# Vector mesons and chiral perturbation theory

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### Before chiral perturbation theory (ChPT)

- Vector mesons (VM) were one of the most important building blocks of nuclear physics  $(N, \sigma, \pi, \rho, \omega, \cdots)$ 
  - Tensor force  $(\pi + \rho)$
  - Repulsive forces that prevent nucleon/nuclei from collapsing
  - Vector meson dominance (VMD) and Electromagnetic form factors

### Since the emergence of ChPT

- Heavy particles have been integrated out:  $(N, \sigma, \pi, \rho, \omega, \cdots) \rightarrow (N, \pi)$
- Then, vector mesons have been forgotten
- We are also forgetting pions and even nucleons...
  - Pionless EFT:  $(N, \pi) \rightarrow (N)$
  - Cluster EFT:  $(N) \rightarrow ()$
- Less dofs: More convenient, many insights, but less predictive (more information are put into LECs)
- Effective field theory (EFT) with  $(N, \sigma, \pi, \rho, \omega, \cdots)$  for more powers?
  - Things should not be (too much) complicated
  - Things should be systematic
  - How? Symmetries and power-counting

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#### Chiral perturbation theory (ChPT)

- Expansion in ascending power of  $Q/\Lambda_{\chi}$ 
  - Q: small scale  $(q, m_{\pi})$
  - $\Lambda_{\chi}$ : large (or chiral) scale (~  $4\pi f_{\pi}$  ~ 1GeV)
- How to count p and  $m_{\rho}$  of vector mesons ?

$$- p^{\mu} \sim m_{\rho} \sim \Lambda_{\chi} \text{ in } \gamma N \rightarrow \rho N, \ \rho \rightarrow \pi \pi, \dots$$

 $- p^{\mu} \sim Q \ll m_{
ho}$  in low-energy processes of nucleons and pions

• In our scheme, we count  $p^{\mu} \sim Q \ll m_{\rho}$ . Then Rho-meson propagators  $\frac{1}{m_{\rho}^2 - p^2} \sim Q^0$ 

#### Power counting of chiral perturbation theory (ChPT)

• A Feynman diagram  $\sim Q^{\nu}$  with

$$\nu = \sum_i d_i - 2 I_\pi - I_N + 4L$$

- Using  $2I_N + E_N = \sum_i n_i$  and L + V = I + 1 with  $I = I_{\pi} + I_N$ ,  $V = \sum_i 1$ , we get Weinberg's power counting

$$\nu = 2 - \left(\frac{E_N}{2} + E_h\right) + 2L + \sum_i \left(d_i + \frac{n_i}{2} + h_i - 2\right)$$

• Leading order Lagrangian is just mass term (kinetic term appears only at NNLO)

$$L_0 = m_\rho^2 \left\langle \left(\rho_\mu - \frac{i\Gamma_\mu}{g}\right)^2 \right\rangle + f_\pi^2 \langle i\Delta_\mu \ i\Delta^\mu \rangle + \frac{1}{4} f_\pi^2 \langle \chi_+ \rangle,$$

Leading order propagator

$$\frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{m_{\rho}^2}$$

- At LO, rho-meson can be integrated out: trivial
- At higher order, resummation of self-energy makes things non-trivial.

### If we count: $p^{\mu} \sim m_{\rho}$

• Leading order Lagrangian (mass-term + kinetic term)

$$L_0 = m_\rho^2 \left\langle \left(\rho_\mu - \frac{i\Gamma_\mu}{g}\right)^2 \right\rangle - \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \rho_{\mu\nu} \rho^{\mu\nu} \right\rangle$$

• Leading order propagator (unitary gauge)

$$\frac{1}{m_{\rho}^2 - k^2 - i0^+} \left( g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{k^{\mu}k^{\nu}}{m_{\rho}^2} \right)$$

- Good for tree order calculations.
- Bad divergence

$$\delta^{ab} \frac{g_{\rho}^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left[ -\frac{9}{2} m_{\rho}^2 g^{\mu\nu} + \left( -\frac{k^4}{12m_{\rho}^4} - \frac{7k^2}{6m_{\rho}^2} + 7 \right) (k^{\mu}k^{\nu} - g^{\mu\nu}k^2) \right] + \cdots$$

- Required counter term:  $\langle \nabla^2 \rho_{\mu\nu} \nabla^2 \rho^{\mu\nu} \rangle$ , too high!
- We need not these complications...

$$\begin{split} L_{2} &= -\frac{1}{2} C_{1:1} g^{2} \langle \rho_{\mu\nu} \rho^{\mu\nu} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} C_{1:2} \langle \Gamma_{\mu\nu} \Gamma^{\mu\nu} \rangle - i C_{1:3} \langle \rho_{\mu\nu} \Gamma^{\mu\nu} \rangle \\ - i C_{2:1} g \langle \rho_{\mu\nu} [\Delta^{\mu}, \Delta^{\nu}] \rangle + C_{2:2} \langle \Gamma_{\mu\nu} [\Delta^{\mu}, \Delta^{\nu}] \rangle \\ - C_{3} \langle \chi_{+} \rangle \langle \Delta^{\mu} \Delta_{\mu} \rangle + C_{3} \langle \chi_{+} \rangle \left\langle \left( g \rho_{\mu} - i \Gamma_{\mu} \right)^{2} \right\rangle + C_{5} \langle \chi_{+} \rangle^{2} + \cdots \end{split}$$

$$C_{i} = \eta_{i} \left[ \lambda + \frac{1}{32\pi^{2}} \left( \bar{C}_{i} + \ln \frac{m_{\pi}^{2}}{\mu^{2}} \right) \right].$$
$$\lambda = -\frac{\mu^{d-4}}{32\pi^{2}} \left( \frac{2}{4-d} + \ln 4\pi + \Gamma'(1) + 1 \right)$$

$$\eta_{1:1} = \frac{a^2}{6}, \qquad \eta_{1:2} = \frac{2}{3} \left( 1 - \frac{a}{2} \right)^2, \quad \eta_{1:3} = \frac{a}{3} \left( 1 - \frac{a}{2} \right),$$
  

$$\eta_{2:1} = 0, \qquad \eta_{2:2} = 0,$$
  

$$\eta_3 = 1, \qquad \eta_4 = \frac{a^2}{4}, \qquad \eta_5 = \frac{3}{32}$$
  

$$a = 2$$

### Renormalization

- Low-energy constants:  $a, g, C_{1:1}, C_{1:2}, C_{1:3}, C_{1:2} C_{2:2}$
- We fix LECs by
  - -a = 2: KSRF

$$-g \& C_{1:1} : m_{\rho} = 775.26(23) \text{ MeV}$$

−  $C_{2:1}$ :  $\Gamma(\rho \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-) = 147.8(9)$  MeV

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$$C_{1:3}$$
:  $\Gamma(\rho \to e^+e^-) = 7.04(6) \text{ keV}$ 

$$- C_{1:2} - C_{2:2}: \langle r_{\pi}^2 \rangle = 0.434(5) \text{ fm}^2$$



- Interestingly, vector-meson dominance (VMD) is found to be persistent up to oneloop level
- $\Gamma_{\gamma\pi\pi}(t) = 1 \frac{a}{2} + \frac{t}{2f_{\pi}^2} \left[ 2\left(1 \frac{a}{2}\right)^2 f_3(t) + C_{1:2} C_{2:2} \right] \xrightarrow{a \to 2} 0,$
- $\frac{1}{2f_{\pi}^2} (C_{1:2} C_{2:2}) = (0.000 \pm 0.005) \, \text{fm}^2 \, (\text{determined from } \langle r_{\pi}^2 \rangle = 0.434(5) \, \text{fm}^2$







### EM form factors of nucleon









Proton electric form factor  $G_M^{p}(Q^2)$ 



Neutron electric form factor  $G_E^n(Q^2)$ 



For more discussion on IR, see Kubis & Meissner, NPA 679, 698 Schindler, Gegelia, Schrer, EPJA 26,1

### Nuclear forces with ChPT ( $\pi + N$ )

- Quite impressive!
- Momentum cutoff is a bit too low:  $\Lambda = (450 \sim 550)$  MeV
  - Are we missing something at around (450  $\sim$  550) MeV ?
  - $-\sigma + \rho + \omega$ ?
- Convergence (Largeness of the values of LECs are responsible, resonance saturation assumption)



### Nuclear forces

$$\begin{split} V_{NN}^{(\rho)} &= \frac{\tau_1 \cdot \tau_2}{8f_\pi^2} \frac{1}{1 - A_\rho(t)t/m_\rho^2} \left[\Gamma_{1\rho}(t)\right]^2 \\ &= \frac{\tau_1 \cdot \tau_2}{8f_\pi^2} \left[1 - \frac{t}{m_\rho^2} - \frac{t}{f_\pi^2} \bar{f}_3(t)\right]^{-1} \left[\Gamma_{1\rho}(t)\right]^2 \\ V_{NN}^{(\omega)} &= \frac{g_\omega^2}{4m_\omega^2} \left[1 - \frac{t}{m_\omega^2}\right]^{-1} \left[\Gamma_{1\omega}(t)\right]^2 \end{split}$$



# Long-range part of forces

- LO (Q<sup>0</sup>)
  - Contact + 1- $\pi$ -exchange
  - $1-\rho$ -exchange is just a contact term

- $N^{2}LO(Q^{3})$ 
  - One-loop with NLO Lagr.

$$L_{1} = \overline{N} \left[ -\frac{2 c_{1}}{f_{\pi}^{2}} m_{\pi}^{2} \vec{\pi}^{2} + \cdots \right] N$$

Proportional to low-energy constants: {c<sub>1</sub>, c<sub>3</sub>, c<sub>4</sub>}

- NLO  $(Q^2)$ 
  - One-loop with LO Lagr.
  - 1-ρ-exchange with loop corrections



### Results: peripheral NN scatterings

- For  $L \geq 3$ ,
  - insensitive on low-energy constants for short-range physics
  - Interaction is weak, and the 1<sup>st</sup> order Born approximation is okay (one-pion exchange is treated up to second order).

#### J = 4 phase shifts (preliminary)



#### J = 4 phase shifts (cont'd, preliminary)



#### J = 5 phase shifts (preliminary)





#### J = 5 phase shifts (cont'd, preliminary)



#### J = 6 phase shifts (preliminary)





#### J = 6 phase shifts (cont'd, preliminary)



### Discussions

- ChPT with vector mesons has been developed.
  - Vector meson masses are treated as "heavy", while treating their momenta as light.
  - A consistent 1-loop order renormalization could be done.
- With vector mesons, pion's and proton's EM form factor are described well
- Nuclear force up to N<sup>2</sup>LO has been constructed
  - Our N<sup>2</sup>LO > Our NLO ~ ChPT N<sup>2</sup>LO in terms of accuracy, for most peripheral partial waves
- Going beyond N<sup>2</sup>LO is under progress

Thank you for your attention !