# Narrow resonances in hadronic light-by-light scattering

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#### HLbL contribution of higher resonances

#### WP estimate based on different models:

scalar meson contribution:

Introduction

- $\rightarrow$  V. Pauk, M. Vanderhaeghen (2014)  $a_{\mu}^{scalars} = [-3.1(8), -0.9(2)] \times 10^{-11}$
- $\rightarrow$  M. Knecht et al. (2018)  $a_{\mu}^{\text{scalars}} = [-(2.2^{+3.2}_{-0.7}), -(1.0^{+2.0}_{-0.4})] \times 10^{-11}$
- tensor meson contribution:
  - $\rightarrow$  I. Danilkin, M. Vanderhaeghen (2017)
- axial-vector meson contribution:
  - $\rightarrow$  V. Pauk, M. Vanderhaeghen (2014)
  - $\rightarrow$  F. Jegerlehner (2017)
  - $\rightarrow$  P. Roig, P. Sánchez-Puertas (2020)
- $\begin{aligned} a_{\mu}^{\text{axials}}[f_{1},f_{1}'] &= 6.4(2.0) \times 10^{-11} \\ a_{\mu}^{\text{axials}}[a_{1},f_{1},f_{1}'] &= 7.6(2.7) \times 10^{-11} \\ a_{\mu}^{\text{axials}}[a_{1},f_{1},f_{1}'] &= (0.8^{+3.5}_{-0.8}) \times 10^{-11} \end{aligned}$
- axial-vector contribution in interplay with short-distance constraints (SDCs):
  - $\rightarrow$  J. Leutgeb, A. Rebhan (2020)
  - $\rightarrow$  L. Cappiello et al. (2020)

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{axials}}[a_1, f_1, f_1'] = 17.4(4.0) \times 10^{-11}$$

↔ "data-driven", adjusted normalization (52% saturation of LSDC)

 $a_{\mu}^{\text{tensors}} = 0.9(1) \times 10^{-11}$ 



## How to improve WP estimate of resonances?

- how to reduce model uncertainties?
- consistent inclusion in dispersive framework?
- short-distance constraints?
- beyond narrow resonances?

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## Resonance contributions to HLbL

- unitarity: resonances unstable, not asymptotic states
   ⇒ do not show up in unitarity relation
- analyticity: resonances are poles on unphysical Riemann sheets of partial-wave amplitudes

 $\Rightarrow$  describe in terms of multi-particle intermediate states that generate the branch cut

- realistic in the case of resonant  $\pi\pi$  contributions in *S*-wave  $(f_0)$  and *D*-wave  $(f_2)$
- axial-vector mesons would appear as resonance in 3π channel ⇒ need to rely on narrow-width (NW) approximation

#### Narrow resonances

 in the NW limit, imaginary part from unitarity relation reduces to δ-function:

$$\mathrm{Im}_{s}\Pi^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \pi\delta(s-M^{2})\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}(p\to q_{1},q_{2})^{*}\mathcal{M}^{\lambda\sigma}(p\to -q_{3},q_{4}),$$
$$\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}(p\to q_{1},q_{2}) = i\int d^{4}x e^{iq_{1}\cdot x} \langle 0|T\{j_{\mathrm{em}}^{\mu}(x)j_{\mathrm{em}}^{\nu}(0)\}|p\rangle$$

 project onto tensor decomposition for HLbL and plug into dispersion relation for scalar functions:

$$\check{\Pi}_i(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int ds' \frac{\mathrm{Im}\check{\Pi}_i(s')}{s'-s}$$

- $\delta$ -function, Cauchy kernel, and polarization sum combine to propagator-like structure
- dispersive result may differ from propagator models by non-pole terms



#### Narrow resonances

- decompose *M<sup>μν</sup>* into Lorentz structures × transition form factors (TFFs)
- in the NWA, dispersive definition only involves on-shell meson ⇒ only physical TFFs enter

## Sum rules and basis (in)dependence

- HLbL tensor basis involves structures of different mass dimension
- scalar coefficient functions of higher-dimension structures asymptotically fall off faster
- implies sum rules for those coefficient functions:

$$0 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int ds' \, \mathrm{Im}\check{\Pi}_i(s')$$

guarantees basis independence of entire HLbL

## Sum rules and basis (in)dependence

• sum-rule contribution of single-particle state (resonance):

$$\operatorname{Im}\check{\Pi}_{i}(s') \sim \pi \delta(s' - M^{2}) \mathcal{F}(q_{1}^{2}, q_{2}^{2}) \mathcal{F}(q_{3}^{2}, 0)$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\pi} \int ds' \operatorname{Im}\check{\Pi}_{i}(s') \sim \mathcal{F}(q_{1}^{2}, q_{2}^{2}) \mathcal{F}(q_{3}^{2}, 0) \neq 0$$

- sum rules not fulfilled by resonances
  - $\Rightarrow$  NW contribution to HLbL is **basis dependent**
- basis dependence only needs to cancel in sum over intermediate states
- only pseudoscalars do not contribute to sum rules
   ⇒ unambiguous

## Kinematic singularities

- HLbL coefficient functions  $\Pi_i$  free from kinematic singularities in Mandelstam variables  $\Rightarrow$  enables dispersive treatment  $\rightarrow$  Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP 04 (2017) 161
- not free from kinematic singularities in  $q_i^2$ , but **residues** vanish due to sum rules
- kinematic singularities can be subtracted, but introduce additional ambiguities if sum rules are violated

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## Light-cone expansion for TFFs

- $\rightarrow$  Hoferichter, Stoffer, JHEP **05** (2020) 159
- tensor decomposition for scalar, axial-vector, and tensor meson TFFs derived with Bardeen–Tung recipe:

 $\rightarrow$  Bardeen, Tung, Phys. Rev. **173** (1968) 1423

$$\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}(p[,\lambda] \to q_1, q_2) \propto \sum_i T_i^{\mu\nu[\alpha]} [\epsilon_{\alpha}^{\lambda}(p)] \mathcal{F}_i(q_1^2, q_2^2)$$

 no Tarrach ambiguities appear for scalar, axial vector, or tensor meson TFFs

 $\rightarrow$  Tarrach, Nuovo Cim. **A28** (1975) 409

- absence of kinematic singularities guaranteed
- for many TFFs experimental information is scarce
  - $\rightarrow$  talk by B. Kubis

Light-cone expansion for TFFs

 $\rightarrow$  Hoferichter, Stoffer, JHEP **05** (2020) 159

• asymptotic behavior of TFFs can be derived using

light-cone expansion  $\rightarrow$  Brodsky, Lepage (1979, 1980, 1981)

general structure:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(q_1^2, q_2^2) &\sim F^{\text{eff}} M^{2n-1} \int_0^1 du \frac{\phi(u)}{(uq_1^2 + (1-u)q_2^2)^n} + \mathcal{O}(Q^{-2(n+1)}) \\ &= \frac{F^{\text{eff}} M^{2n-1}}{Q^{2n}} f(w) + \mathcal{O}(Q^{-2(n+1)}) \end{aligned}$$

 $F^{\rm eff}$ : effective decay constant;  $Q^2=\frac{q_1^2+q_2^2}{2};\,f(w)$  with  $w=\frac{q_1^2-q_2^2}{q_1^2+q_2^2}$  determined using asymptotic form of wave functions  $\phi(u)$ 

 goes beyond the strict OPE limit, Q<sup>2</sup> scaling rigorous (w dependence less so) Asymptotic behavior

#### Light-cone expansion for TFFs

- → Hoferichter, Stoffer, JHEP 05 (2020) 159
- pseudoscalars:  $\mathcal{F} \sim rac{1}{Q^2}$
- scalars:  $\mathcal{F}_1^S \sim rac{1}{Q^2}, \, \mathcal{F}_2^S \sim rac{1}{Q^4}$
- axial vectors:  $\mathcal{F}_1^A=\mathcal{O}(Q^{-6}),$   $\mathcal{F}_{2,3}^A\sim \frac{1}{Q^4}$
- tensors:  $\mathcal{F}_1^T \sim rac{1}{Q^4}$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_{2,3,4,5}^T \sim rac{1}{Q^6}$
- BL scaling reproduced in all cases by quark model

 $\rightarrow$  Schuler et al., Nucl. Phys. B 523 (1998) 423

• holographic QCD models for axial TFFs agree with BL scaling, both  $Q^2$  and w dependence

 $\rightarrow$  Leutgeb, Rebhan, PRD 101 (2020) 114015

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#### Dispersive evaluation of $f_0(980)$ contribution

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, arXiv:2105.01666 [hep-ph]
- $\pi\pi$  rescattering previously limited to  $f_0(500)$   $\rightarrow$  Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer, JHEP **04** (2017) 161, PRL **118** (2017) 232001
- extension up to  $\sim 1.3$  GeV by using coupled-channel  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi \pi / \bar{K} K$  *S*-waves for I = 0

 $\rightarrow$  Danilkin, Deineka, Vanderhaeghen, PRD **101** (2020) 054008

• covers  $f_0(980)$ , dispersive description of resonance in terms of  $\pi\pi/\bar{K}K$  rescattering



## Dispersive evaluation of $f_0(980)$ contribution

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, arXiv:2105.01666 [hep-ph]
- sum-rule violations in S-wave rescattering are very small
- result largely basis independent
- together with I = 2 leads to

 $a_{\mu}^{\mathrm{HLbL}}[S$ -wave rescattering] =  $-8.7(1.0) \times 10^{-11}$ 

#### Scalar contributions

Dispersive evaluation of  $f_0(980)$  contribution

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, arXiv:2105.01666 [hep-ph]
- dispersive  $f_0(980)$  contribution estimated from deficit in shape of integrand:



$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}}[f_0(980)]_{\text{rescattering}} = -0.2(1) \times 10^{-11}$$

#### Scalar contributions

Dispersive evaluation of  $f_0(980)$  contribution

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, arXiv:2105.01666 [hep-ph]
- dispersive *f*<sub>0</sub>(980) contribution can be compared to NWA in the same basis for HLbL
- using TFFs from quark model  $\rightarrow$  Schuler et al. (1998)

$$a_{\mu}^{\mathrm{HLbL}}[f_0(980)]_{\mathrm{NWA}} = -0.37(6) \times 10^{-11}$$

with  $M_{f_0(980)} = 0.99~{\rm GeV},$   $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}[f_0(980)] = 0.31(5)~{\rm keV}$ 

- differences to NW estimates of → Knecht et al., PLB 787 (2018) 111 mainly due to propagator model, corresponding to a different HLbL basis
- comparison to  $\rightarrow$  Pauk, Vanderhaeghen, EPJC 74 (2014) 3008 difficult due to kinematic singularities

Dispersive evaluation of  $f_0(980)$  contribution

- → Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, arXiv:2105.01666 [hep-ph]
- NWA for  $a_0(980)$ :

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}}[a_0(980)]_{\text{NWA}} = -\left([0.4, 0.6]^{+0.2}_{-0.1}\right) \times 10^{-11},$$

where TFF scale is given by  $[M_{\rho}, M_S]$ 

leads to

$$a_{\mu}^{\mathrm{HLbL}}[\mathrm{scalars}] = -9(1) \times 10^{-11}$$

• even heavier scalars: small contribution around  $-1 \times 10^{-11}$ , but very uncertain two-photon coupling (not seen prominently in  $\gamma\gamma$  reactions)

 $\Rightarrow$  better treat in some form in asymptotic matching

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- axial vectors play a prominent role in fulfilling SDCs
   → talks by G. Colangelo and A. Rebhan
- input for TFFs rather uncertain: data situation best for  $f_1(1285) \rightarrow {\rm talk} \; {\rm by \; B. \; Kubis}$
- how to deal with broad  $a_1(1260)$ ? using NWA and SU(3)?
- inclusion in dispersive framework previously hampered by kinematic singularities

- new basis solves issue with kinematic singularities for axial vectors
- axial-vector poles in transverse part of HLbL
- **longitudinal part**: axial-vector pole in Mandelstam variable *s* cancels with numerator in g 2 limit  $s \rightarrow q_3^2$ , but leaves well-defined non-pole contribution

$$\begin{split} \bar{\Pi}_1^{\text{axial}} &= \frac{G_2(q_1^2, q_2^2)G_1(q_3^2)}{M_A^6} \,, \\ G_1(q_3^2) &= \mathcal{F}_1(q_3^2, 0) + \mathcal{F}_2(q_3^2, 0) \,, \\ G_2(q_1^2, q_2^2) &= (q_1^2 - q_2^2)\mathcal{F}_1(q_1^2, q_2^2) + q_1^2\mathcal{F}_2(q_1^2, q_2^2) + q_2^2\mathcal{F}_2(q_2^2, q_1^2) \end{split}$$

 $\rightarrow$  Colangelo, Hagelstein, Hoferichter, Laub, Stoffer, arXiv:2106.13222 [hep-ph]

 basis dependence due to sum-rule violations restricted by absence of kinematic singularities



- · consistent inclusion in dispersive framework now possible
- main conceptual problem for narrow axial vectors solved; challenge is input for TFFs



- HLbL contribution very sensitive to asymptotic behavior of TFFs → talk by B. Kubis
- VMD model with asymptotic constraints

 $\rightarrow$  Zanke et al., arXiv:2103.09829 [hep-ph] points to  $f_1(1285)$ contribution of symmetric TFF of a couple of units in  $10^{-11}$ 

 strong sensitivity to antisymmetric TFFs and large uncertainties ⇒ need to be controlled in combination with SDCs on HLbL



#### **Tensor-meson contributions**

- similarity to f<sub>0</sub>(980) and S-waves: f<sub>2</sub>(1270) contribution can be compared from NWA and ππ rescattering
- $\gamma^* \gamma^* \to \pi \pi$  helicity partial waves solved with Omnès methods including *D*-waves
  - $\rightarrow$  Hoferichter, Stoffer, JHEP 07 (2019) 073
  - $\rightarrow$  Danilkin, Deineka, Vanderhaeghen, PRD **101** (5) (2020) 054008

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→ T. Aoyama et al., Phys. Rept. 887 (2020) 1-166

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#### Tensor-meson contributions

- both NW tensor-meson contribution and ππ D-wave contribution to HLbL are affected by kinematic singularities
- two options:
  - impose sum rules at a level sufficient to control ambiguities from residue subtraction
  - 2 change tensor basis or dispersive framework to avoid singularities in the first place
- both directions are pursued and work in progress

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## Conclusions

- contributions from hadronic states in the 1-2 GeV range responsible for a substantial fraction of HLbL uncertainty
- WP: resonance and SDC uncertainties are added linearly
- recent improvement on scalar  $f_0(980)$  contribution: dispersive treatment in terms of coupled-channel  $\pi\pi/\bar{K}K$  rescattering
- higher scalars very uncertain γγ coupling ⇒ better treated in asymptotic matching



### Conclusions

- conceptual obstacles for inclusion of axial vectors in NWA in dispersive framework resolved
- given data situation and asymptotic constraints, prospects best for a phenomenologically driven determination of  $f_1(1285)$  contribution
- tensor mesons: compare NWA with  $\pi\pi$  rescattering:  $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$  *D*-waves solved with Omnès methods

## Open questions and challenges

- kinematic singularities still affect tensor-meson contribution
   ⇒ subtraction introduces ambiguity due to sum-rule
   violations
- TFF input for axial vectors requires more work to control uncertainties
- effects of NWA for broader resonances need to be addressed
- sum-rule violations and ambiguities due to basis dependence affect all narrow resonances (apart from pseudoscalars)
  - $\Rightarrow$  need to be dealt with globally for entire HLbL

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# Backup

## Dispersive evaluation of $f_0(980)$ contribution

 $\rightarrow$  Danilkin, Hoferichter, Stoffer, arXiv:2105.01666 [hep-ph]

$\Lambda \; [{ m GeV}]$		0.89	2.0
pion (+ kaon) Born terms (S-waves) S-wave $I = 0$ rescattering		$-11.4 \\ -10.0$	$-11.8 \\ -9.8$
sum rule pion (+ kaon) Born terms (S-waves)	++, ++ 00, ++ total	8.0 -9.2 -1.2	8.4 - 9.6 - 1.2
sum rule	++, ++	6.9	6.8
S-wave $I = 0$	00, ++	-7.3	-7.2
rescattering	total	-0.4	-0.4

Backup

#### Heavier scalars

Backup

- two-photon coupling rather uncertain
- using quark-model TFFs:

$$\begin{split} &a_{\mu}^{\mathsf{HLbL}}[f_{0}(1370)] = -(1.5^{+0.7}_{-0.4}) \times 10^{-11} \quad \left[ -(0.6^{+0.3}_{-0.2}) \times 10^{-11} \right], \\ &a_{\mu}^{\mathsf{HLbL}}[a_{0}(1450)] = -(0.5^{+0.2}_{-0.1}) \times 10^{-11} \quad \left[ -(0.2^{+0.1}_{-0.05}) \times 10^{-11} \right] \end{split}$$

- numbers in brackets: TFF scale set by M<sub>ρ</sub>
- SU(3) relation for  $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$  of the  $f_0(1370)$