



$\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow \eta, \eta'$ **transition form factors**
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- Axial-vector Ward-Takahashi identity

$$P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P) = S^{-1}(k_+) i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a + i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a S^{-1}(k_-) - 2i \mathcal{M}^{ab} \Gamma_5^b(k; P) - \mathcal{A}^a(k; P), \quad (1)$$

- ▶ P : total momentum, k : relative momentum.
- ▶ $\{\mathcal{F}^a | a = 0, \dots, N_f^2 - 1\}$: generators of $U(N_f)$, $\text{tr} \mathcal{F}^a \mathcal{F}^b = \frac{1}{2} \delta^{ab}$
- ▶ Quark propagator: $S = \text{diag}[S_u, S_d, S_s, S_c, S_b, \dots]$
- ▶ $\mathcal{M}^{ab} = \text{tr}[\{\mathcal{F}^a, \mathcal{M}\} \mathcal{F}^b]$, $\mathcal{M} = \text{diag}[m_u, m_d, m_s, m_c, m_b, \dots]$
- ▶ Axial-vector vertex: $\Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P)$, pseudoscalar vertex: $\Gamma_5^b(k; P)$
- ▶ Non-Abelian axial anomaly: $\mathcal{A}^a(k; P)$

- Neutral Pseudoscalars: $\pi^0, \eta, \eta', \eta_c, \eta_b$

Neutral Pseudoscalars: π^0



- Chiral limit: $\mathcal{M}^{ab} = 0$; anomaly: $\mathcal{A}^a(k; P) = 0$.

$$P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P) = S^{-1}(k_+) i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a + i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a S^{-1}(k_-) \quad (2)$$

- Quark propagator: $S^{-1}(k) = i\gamma \cdot k A(k^2) + B(k^2)$
- Axial vector vertex:

$$\lim_{P^2 \rightarrow 0} P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}(k, P) = i\gamma_5 B(k^2) \neq 0 \quad (3)$$

- Massless pion pole: $\Gamma_{5\mu}(k, P) \xrightarrow{P^2 = -M_\pi^2} \frac{f_\pi P_\mu}{P^2 + M^2} \Gamma_\pi(k; P)$

$$\lim_{P^2 \rightarrow 0} P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}(k, P = 0) = i\gamma_5 f_\pi E_\pi(k; P = 0). \quad (4)$$

- Compare Eq.(3) & Eq.(4)

$$f_\pi E_\pi(k; P = 0) = B(k^2), \quad (5)$$



- Pion's Goldberger-Treiman relation

$$f_\pi E_\pi(k; P=0) = B(k^2), \quad (6)$$

- Pion's Bethe-Salpeter amplitude, solution of the Bethe-Salpeter equation

$$\Gamma_\pi(k; P) = \gamma_5 [iE_\pi(k; P) + \gamma \cdot PF(k; P) + \gamma \cdot kk \cdot PG(k; P) + \sigma_{\mu\nu} k_\mu P_\nu H(k; P)] \quad (7)$$

- Dressed-quark propagator

$$S^{-1}(k) = i\gamma \cdot kA(k^2) + B(k^2) \quad (8)$$

- Dynamical chiral symmetry breaking (DCSB) \Leftrightarrow Goldstone theorem

- ▶ Pion exists if, and only if, mass is dynamically generated
- ▶ Algebraically explain why pion is massless in the chiral limit
- ▶ two body problem solved, almost completely, once solution of one body problem is known

Neutral Pseudoscalars η & η'



- Current quark mass: $\mathcal{M}^{ab} \neq 0$; anomaly: $\mathcal{A}^a(k; P) \neq 0$.

$$P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P) = S^{-1}(k_+) i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a + i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a S^{-1}(k_-) - 2i\mathcal{M}^{ab} \Gamma_{5\mu}^b(k; P) - \mathcal{A}^a(k; P), \quad (9)$$

- Pseudoscalar pole in vertices:

$$\Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k, P)|_{P^2 = -m_{\pi_i}^2} = \frac{f_{\pi_i}^a P_\mu}{P^2 + m_{\pi_i}^2} \Gamma_{\pi_i}(k; P) + \Gamma_{5\mu}^{a \text{ reg}}(k; P), \quad (10a)$$

$$i\Gamma_5^a(k, P)|_{P^2 = -m_{\pi_i}^2} = \frac{\rho_{\pi_i}^a(\zeta)}{P^2 + m_{\pi_i}^2} \Gamma_{\pi_i}(k; P) + i\Gamma_5^{a \text{ reg}}(k; P). \quad (10b)$$

- Pseudoscalar pole in anomaly: $\mathcal{A}^a(k; P)$:

$$\mathcal{A}^0(k; P)|_{P^2 = -m_{\pi_i}^2} = \frac{n_{\pi_i}}{P^2 + m_{\pi_i}^2} \Gamma_{\pi_i}(k; P) + \mathcal{A}^{0 \text{ reg}}(k; P), \quad (11)$$

- Compare Eq.(10) & Eq.(11)

$$m_{\pi_i}^2 f_{\pi_i}^a = \delta^{a0} n_{\pi_i} + 2\mathcal{M}^{ab} \rho_{\pi_i}^b \quad (12)$$

- Topological charge density: $n_{\pi_i} = \sqrt{\frac{N_f}{2}} v_{\pi_i}$, $v_{\pi_i} = \langle 0 | \mathcal{Q} | \pi_i \rangle$.

- General mass formula

$$m_{\eta, \eta'}^2 f_{\eta, \eta'}^a = \delta^{a0} n_{\eta, \eta'} + 2\mathcal{M}^{ab} \rho_{\eta, \eta'}^b \quad (13)$$

- isospin limit

$$m_{\eta, \eta'}^2 \begin{bmatrix} f_{\eta, \eta'}^8 \\ f_{\eta, \eta'}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ n_{\eta, \eta'} \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} m_{12} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} m_{1-1} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} m_{1-1} & \frac{1}{3} m_{21} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{\eta, \eta'}^8 \\ \rho_{\eta, \eta'}^0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Flavor $U(N_f)$ limit

$$m_{\eta'}^2 f_{\eta'}^0 = n_{\eta'} + 2m_\zeta \rho_{\eta'}^0 \quad (14)$$

- η' is split from the octet pseudoscalars by topological susceptibility

Neutral Pseudoscalars: η_c & η_b



- General mass formula

$$m_{\eta_{c,b}}^2 f_{\eta_{c,b}} = 2m_{c,b} \rho_{\eta_{c,b}} \quad (15)$$

- Non-relativistic-QCD (NRQCD):

$$m_{\eta_{c,b}} = 2M_{c,b}^S (1 + \mathcal{E}_{c,b}/M_{c,b}^S) \quad (16)$$

▶ $M_{c,b}^S$: heavy quark pole-mass; $\mathcal{E}_{c,b}$: binding-energy not grow with $M_{c,b}^S$

- Renormalisation-group-invariance of $m_{c,b} \rho_{\eta_{c,b}}$

$$\rho_{\eta_{c,b}} \xrightarrow{m_{c,b} \rightarrow \infty} f_{\eta_{c,b}} m_{\eta_{c,b}} \quad (17)$$

- Identity between the $\rho_{\eta_{c,b}}$ & $f_{\eta_{c,b}}$.

- ▶ pseudoscalar projection of the $\eta_{c,b}$ Bethe-Salpeter wave function
- ▶ pseudovector projection of the $\eta_{c,b}$ Bethe-Salpeter wave function

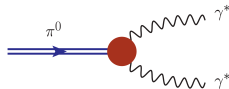
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- η & η' :
 - ▶ $m_{\eta'}^2 f_{\eta'}^0 = n_{\eta'} + 2m_\zeta \rho_{\eta'}^0$
 - ▶ η' is split from the octet pseudoscalars by topological susceptibility
- η_c, η_b :
 - ▶ $\rho_{\eta_{c,b}} \xrightarrow{m_{c,b} \rightarrow \infty} f_{\eta_{c,b}} m_{\eta_{c,b}}$
 - ▶ Identity between the pseudoscalar projection and pseudovector projection of the Bethe-Salpeter wave function .
- Parton structure of $\pi^0, \eta, \eta', \eta_c, \eta_b$ with two photon transition form factor.

Motivation



- transition form factors: $\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow M^1$, Strong-QCD prediction.

$$Q^2 F_M^q(Q^2) \stackrel{Q^2 > Q_0^2}{\approx} 4\pi^2 f_M^q e_q^2 \tilde{w}_M^q(Q^2)$$



- ▶ $q\bar{q}$ component of M ; $Q_0 > \Lambda_{QCD}$; f_M^q , $q\bar{q}$ -component leptonic decay constant; e , electric charge of quark q .

$$\tilde{w}_M^q(Q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{x} \varphi_M^q(x, Q^2). \quad (18)$$

- ▶ $\varphi_M^q(x, Q^2)$, dressed-valence q -parton contribution to the meson's distribution amplitude (DA).
- Complete transition form factor is a sum over the various $q\bar{q}$ subcomponent contributions

$$F_M = \sum_{q \in M} \psi_M^q F_M^q \quad (19)$$

- ▶ ψ_M^q , flavour weighting factor

¹ G.P.Lepage and S.J.Brodsky. Exclusive processes in perturbative quantum chromodynamics. Phys. Rev. D 22, 2157 (1980).

- Asymptotic DA: $\tau^2 := \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/Q^2$

$$\varphi_M(x, Q^2) \stackrel{\tau \approx 0}{\approx} \varphi_\infty = 6x(1-x), \quad (20)$$

- $\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow M$ transition form factor exhibits **simple power-law scaling**

$$Q^2 F_M^q(Q^2) \stackrel{\tau \approx 0}{\approx} 12\pi^2 f_M^q e_q^2 \quad (21)$$

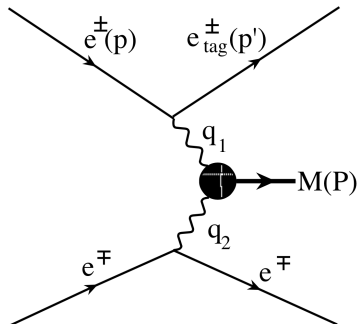
- Questions:

- ▶ π^0, η_c, η_b

- ★ Is experimental data consistent with Eq.(21)?
- ★ TFFs with Q^2 is small or medium
- ★ DAs of π^0, η_c, η_b with hadronic scale

- ▶ η, η' : $F_M = \sum_{q \in M} \psi_M^q F_M^q$

- ★ Non-Abelian axial anomaly, will Eq.(21) be amended?
- ★ TFFs with Q^2 is small or medium
- ★ Flavour structure of η, η'
- ★ DA of η, η' with hadronic scale



- No-tagged mode: **two photon decay widths**¹.

- ▶ $q_1^2 \approx q_2^2 \approx 0$.

- ▶ $\Gamma^{\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = \frac{\alpha_{em}^2}{64\pi^3} \frac{m_\pi^3}{f_\pi^2} = 7.8 \text{ eV}$.

Calculated exactly relate to chiral anomaly.

- ▶ $\Gamma^{\chi_{\eta} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = 0.516 \pm 0.018 \text{ keV}$.

- ▶ $\Gamma^{\chi_{\eta'} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = 4.36 \pm 0.14 \text{ keV}$.

- ▶ $\Gamma^{\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = 5.0 \pm 0.4 \text{ keV}$.

- Single-tagged mode:

transition form factors (TFFs).

- ▶ $q_1^2 \neq 0, q_2^2 \approx 0$.

- ▶ CELLO, (1991).

- ▶ CLEO, (1998).

- ▶ BaBar, (2009, 2010, 2011).

- ▶ Belle, (2012).

- Double-tagged mode:

- ▶ $q_1^2 \neq 0, q_2^2 \neq 0$.

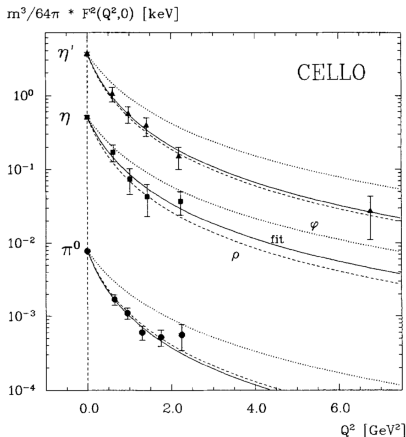
- ▶ BaBar, (2018)².

¹ M. Tanabashi et al. (Particle Data Group) Phys. Rev. D 98, 030001 (2018).

² BaBar Collaboration. Measurement of the $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \eta'$ transition form factor. arXiv:1808.08038 [hep-ex].

- CELLO, (1991)¹: Singly-virtual transition form factors: $q_1^2 \neq 0, q_2^2 \approx 0$.

- ▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0, \eta, \eta'$.
- ▶ $Q^2 \in [0.62, 2.23] \text{ GeV}^2$
- ▶ The π^0 form factor first time observed in the space-like region.
- ▶ Agree well with ρ -pole predicted by the vector meson dominance (VMD) model.
 $F(Q^2) = A/(1 + Q^2/\Lambda_p^2)$
- ▶ Agree with the QCD inspired Brodsky-Lepage model,
 $F_{\gamma\gamma^*P}(Q^2) \sim \frac{1}{4\pi^2 f_P} \frac{1}{1+(Q^2/8\pi^2 f_P^2)}$.
(i) $F(Q^2 = 0) \propto 1/f_P$
(ii) $Q^2 F(Q^2 \rightarrow \infty) \propto f_P$



¹ CELLO Collaboration, A Measurement of the π^0 , η and η' electromagnetic form factors, Z.Phys. C49 (1991) 401-410.

TFFs in Experiment



● CLEO, (1998)¹

- ▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0, \eta, \eta'$.
- ▶ π^0 : $Q^2 \in [1.5, 9] \text{ GeV}^2$.
- ▶ η : $Q^2 \in [1.5, 20] \text{ GeV}^2$.
- ▶ η' : $Q^2 \in [1.5, 30] \text{ GeV}^2$.
- ▶ Dashed line: pole-mass formula

$$F_{\gamma\gamma^*\mathcal{R}}(Q^2) = \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{64\pi\Gamma(\mathcal{R}\rightarrow\gamma\gamma)}{M_{\mathcal{R}}^3}} \frac{1}{1+Q^2/\Lambda_{\mathcal{R}}^2}$$

- ▶ Solid line: Brodsky-Lepage model,

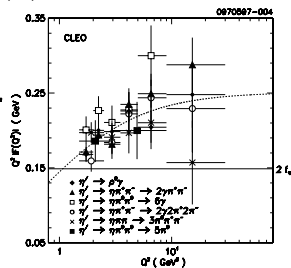
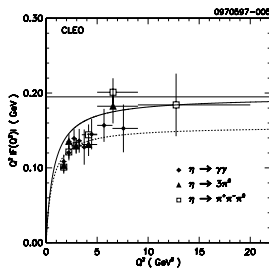
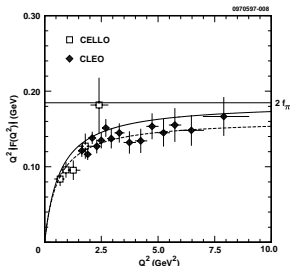
$$F_{\gamma\gamma^*\mathcal{R}}(Q^2) \sim \frac{1}{4\pi^2 f_{\mathcal{R}}} \frac{1}{1+(Q^2/8\pi^2 f_{\mathcal{R}}^2)}$$

satisfying

$$F_{\gamma\gamma^*\mathcal{R}}(Q^2 = 0) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2 f_{\mathcal{R}}},$$

$$Q^2 F_{\gamma\gamma^*\mathcal{R}}(Q^2 \rightarrow \infty) = 2f_{\mathcal{R}}.$$

- ▶ data lie below pQCD limit: $2f_{\mathcal{R}}$



¹ CLEO Collaboration, Measurements of the meson photon transition form factors of light pseudoscalar mesons at large momentum transfer, Phys.Rev. D57 (1998) 33-54.

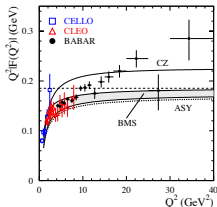
TFFs in Experiment



- BaBar, (2009, 2010, 2011)¹²³

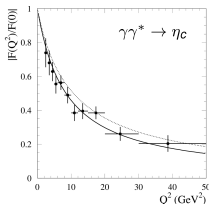
▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$.

- ★ π^0 : $Q^2 \in [4, 40] \text{ GeV}^2$.
- ★ $Q^2 F_{\gamma\gamma^*\pi}(Q^2) = A \left(\frac{Q^2}{10 \text{ GeV}^2} \right)^\beta$,
 $A_\pi = 0.182 \text{ GeV}$, $\beta = 0.25$.
- ★ data grow with Q^2 above 10 GeV^2 ,
Chernyak-Zhitnitsky DA (CZ).



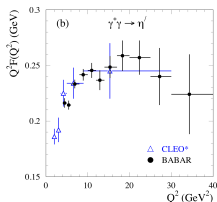
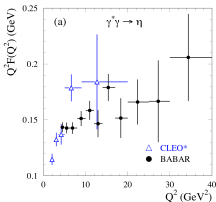
▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$.

- ★ η_c : $Q^2 \in [2, 50] \text{ GeV}^2$.
- ★ Monopole form $F_{\gamma\gamma^*\eta_c}(Q^2) = \frac{F_{\eta_c}(0)}{1+Q^2/\Lambda}$
- ★ data lie below leading-order pQCD prediction



▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta, \eta'$.

- ★ η, η' : $Q^2 \in [4, 40] \text{ GeV}^2$.
- ★ Agreement with CLEO, improve precision.



¹ BaBar Collaboration. Measurement of the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$ transition form factor. Phys.Rev. D80 (2009) 052002.

² BaBar Collaboration. Measurement of the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$ transition form factor. Phys.Rev. D81 (2010) 052010.

³ BaBar Collaboration. Measurement of the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta$ and $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta'$ transition form factors. Phys.Rev.D84 (2011) 052001.

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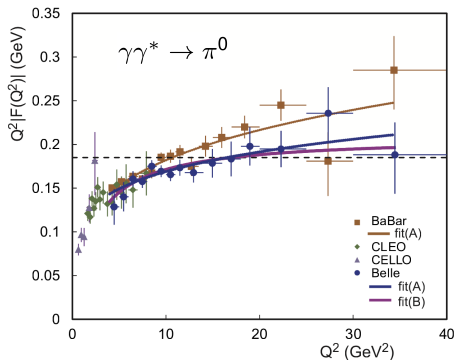
● Belle, (2012)¹

- ▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$.
- ▶ π^0 : $Q^2 \in [4, 40] \text{ GeV}^2$.
- ▶ Consistency with BaBar up to 9 GeV^2 .
- ▶ Belle do not confirm auxetic BaBar form factor behavior above 10 GeV^2 .
- ▶ data not always lie below pQCD limit: $2f_\pi$.

▶ **fit(A)**: $Q^2 F_{\gamma\gamma^*\pi}(Q^2) = A \left(\frac{Q^2}{10 \text{ GeV}^2} \right)^\beta$,
 $A_{\text{Babar}} = 0.182 \text{ GeV}$, $\beta_{\text{Babar}} = 0.25$,
 $A_{\text{Belle}} = 0.169 \text{ GeV}$, $\beta_{\text{Belle}} = 0.18$

▶ **♣ fit(B)**: $Q^2 F_{\gamma\gamma^*\pi}(Q^2) = \frac{BQ^2}{Q^2 + C}$,
 $B_{\text{Belle}} = 0.209 \text{ GeV}$, $C_{\text{Belle}} = 2.2 \text{ GeV}^2$.

▶ pQCD: $Q^2 F(Q^2 \rightarrow \infty) = 2f_\pi$,
 $B_{\text{pQCD}} = 0.185 \text{ GeV}$.



¹ Belle Collaboration. Measurement of the $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$ transition form factor at Belle. Phys.Rev. D86 (2012) 092007.

TFFs in Experiment



● $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$

▶ CELLO, (1991):

- ★ $Q^2 \in [0.68, 2.17] \text{ GeV}^2$, first time observed
- ★ agree well with ρ -pole VMD model, $F(Q^2) = A/(1 + Q^2/\Lambda_\pi^2)$
- ★ agree with Brodsky-Lepage model, $F(Q^2) \approx \frac{1}{4\pi^2 f_\pi} \frac{1}{1+(Q^2/8\pi^2 f_\pi^2)}$

▶ CLEO, (1998):

- ★ $Q^2 \in [1.5, 9] \text{ GeV}^2$
- ★ VMD-like model describes the data very well
- ★ data lie below pQCD limit: $2f_\pi$
- ★ VMD-like model \leftrightarrow Brodsky-Lepage pQCD asymptotic prediction

▶ BaBar, (2009):

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- ★ data grow with Q^2 above 10 GeV^2
- ★ $Q^2 F_{\gamma\gamma^*\pi}(Q^2) = A \left(\frac{Q^2}{10 \text{ GeV}^2} \right)^\beta$, $A_\pi = 0.182 \text{ GeV}$, $\beta = 0.25$
- ★ Chernyak-Zhitnitsky (CZ) distribution amplitude (DA).

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★ $Q^2 \in [2, 50] \text{ GeV}^2$

★ Monopole form $F_{\gamma\gamma^*\eta_c}(Q^2) = \frac{F_{\eta_c}(0)}{1+Q^2/\Lambda}$, $\Lambda_{Babar} = 8.5\text{GeV}^2$

★ agreement with J/Ψ -pole VMD model: $\Lambda = m_{J/\Psi}^2 = 9.6\text{GeV}^2$.

★ data lie below leading-order pQCD prediction

● $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta, \eta'$

▶ CELLO, (1991):

★ $Q^2 \in [0.62, 2.23] \text{ GeV}^2$

★ Agree well ρ -pole VMD model, $\Lambda_\eta = 0.84\text{GeV}$, $\Lambda_{\eta'} = 0.81\text{GeV}$

▶ CLEO, (1998):

★ $Q^2 \in [1.5, 20\&30] \text{ GeV}^2$

★ Agree well pole-mass model, $\Lambda_\eta = 0.77\text{GeV}$, $\Lambda_{\eta'} = 0.86\text{GeV}$

★ TFF shapes of π^0 and η are nearly identical

★ Non-perturbative properties of η' differ substantially from π^0 and η .

▶ BaBar, (2011):

★ $Q^2 \in [4, 40] \text{ GeV}^2$

★ Agreement with CLEO, improve precision.

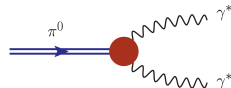
★ Relation between TFFs with theoretical meson DA.

● Questions:

- ▶ Empirical effective of VMD assumption
- ▶ Brodsky-Lepage pQCD asymptotic prediction
- ▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$:
 - ★ Conflict between BaBar and Belle above 10 GeV^2
 - ★ Belle data not always lie below pQCD limit: $2f_\pi$
 - ★ Distribution amplitude (DA) of π^0 at hadronic scale
- ▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c$:
 - ★ Data lie below leading-order pQCD prediction
 - ★ DA of η_c at hadronic scale
- ▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta, \eta'$:
 - ★ Non-perturbative properties of η, η'
 - ★ DA of η, η' at hadronic scale

- Defined by **pseudoscalar-vector-vector** (PVV) vertex

$$\Lambda_{\mu\nu}^{\gamma^* \gamma^* \pi^0} = \frac{2i\alpha_{em} g_{\gamma\gamma\pi}}{\pi \tilde{f}_\pi} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} Q_{1\rho} Q_{2\sigma} F_{\gamma^* \gamma^* \pi^0}(Q_1^2, Q_2^2)$$



- two photon momenta Q_1 and Q_2 , $\tilde{f}_\pi = f_\pi/\sqrt{2} = 93\text{MeV}$, pion decay constant.

- Normalization fixed by the axial anomaly**

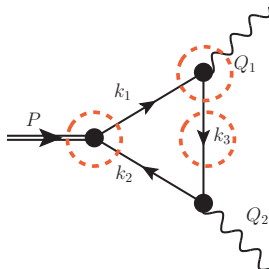
$$\Gamma^{\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = \frac{g_{\gamma\gamma\pi}^2 \alpha_{em}^2 m_\pi^3}{64\pi^3 \tilde{f}_\pi^2} \quad (22)$$

- $F_{\gamma^* \gamma^* \pi^0}(0, 0) = 1$, $g_{\gamma\gamma\pi} = 1/2$, $\Gamma^{\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = 7.7 \text{ eV}$.

- Transition form factor in impulse approximation¹:

$$\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}^q(Q_1^2, Q_2^2) = e^2 N_c \int_{dk} \text{tr} \left[S(k_1) \Gamma_M^{q\bar{q}}(k; P) S(k_2) \right. \\ \left. \times i\Gamma_\beta(k + Q_1/2; Q_2) S(k_3) i\Gamma_\alpha(k - Q_2/2; Q_1) \right], \quad (23)$$

- ▶ $k_1 = k + P/2$, $k_2 = k - P/2$,
 $k_3 = k + (Q_1 - Q_2)/2$,
 Q_1, Q_2 momentum of the photons.
- ▶ $S(k_i)$, dressed quark propagator.
- ▶ $\Gamma_M^{q\bar{q}}$, meson Bethe-Salpeter amplitude.
- ▶ $\Gamma_{\alpha/\beta}$, quark-photon vertex.



$$\Lambda_{\alpha\beta}^{\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma^*}(Q_1; Q_2) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \left((\hat{Q}^u)^2 - (\hat{Q}^d)^2 \right) \Lambda_{\alpha\beta}^u(Q_1; Q_2) \quad (24)$$

¹ P. Maris and P. C. Tandy, Electromagnetic transition form factors of light mesons, Phys.Rev. C65 (2002) 045211

- $S(k_i)$, dressed quark propagator.

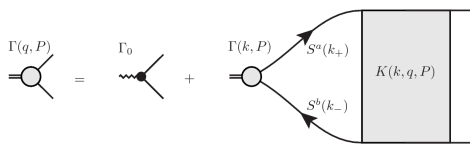
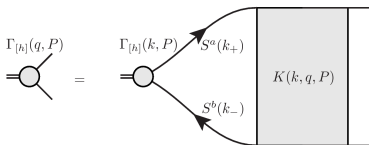
$$S(p)^{-1} = Z_2 i\gamma \cdot p + Z_4 m_q(\mu) + \frac{4}{3} Z_2^2 \int_{dq}^{\Lambda} \mathcal{G}((p-q)^2) \times D_{\alpha\beta}(p-q) \gamma_{\alpha} S(q) \gamma_{\beta} \quad (25)$$

- $\Gamma_M^{q\bar{q}}$, meson Bethe-Salpeter amplitude.

$$\Gamma(q; P) = -\frac{4}{3} Z_2^2 \int_{dk}^{\Lambda} \left[\mathcal{G}((k-q)^2) \times D_{\alpha\beta}(k-q) \gamma_{\alpha} S(k_+) \Gamma(k; P) S(k_-) \gamma_{\beta} \right], \quad (26)$$

- $\Gamma_{\alpha/\beta}$, quark-photon vertex.

$$\Gamma_{\mu}^q(q; P) = Z_2 \gamma_{\mu} - \frac{4}{3} Z_2^2 \int_{dk}^{\Lambda} \left[\mathcal{G}((k-q)^2) \times D_{\alpha\beta}(k-q) \gamma_{\alpha} S^q(k_+) \Gamma_{\mu}^q(k; P) S^q(k_-) \gamma_{\beta} \right]. \quad (27)$$



- Static frame for the meson:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= (0, 0, 0, im_H), \\
 Q_1 &= \left(0, 0, \frac{m_H}{2} + \frac{q^2}{2m_H}, i\left(\frac{q^2}{2m_H} - \frac{m_H}{2}\right)\right), \\
 Q_2 &= \left(0, 0, -\frac{m_H}{2} - \frac{q^2}{2m_H}, -i\left(\frac{q^2}{2m_H} + \frac{m_H}{2}\right)\right),
 \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

- ▶ satisfying the constraint $P^2 = -m_H^2$, $Q_1^2 = q^2$, $Q_2^2 = 0$.

- Continuation of the Bethe-Salpeter amplitude:

$$\Gamma(k; P) = \Gamma(k^2, z) = \sum_{m=0, j=0}^{N, M} a_{mj} P_m(k^2) U_j(z), \tag{29}$$

- $P(m)$ -Legendre polynomial, $U_j(z)$ -Chebyshev polynomial. $N = 20$, $M = 4$. is enough for convergence.

Two photon decay width with DSEs



- $\Gamma_{\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = 7.7\text{eV}$.

	$\omega = 0.5$	$\omega = 0.65$	$\omega = 0.8$	exp
$\Gamma_{\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	6.32	6.36	6.39	5.1 ± 0.4
$\Gamma_{\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	2.06	2.20	2.39	2.33 ± 0.42
$\Gamma_{\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	0.401	0.464	0.655	0.63 ± 0.10
$\sigma_{0/2}$	0.0185	0.00813	0.00413	0.00 ± 0.04
$\Gamma_{\chi_{c2} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$				
$\Gamma_{\chi_{c0} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	0.191	0.211	0.274	0.27 ± 0.06

$\Gamma_{\eta_b \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	$\Gamma_{\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	$\Gamma_{\chi_{b2} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$	$f_{0/2}$	$\frac{\Gamma_{\chi_{b2} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}}{\Gamma_{\chi_{b0} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}}$
0.469	0.0600	0.0143	0.000198	0.238

- $\Gamma_{\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}:^1$

$$\Gamma_{\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = 8\pi \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \frac{\alpha_{em}^2}{m_{\eta_c}} \frac{f_{\eta_c}^2}{(1 + \delta)^2}, \quad (30)$$

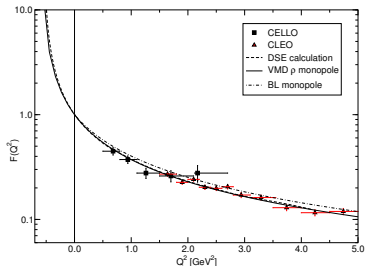
- $f_{\eta_c} = 0.24\text{GeV}$, $\delta = 0.03$, $\Gamma_{\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma} = 4.8\text{keV}$.

¹J. Chen, M. Ding, L. Chang and Y.X. Liu, Two photon transition form factor of $c\bar{c}$ quarkonia, Phys.Rev. D95 (2017) no.1, 016010.

TFFs with DSEs



● Pion TFF¹:



● Singularity of quark propagator,

F_{π^0} up to $5\text{GeV}^2 \rightsquigarrow$ Belle $Q^2 \in [4, 40] \text{ GeV}^2$

F_{η_c} up to $12\text{GeV}^2 \rightsquigarrow$ BaBar $Q^2 \in [2, 50] \text{ GeV}^2$

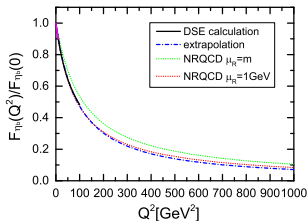
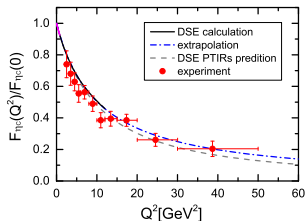
F_{η_b} up to 100GeV^2 .

● Low Q^2 : VMD-like model

High Q^2 : Brodsky-Lepage asymptotic form

● Need to do extrapolation.

● η_c and η_b TFFs²:



¹ P. Maris and P. C. Tandy, Electromagnetic transition form factors of light mesons, Phys.Rev. C65 (2002) 045211

² J. Chen, M. Ding, L. Chang and Y.X. Liu, Two photon transition form factor of $c\bar{c}$ quarkonia, Phys.Rev. D95 (2017) no.1, 016010.



- TFF extrapolation methods:
 - ▶ Method based on **Distribution amplitude (DA)**:
 - ▶ Off-shell method:
 - ★ Introducing a virtuality eigenvalue $\lambda(v)$ into the Bethe-Salpeter equations.
 - ★ Considering the v -dependence of the pointwise behaviour of the Bethe-Salpeter amplitude.
- $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$ TFF with large momentum transfer¹²:

$$Q^2 F_\pi(Q^2) \stackrel{Q^2 > Q_0^2}{=} 4\pi^2 f_\pi \frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 dx \frac{\phi_\pi(x; Q^2)}{x} \quad (31)$$

- $\phi_\pi(x; Q^2)$, two-particle twist-two DA.

¹G.P.Lepage and S.J.Brodsky. Exclusive processes in perturbative quantum chromodynamics. Physical Review D, 1980.

²A.Efremov and A.Radyushkin. Factorization and asymptotic behaviour of pion form factor in QCD. Physics Letters B, 1980.

- Matrix elements:

$$\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}(-z) \hat{O} \psi(z) | \pi(P) \rangle \quad (32)$$

- Twist-2 operator: $\bar{\psi}_+ \hat{O} \psi_+$, and $\hat{O} \in \{\gamma_+, \gamma_+ \gamma_5, \sigma_{+\perp}, \sigma_{+\perp} \gamma_5\}$

$$\langle 0 | \bar{u}(-z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(z) | \pi(P) \rangle = f_\pi P_\mu \int_0^1 dx e^{-i(2x-1)z \cdot P} \phi_\pi(x) \quad (33)$$

- G-parity transform:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{G} \bar{u}(-z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(z) \hat{G}^\dagger &= -\bar{u}(z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(-z) \\ \langle 0 | \bar{u}(-z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(z) | \pi(P) \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | \hat{G}^\dagger \left(\hat{G} \bar{u}(-z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(z) \hat{G}^\dagger \right) \hat{G} | \pi(P) \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | \hat{G}^\dagger \left(-\bar{u}(z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(-z) \right) \hat{G} | \pi(P) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- $\pi: I^G = 1^- \rightarrow \hat{G} | \pi(P) \rangle = - | \pi(P) \rangle$

- Pion DA: $\phi_\pi(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle 0 | \bar{u}(-z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(z) | \pi(P) \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | \bar{u}(z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 d(-z) | \pi(P) \rangle \\ &= f_\pi P_\mu \int_0^1 dx e^{-i(2x-1)z \cdot P} \phi_\pi(x) \\ &= f_\pi P_\mu \int_0^1 dx e^{i(2x-1)*(-z) \cdot P} \phi_\pi(1-x) \quad (34) \end{aligned}$$

- $\Rightarrow \phi_\pi(x) = \phi_\pi(1-x)$

- Matrix elements:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle 0|\psi(-z)\gamma_5\gamma\cdot n\psi(z)|\pi(P)\rangle &= f_\pi n\cdot P \int_0^1 dx e^{-i(2x-1)z\cdot P} \phi(x), \\ &= \text{tr}_{CD} Z_2 \int_{dq}^\Lambda e^{-iz\cdot q - iz\cdot(q-P)} \gamma_5\gamma\cdot n \chi(q; P).\end{aligned}\quad (35)$$

- Projecting **Bethe-Salpeter wave function** onto the light front:

$$f_\pi \phi(x) = \text{tr}_{CD} Z_2 \int_{dq}^\Lambda \delta(n\cdot q_+ - xn\cdot P) \gamma_5\gamma\cdot n \chi(q; P).\quad (36)$$

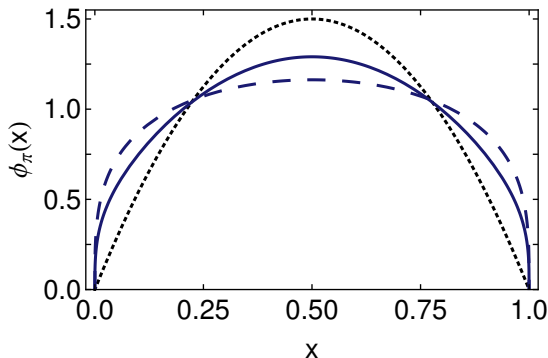
- ▶ n , light-like four-vector, $n^2 = 0$.
 - ▶ f_π , decay constant.
 - ▶ $\chi(q; P)$, **Bethe-Salpeter wave function**, the solution of Bethe-Salpeter equation.
- ▶ S : dressed-quark propagator; Γ : Bethe-Salpeter amplitude.

$$\chi(k, P) = S(k_+) \Gamma(k, P) S(k_-),\quad (37)$$



- Moments: $\langle x^m \rangle = \int_0^1 dx x^m \phi(x)$
 - ▶ Perturbation theory integral representations (PTIRs):
 - ★ Infinite number of Mellin moments.
 - ★ Combine denominators \Rightarrow the integral over feynman parameters.
 - ★ Represent the Bethe-Sapeter wave function with parameters.
 - ▶ "Brute-force" approach:
 - ★ Limited number of Mellin moments.
- Spectral function: $\chi(q, P) = \int_{-1}^1 dz \int_0^\infty d\gamma \frac{g(z, \gamma)}{(q^2 + zq \cdot P + \frac{1}{4}P^2 + M^2 + \gamma)^3}$
 - ▶ Maximum entropy method (MEM):
 - ★ Well-known method to solve the ill-posed inversion problem.
 - ★ Extract the weight function of Bethe-Salpeter wave function.

- Pion DA from DSE¹:



- Properties:
 - ▶ Solid line: Broad, concave function at hadronic scale.
 - ▶ Dotted line: Brodsky-Lepage asymptotic prediction: $\phi_\pi(x) = 6x(1-x)$.

¹L. Chang, I.C. Cloet, J.J. Cobos-Martinez, C.D. Roberts, S.M. Schmidt, and P.C. Tandy, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 132001 (2013).

Questions:

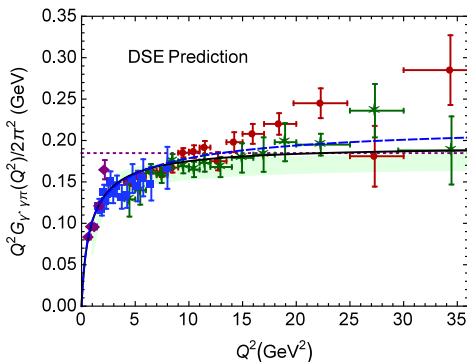
- ▶ Conflict between BaBar and Belle above 10 GeV²
- ▶ Belle data not always lie below pQCD limit: 2f_π
- ▶ Distribution amplitude (DA) of π⁰

Answers:

- ▶ Consistent with all non-BaBar data
- ▶ Approach the limit in pQCD limit 2f_π from above
- ▶ Broad concave function

$$Q^2 F_\pi(Q^2) \stackrel{Q^2 > Q_0^2}{=} 4\pi^2 f_\pi \frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 dx \frac{\phi_\pi(x; Q^2)}{x} \quad (38)$$

Pion TFF¹: γγ* → π⁰:



- ▶ BaBar: circles (red), Belle: stars (green)
- ▶ DSE with ERBL: solid (black),
- ▶ DSE without evolution: dashed (blue).

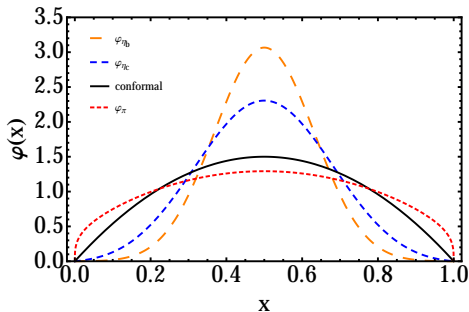
¹ K. Raya, L. Chang, A. Bashir, J.J. Cobos-Martinez, L.X. Gutiérrez-Guerrero, C.D. Roberts, and P.C. Tandy. Phys.Rev. D93 (2016) no.7, 074017.

- Piecewise convex-concave-convex function
- Ordering of DAs peak heights and widths: ($<_N$ means narrower than) $\phi^{asy}(x)$.

$$\phi_{\eta_b} <_N \phi_{\eta_c} <_N \phi^{asy} <_N \phi_{\pi}$$

- $\Lambda_{QCD}/m_q(\zeta) \rightarrow 0$,
 $\phi(x) \rightarrow \delta(x - 1/2)$.
- Critical current quark mass
 $m_q^c(\zeta = 2\text{GeV}) = 0.15\text{GeV}$,
 $\phi(x) = \phi^{asy}(x)$.

- DAs of η_c & η_b from DSE¹



- $\phi_{NRQCD}(x) = \delta(x - 1/2)$, $\phi^{asy}(x) = 6x(1 - x)$.

¹ M. Ding, F. Gao, L. Chang, Y.-X. Liu, and C. D. Roberts, Phys. Lett. B 753, 330 (2016).

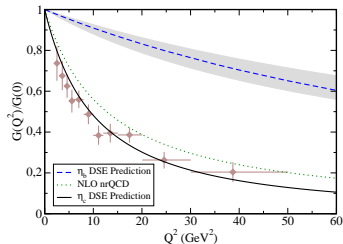
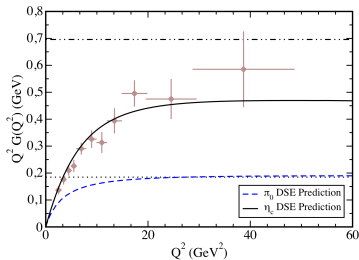
● η_c & η_b TFF¹:

● Questions:

- ▶ Data lie below leading-order pQCD prediction
- ▶ DA of η_c

● Answers:

- ▶ Consistent with BaBar data
- ▶ Approach the limit in pQCD limit $\frac{8}{3} f_{\eta_c}$ from below
- ▶ Narrow Piecewise convex-concave-convex function: $\phi_{\eta_c} < N \phi^{asy}$



$$\lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow \infty} Q^2 F_{\eta_c}(Q^2) = 4\pi^2 \int_0^1 dx \frac{\frac{4}{9} f_{\eta_c} \phi_{\eta_c}(x)}{1-x} \quad (39)$$

¹ K. Raya, M. Ding, A. Bashir, L. Chang and C.D. Roberts. Partonic structure of neutral pseudoscalars via two photon transition form factors, Phys.Rev. D95 (2017) 074014.

Rainbow-Ladder: π, η_c, η_b



- Axial-vector Ward-Takahashi identity: $\pi, \eta_c, \eta_b: \mathcal{A}^a(k; P) = 0$

$$P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P) + 2i\mathcal{M}^{ab} \Gamma_5^b(k; P) = S^{-1}(k_+) i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a + i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a S^{-1}(k_-) \quad (40)$$

- $\Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P), \Gamma_5^b(k; P), S^{-1}(k)$

$$\Gamma_{5\mu}(p, P) = \gamma_5 \gamma_\mu + \int_k K(p, k, P) S^a(k_+) \Gamma_{5\mu}(k, P) S^b(k_-), \quad (41a)$$

$$\Gamma_5(p, P) = \gamma_5 + \int_k K(p, k, P) S^a(k_+) \Gamma_5(k, P) S^b(k_-) \quad (41b)$$

$$S^{-1}(p) = i\gamma \cdot p + m + \Sigma(p) \quad (41c)$$

- Relation between self-energy and Bethe-Salpeter kernel:

$$\Sigma(p_+) i\gamma_5 + i\gamma_5 \Sigma(p_-) = - \int_k K(p, k, P) (S^a(k_+) i\gamma_5 + i\gamma_5 S^a(k_-)) . \quad (42)$$

- Rainbow-Ladder: $\Sigma(p) = \int_{dk} g^2 D_{\mu\nu}(p-k) \gamma_\mu S(k) \gamma_\nu$

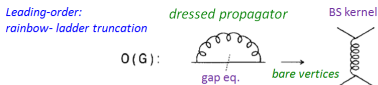
$$K_{RL}(p, k, P) = -g^2 D_{\mu\nu}(p-k) \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu . \quad (43)$$

- Axial-vector Ward-Takahashi identity: $\eta\&\eta'$: $\mathcal{A}^a(k; P) \neq 0$

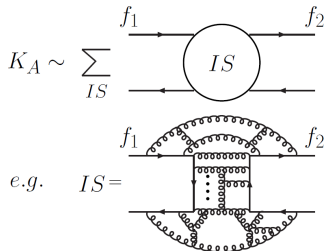
$$P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P) = S^{-1}(k_+) i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a + i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a S^{-1}(k_-) - 2i\mathcal{M}^{ab} \Gamma_5^b(k; P) - \mathcal{A}^a(k; P), \quad (44)$$

- No simple relation between self-energy and Bethe-Salpeter kernel:

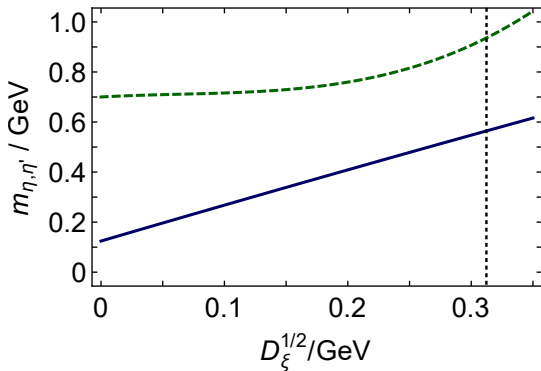
- "hairpin" structure: intermediate state (IS) involve infinitely many lines
- connect external (anti-)quark with internal (anti-)quark



$$\begin{aligned}
 & [K_A(k, q, P)]_{\rho\sigma}^{\alpha\beta} \\
 &= \xi(s) \cos^2(\theta) \xi [z i \gamma_5]_{\alpha\beta} [z i \gamma_5]_{\rho\sigma} \\
 &+ \frac{1}{\chi^2} \xi(s) \sin^2(\theta) \xi [z i \gamma_5 \gamma \cdot P]_{\alpha\beta} [z i \gamma_5 \gamma \cdot P]_{\rho\sigma}
 \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$



- $\xi(s) = 0 \rightarrow$ anomaly kernel: $K_A = 0$



- Ideal mixing: no anomaly. $m_{\eta} = m_{\pi}$, $m_{\eta'} = m_{S\bar{S}} = 0.7\text{GeV}$.
- Meson mass grow with the anomaly strength, reach the empirical values $m_{\eta} = 0.56\text{GeV}$, $m_{\eta'} = 0.96\text{GeV}$.

Leptonic decay constants and mixing: η & η'



- Pseudovector projection of the Bethe-Salpeter wave function

$$f_{\eta, \eta'}^{l, s} P_\mu = Z_2 \text{tr} \int_{dk}^\Lambda \gamma_5 \gamma_\mu \chi_{\eta, \eta'}^{l, s}(k; P) \quad (46)$$

	f_η^l	f_η^s	$f_{\eta'}^l$	$f_{\eta'}^s$
herein-direct	0.072	-0.092	0.070	0.104
herein-fit	0.074	-0.094	0.068	0.101
phen. ^{1 2}	0.090(13)	-0.093(28)	0.073(14)	0.094(8)

- Use decay constants to define **flavor mixing angle**

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_\eta^l & f_\eta^s \\ f_{\eta'}^l & f_{\eta'}^s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f^l \cos \theta & -f^s \sin \theta \\ f^l \sin \theta & f^s \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} f_\eta^8 & f_\eta^0 \\ f_{\eta'}^8 & f_{\eta'}^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f^8 \cos \theta_8 & -f^0 \sin \theta_8 \\ f^8 \sin \theta_8 & f^0 \cos \theta_8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\theta = 42.8^\circ.$$

$$f^l = 0.101 \text{ GeV} = 1.08 f_\pi$$

$$f^s = 0.138 \text{ GeV} = 1.49 f_\pi.$$

$$\theta_8 = -21^\circ \quad \theta_0 = -2.8^\circ.$$

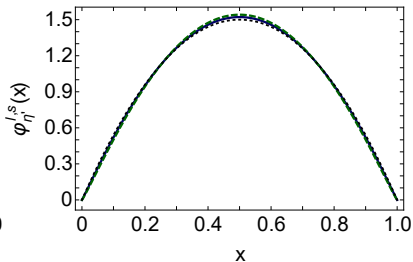
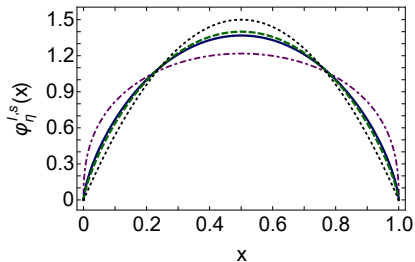
$$f^8 = 1.34 f_\pi$$

$$f^0 = 1.26 f_\pi.$$

¹T. Feldmann, P. Kroll, and B. Stech, Phys. Lett. B 449, 339 (1999).

²M. Benayoun, L. DelBuono and H. B. O'Connell, Eur. Phys. J. C 17, 593 (2000).

- DAs of η & η' from DSE



- η DAs: $\phi^{asy} <_N \phi_{\eta} <_N \phi_{\pi}$; η' DAs: $\phi_{\eta'} \sim \phi^{asy}$
- light- and s- quark component DAs have similar profiles



- Axial-vector Ward-Takahashi identity.

$$P_\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}^a(k; P) = S^{-1}(k_+) i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a + i\gamma_5 \mathcal{F}^a S^{-1}(k_-) - 2i\mathcal{M}^{ab} \Gamma_5^b(k; P) - \mathcal{A}^a(k; P), \quad (47)$$

- anomaly: $\mathcal{A}^a(k; P) = S^{-1}(k_+) \delta^{a0} \mathcal{A}_U(k; P) S^{-1}(k_-)$.
- Flavor Octet current: $\mathcal{A}^8(k; P) = 0$, f^8 is independent of the renormalisation scale
- Flavor singlet current: $\mathcal{A}^0(k; P) \neq 0$, f^0 depend on the renormalisation scale¹

$$f_{\eta, \eta'}^0(\zeta^2) = f_{\eta, \eta'}^0(\zeta_0^2) \left(1 + \frac{2N_f}{\pi\beta_0} [\alpha_S(\zeta^2) - \alpha_S(\zeta_0^2)] \right) \quad (48)$$

- Should be considered into Bethe-Salpeter wave function and transition form factors

¹ S. S. Agaev, V. M. Braun, N. Offen, F. A. Porkert, A. Schafer, Transition form factors $\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow \eta$ and $\gamma^* \gamma \rightarrow \eta'$ in QCD. Phys.Rev. D90 (2014) no.7, 074019

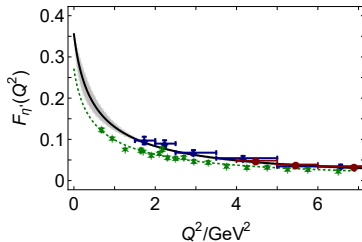
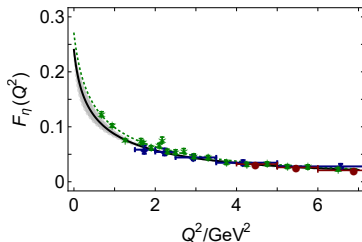
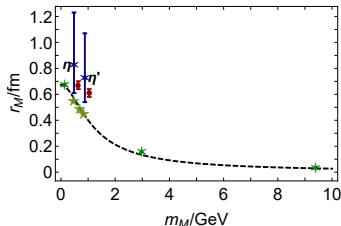
TFFs of η & η' : Low Q^2



- TFFs agree with data
- radii: $r_\eta = 0.83^{+0.40}_{-0.22} \text{ fm}$, $r_{\eta'} = 0.73^{+0.34}_{-0.19} \text{ fm}$

$$r_{\eta, \eta'}^2 := \frac{-6}{F_{\eta, \eta'}(0)} \frac{d}{dQ^2} F_{\eta, \eta'}(Q^2) \Big|_{Q^2=0}$$

- radii:
 $\pi^0, \eta, \eta', \eta_c, \eta_b \& m_{0^-} / \text{GeV} = 0.47, 0.69, 0.83$
- Non-Abelian anomaly:
 η, η' larger than a fit by 24% and 48%.



TFFs of η & η' : Large Q^2



● η & η' TFF¹:

● Questions:

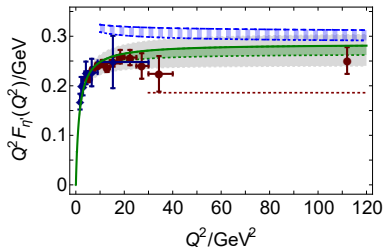
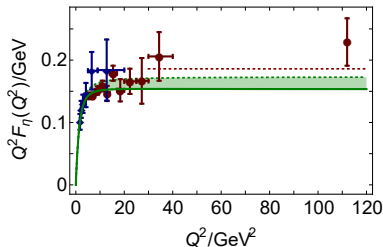
- ▶ Non-perturbative properties of η, η'
- ▶ DA of η, η'

● Answers:

- ▶ $Q^2 F_\eta(Q^2 \rightarrow \infty) = 0.15 \text{ GeV}$,
 $Q^2 F_{\eta'}(Q^2 \rightarrow \infty) = 0.30 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ Omission of $\varphi_{\eta, \eta'}^0 - \varphi_{\eta, \eta'}^g$ mixing

$$\lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow \infty} Q^2 F_{\eta, \eta'}(Q^2)$$

$$= -6 \left[\frac{5}{9} f'_{\eta, \eta'}(Q^2) + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{9} f^s_{\eta, \eta'}(Q^2) \right]$$



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- General mass formula

$$m_{\eta, \eta'}^2 \begin{bmatrix} f_{\eta, \eta'}^8 \\ f_{\eta, \eta'}^0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ n_{\eta, \eta'} \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} m_{12} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} m_{1-1} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} m_{1-1} & \frac{1}{3} m_{21} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{\eta, \eta'}^8 \\ \rho_{\eta, \eta'}^0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Topological charge density operator: $\mathcal{Q}(x)$

$$n_{\eta, \eta'} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \nu_{\eta, \eta'}, \quad \nu_{\eta, \eta'} = \langle 0 | \mathcal{Q}(x) = i \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \text{tr}_C [\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma}(x)] | \eta, \eta' \rangle$$

- Pseudoscalar projection of the Bethe-Salpeter wave function:

$$i\rho_{\eta, \eta'}^{l,s} = Z_4 \text{tr} \int_{dk}^{\Lambda} \gamma_5 \chi_{\eta, \eta'}^{l,s}(k; P), \quad (49)$$

- Topological charge content of the η' is 2.1 times that of η

$$\begin{array}{ll} \rho_{\eta}^8 & \rho_{\eta}^0 & \rho_{\eta'}^8 & \rho_{\eta'}^0 & \nu_{\eta} = (0.29 \text{ GeV})^3 \\ 0.50^2 & 0.033^2 & -0.37^2 & 0.57^2 & \nu_{\eta'} = (0.37 \text{ GeV})^3 \end{array}$$

● Summary: Two photon transition form factors

▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0$

- ★ Consistent with all non-BaBar data
- ★ Approach the limit in pQCD limit $2f_\pi$ from above
- ★ Pion DA: broad concave function

▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta_c, \eta_b$

- ★ Consistent with BaBar data
- ★ Approach the limit in pQCD limit $\frac{8}{3}f_{\eta_c}$ from below
- ★ DAs: Narrow Piecewise convex-concave-convex function:
 $\phi_{\eta_b} < N\phi_{\eta_c} < N\phi^{asy}$

▶ $\gamma\gamma^* \rightarrow \eta, \eta'$

- ★ TFFs agree with Babar data
- ★ η DAs: $\phi^{asy} < N\phi_\eta < N\phi_\pi$; η' DAs: $\phi_{\eta'} \sim \phi^{asy}$
- ★ Non-Abelian anomaly:
 η, η' larger than a non-mixing pseudoscalar radii fit by 24% and 48%.
- ★ $Q^2 F_\eta(Q^2 \rightarrow \infty) = 0.15\text{GeV}$,
 $Q^2 F_{\eta'}(Q^2 \rightarrow \infty) = 0.30\text{GeV}$
- ★ Topological charge content of the η' is 2.1 times that of η

● Thanks!