ell(s) = 2\sqrt{s + 2m_\ell^2}$ and $\Gamma = 1$

Full system

$$(t(s))_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \delta_{1i} \tilde{t}(s) + \xi_i(s) (\Gamma_{\text{out}}(s))_i (t_R(s))_{ij} (\Gamma_{\text{in}}^\dagger(s))_j \xi_j(s)$$

$$\text{with } t_R(s) = (\mathbb{1} - V_R(s) \Sigma(s))^{-1} V_R(s) \quad V_R(s) = -\frac{4\pi\alpha}{s} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma(s) = \text{diag}(\Sigma_\pi(s), \Sigma_e(s))$$

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• From $(t(s))_{12}$ we find

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3s} \frac{\sigma_\pi^3(s) |F_\pi^V(s)|^2}{|1 - \Pi(s)|^2} \frac{s + 2m_\pi^2}{s\sigma_e(s)} \quad \Pi(s) = \Pi_\pi(s) + \Pi_e(s) + \Pi_\mu(s)$$

\hookrightarrow no effect besides VP, in which $F_\pi^V(s)$ should be fit self-consistently!

• Note: no necessity to ever specify a ρ external state

Step 3: e^+e^- and 3π scattering

- Can describe $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi$ with dispersion relations MH, Kubis, Leupold, Niecknig, Schneider 2014
- Here: capture the dominant contribution from the ω , leading to the ansatz

$$V_R(s) = -\frac{4\pi\alpha}{s} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & g_3 s \\ g_3 s & (g_3 s)^2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{s - M_{\omega,0}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & g_{\omega 3}^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma(s) = \text{diag}(\Sigma_e(s), \Sigma_{3\pi})$$

- Bare parameters $g_3, g_{\omega 3}, \Sigma_{3\pi}, M_{\omega,0}$ via **matching to physical quantities**
- VP from 3π states

$$\Pi_\omega(s) = P_\omega(s) + \frac{e^2 s}{g_{\omega\gamma}^2} \frac{1}{s - M_\omega^2 + iM_\omega\Gamma_\omega}$$

\hookrightarrow strictly speaking only valid near the resonance, set polynomial $P_\omega(s) = 0$

- $g_{\omega\gamma} = 16.7(2)$ determined from $\omega \rightarrow e^+e^-$ width

Step 3: ω parameters

- $(t(s))_{ij}$ all involve VP factor $(1 - \Pi_e(s) - \Pi_\omega(s))^{-1}$

↪ ensures **universality of the ω pole**

- But: the pole parameters are shifted with respect to the ones from $\Pi_\omega(s)$

$$s - M_\omega^2 + iM_\omega\Gamma_\omega - \frac{e^2 s}{g_{\omega\gamma}^2(1 - \Pi_e(s))} \equiv \left(1 - \frac{e^2}{g_{\omega\gamma}^2}\right) \left(s - \bar{M}_\omega^2 + i\bar{M}_\omega\bar{\Gamma}_\omega\right) + \mathcal{O}(e^4)$$

with, up to $\mathcal{O}(e^4)$,

$$\bar{M}_\omega = \left(1 + \frac{e^2}{2g_{\omega\gamma}^2}\right) M_\omega \quad \bar{\Gamma}_\omega = \left(1 + \frac{e^2}{2g_{\omega\gamma}^2}\right) \Gamma_\omega \quad \bar{g}_{\omega\gamma} = \frac{g_{\omega\gamma}}{\sqrt{Z}} \quad Z = 1 + \frac{e^2}{g_{\omega\gamma}^2}$$

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- Numerically

$$\Delta M_\omega = \bar{M}_\omega - M_\omega = 0.13 \text{ MeV [PDG: 0.12 MeV]} \quad \Delta g_{\omega\gamma} = \bar{g}_{\omega\gamma} - g_{\omega\gamma} = -3 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\Delta \Gamma_\omega = \bar{\Gamma}_\omega - \Gamma_\omega = 1.4 \text{ keV [PDG: 0.08 MeV]}$$

↪ potentially relevant for the mass

Step 4: full system

- Channels: $1 = \pi^+\pi^-$, $2 = e^+e^-$, $3 = \mu^+\mu^-$, $4 = 3\pi$

$$V_R(s) = -\frac{4\pi\alpha}{s} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & g_3 s \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & g_3 s \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & g_3 s \\ g_3 s & g_3 s & g_3 s & (g_3 s)^2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{s - M_{\omega,0}^2} \begin{pmatrix} g_{\omega 2}^2 & 0 & 0 & g_{\omega 2} g_{\omega 3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ g_{\omega 2} g_{\omega 3} & 0 & 0 & g_{\omega 3}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $(1 - \Pi(s))^{-1}$ again factorizes in all amplitudes

$$\Pi(s) = \Pi_e(s) + \Pi_\mu(s) + \Pi_\pi(s) \left(1 + \frac{2s\epsilon_{\rho\omega}}{M_\omega^2 - s - iM_\omega\Gamma_\omega} \right) + \Pi_\omega(s) + \mathcal{O}(g_{\omega 2}^2)$$

- Further renormalization of ω parameters

$$\Delta\Gamma_\omega \simeq -0.06 \text{ MeV [PDG: } 0.08 \text{ MeV]}$$

\hookrightarrow enhanced by M_ρ/Γ_ρ , related to ρ - ω mixing ($g_{\omega 2} = \epsilon_{\rho\omega} g_{\omega\gamma}$)

Step 4: result for the form factor

Relation between $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ and the QCD pion form factor

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3s} \frac{\sigma_\pi^3(s) |F_\pi^V(s)|^2}{|1 - \Pi(s)|^2} \times \left| 1 + \frac{s\epsilon_{\rho\omega}}{M_\omega^2 - s - iM_\omega\Gamma_\omega} \right|^2 \times \frac{s + 2m_e^2}{s\sigma_e(s)}$$
$$\Pi(s) = \Pi_e(s) + \Pi_\mu(s) + \Pi_\pi(s) \left(1 + \frac{2s\epsilon_{\rho\omega}}{M_\omega^2 - s - iM_\omega\Gamma_\omega} \right) + \Pi_\omega(s) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\rho\omega}^2)$$

- Recognize $G_3(s)$
 - ↪ ρ - ω mixing reproduced
- No $G_4(s)$ without consideration of 4π channel
 - ↪ still parameterize by conformal polynomial

Step 4: result for the form factor

Relation between $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ and the QCD pion form factor

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{3s} \frac{\sigma_\pi^3(s) |F_\pi^V(s)|^2}{|1 - \Pi(s)|^2} |G_3(s)|^2 \frac{s + 2m_\rho^2}{s\sigma_e(s)}$$
$$\Pi(s) = \Pi_\rho(s) + \Pi_\mu(s) + \Pi_\pi(s) \left(1 + \frac{2s\epsilon_{\rho\omega}}{M_\omega^2 - s - iM_\omega\Gamma_\omega} \right) + \Pi_\omega(s) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon_{\rho\omega}^2)$$

- Lessons for the fit of $F_\pi^V(s)$
 - Cleanest input should be pion form factor from experiment (no assumptions on VP), but: **unitarity/analyticity constraints apply to QCD form factor**
↪ need to account for VP in the fit
 - Alternatively: use bare cross section, but need to remove FSR and rely on VP used by respective experiment
 - No further corrections from ρ - γ mixing (would only be relevant when using explicit ρ states, similarly to shifts in ω parameters)
 - ω parameters in $G_3(s)$ are not the physical pole parameters, potentially relevant shifts due to VP

- $\pi\pi$ amplitude

$$t_1 = \frac{\eta_1 e^{2i\delta_1} - 1}{2i\sigma_\pi}$$

- From unitarity relation [Łukaszuk 1973](#)

$$\left(\frac{1-\eta_1}{2}\right)^2 + \eta_1 \sin^2 \delta_{\text{inel}} \leq \frac{1-\eta_1^2}{4} r \quad r = \frac{\sigma_{\text{non-}2\pi}^{l=1}}{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-}}$$

- Implies bound [Eidelman, Łukaszuk 2003](#)

$$\sin^2 \delta_{\text{inel}} \leq \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sqrt{1 - r^2})$$

\hookrightarrow shows that $\delta_{\text{inel}} \simeq 0$ below $s_{\pi\omega}$

- Better constraint on δ_{inel} when providing input for inelasticity η_1