

Parametrizations of three-body hadronic B - and D -decay amplitudes in terms of analytic and unitary meson-meson form factors

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Example: $D^+ \rightarrow [K^-\pi^+]_{S,P} \pi^+$ [D. R. Boito, R. Escribano, Phys. Rev. D **80**, 054007 (2009)]

- No penguin (loop with W meson), so only effective Wilson-coefficient $a_{1(2)}$ contributions, θ_C being Cabbibo angle,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle [K^-\pi^+]_{S,P} \pi^+ | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | D^+ \rangle &= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \cos^2 \theta_C \\ &\times \left[a_1 \langle [K^-\pi_1^+]_{S,P} | \bar{s} \gamma^\nu (1 - \gamma_5) c | D^+ \rangle \langle \pi_2^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_\nu (1 - \gamma_5) d | 0 \rangle \right. \\ &\left. + a_2 \langle [K^-\pi_1^+]_{S,P} | \bar{s} \gamma^\nu (1 - \gamma_5) d | 0 \rangle \langle \pi_2^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_\nu (1 - \gamma_5) c | D^+ \rangle \right] + (\pi_1^+ \leftrightarrow \pi_2^+) \end{aligned}$$

- $\Rightarrow \langle [K^-\pi_1^+]_{S,P} | \bar{s} \gamma^\nu (1 - \gamma_5) d | 0 \rangle$: $K\pi$ form factors, ..
- $\Rightarrow \langle [K^-\pi_1^+]_{S,P} | \bar{s} \gamma^\nu (1 - \gamma_5) c | D^+ \rangle$: less straightforward, but, assuming dominant intermediate resonance R , it can be written in terms of $K\pi$ form factors. Requires D to R [$R \rightarrow K\pi$] transition form factor. Feature of crucial importance to our proposed parametrizations.
- $\Rightarrow \langle \pi_2^+(p) | \bar{u} \gamma_\nu (1 - \gamma_5) d | 0 \rangle = -if_\pi p_\nu$, f_π pion decay constant, $\langle \pi_2^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_\nu (1 - \gamma_5) c | D^+ \rangle$: $D\pi$ transition form factor.

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- Parametrized in terms of **three complex** parameters, b_i^S , $i = 1, 2, 3$, for the different charges $B = B^\pm$, $K = K^\pm$ and $B = B^0(\bar{B}^0)$, $K = K^0(\bar{K}^0)$ or K_S^0 ,

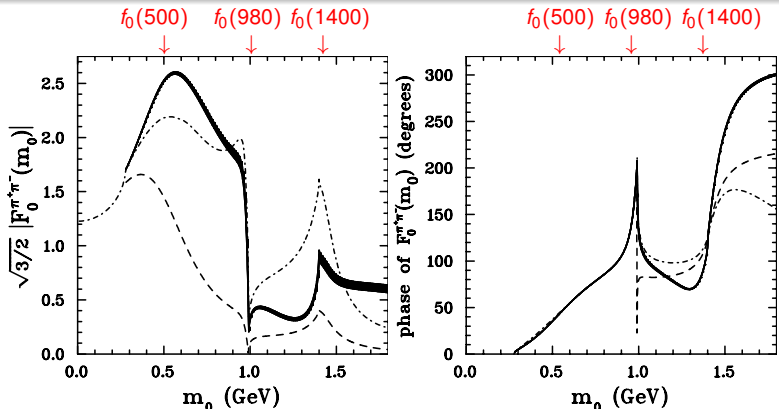
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- **Non-strange scalar** form factor $F_{0n}^{\pi\pi}(s)$: $f_0(500)$, $f_0(980)$, $f_0(1400)$.
Strange scalar form factor $F_{0s}^{\pi\pi}(s)$: $f_0(980)$, $f_0(1400)$.
- From $B^- \rightarrow K^-[\pi^+\pi^-]_S$ [A. Furman *et al.* Phys. Lett. B **622**, 207 (2005)]

$$b_1^{-S} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\chi f_K F_0^{B \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_S}(m_K^2) U - \tilde{C} \right]$$

$\tilde{C} = f_\pi F_\pi (\lambda_U P_1^{GIM} + \lambda_t P_1)$, $\lambda_U = V_{ub} V_{us}^*$, $\lambda_t = V_{tb} V_{ts}^*$, F_π $B\pi$ form factor at $m_\pi^2 = 0$, P_1^{GIM} , P_1 complex charming penguin parameters, U **short-distance contribution**: CKM \times effective Wilson coefficients. χ fitted free parameter.

\Rightarrow Models $F_{0n}^{\pi\pi}(s) \rightarrow$

Comparison of unitary non-strange scalar form factors $F_{0n}^{\pi\pi}$ 

$\Rightarrow F_{0n}^{\pi\pi}(m)$: unitarity + analyticity + $\pi\pi$ data. **Dark band:** $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-$ variation with error parameters [J.-P. Dedonder *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **89**, 094018 (2014)]. **Dashed line:** $B \rightarrow 3\pi$ [J.-P. Dedonder *et al.* Acta Phys. Pol. B **42**, 2013 (2011)]. **Dotted-dashed line:** B. Moussallam [Eur. Phys. J. C. **14**, 111 (2000)] using Muskhelishvili-Omnès equations.

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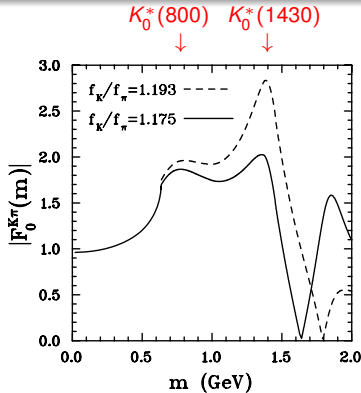
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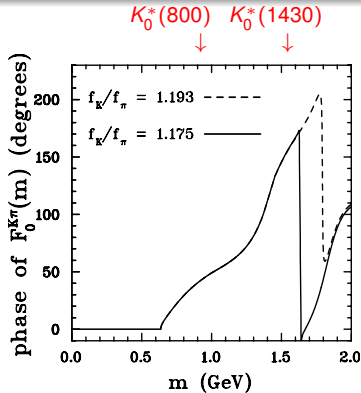
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Scalar $K\pi$ form factor $F_0^{K\pi}(\sqrt{s})$: $f_K/f_\pi=1.193$ in fit $B \rightarrow [K\pi]\pi$, $f_K/f_\pi=1.175$ in fit $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0\pi^+\pi^-$



$|F_0^{K^0\pi^-}(m)|$ scalar $K\pi$ form factor



Phase of $F_0^{K^0\pi^-}(m)$

\Rightarrow Unitary scalar $K\pi$ form factor: Muskhelishvili-Omnès's 2 coupled channel ($K\pi$, $K\eta'$) equations with experimental $K\pi$ T matrix + chiral symmetry + asymptotic QCD constraints, variation with f_K/f_π [B. Moussallam private communication, see also B. El-Bennich *et al.* Phys. Rev. D **79**, 094005 (2009)]

Parametrization for $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 [K^+ K^-]_S$, $D^0 \rightarrow [K_S^0 K^\pm]_S K^\mp$

$$D^0(p_D) \rightarrow K_S^0(p_1) K^-(p_2) K^+(p_3), \quad s_{12} = (p_1 + p_2)^2, \quad s_{13} = (p_1 + p_3)^2,$$

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$[K^+ K^-]$: isospin 0 or 1; $[K_S^0 K^\pm]$: isospin 1

- With scalar-isoscalar $F_{0n(s)}^{K\bar{K}}(s)$ [contains $f_0(980)$, $f_0(1370)$], scalar-isovector $G_0^{K\bar{K}}(s)$ [contains $a_0(980)^0$, $a_0(1450)^0$] form factors,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{S,0}^0(s_{23}) &= \left(h_1^S + h_2^S s_{23} \right) F_{0n}^{K\bar{K}}(s_{23}) + h_3^S \left(m_{K^0}^2 - s_{23} \right) F_{0s}^{K\bar{K}}(s_{23}) \\ &\quad + \left(h_4^S + h_5^S s_{23} \right) G_0^{K\bar{K}}(s_{23}) \end{aligned}$$

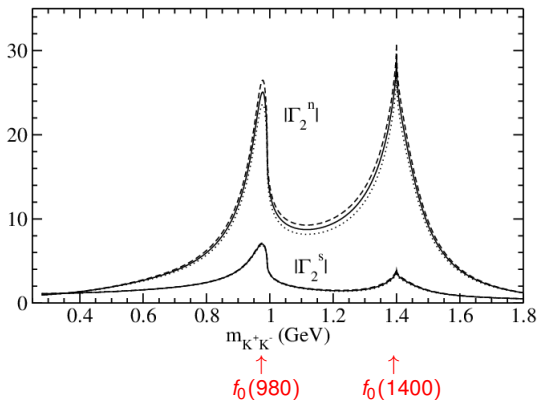
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$$\mathcal{A}_{S,+}^0(s_{13}) = \left[h_8^S \frac{F_0^{DK}(s_{13})}{s_{13}} + h_9^S (m_K^2 - s_{13}) \right] G_0^{K\bar{K}}(s_{13})$$

\Rightarrow Next $F_{0n(s)}^{K\bar{K}}(s)$, $G_0^{K\bar{K}}(s)$ models

Unitary scalar-isoscalar $K\bar{K}$ form factors

→ Used in preliminary fit $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 K^+ K^-$ [J.-P. Dedonder *et al.*]



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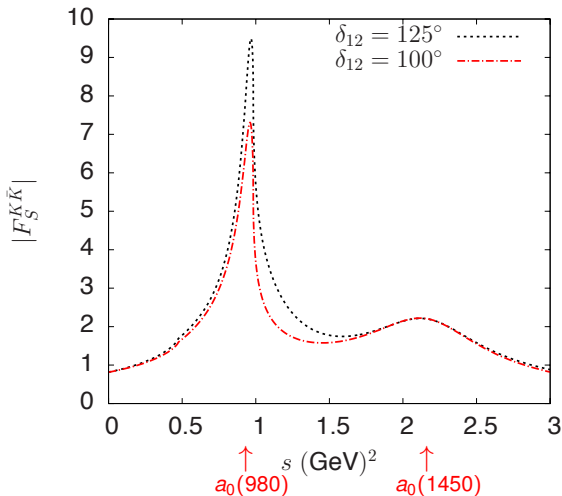
$$|\Gamma_2^n(m_{K^+K^-})| = |F_{0n}^{K\bar{K}}(\sqrt{s_{23}})/\sqrt{2}|,$$

$$|\Gamma_2^s(m_{K^+K^-})| = |F_{0s}^{K\bar{K}}(\sqrt{s_{23}})|.$$

Derived by A. Furman, R. Kamiński, L. Leśniak, P. Żenczykowski, [Final state interaction in $B^\pm \rightarrow K^+ K^- K^\pm$, Phys. Lett. B **699**, 102 (2011)] in

→ solving three coupled channels $\pi\pi$, $K\bar{K}$, 4π (effective 2π - 2π or $\sigma\sigma$ or $\eta\eta$...),
 → imposing chiral symmetry constraints.

• Dashed and dotted lines: variations with parameter errors.

Unitary scalar-isovector $G_S^{K\bar{K}}(s) [\equiv F_S^{K\bar{K}}(s)]$ form factor

- **Unitary model.** S-wave coupled channels $\eta\pi, K\bar{K}$, asymptotic QCD + chiral symmetry constraints + $a_0(980), a_0(1450) \rightarrow$ form factor:

Muskhelishvili-Omnès equation (dispersion relation).

$$\delta_{12} \equiv \delta_{11}(\sqrt{s}) + \delta_{22}(\sqrt{s}) \Big|_{\sqrt{s}=m_{a_0(1450)}}$$

Channels $\rightarrow 1 \equiv \eta\pi, 2 \equiv K\bar{K}$.

- \rightarrow M. Albaladejo, B. Moussallam, Form factors of the isovector scalar current and the $\eta\pi$ scattering phase shifts, Eur. Phys. J. **C75** (2015), arXiv:1507.04526.

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The weak effective Hamiltonian \mathcal{H}_{eff} : sum of local operators $O_i(\mu) \times$ Wilson coefficients $C_i(\mu)$

- Ali *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **58**, 094009 (1998); M. Beneke *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. **B606**, 245 (2001)

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\Delta B=1} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{p=u,c} V_{pq}^* V_{pb} \left[C_1(\mu) O_1^p(\mu) + C_2(\mu) O_2^p(\mu) + \sum_{i=3}^{10} C_i(\mu) O_i(\mu) + C_{7\gamma}(\mu) O_{7\gamma}(\mu) + C_{8g}(\mu) O_{8g}(\mu) \right] + \text{h.c.},$$

$q = d, s$, V_{ij} CKM matrix elements, Wilson coefficients $C_i(\mu)$: short-distance effects above the renormalization scale μ ,

$C_1(\mu) \simeq 1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s(\mu))$, $C_2(\mu) \simeq \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s(\mu))$.

- W exchange $\rightarrow O_{1(2)}^p$ two current-current operators with i, j color structure:

$$O_1^p(\mu) = \bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) p_i \bar{p}_j \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) b_j, \quad O_2^p(\mu) = \bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) p_j \bar{p}_j \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) b_i$$

Operators O_i $i = 3$ to 10 from QCD and electroweak penguin diagrams, $O_{7\gamma}$ and O_{8g} electromagnetic and chromomagnetic dipole operators.

$$\Rightarrow a_1(\mu) = C_1(\mu) + \frac{1}{N_c} C_2(\mu), \quad a_2(\mu) = C_2(\mu) + \frac{1}{N_c} C_1(\mu),$$

↑: color allowed

↑: color suppressed

Wilson coefficients $C_i(\mu)$ evaluated at renormalization scale $\mu \simeq m_c, m_b$.

$B \rightarrow K[\pi^+ \pi^-]_\rho$ amplitude

- Parametrized in terms of complex parameter b_1^P for different charges
 $B = B^\pm, K = K^\pm$ and $B = B^0(\bar{B}^0), K = K^0(\bar{K}^0)$ or K_S^0 ,

$$\mathcal{A}_P(s_{12}, s_{13}, s_{23}) \equiv \langle K[\pi^+ \pi^-]_\rho | \mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} | B \rangle = b_1^P (s_{13} - s_{12}) F_1^{\pi\pi}(s_{23}).$$

- The **pion vector form factor** $F_1^{\pi\pi}(s)$: $\rho(770)^0, \rho(1450)$ and $\rho(1700)$ contributions.
- From $B^- \rightarrow K^-[\pi^+ \pi^-]_\rho$ [B. El-Bennich *et al.* Phys. Rev. D **74**, 114009 (2006)]

$$b_1^{-P} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}f_\rho} [f_K A_0^{B \rightarrow \rho}(M_K^2)(U^- - C^P) + f_\rho F_1^{B \rightarrow K}(m_\rho^2) W^-]$$

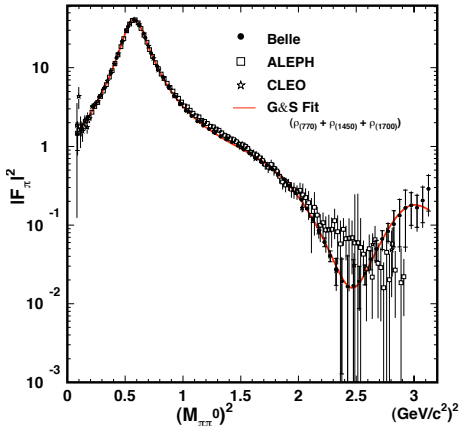
$\Rightarrow C^P$ complex charming penguin parameters, U^-, W^- short-distance contributions: CKM \times effective Wilson coefficients.

Decay constants charged ρ, K : mesons f_ρ, f_K .

$A_0^{B \rightarrow \rho}(M_K^2), F_1^{B \rightarrow K}(m_\rho^2), B_\rho, BK$ vector form factors.

\rightarrow Pion vector form factor $F_1^{\pi\pi}(s)$: extracted from data $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$

$\langle [\pi^+(p_2)\pi^-(p_3)]_P \bar{u}\gamma_\mu(1-\gamma^5)u|0\rangle = -(p_2-p_3)_\mu F_1^{\pi\pi}(q^2)$ - Phenomenological determination



— Fit of $\tau^- \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$ by Belle Collaboration [Phys. Rev. D **78** 072006 (2008)] with a Gounaris-Sakurai model including $\rho(770) + \rho(1450) + \rho(1700)$

$B \rightarrow [K\pi^\pm]_P \pi^\mp$ amplitude

- In terms of one complex parameters c_1^P

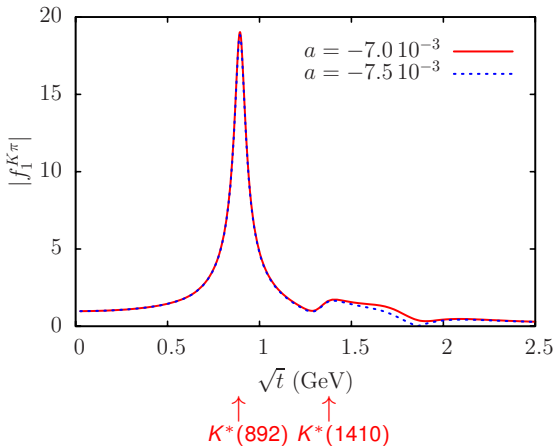
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$\Rightarrow F_1^{K\pi}(s)$ [contains $K^*(892)$, $K^*(1410)$], $F_1^{B\pi}(s)$, $K\pi$, $B\pi$ vector form factors.

- From $B^- \rightarrow [K^- \pi^+]_S \pi^-$ [B. El-Bennich *et al.* Phys. Rev. D **79**, 094005 (2009)]

$$\begin{aligned} c_1^{-P} &= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ \lambda_u \left(a_4^u(P) - \frac{a_{10}^u(P)}{2} + c_4^u \right) + \lambda_c \left(a_4^c(P) - \frac{a_{10}^c(P)}{2} + c_4^c \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 \frac{m_{K^*}}{m_b} \frac{f_V^\perp(\mu)}{f_V} \left[\lambda_u \left(a_6^u(P) - \frac{a_8^u(P)}{2} + c_6^u \right) + \lambda_c \left(a_6^c(P) - \frac{a_8^c(P)}{2} + c_6^c \right) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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Unitary vector $F_1^{K\pi}(s)$ form factor

- **Unitary model.** P -wave coupled channels $K\pi, K^*\pi, K\rho$ + asymptotic QCD + chiral symmetry constraints + $K\pi$ elastic data + $K^*(1410) + K^*(1680) \rightarrow$ form factor: **Muskhelishvili-Omnès** equation (dispersion relation).

- B. Moussallam, Analyticity constraints on the strangeness changing vector current and applications to $\tau \rightarrow K\pi\nu_\tau$ and $\tau \rightarrow K\pi\pi\nu_\tau$, Eur. Phys. J. C **53**, 401 (2008).
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Parametrization for $D^0 \rightarrow K_S^0 [K^+ K^-]_P, D^0 \rightarrow [K_S^0 K^\pm]_P K^\mp$

- With the vector-isocalar-isovector $F_{1u}^{K\bar{K}}(s)$ [$\omega(782)$, $\omega(1420)$, $\rho(770)^0$, $\rho(1450)^0$, $\rho(1700)^0$], vector-isocalar $F_{1s}^{K\bar{K}}(s)$ [$\phi(1020)$] form factors

$$\mathcal{A}_{P,0}^0(s_{12}, s_{13}, s_{23}) = (s_{12} - s_{13}) \left(h_1^P F_{1u}^{K^+ K^-}(s_{23}) + h_2^P F_{1s}^{K^+ K^-}(s_{23}) \right).$$

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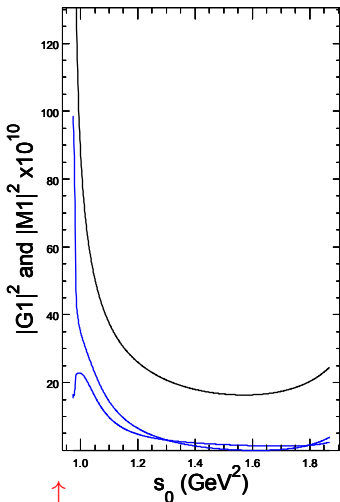
$$\mathcal{A}_{P,-}^0(s_{12}, s_{13}, s_{23}) = h_3^P \left[s_{23} - s_{13} + \left(m_{D^0}^2 - m_K^2 \right) \frac{m_{K^0}^2 - m_K^2}{s_{12}} \right] F_1^{K^- K^0}(s_{12}).$$

- With the vector-isovector $F_1^{K^+ K^0}(s)$ [$\rho(770)^+$, $\rho(1450)^+$, $\rho(1700)^+$]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{P,+}^0(s_{12}, s_{13}, s_{23}) &= \left[h_4^P + h_5^P F_1^{D^0 K}(s_{13}) \right] \\ &\times \left[s_{23} - s_{12} + \left(m_{D^0}^2 - m_K^2 \right) \frac{m_{K^0}^2 - m_K^2}{s_{13}} \right] F_1^{K^+ \bar{K}^0}(s_{13}). \end{aligned}$$

- Full decay amplitude $\mathcal{A}^0 = \mathcal{A}_{S,-}^0 + \mathcal{A}_{P,-}^0 + \mathcal{A}_{S,+}^0 + \mathcal{A}_{P,+}^0 + \mathcal{A}_{S,0}^0 + \mathcal{A}_{P,0}^0 + \dots$
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$a_0(980)$

$a_0(1450)$

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