

Introduction to chiral perturbation theory

II Higher orders, loops, applications

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The chiral Lagrangian to higher orders

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_2 + \mathcal{L}_4 + \mathcal{L}_6 + \dots$$

\mathcal{L}_2 contains (2, 2) constants

\mathcal{L}_4 contains (7, 10) constants Gasser, Leutwyler (84)

\mathcal{L}_6 contains (53, 90) constants Bijnsens, GC, Ecker (99)

The number in parentheses are for an $SU(N)$ theory with $N = (2, 3)$

The \mathcal{L}_4 Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_4 = & L_1 \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U \rangle^2 + L_2 \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D_\nu U \rangle \langle D^\mu U^\dagger D^\nu U \rangle \\
 & + L_3 \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U D_\nu U^\dagger D^\nu U \rangle + L_4 \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U \rangle \langle \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \rangle \\
 & + L_5 \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U (\chi^\dagger U + U^\dagger \chi) \rangle + L_6 \langle \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \rangle^2 \\
 & + L_7 \langle \chi^\dagger U - \chi U^\dagger \rangle^2 + L_8 \langle \chi^\dagger U \chi^\dagger U + \chi U^\dagger \chi U^\dagger \rangle \\
 & - iL_9 \langle F_R^{\mu\nu} D_\mu U D_\nu U^\dagger + F_L^{\mu\nu} D_\mu U^\dagger D_\nu U \rangle \\
 & + L_{10} \langle U^\dagger F_R^{\mu\nu} U F_{L\mu\nu} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$$D_\mu U = \partial_\mu U - ir_\mu U + iUl_\mu \quad \chi = 2B(s + ip)$$

$$F_R^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu r^\nu - \partial^\nu r^\mu - i[r^\mu, r^\nu]$$

$$r_\mu = v_\mu + a_\mu \quad l_\mu = v_\mu - a_\mu$$

Why go beyond $O(p^2)$? Why loops?

- ▶ Why not? Chiral Symmetry forbids $O(p^0)$ interactions between pions, but allows for all higher orders
- ▶ Unitarity requires that if an amplitude at order p^2 is purely real, at order p^4 its imaginary part is nonzero.

Take the $\pi\pi$ scattering amplitude. The elastic unitarity relation for the partial waves t_ℓ^I of isospin I and angular momentum ℓ reads:

$$\text{Im} t_\ell^I = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M_\pi^2}{s}} |t_\ell^I|^2 \quad (1)$$

- ▶ The correct imaginary parts are generated automatically by loops
- ▶ The divergences occurring in the loops can be disposed of just like in a renormalizable field theory

Effective field theory

The method of effective quantum field theory provides a rigorous framework to compute Green functions that respect all the good properties we require: symmetry, analyticity, unitarity

The method yields a systematic expansion of the Green functions in powers of momenta and quark masses

In the following I will discuss in detail how this works when you consider loops:

- ▶ I will consider the finite, analytically nontrivial part of the loops and discuss in detail its physical meaning
- ▶ I will consider the divergent part of the loops and discuss how the renormalization program works

Scalar form factor of the pion

$$\langle \pi^i(p_1) \pi^j(p_2) | \hat{m}(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d) | 0 \rangle =: \delta^{ij} \Gamma(t) \quad , \quad t = (p_1 + p_2)^2 \quad ,$$

At tree level:

$$\Gamma(t) = 2\hat{m}B = M_\pi^2 + O(p^4) \quad ,$$

in agreement with the Feynman–Hellman theorem:

the expectation value of the perturbation in an eigenstate of the total Hamiltonian determines the derivative of the energy level with respect to the strength of the perturbation:

$$\hat{m} \frac{\partial M_\pi^2}{\partial \hat{m}} = \langle \pi | \hat{m} \bar{q} q | \pi \rangle = \Gamma(0) \quad .$$

This matrix element is relevant for the decay $h \rightarrow \pi\pi$, which, for a light Higgs would have been the main decay mode

Dispersion relation for $\Gamma(t)$

For $t \geq 4M_\pi^2$ $\text{Im} \Gamma(t) \neq 0$. $\Gamma(t)$ is analytic everywhere else in the complex t plane, and obeys the following dispersion relation:

$$\bar{\Gamma}(t) = \Gamma(t)/\Gamma(0)$$

$$\bar{\Gamma}(t) = 1 + bt + \frac{t^2}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt'}{t'^2} \frac{\text{Im} \bar{\Gamma}(t')}{t' - t}$$

Unitarity implies

$$[\sigma(t) = \sqrt{1 - 4M_\pi^2/t}]$$

$$\text{Im} \bar{\Gamma}(t) = \sigma(t) \bar{\Gamma}(t) t_0^{0*}(t) = \bar{\Gamma}(t) e^{-i\delta_0^0} \sin \delta_0^0 = |\bar{\Gamma}(t)| \sin \delta_0^0$$

where t_0^0 is the S -wave, $l = 0$ $\pi\pi$ scattering amplitude

Strictly speaking, the above unitarity relation is valid only for $t \leq 16M_\pi^2$. To a good approximation, however, it holds up to the $K\bar{K}$ threshold

Dispersion relation and chiral counting

$$\bar{\Gamma}(t) = 1 + bt + \frac{t^2}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt'}{t'^2} \frac{|\bar{\Gamma}(t')| \sin \delta_0^0(t')}{t' - t}$$

$$b \sim O(1) \left(1 + O(M_\pi^2)\right)$$

$$\delta_0^0 \sim O(p^2) \left(1 + O(p^2)\right)$$

There are two $O(p^2)$ correction to $\bar{\Gamma}$:

1. $O(1)$ contribution to b ;
2. the dispersive integral containing the $O(p^2)$ phase δ_0^0 .

Notice that the latter is fixed by unitarity and analyticity

Are these respected by the one loop calculation?

Bierfrage: Beweis?

Hints:

- ▶ Subtract $\bar{J}(t)$ once more

$$\bar{J}(t) = \frac{t}{96\pi^2} + \frac{t^2}{16\pi^2} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt'}{t'^2} \frac{\sigma(t')}{t' - t}$$

- ▶ Trick to pull out a linear term from the dispersive integral:

$$\int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt'}{t'^2} \frac{t' \sigma(t')}{t' - t} = t \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt'}{t'^2} \frac{\sigma(t')}{t' - t} + \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt'}{t'^2} \sigma(t')$$

Renormalization at one loop

$$\int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\{p^2, p \cdot l, l^2\}}{(l^2 - M^2)((p-l)^2 - M^2)}, \quad p = p_1 + p_2$$

$$\sim \underbrace{\int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{(l^2 - M^2)}}_{T(M^2)} + p^2 \underbrace{\int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{(l^2 - M^2)((p-l)^2 - M^2)}}_{J(p^2)}$$

$$T(M^2) = a + bM^2 + \bar{T}(M^2) \quad J(t) = J(0) + \bar{J}(t)$$

$\bar{T}(M^2)$ and $\bar{J}(t)$ are finite

$$\Gamma(t) \sim M^2 \left[1 + \underbrace{bM^2 + tJ(0)}_{\text{divergent part}} + \bar{T}(M^2) + \bar{J}(t) \right]$$

divergent part

Counterterms

$$\mathcal{L}_2 \Rightarrow \Gamma^{(2)}(t) \sim M^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 \Rightarrow \Gamma^{(4)}(t) \sim l_3 M^4 + l_4 M^2 t$$

To remove the divergences one only needs to properly define the couplings ($l_{3,4}$) in the lagrangian at order $O(p^4)$

Quote from Weinberg's book on QFT, vol. I: “(...) as long as we include every one of the infinite number of interactions allowed by symmetries, the so-called non-renormalizable theories are actually just as renormalizable as renormalizable theories.”

Chiral logarithms

Scalar radius of the pion

$$\Gamma(t) = \Gamma(0) \left[1 + \frac{1}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle_S^\pi t + O(t^2) \right]$$

$$\langle r^2 \rangle_S^\pi \sim J(0) = \int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{(l^2 - M^2)^2} \sim \ln \frac{M^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

The integral is UV divergent, but also IR divergent if $M \rightarrow 0$:

$$\lim_{M^2 \rightarrow 0} \langle r^2 \rangle_S^\pi \sim \ln M^2 ,$$

The extension of the cloud of pions surrounding a pion (or any other hadron) goes to infinity if pions become massless (Li and Pagels '72)

Chiral perturbation theory

- ▶ Chiral perturbation theory provides a rigorous framework to compute Green functions that respect all the good properties we require:
symmetry, analyticity, unitarity
- ▶ The method yields a systematic expansion of the Green functions in powers of momenta and quark masses
- ▶ The method has been rigorously established and can be formulated as a set of calculational rules:

LO	tree level diagrams with \mathcal{L}_2
NLO	tree level diagrams with \mathcal{L}_4 1-loop diagrams with \mathcal{L}_2
NNLO	tree level diagrams with \mathcal{L}_6 2-loop diagrams with \mathcal{L}_2 1-loop diagrams with one vertex from \mathcal{L}_4

Chiral symmetry and renormalization

To remove the divergent part in $\Gamma(t)$ we have to fix the divergent part of chiral-invariant operator of order $O(p^4)$

e.g.
$$\langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U \rangle \langle \mathcal{B}\mathcal{M}(U + U^\dagger) \rangle \sim \dots + M^2 \phi^2 \partial_\mu \phi^4 \partial^\mu \phi^6 + \dots$$

1. Do we have a proof that quantum effects do not introduce violations of the chiral symmetry? Or that one can build a chiral invariant generating functional only with a path integral over a chiral invariant classical action?
2. Is there a tool that allows one to calculate the divergences keeping chiral invariance explicit in every step of the calculation?

Generating functional

- ▶ Consider a system with a spontaneously broken symmetry G . Define the generating functional as:

$$e^{iZ\{f\}} = \sum_{n=0} \frac{i^n}{n!} \int dx_1 \dots dx_n f_{\mu_1}^{i_1} \dots f_{\mu_n}^{i_n} \langle 0 | T J_{i_1}^{\mu_1} \dots J_{i_n}^{\mu_n} | 0 \rangle ,$$

- ▶ The generating functional is invariant under gauge transformations of the external fields:

$$Z\{T(g)f\} = Z\{f\} ,$$

where:

$$T(g)f_\mu = D(g_x)f_\mu(x)D^{-1}(g_x) - i\partial_\mu D(g_x)D^{-1}(g_x)$$

Leutwyler's theorem

What is the most general way of constructing a chiral-invariant generating functional out of a path integral over the Goldstone boson degrees of freedom?

For Lorentz-invariant theories in 4 dimensions, a path integral constructed with gauge-invariant lagrangians is a necessary and sufficient condition to obtain a gauge-invariant generating functional

The theorem also includes the case in which the symmetry is anomalous and the case in which the symmetry is explicitly broken

Chiral invariant renormalization

- ▶ Gasser & Leutwyler (84) have shown that, using the background field method and heat kernel techniques, the calculation of the divergences at one loop – and the corresponding renormalization – can be performed in an explicitly chiral invariant manner
- ▶ The method has been extended and applied to two loops (Bijnens, GC & Ecker 98). After a long and tedious calculation, the divergent parts of all the counterterms at $\mathcal{O}(p^6)$ has been provided
- ▶ The renormalization of CHPT up to two loops has been performed explicitly: the calculation of any amplitude at two loops can be immediately checked by comparing the divergent part of Feynman diagrams to the divergent parts of the relevant counterterms

$\pi\pi$ scattering at NLO

$$a_0^0 = \frac{7M_\pi^2}{32\pi F_\pi^2} \left[1 + \frac{M_\pi^2}{3} \langle r^2 \rangle_S + \frac{200\pi F_\pi^2 M_\pi^2}{7} (a_2^0 + 2a_2^2) - \frac{M_\pi^2}{672\pi^2 F_\pi^2} (15\bar{l}_3 - 353) \right] = 0.16 \cdot 1.25 = 0.20$$

$$2a_0^0 - 5a_0^2 = \frac{3M_\pi^2}{4\pi F_\pi^2} \left[1 + \frac{M_\pi^2}{3} \langle r^2 \rangle_S + \frac{41M_\pi^2}{192\pi^2 F_\pi^2} \right] = 0.624$$

Gasser and Leutwyler (83)

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$$a_0^0 - a_0^2 = 0.245$$

Gasser and Leutwyler (83)

$$a_0^0 = 0.26 \pm 0.05$$

Rosselet et al. (77)

$$a_0^0 = 0.216 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.003$$

Pislak et al. (E865) (03)

$$|a_0^0 - a_0^2| = 0.264_{-0.020}^{+0.033}$$

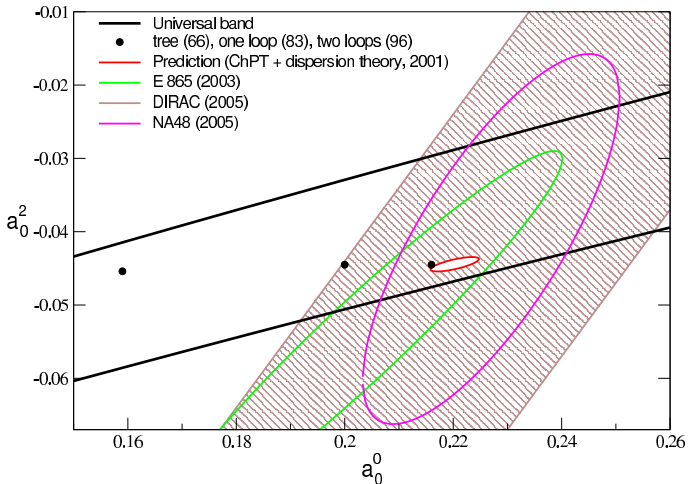
Adeva et al. (DIRAC) (05)

$$a_0^0 - a_0^2 = 0.268 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.013$$

Batley et al. (NA48/2) (06)

Comparison of NNLO prediction and data \Rightarrow talk of Leutwyler

$\pi\pi$ scattering at NLO



K_{13} decays at NLO

$$\langle K^+ | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu s | \pi^0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [(p' + p)_\mu f_+(t) + (p' - p)_\mu f_-(t)]$$

$$f_{+,0}(t) = f_{+,0}(0) \left(1 + \lambda_{+,0} \frac{t}{M_\pi^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$f_0 = f_+ + \frac{t}{M_K^2 - M_\pi^2} f_-$$

$$\lambda_+ = \frac{M_\pi^2}{6} \langle r \rangle_V^\pi + \Delta_+ = 0.031$$

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{M_\pi^2}{M_K^2 - M_\pi^2} \left(\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} - 1 \right) + \Delta_0 = 0.017$$

K_{l3} decays at NLO

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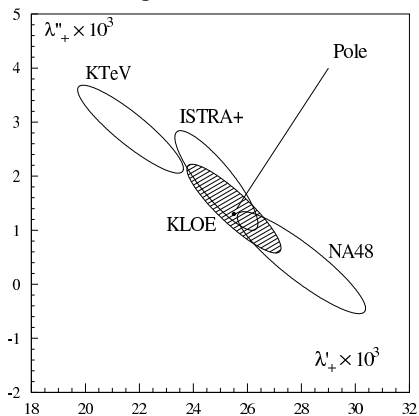
Gasser and Leutwyler (85)

Experimental values:

Exp.	$10^3 \lambda_+$	$10^3 \lambda_0$
ISTRA ($K_{\mu 3}^-$)	29.7 ± 1.6	19.6 ± 1.4
ISTRA ($K_{e 3}^-$)	24.7 ± 1.6	
KTeV ($K_{L e, \mu 3}$)	20.6 ± 1.8	13.7 ± 1.3
NA48/2 ($K_{L e 3}$)	28.0 ± 1.9	
NA48/2 ($K_{L \mu 3}$)	26.0 ± 1.2	12.0 ± 1.7
KLOE ($K_{L e 3}$)	25.5 ± 1.5	

K_{l3} decays at NLO

$$\lambda_+ = \frac{M_\pi^2}{6} \langle r \rangle_\pi^V + \Delta_+ = 0.031$$



K_{l3} decays at NNLO

- ▶ K_{l3} amplitude known at NNLO

Post & Schilcher (02)

Bijnens & Talavera (03)

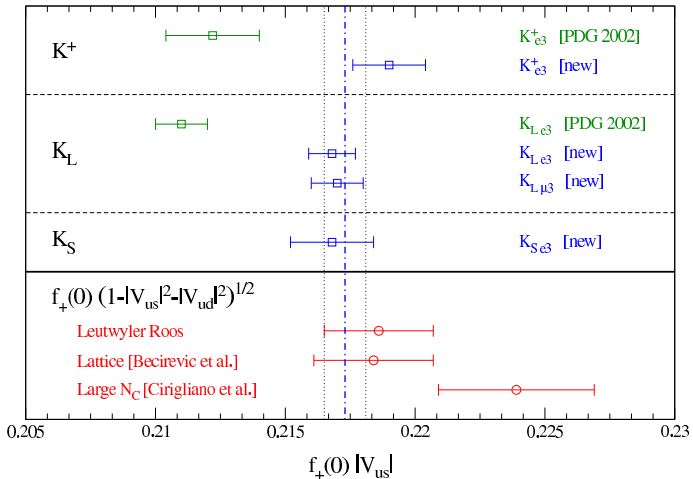
- ▶ Interesting relation among $f_+(0)$, slope and curvature

$$\tilde{f}_0(t) := f_0(t) + \frac{t}{M_K^2 - M_\pi^2} (1 - F_K/F_\pi)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}_0(t) &= 1 - \frac{8}{F_\pi^4} (C_{12}^r + C_{34}^r) (M_K^2 - M_\pi^2)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{8t}{F_\pi^4} (2C_{12}^r + C_{34}^r) (M_K^2 + M_\pi^2) - \frac{8t^2}{F_\pi^4} C_{12}^r + \Delta(t) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The value of $f_+(0)$ can be predicted in terms of measured quantities \Rightarrow extraction of V_{US} from data on K_{e3}

K_{l3} decays at NNLO



Areas of application

- ▶ Pions, kaons and etas
 - ▶ Purely strong interactions ((semi)leptonic decays)
 - ▶ Weak nonleptonic (radiative) decays
 - ▶ Electromagnetic interactions
 - ▶ Decays of electromagnetically bound states

Areas of application

- ▶ Pions, kaons and etas
- ▶ **Nucleons**
 - ▶ One nucleon sector: πN or KN scattering
 - ▶ Electromagnetic interactions
 - ▶ Two nucleon sector: NN scattering, nuclear forces

Areas of application

- ▶ Pions, kaons and etas
- ▶ Nucleons
- ▶ Connections to lattice QCD
 - ▶ (Partially) Quenched Chiral Perturbation Theory
 - ▶ Study of finite-volume and -temperature effects
 - ▶ Extrapolation to the chiral limit
 - ▶ Extrapolation to zero lattice spacing

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- ▶ Condensed-matter systems with spontaneous symmetry breaking
 - ▶ Ferromagnets
 - ▶ Antiferromagnets in $d = 3$ or $d = 2$

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- ▶ General relativity as an effective field theory

Summary

- ▶ The finite, analytically nontrivial part of the one loop integrals automatically generates the correct imaginary parts, as required by unitarity.
- ▶ Effective quantum field theory is a systematic method to generate a perturbative solution of dispersion relations
- ▶ The UV divergences encountered in loop integrals can be removed according to standard renormalization methods
- ▶ Some loop integrals have also an IR singular behaviour which has a very clear physical meaning, and again shows the necessity of taking loop effects into account
- ▶ Leutwyler's theorem: doing a path integral over an effective Lagrangian is the most general way to construct an invariant generating functional
- ▶ I have illustrated the method discussing two applications:
 - ▶ the $\pi\pi$ S-wave scattering lengths
 - ▶ K_{e3} decays and the extraction of V_{us}