

2. Chiral Perturbation Theory

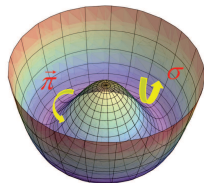
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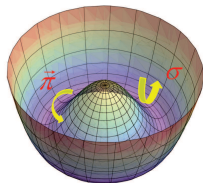
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SSB: $O(4) \rightarrow O(3)$ [$\frac{4 \times 3}{2} - \frac{3 \times 2}{2} = 3$ broken generators]

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Standard Model

OPE

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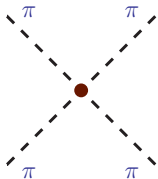
**Derivative
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Goldstones become free at zero momenta

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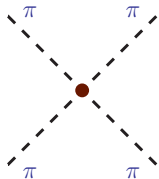
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$$(\mathbf{s} + i\mathbf{p}) \rightarrow \mathbf{g}_R (\mathbf{s} + i\mathbf{p}) \mathbf{g}_L^\dagger$$

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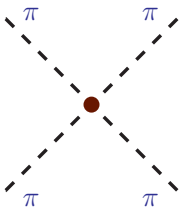


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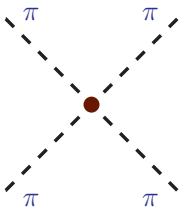


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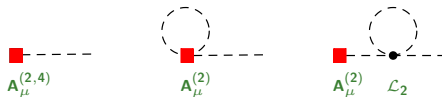
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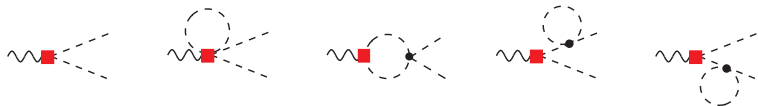
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Bijnens-Colangelo-Ecker, Fearing-Scherer

90 + 4 [53 + 4] terms in SU(3) [SU(2)] χ PT (even-intrinsic parity only)

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Bijnens-Colangelo-Ecker

Double chiral logarithms

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Amoros-Bijnens-Dhonte-Talavera, Ananthanarayan-Colangelo-Gasser-Leutwyler, Bellucci-Gasser-Sainio, Brgui, Bijnens et al, Descotes-Genon et al, Golowich-Kambor, Post-Schilcher...

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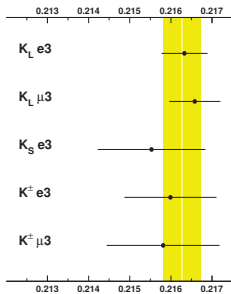
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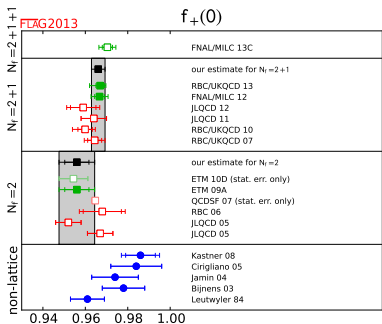
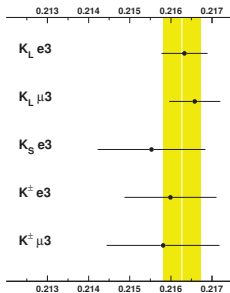


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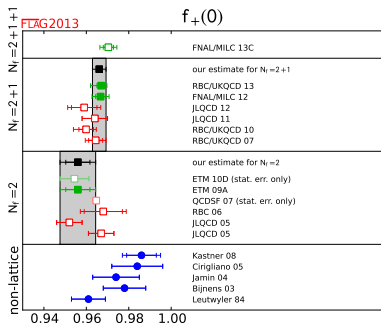
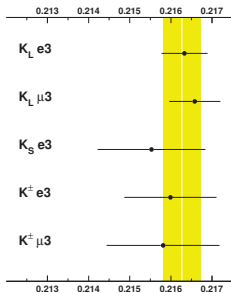


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Large $\mathcal{O}(p^6)$ χ PT correction

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$$J_X^{a\mu} = \bar{\mathbf{q}}_X \gamma^\mu \frac{\lambda^a}{2} \mathbf{q}_X \quad ; \quad Q_X^a = \int d^3x J_X^{a0}(x) \quad (a = 1, \dots, 8; X = L, R)$$


Current Algebra ('60) : $[Q_X^a, Q_Y^b] = i \delta_{XY} f^{abc} Q_X^c$

Dynamical Symmetry Breaking:

- 8 Pseudoscalar Goldstones $\pi^a = (\pi, K, \eta)$

- $Q_A^a = Q_R - Q_L \quad ; \quad \mathcal{O}^b = \bar{\mathbf{q}} \gamma_5 \lambda^b \mathbf{q}$

$$\langle 0 | [Q_A^a, \mathcal{O}^b] | 0 \rangle = -\frac{1}{2} \langle 0 | \bar{\mathbf{q}} \{ \lambda^a, \lambda^b \} \mathbf{q} | 0 \rangle = -\frac{2}{3} \langle 0 | \bar{\mathbf{q}} \mathbf{q} | 0 \rangle$$

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- $\langle 0 | J_A^{a\mu} | \pi^b(p) \rangle = i \delta^{ab} \sqrt{2} f_\pi p^\mu$

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$$-\frac{iN_C}{48\pi^2} \int d^4x \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} (W(U, \ell, r)^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} - W(\mathbf{1}, \ell, r)^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta})$$

Wess-Zumino-Witten

$$W(U, \ell, r)_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = \langle U l_\mu l_\nu l_\alpha U^\dagger r_\beta + \frac{1}{4} U l_\mu U^\dagger r_\nu U l_\alpha U^\dagger r_\beta + i U \partial_\mu l_\nu l_\alpha U^\dagger r_\beta$$

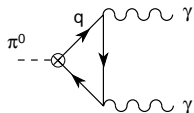
$$+ i \partial_\mu r_\nu U l_\alpha U^\dagger r_\beta - i \Sigma_\mu^L l_\nu U^\dagger r_\alpha U l_\beta + \Sigma_\mu^L U^\dagger \partial_\nu r_\alpha U l_\beta - \Sigma_\mu^L \Sigma_\nu^L U^\dagger r_\alpha U l_\beta$$

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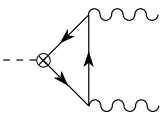
$$- (L \leftrightarrow R)$$

$$\Sigma_\mu^L = U^\dagger \partial_\mu U \quad , \quad \Sigma_\mu^R = U \partial_\mu U^\dagger$$

$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$:



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$$A_3^\mu \equiv \bar{u}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5 u - \bar{d}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5 d$$

$$\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \left(\frac{N_c}{3}\right)^2 \frac{\alpha^2 M_\pi^3}{64 \pi^3 f_\pi^2} = 7.73 \text{ eV}$$

Exp: $(7.7 \pm 0.6) \text{ eV}$

There are no QCD corrections

The chiral anomaly contributes to:

$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

$\gamma 3\pi$, $\gamma \pi^+ \pi^- \eta$, $K \bar{K} 3\pi$, ...