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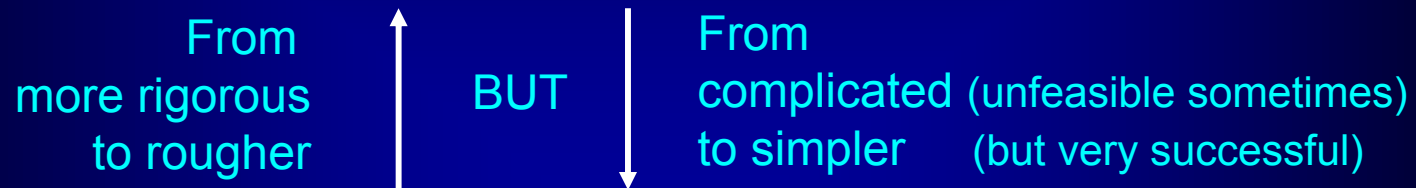
# Unitarization Methods in meson-meson scattering and decays

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# OUTLINE

- Introduction

- 2-body unitarization methods.



Examples:

IAM single channel  
IAM coupled channels

Chiral unitary approach  $O(p^4)$   
Chiral unitary approach  $O(p^2)$

$\pi, \mathbf{K}, \eta$  Goldstone Bosons  
of the spontaneous  
chiral symmetry breaking  
 $SU(N_f)_V \times SU(N_f)_A \rightarrow SU(N_f)_V$



QCD degrees of freedom  
at low energies  $\ll 4\pi f \sim 1.2 \text{ GeV}$



**ChPT is the most general expansion in energies  
of a lagrangian made only of pions, kaons and etas  
compatible with the QCD symmetry breaking**

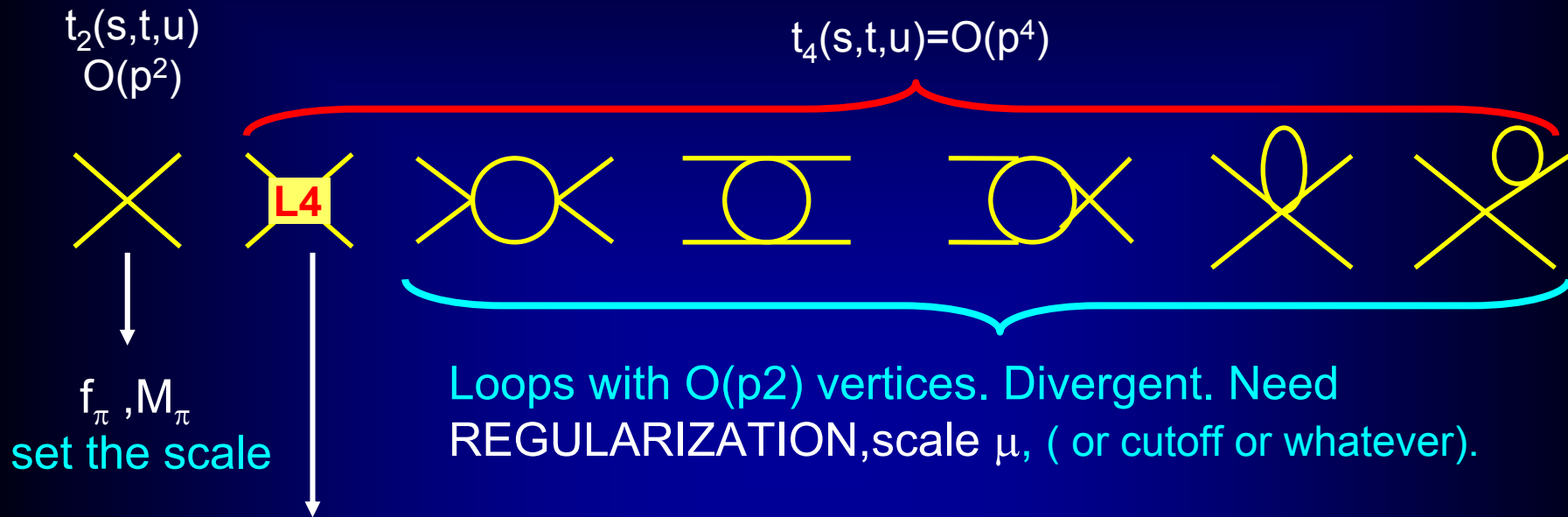
Leading order parameters: breaking scale  $f_0$  and masses

At 1-loop, QCD dynamics encoded in  
**chiral parameters:  $L_1 \dots L_8$**   
Determined from EXPERIMENT  
leading  $1/N_c$  behavior known from QCD



**ChPT is the QCD Effective Theory  
MODEL INDEPENDENT  
but limited to low energies**

● Full one-loop calculation:



Low Energy Constants (LECS)  $L_i$   
 Contain Underlying dynamics, QCD in this case  
 Absorb all loop divergences  $\rightarrow$  regularization  $\rightarrow$   
 LECS depend on Regulator

When calculation fully RENORMALIZED  
 finite up to a given order in energy/momenta,  
 regulator dependencen disappears from observables

# Elastic two-body Unitarity Constraints: One channel

## Partial wave UNITARITY

(On the real axis above threshold)

$$\text{Im } t = \sigma |t|^2$$

$$\sigma(s) = 2p_{CM} / \sqrt{s} \quad \text{KNOWN EXACTLY (kinematics)}$$

EXACT unitarity not satisfied by ChPT series  
(or any other series)

$$\text{Im } \frac{1}{t} = -\sigma$$

$$|t| < \frac{1}{\sigma} \approx 1$$

Badly violated if ChPT series  
extrapolated to high energies  
or resonance region

How to fix that?

$$t \approx \frac{1}{\text{Re } t^{-1} - i\sigma}$$

exactly unitary !!

We only need the  
Real part of  $1/t$   
(dynamics)

Different unitarization methods are just  
different approximations to  $\text{Re}(1/t)$

## 2-body unitarization methods.

From  
more rigorous  
to rougher



BUT



From  
complicated (unfeasible sometimes)  
to simpler (but very successful)

### Examples:

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Of course, there are other variations,

# Unitarization of ChPT. The Inverse Amplitude Method. One channel

Truong, Dobado, Herrero, Peláez...

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$$t \approx \frac{t_2^2}{t_2 - \text{Re} t_4 - i\sigma t_2^2}$$

ChPT = series in  $p^2$

$$t = t_2 + t_4 \dots$$



exact perturbative unitarity

If  $t_4$  defined  
to satisfy

$$\text{Im} t_4 = \sigma |t_2|^2$$

provides ...

$$\text{Re} t^{-1} \approx t_2^{-2} (t_2 - \text{Re} t_4 + \dots)$$

IAM

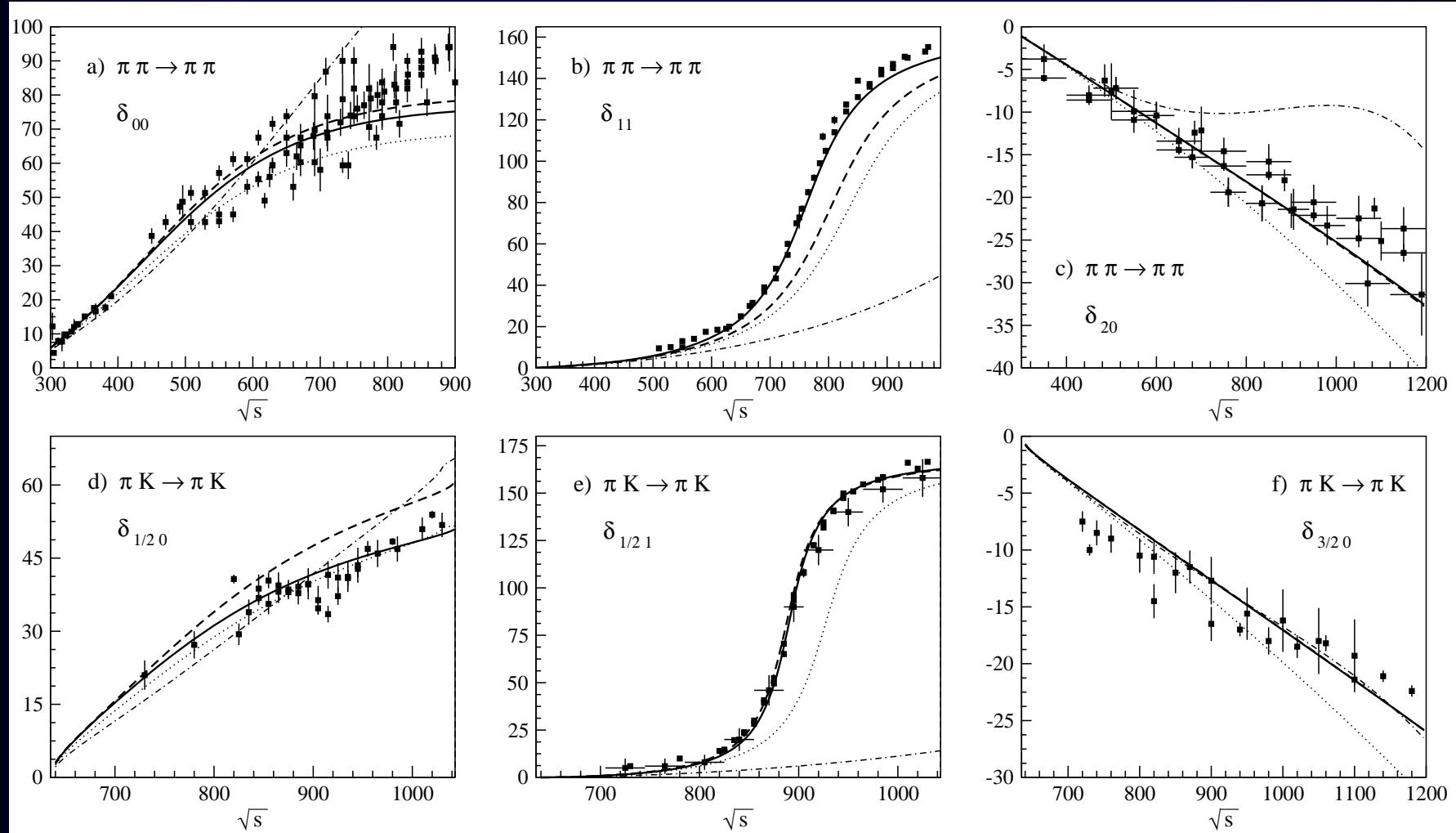
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# The Inverse Amplitude Method: Results for one channel

Truong '89, Truong,Dobado,Herrero,'90, Dobado, JRP,'93,'96

## Fit $\pi\pi$ and $\pi K$ ELASTIC scattering data



Preliminary Update: J. Nebrera and JRP '09



# The Inverse Amplitude Method: Dispersive Derivation: THE REAL THING

• We have just seen that, for physical  $s$

$$\text{Im} \frac{1}{t} = -\sigma \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Im} t_4 = \sigma t_2^2$$

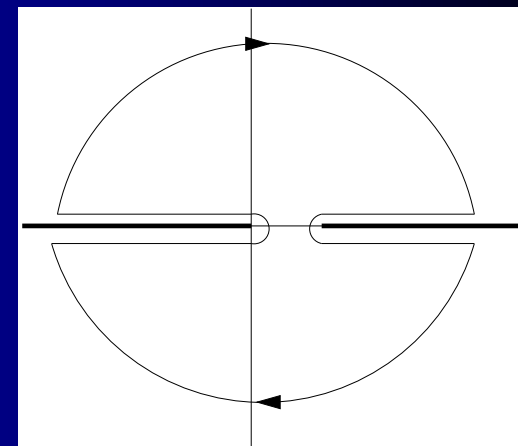
• Define  $G \equiv \frac{t_2^2}{t}$ ,

$$\text{Im} t_4 = \sigma t_2^2 = -\text{Im} G$$

• Write dispersion relations for  $G$  and  $t_4$

$$t_{IJ}^{(4)} = b_0 + b_1 s + b_2 s^2 + \frac{s^3}{\pi} \int_{s_{th}}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Im} t_{IJ}^{(4)}(s') ds'}{s'^3 (s' - s - i\epsilon)} + LC(t_{IJ}^{(4)}).$$

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Subtraction Constants  
from ChPT expansion

OK since  $s=0$   
 $G(0)=t_2(0)-t_4(0)$

PHYSICAL cut  
EXACTLY Opposite  
to each other

Up to NLO ChPT  
Opposite to each other

PC is  $O(p^6)$  and  
we neglect it  
or use ChPT

All together...we find AGAIN

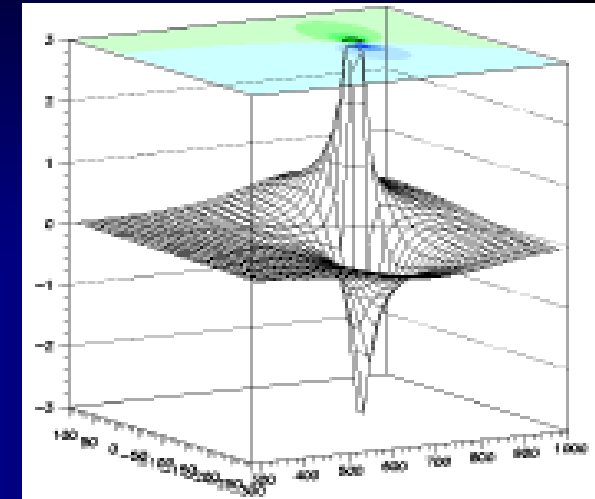
IAM

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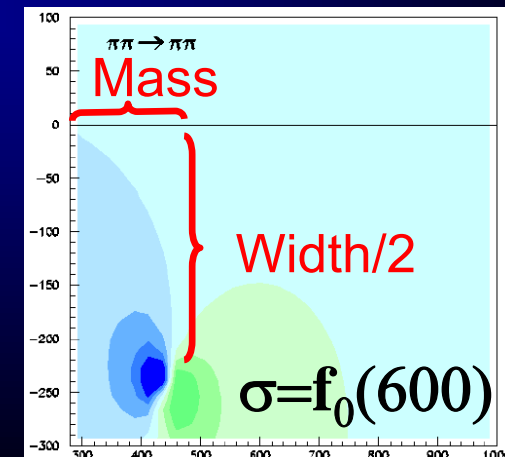
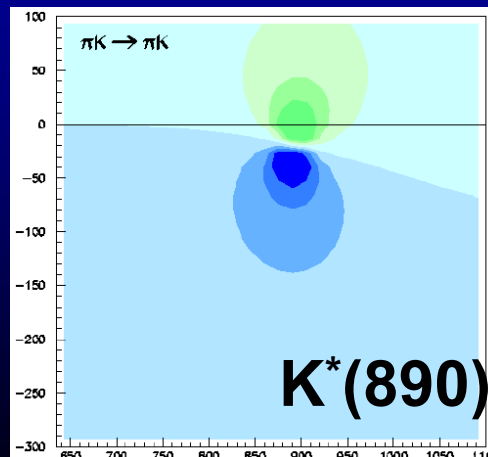
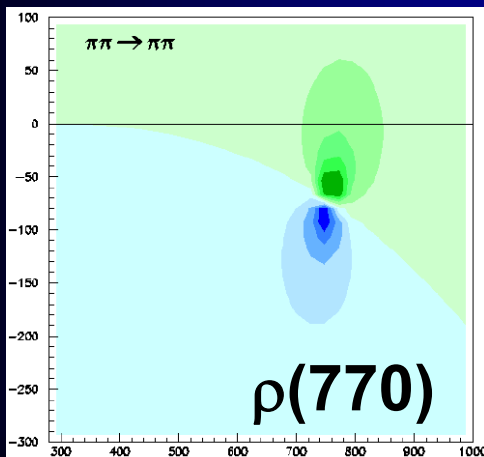
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- EXTREMELY SIMPLE
- Unitarity + Chiral Low energy expansion
- Systematic extension to higher orders
- Originally obtained from dispersion relation  
This allows us to go to the complex plane.
- Dynamically Generates Poles of Resonances:  
 $f_0(600)$  or " $\sigma$ ",  $\rho(770)$ ,  $\kappa(800)$ ,  $K^*(892)$ ,



Dobado, Pelaez '96

$f_0(600)$  pole: 440-i245 MeV

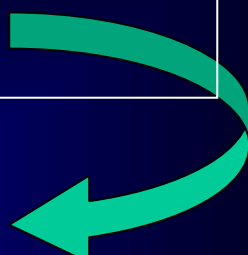


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# Large $N_c$ expansion

We cannot obtain the  $L_i$  from QCD, BUT their  $1/N_c$  expansion, is known and Model Independent



( $\times 10^{-3}$ )	ChPT ( $\mu=M_\rho$ )	IAM fits	Large $N_c$ SCALING
$2L_1 - L_2$	$-0.6 \pm 0.6$	$0.0 \pm 0.2$	$O(1)$
$L_2$	$1.4 \pm 0.3$	$1.2 \pm 0.1$	$O(N_c)$
$L_3$	$-3.5 \pm 1.1$	$-2.79 \pm 0.14$	$O(N_c)$
$L_4$	$-0.3 \pm 0.5$	$-0.36 \pm 0.17$	$O(1)$
$L_5$	$1.4 \pm 0.5$	$1.4 \pm 0.5$	$O(N_c)$
$L_6$	$-0.2 \pm 0.3$	$0.07 \pm 0.08$	$O(1)$
$L_7$	$-0.4 \pm 0.2$	$-0.44 \pm 0.15$	$O(1)$
$L_8$	$0.9 \pm 0.3$	$0.8 \pm 0.2$	$O(N_c)$

The qqbar meson masses  $M=O(1)$  and their decay constants  $f=O(\sqrt{N_c})$

Pions, kaons and etas states:

$$M \approx O(1), \Gamma \approx O(1/N_c)$$

Our IAM ChPT amplitudes **do not have** any other parameter hiding  $N_c$  dependence like cutoffs, subtractions, etc...

We can thus study the  $N_c$  scaling of the resonances

# LIGHT VECTOR MESONS

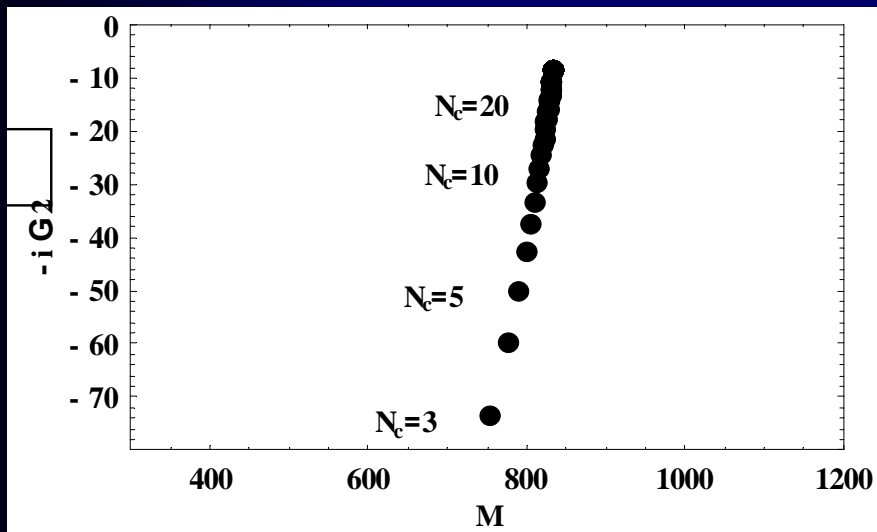
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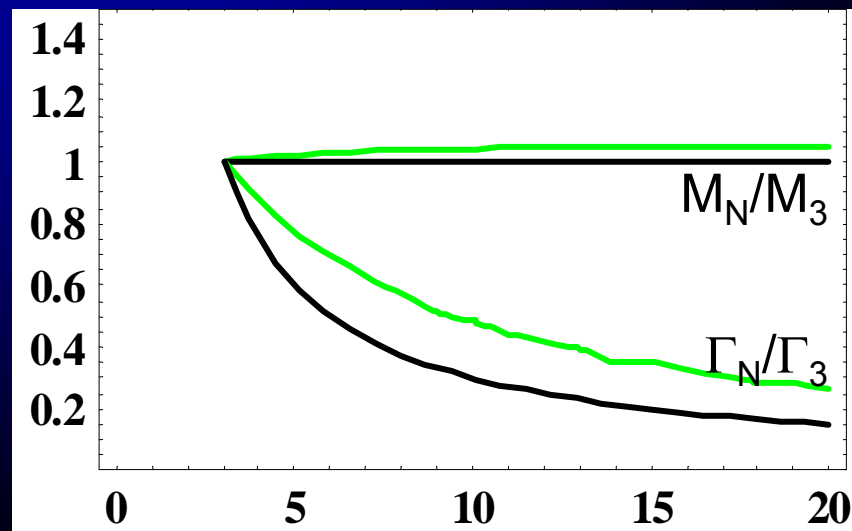
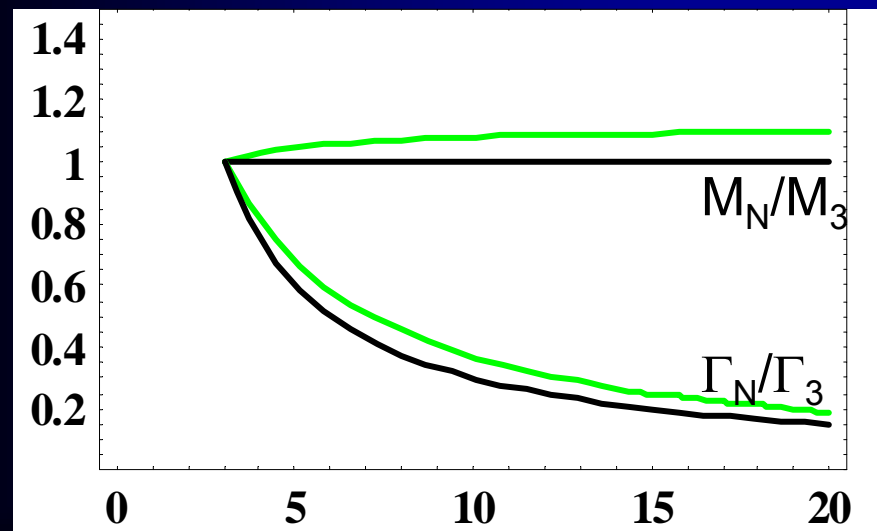
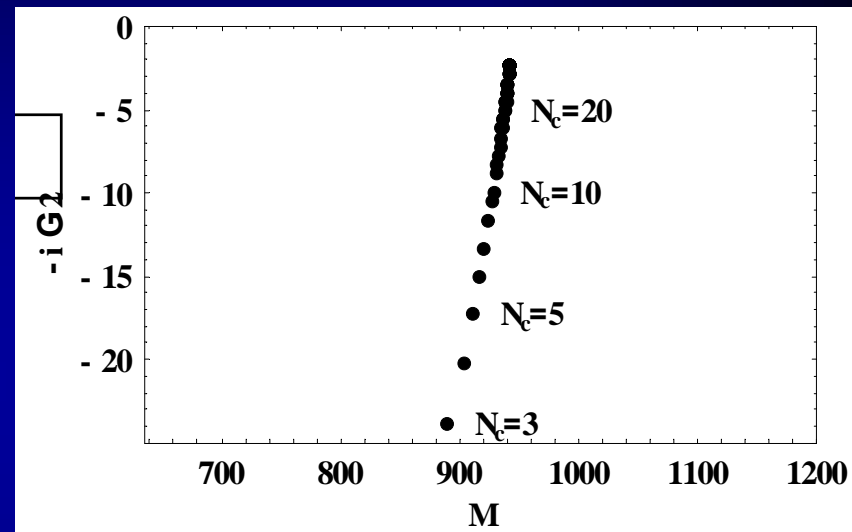
The IAM generates the expected  $N_c$  scaling of established qq states

JRP, Phys.Rev.Lett. 92:102001,2004

## The $\rho(770)$

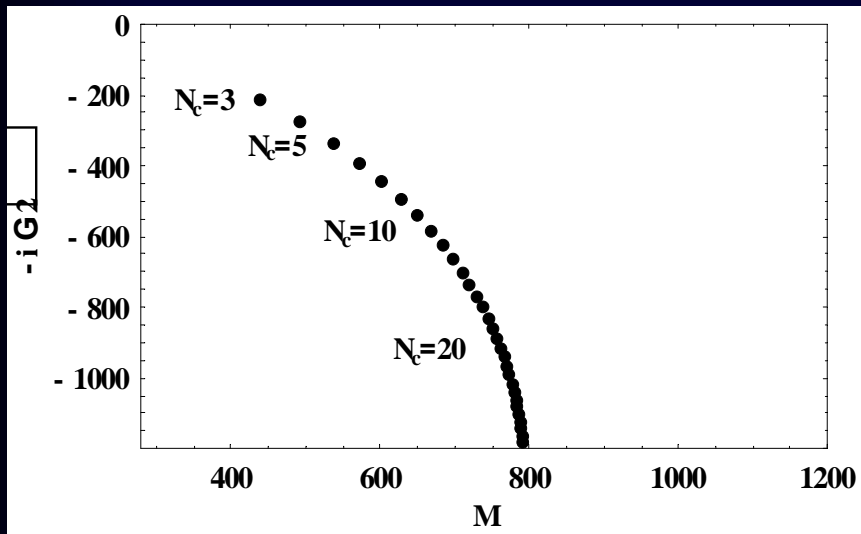


## The $K^*(892)$

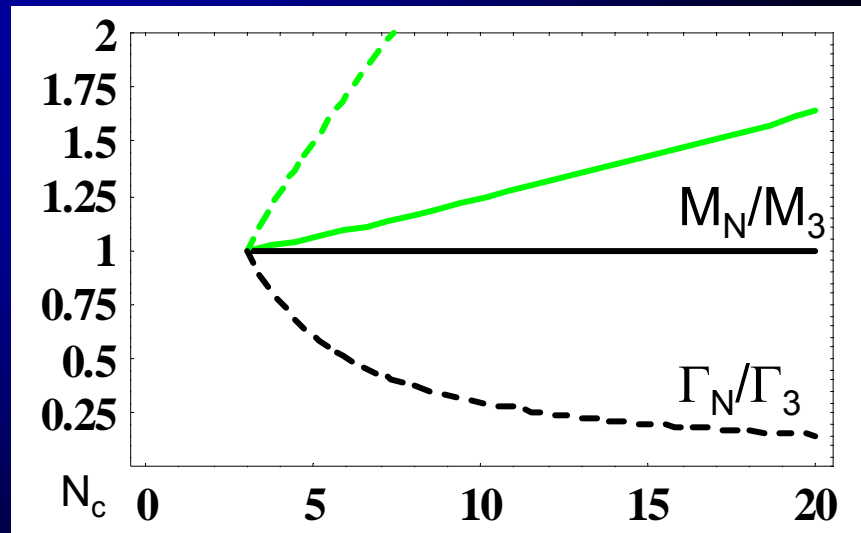
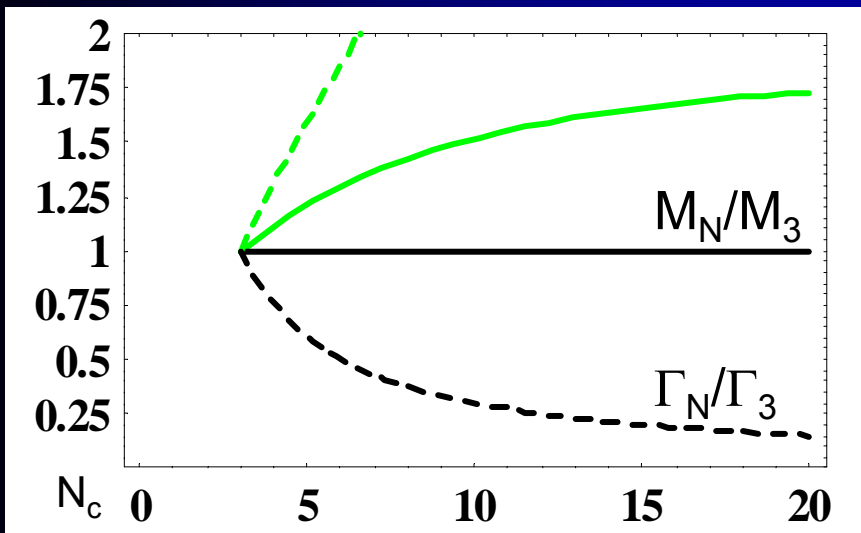
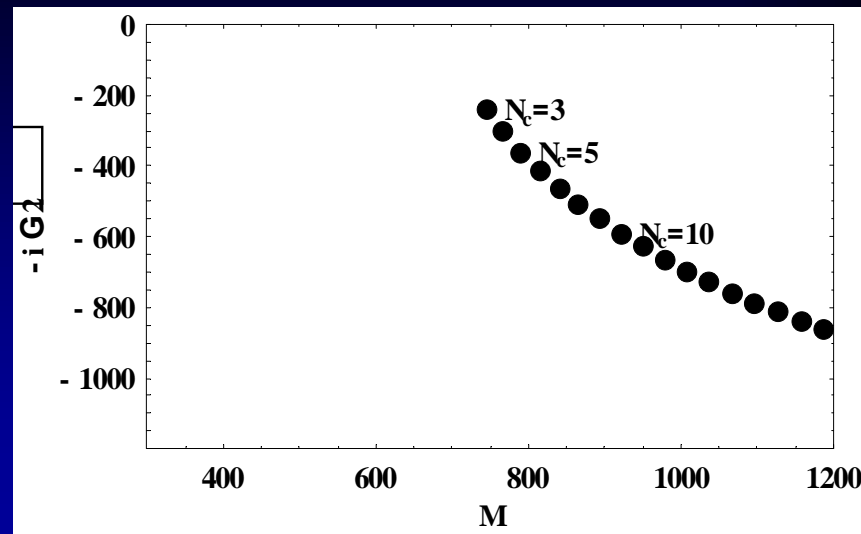


# What about scalars ?

The  $\sigma$  ( $\mu=770\text{MeV}$ )



The  $\kappa$  ( $\mu=500\text{MeV}$ )



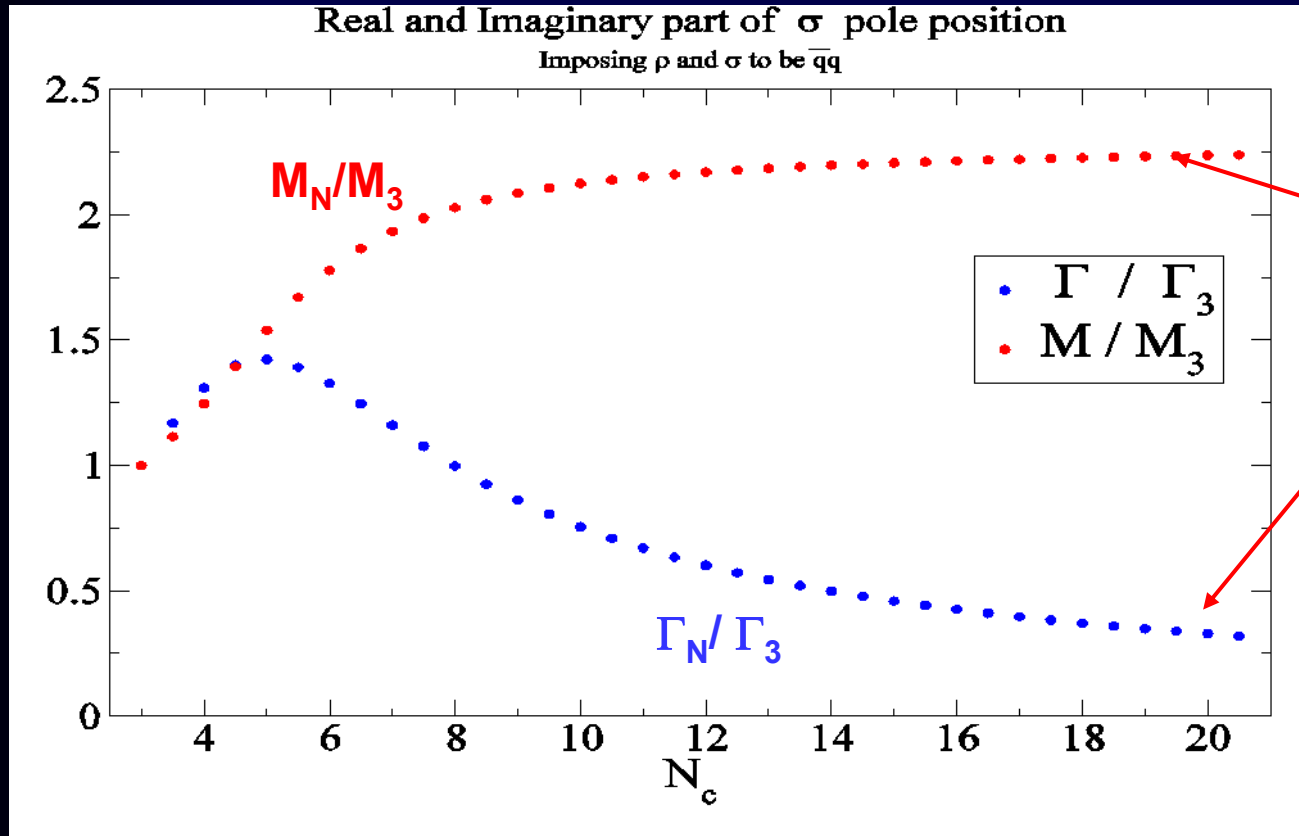
Similar results follow for the  $f_0(980)$  and  $a_0(980)$

Complicated by the presence of THRESHOLDS and except in a corner of parameter space for the  $a_0(980)$

## The sigma:

G. Ríos and JRP, Phys.Rev.Lett.97:242002,2006.

### Large $N_c$ behavior of UNITARIZED $\pi\pi\rightarrow\pi\pi$ TWO LOOP ChPT



quark-antiquark mixing  
may emerge at larger  $N_c$   
at  $M \approx 1$  GeV

The  $f_0(600)$  still does NOT behave DOMINANTLY as quark-antiquark

BUT, from  $N_c > 8$  or 10, the  $f_0(600)$  we might be seeing  
a quark-antiquark subdominant component whose large  $N_c$  mass is  $\geq 1$  GeV

## Motivation for Chiral extrapolation

- The LATTICE provides rigorous and systematic QCD results in terms of quarks and gluons with growing interest in scattering and the scalar sector.

Caveat: small, realistic, quark masses are hard to implement.

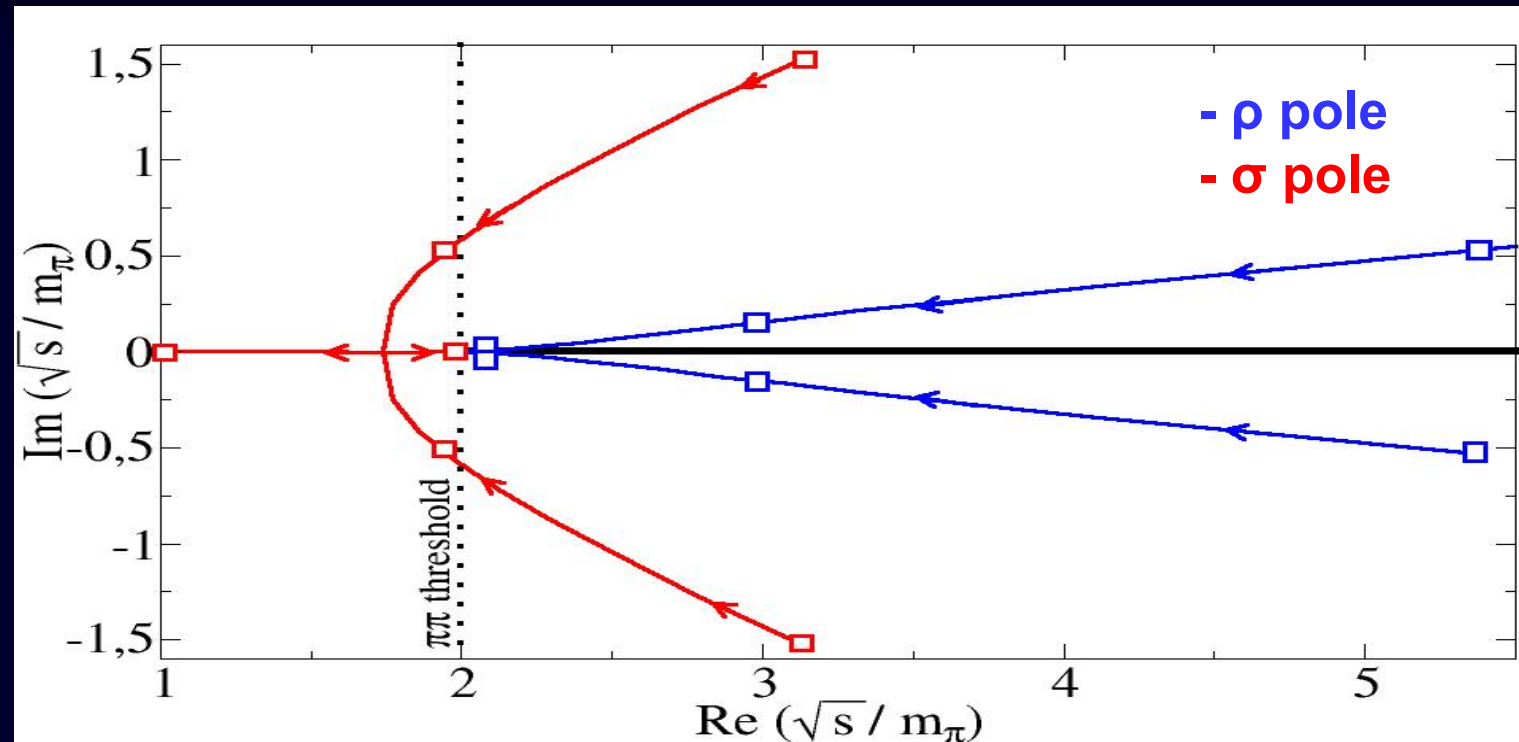
- Anthropic considerations...

ChPT provides the correct QCD dependence of quark masses  
as an expansion...

We can study the scalars in Unitarized ChPT for  
larger quark masses  
(chiral extrapolation)  
and provide a reference for lattice studies



## Pole movements with increasing $m_\pi$

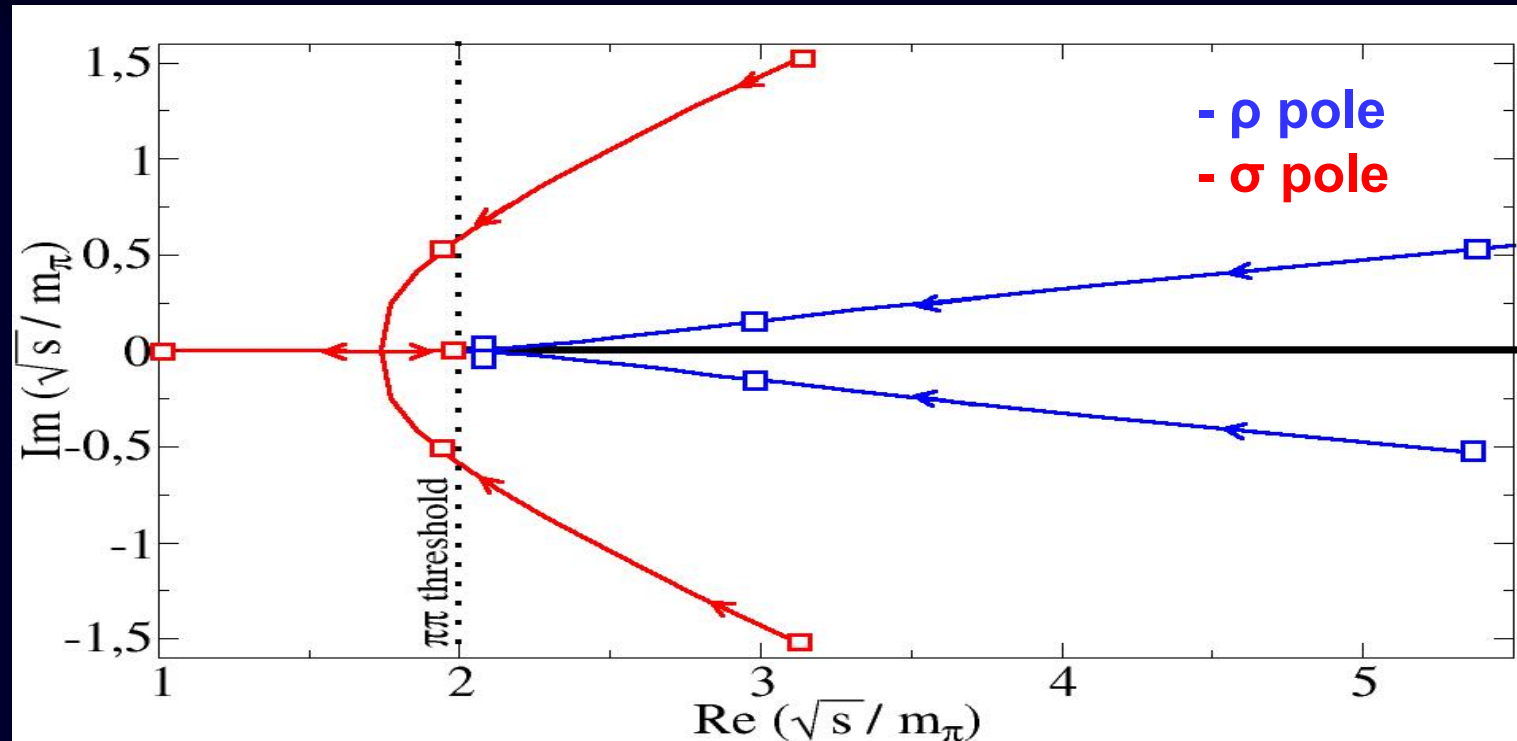


To follow the position relative to threshold: normalize to  $m_\pi$  units

The rho: Conjugate poles reach the real axis AT THRESHOLD:

- one pole in the 1<sup>st</sup> sheet (bound state).
- another in the 2<sup>nd</sup> sheet in almost the same position

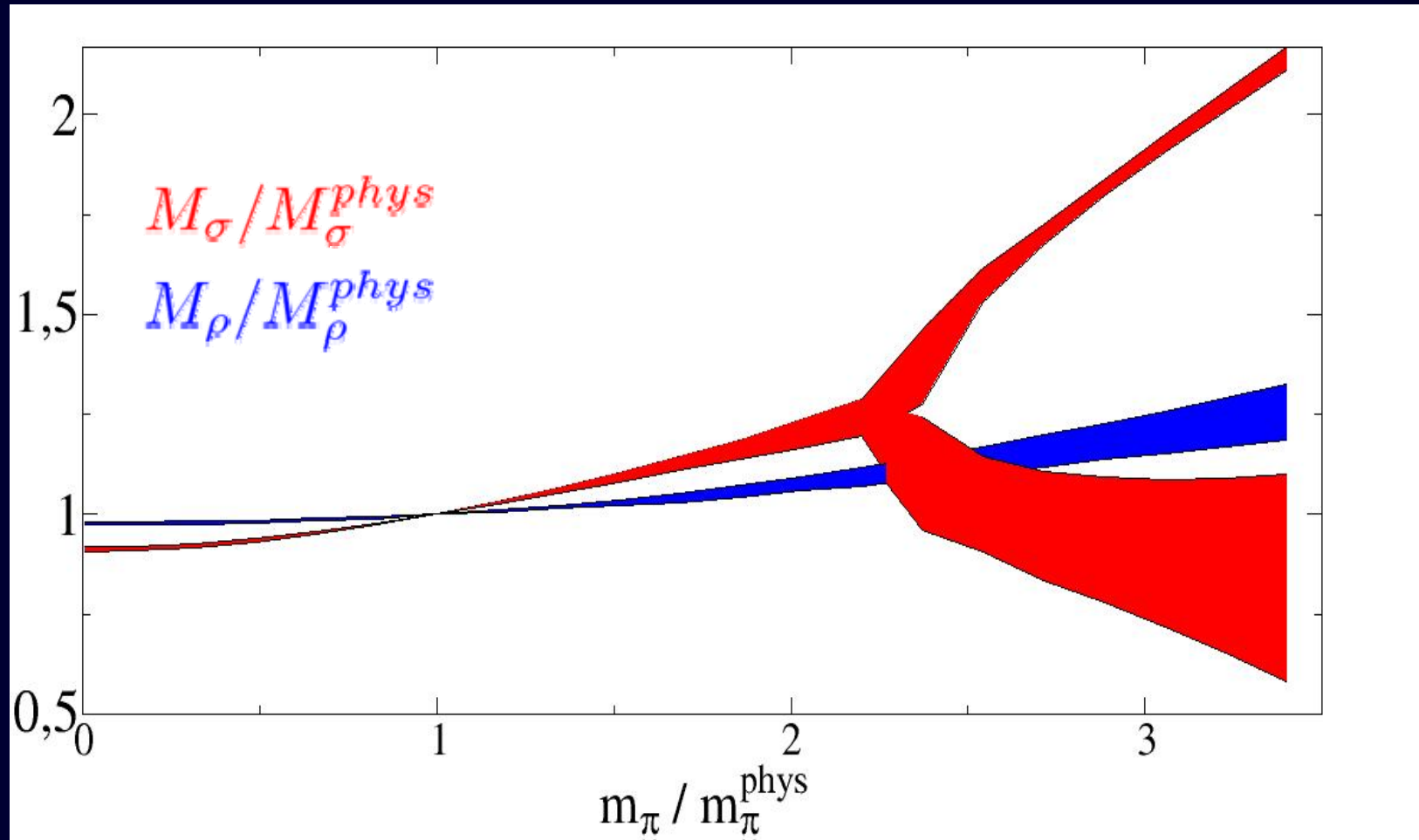
## Pole movements with increasing $m_\pi$



- The sigma:
- 1) Conjugate poles reach the real axis BELOW threshold:
  - 2) TWO real POLES on the 2<sup>nd</sup> sheet: "Splitting" typical of scalars.
  - 3) One moves towards threshold until it jumps to the 1<sup>st</sup> sheet.  
The other remains on the 2<sup>nd</sup> sheet in ASYMMETRIC position

If very asymmetric: sizable "molecular" component

# Resonance mass $m_\pi$ dependence



There is a “non-analyticity” in the sigma  $m_\pi$  dependence.

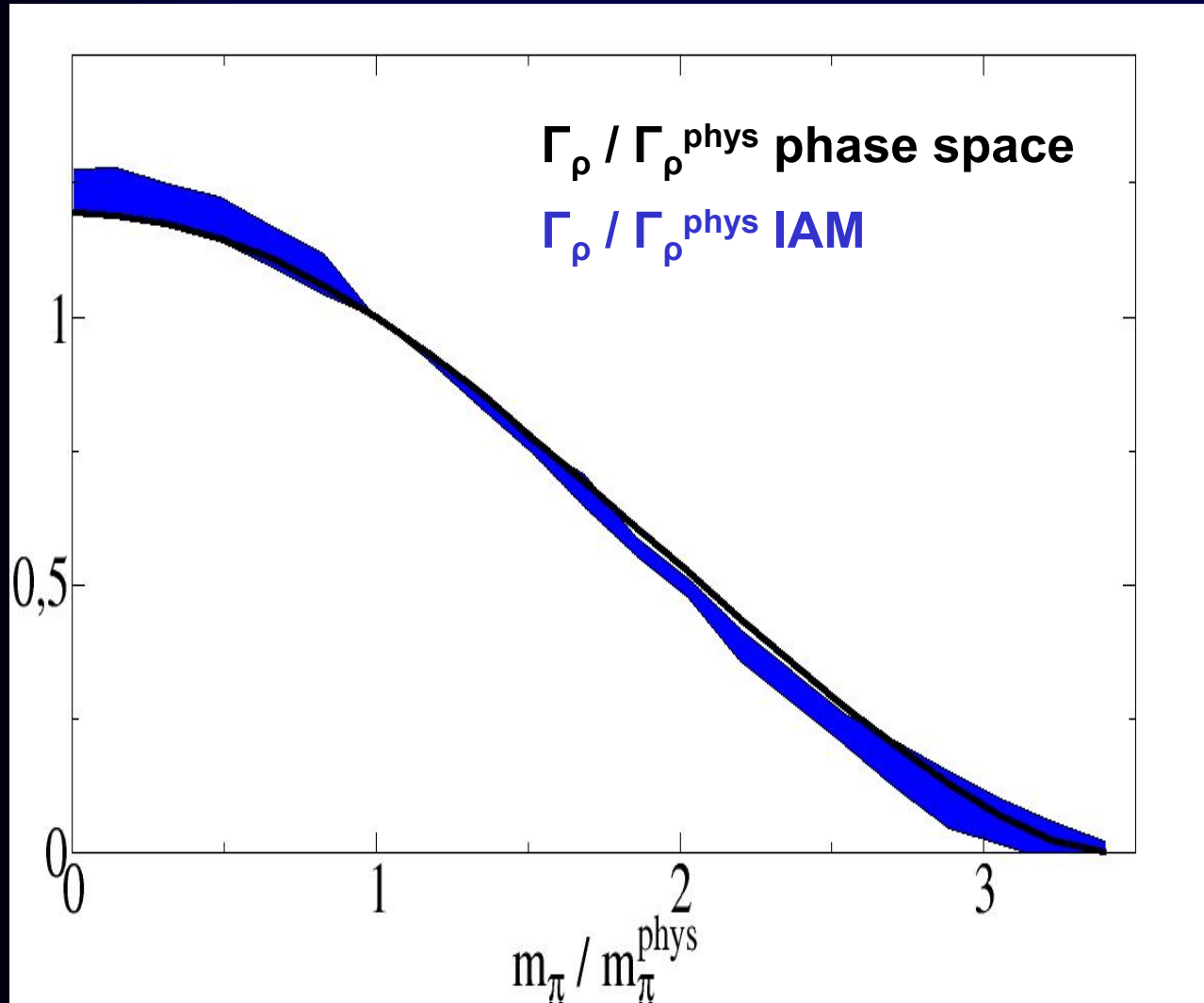
The rho mass grows slower than sigma

For a narrow vector particle (like the rho) the decay width is given by

$$\Gamma_\rho = \frac{g^2 |\vec{p}|^3}{6\pi M_\rho^2} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{|\vec{p}|^3}{M_\rho^2} \quad \text{Phase space} \\ g^2 \quad \text{Coupling to pions} \end{array} \right.$$

We can calculate the **width variation** due to **phase space** reduction and compare with our results. The difference gives the dependence of the coupling constant on the pion mass

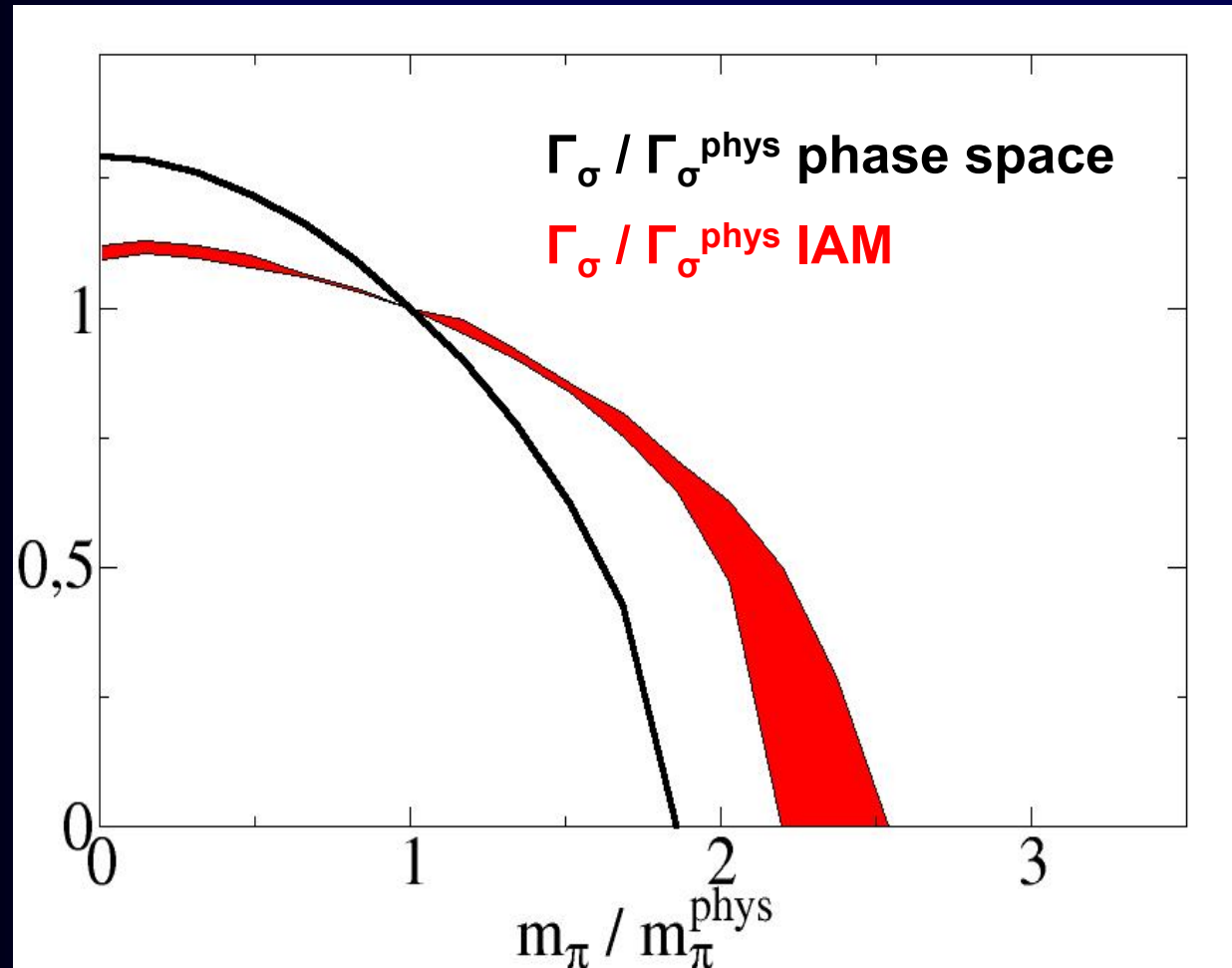
# Rho width $m_\pi$ dependence vs. phase space



Width behavior explained by phase space

$\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$  coupling almost independent of  $m_\pi$   
(assumption in some lattice calculations)

It does not follow the phase space decrease of a Breit-Wigner:



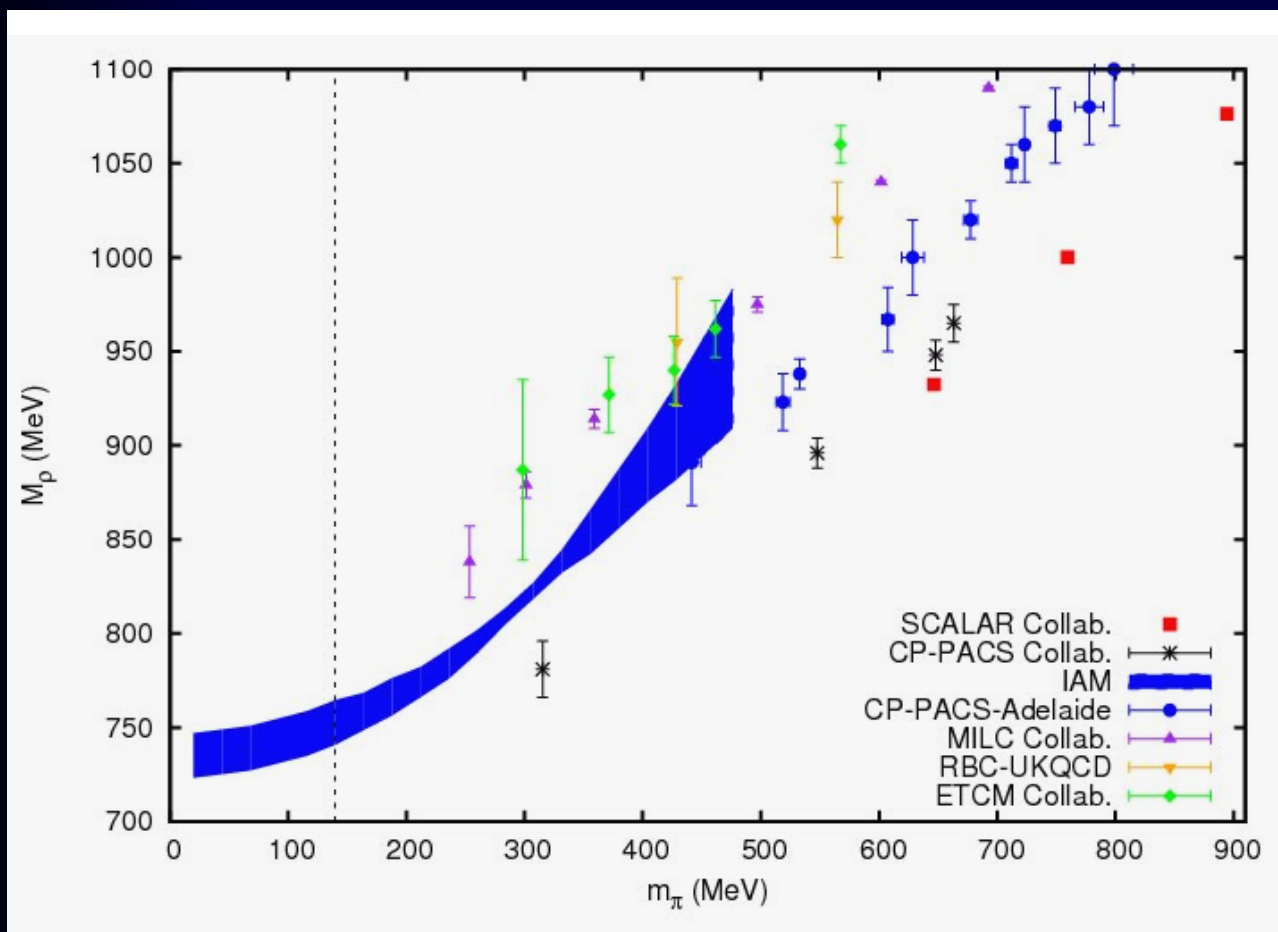
$$\Gamma_\sigma = \frac{g^2 |\vec{p}|}{8\pi M_\sigma}$$

Very bad approximation for a wide resonance as the sigma

$g$  dependence on  $m_\pi$

The dynamics of the sigma decay depends strongly on the pion(quark) mass (Recall that some pion-pion vertices in ChPT depend on the pion mass).

## Comparison with lattice results for the rho



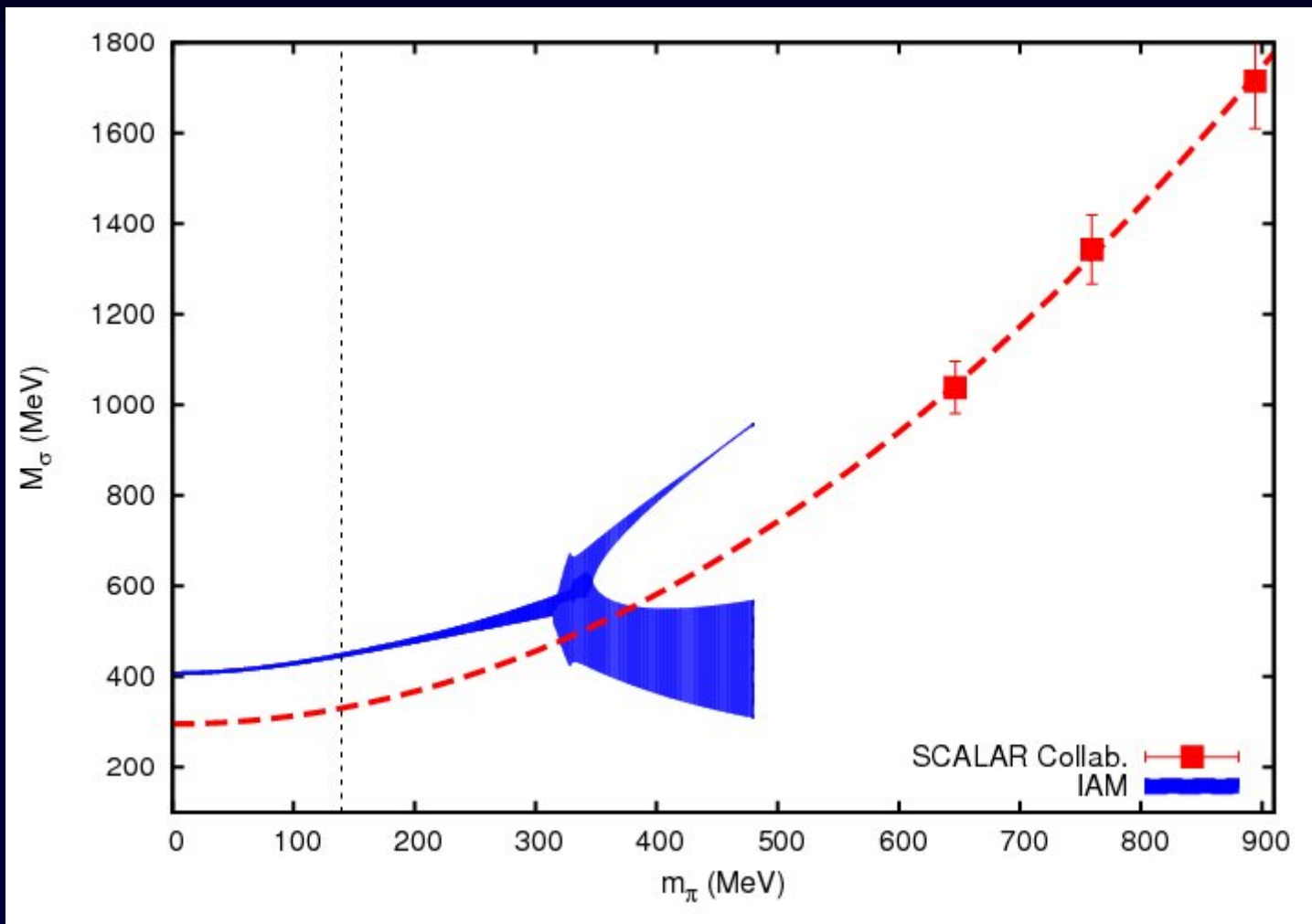
**CAUTION!!!**

We give POLE MASS  
in complex plane

Lattice caveats:  
Improved actions,  
Lattice spacing...  
Finite volume...  
**WIDTHLESS rho**

The best would be to use ChPT on the lattice....future work

## Comparison with lattice results for the sigma



## AGAIN CAUTION!!!

We give POLE MASS  
in complex plane + usual  
lattice caveats

IMPORTANT REMARK  
Extrapolations should take care  
of known scalar mass “splitting”  
non-analyticity



# QCD LINK: Scalars in Unitarized Chiral Perturbation Theory

## IAM, one channel:

- Simultaneously resonances and low energy meson-meson scattering with parameters compatible with ChPT

## $N_c$ behavior of light resonances

- quark-antiquark remarkably good for vectors



SCALARS predominantly NOT quark-antiquark states

SUBDOMINANT quark-antiquark component around 1.1 GeV.  
(Suggests mixing with heavier ordinary scalar nonet)

## Quark mass dependence: lattice connection

- Good agreement for  $\rho$ . Coupling independence.
- Two mass branches for sigma

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exactly unitary !!



$$T = T_2 (T_2 - \text{Re}T_4 - iT_2 \Sigma T_2)^{-1} T_2$$

To the DATA !!

ChPT = series in  $p^2$

$$T = T_2 + T_4 \dots$$



perturbative unitarity

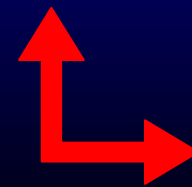
$$\text{Im}T_4 = T_2 \Sigma T_2$$

provides ....

$$\text{Re}T^{-1} \approx T_2^{-1} (T_2 - \text{Re}T_4 + \dots) T_2^{-1}$$

Coupled channel IAM

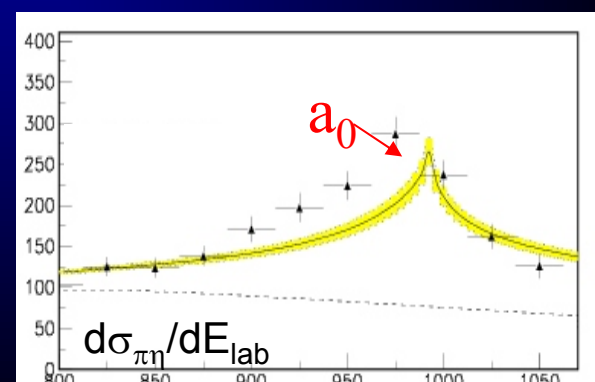
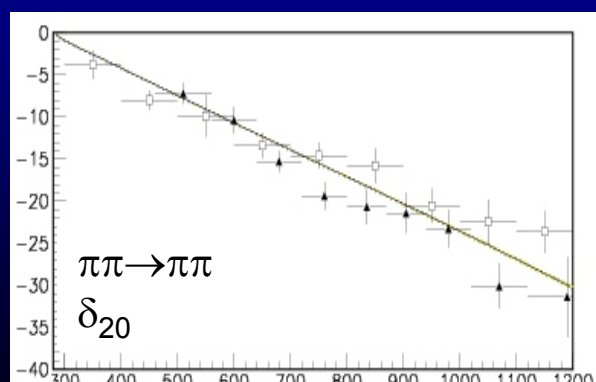
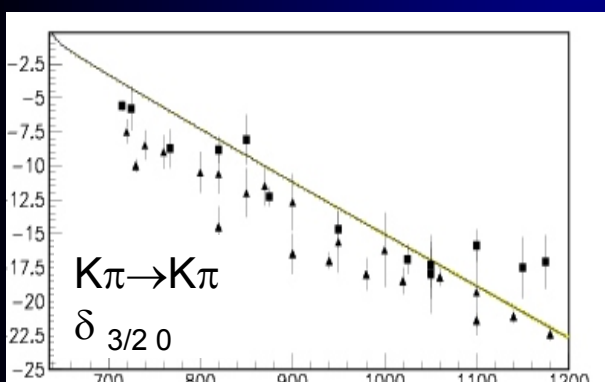
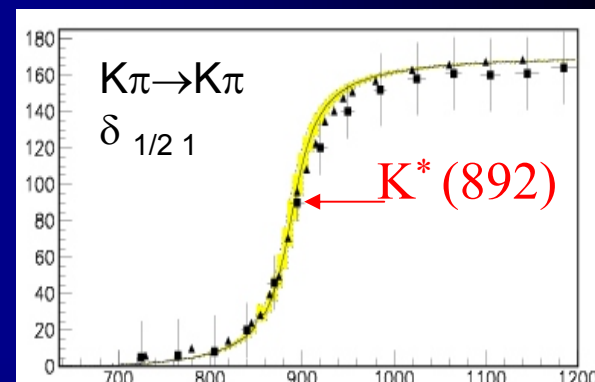
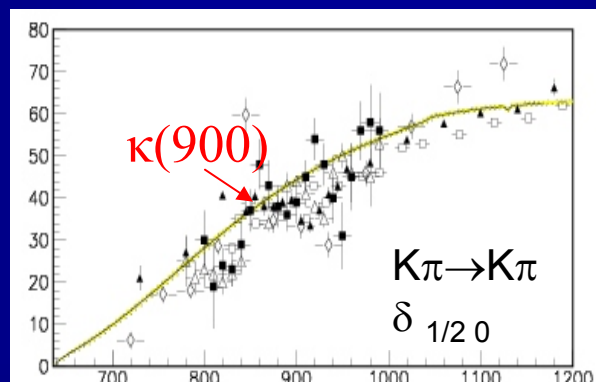
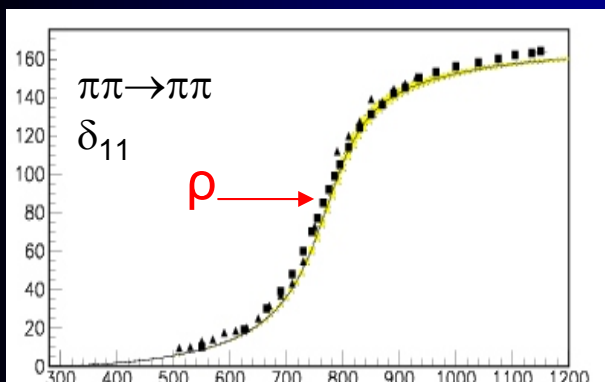
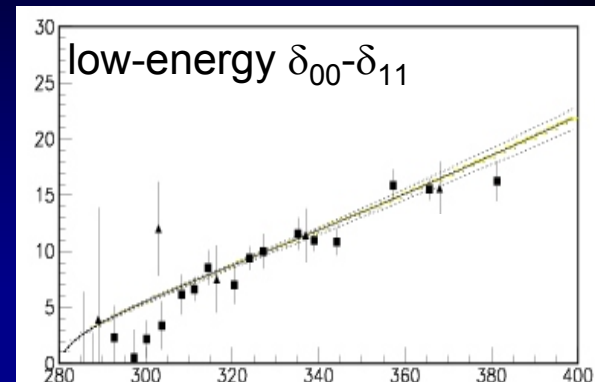
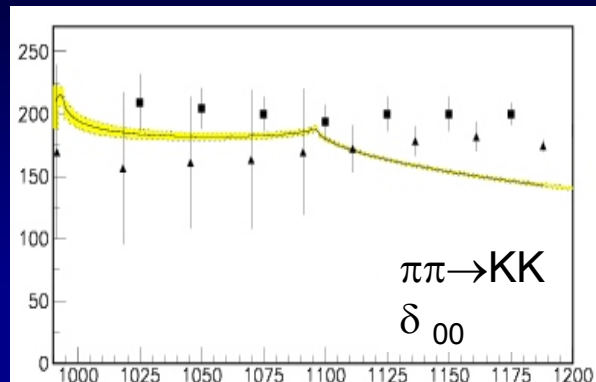
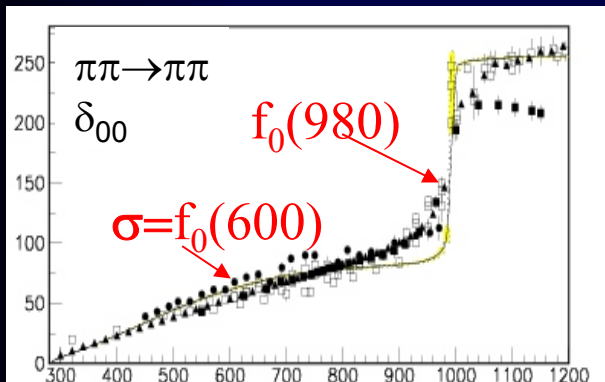
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# One-loop ChPT IAM fit to meson-meson scattering

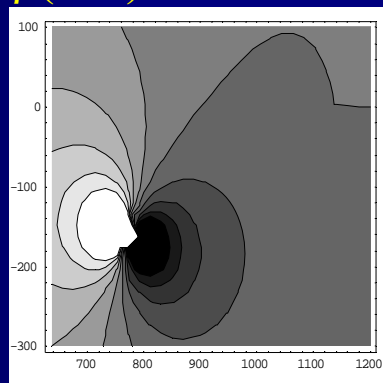
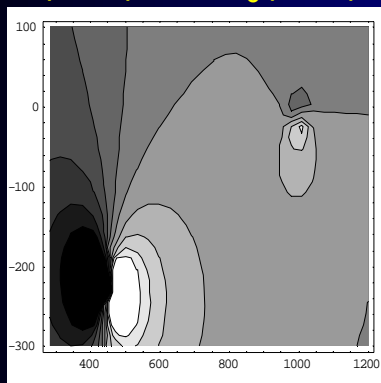
(+3% syst.)

Gómez-Nicola, JRP, Phys. Rev. D65:054009, (2002)



- With the full one-loop SU(3) unitarized ChPT, we GENERATE, the following resonances, not present in the ChPT Lagrangian, as poles in the second Riemann sheet

$f_0(600)$  and  $f_0(980)$     $\rho(770)$

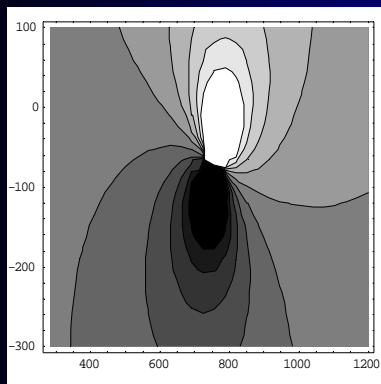


without a priori assumptions on  
 on their existence or nature

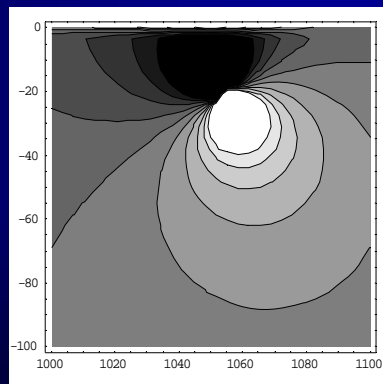
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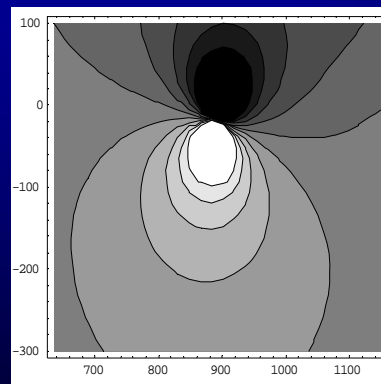
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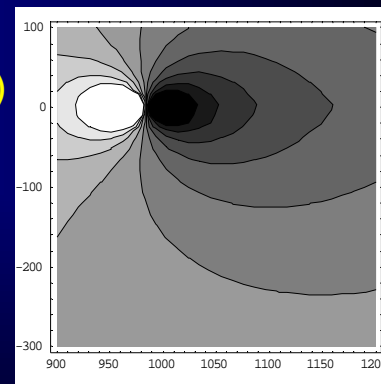
$a_0$



$K^*$



$\phi$   
 (octet)



# Complete Meson-meson Scattering in Unitarized Chiral Perturbation Theory

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## ● MINUIT fit :

- Incompatible sets of Data.

Customarily add systematic error: 1%, 3%, 5%

} Identical curves  
but variation in  
parameters

- Final error: MINUIT error + Systematic error

	ChPT( $\mu=M_\rho$ )	IAM fit (+3%)	IAM fits
L <sub>1</sub>	0.4± 0.3	0.561± 0.008	0.6± 0.1
L <sub>2</sub>	1.35± 0.3	1.211± 0.001	1.2± 0.1
L <sub>3</sub>	-3.5±1.1	-2.79± 0.02	-2.79± 0.14
L <sub>4</sub>	-0.3± 0.5	-0.36± 0.02	-0.36± 0.17
L <sub>5</sub>	1.4± 0.5	1.39± 0.02	1.4± 0.5
L <sub>6</sub>	-0.2± 0.3	0.07± 0.03	0.07± 0.08
L <sub>7</sub>	-0.4± 0.2	-0.444± 0.03	-0.44± 0.15
L <sub>8</sub>	0.9± 0.3	0.78± 0.02	0.8± 0.2

Fairly good  
agreement with  
existing LECS

Simultaneous description of low energy and resonances

**Fully renormalized and with parameters compatible with ChPT.**

## Caveats (At Bastian Kubis' request)

- Strong correlations for LECS. ( Also in ChPT)
- Other acceptable solutions with different LECS  
We can impose constraints on the LECS when fitting
- No existing dispersive derivation for coupled channels (yet?)
- Incorrect left cut analytic structure.

Old problem in coupled channel approach (Faddeev, Bjorken...)

Fortunately: Numerically small

Can be made correct order by order, but very complicated

- Full one-loop calculation needed. Complicated functions

However coupled channels essential for  $a_0(980)$  and  $f_0(980)$ .  
But for FSI in decays the analytic structure is different  
and the relevant one is the right or unitarity cut



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Of course, there are other variations,

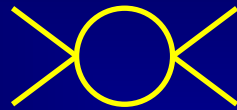


- If we do not care about left cuts:

$$t_2(s,t,u)$$

$$O(p^2)$$

$$t_4(s,t,u)=O(p^4)$$



But now the divergences are not fully absorbed in the LECS

Supurious parameter (regulator) dependence

- If you can live with that, then... why not....

forget pure tadpoles

but keeping those in mass and f renormalization

Simply use physical masses and constants.

# O(p<sup>4</sup>) Chiral Unitary Approach

$$t \sim \underbrace{\text{X} + \text{L4}}_{t_2 + t_4^{\text{tree}}} + \underbrace{\text{X} \circ \text{X}}_{t_2 G t_2} = t_2 + t_4^{\text{tree}} + t_2 G t_2$$

Shown to factorize  
(up to tadpoles neglected or absorbed in mass and decay constants)

$$\text{X} \circ \text{X} = t_2 G t_2$$

$$\text{with } G = \text{O} = i \int \frac{dq}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{q^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \frac{1}{(s - q^2) - M^2 + i\epsilon}$$

so that  $\text{Im } G = \sigma$  and  $\text{Re } t = t_2 + t_4^{\text{tree}} + t_2 \text{Re } G t_2 + \dots$

Inverting...  $\text{Re} \frac{1}{t} = \frac{1}{t_2} \left( 1 - \frac{\text{Re } t_4}{t_2} + \dots \right)$  and recalling the exactly unitary amplitude

$$t = \frac{1}{\text{Re} 1/t - i\sigma} = \frac{t_2^2}{t_2 - t_4^{\text{tree}} - t_2 G t_2}$$

# O(p<sup>4</sup>) Chiral Unitary Approach

Oller, Oset, Peláez  
PRL80(1988)3452  
PRD59,(1999)074001

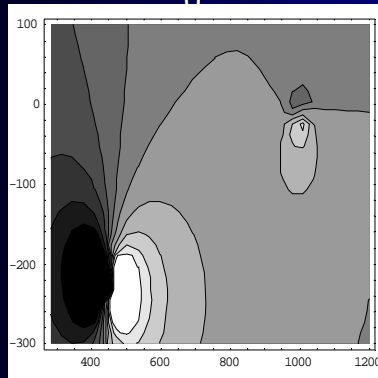


REMARKABLE RESULTS!!

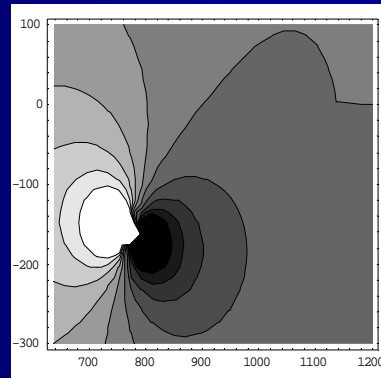
All Resonances:  $\sigma, \kappa, \rho, a_0, f_0, K^*, \Phi_8$

with their associated poles!!

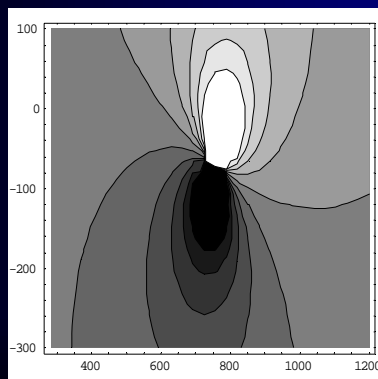
$\sigma$  and  $f_0$



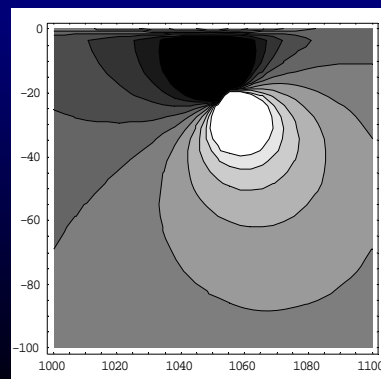
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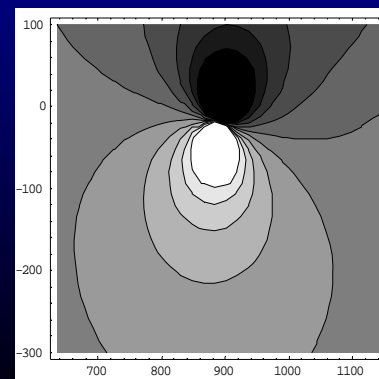
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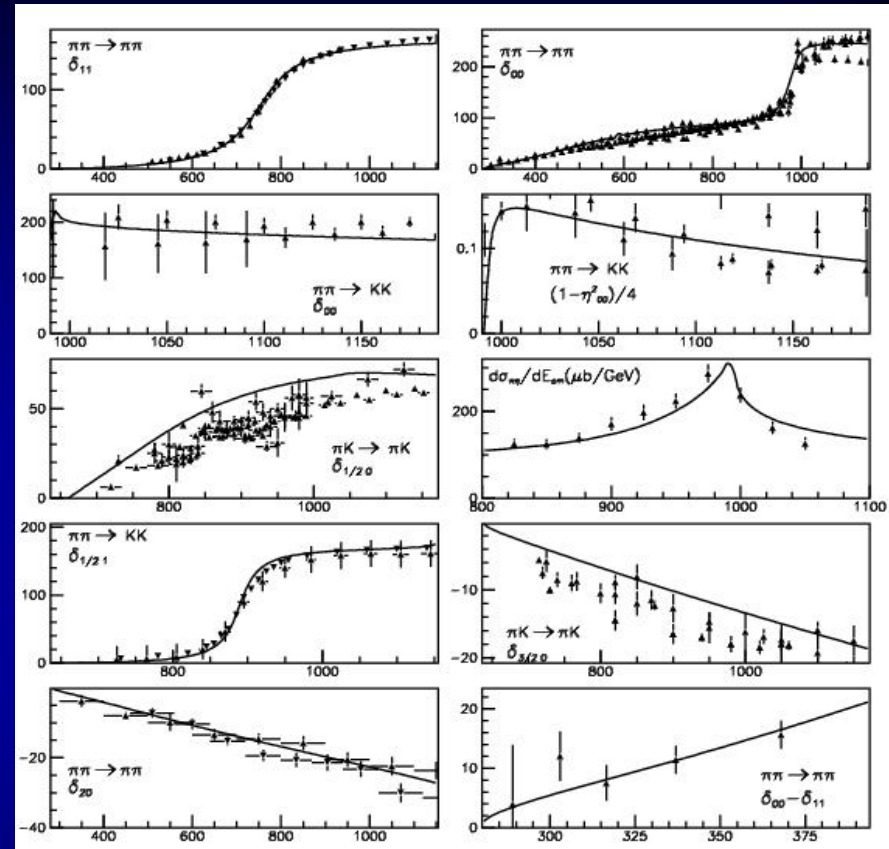
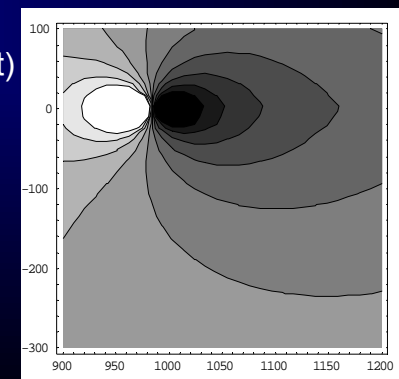
$a_0$



$K^*$



$\Phi(\text{octet})$



## $O(p^4)$ Chiral unitary approach: Pros and Cons.

### Cons. (Again at B.Kubis request)

- No left cuts
- Spurious parameters. In principle, one per channel  
Variations in the literature: Cutoff, dimensional regularization scale, subtraction constants ... choose favorite  
Luckily, with natural choices of regulator, it can be reduced to one parameter

### Pros.

- Simple. Just tree level calculations but for G function
- Satisfies coupled channel unitarity exactly.
- Reproduces LO ChPT and the numerically largest part of NLO
- Generates both scalar and vector resonances with their widths
- Surprisingly works with LECS numerically similar to those in ChPT  
Because uncertainties in LECS large and what we dropped is numerically small

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- We have dropped so many terms.... who cares one more!

$$t \sim \text{cross} + \text{circle} = t_2 + t_2 G t_2$$

$$t = \frac{t_2}{1 - G t_2}$$

Single channel

$$T = (1 - T_2 G)^{-1} T_2$$

Coupled channels

Now without Counterterms!

Really?

Actually, NO. There is still the “spurious” regulator in the G integral.

It can play the role of a combination of parameters, and mimic the energy dependence of the dropped terms if it is sufficiently soft

But it is not assured that you can play this game with the same natural regulator in all channels simultaneously.

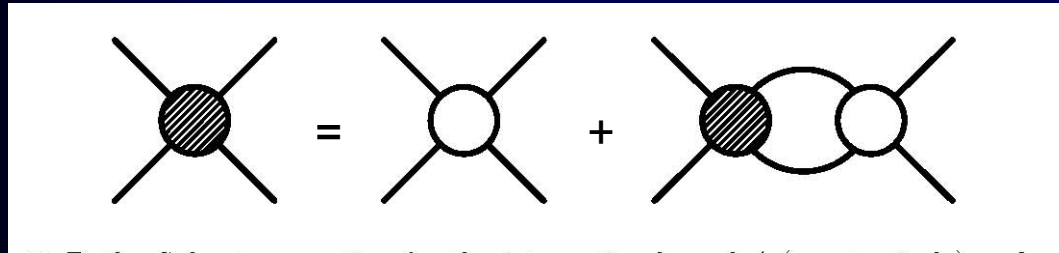
Surprisingly, this enough to generate all the light scalars!!

Oller, Oset 1996

You could generate the vectors too, but need another NON-NATURAL regulator

The same result can be obtained from a BS equation

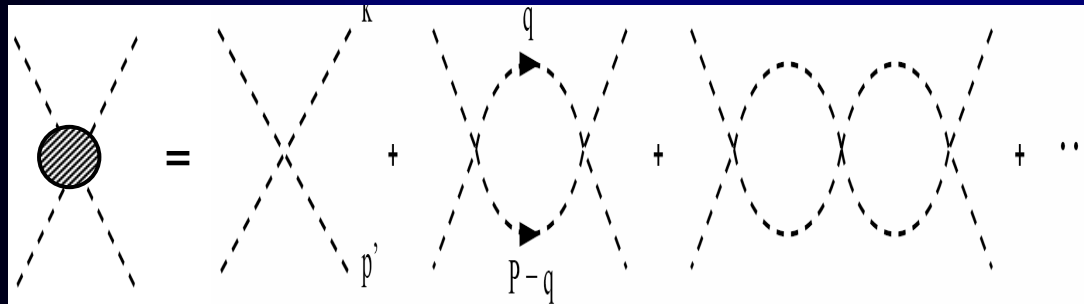
$$T = V + \int V \bar{G} T$$



... if we use the  $T_2$  ChPT matrix as the kernel and we use factorization inside the integral, then

$$T = T_2 + T_2 G T \quad \text{solving iteratively} \quad T = T_2 + T_2 G T_2 + T_2 G T_2 G T_2 + \dots$$

Effectively, one is summing this series of diagrams



Summing the geometric series



$$T = (1 - T_2 G)^{-1} T_2$$

# Meson-meson unitarization summary and Variations

Truong, Dobado, Herrero, Pelaez, Oller, Oset, Meissner, Kaiser, Weise, Ramos, Vicente-Vacas, Nieves, Ruiz-Arriola, Lutz, ...

IAM: Use of full ChPT series. Fully renormalized. No spurious parameters  
Extensions up to two loops. LECS compatible with ChPT

- One channel: Dispersive derivation. Analytic structure correct.  
Only elastic resonances. Scalars:  $\sigma$ ,  $\kappa$ . Vectors:  $\rho$ ,  $K^*$ .  
CONNECTION WITH QCD
- Coupled channels: NO dispersive derivation. Left cuts messy, but small.  
Light Scalar Nonet:  $\sigma$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $a_0$ ,  $f_0$ . Vectors:  $\rho$ ,  $K^*$ , octet  $\Phi$

Provides further justification/rigour for the next one

Chiral Unitary Approach: No tadpoles no crosses graphs. No left cuts  
Spurious regulator dependence.  
Bethe-Salpeter interpretation. Also N/D derivation

- $O(p^4)$ : “LECS” compatible with ChPT and natural regulator  
Light Scalar Nonet:  $\sigma$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $a_0$ ,  $f_0$ . Vectors:  $\rho$ ,  $K^*$ , octet  $\Phi$
- $O(p^2)$ : No “LECS”. With Natural regulator only  
light Scalar Nonet:  $\sigma$ ,  $\kappa$ ,  $a_0$ ,  $f_0$ .

$O(p^2)$ + explicit high resonances (vectors, axials...) by hand  
Also N/D Methods, etc...

Used in  
decays !!!