

Finite-volume corrections to smeared spectral densities

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Motivation

(Smeared) Spectral densities

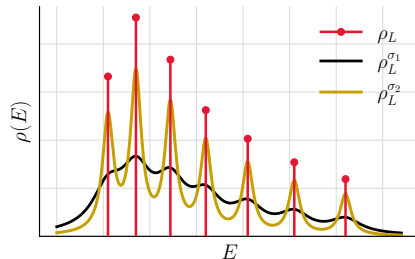
- Probe several key phenomenological processes (e^+e^- hadron production, $\pi\pi$ scattering, inclusive τ decays) and observables (smeared R -ratio, timelike pion form factor, CKM matrix elements).
- LQCD: first principles, non-perturbative framework.
Primary observables $\rightarrow$ Euclidean correlators
- Spectral densities are related to Euclidean, finite-volume correlators

$$C_L(t) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \rho_L(\omega) e^{-\omega|t|}$$

$\rho_L(\omega)$ from $C_L(t)$: Inverse Laplace

- Smearing: $\hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \hat{\kappa}(\omega, \alpha) \rho_L(\omega)$

$\hat{\kappa}(\omega, \alpha) \rightarrow$ formally required
 $\rightarrow$ physically motivated



- (Linear) Inverse Laplace methods: given $\{C_L(\tau_i)\}_{i=1}^N$,
if $\{c_i(\alpha)\}_{i=1}^N$ s.t. $\hat{\kappa}(\omega|\mathbf{c}(\alpha)) = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\alpha) e^{-\omega\tau_i} \rightarrow \hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}(\mathbf{c}(\alpha)) = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\alpha) C_L(\tau_i)$

Vast literature: [G. Backus, J. Gilbert, '68] [M. Hansen, A. Lupo, N. Tantalo, '19]
[M. Bruno, M. Saccardi, L. Giusti, '24] [G. Bailas, S. Hashimoto, T. Ishikawa, '20] ...

- Focus of this work:** theoretical prediction of **finite-volume effects** on smeared spectral densities, starting from correlators

$$\hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}(\alpha) = \hat{\rho}_\kappa(\alpha) + \delta\hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}(\alpha)$$

Setting the stage

Focus on

$$G_L(\tau) = -\frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^3 \int_0^L d^3\mathbf{x} \langle j_k(x) j_k(0) \rangle_L, \quad j_k : I = 1 \text{ Euclidean vector current}$$

$$\rho_L(\omega) = -\frac{L^3}{3\omega^2} \sum_{k=1}^3 \langle 0 | j_k(0) \delta_{\hat{\mathbf{P}}, \mathbf{0}} \delta(\omega - \hat{H}) j_k(0) | 0 \rangle_L$$

$$G_L(\tau) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \, \omega^2 e^{-\omega\tau} \rho_L(\omega) \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{Inverse Laplace : } \hat{\kappa}(\omega | \mathbf{c}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})) = \omega^2 \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) e^{-\omega\tau_i}$$

ω^2 : from Lorentz structure of j_k

Derivation 1

Contour deformation of $\delta G_L(\tau)$

$\delta G_L(\tau) = G_L(\tau) - G(\tau)$ driven by compton amplitude [M. T. Hansen, A. Patella, '20] [M. Lüscher, '85]

$$\begin{aligned} &\propto \text{[diagram 1]} + \text{[diagram 2]} + \text{[diagram 3]} \\ &= \delta G_L^{\text{pole}} + \delta G_L^{\text{reg}} = (\delta G_L^A + \underbrace{\delta G_L^B}_{\mathcal{O}(e^{-m_\pi L}/L^2)}) + \delta G_L^{\text{reg}} \end{aligned}$$

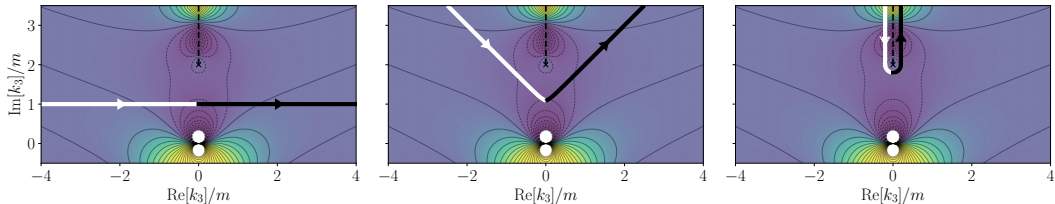
$$\text{Leading term } \delta G_L^A(\tau) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} \text{Im} \int_{\mathbb{R}+i\mu} \frac{dk_3}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-|\mathbf{n}|L\sqrt{m^2+k_3^2}/4}}{4\pi k_3 |\mathbf{n}|L} e^{ik_3|\tau|} (4m^2 + k_3^2) F(-k_3^2)^2$$

Main intuition: contour deformation $e^{ik_3|\tau|} \rightarrow e^{-k_3|\tau|} \xrightarrow{\text{Linear Inverse Laplace}} \delta \hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}(\alpha)$

Contour deformation of $\delta G_L(\tau)$

$$\delta G_L^A(\tau) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} \text{Im} \int_{\mathbb{R}+i\mu} \frac{dk_3}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-|\mathbf{n}|L\sqrt{m^2+k_3^2/4}}}{4\pi k_3 |\mathbf{n}|L} e^{ik_3|\tau|} (4m^2 + k_3^2) F(-k_3^2)^2$$

k_3 energy coordinate of two-pion state $\rightarrow$ first Riemann sheet, no resonance poles



Wick rotation: $F(-k_3^2) \rightarrow F(k_3^2)$, $k_3 \sim s$

Watson's theorem: $F(s)^2 = |F(s)|^2 e^{2i\delta_{\pi\pi}(p)}$, $p = \sqrt{\frac{s}{4} - m^2}$, $s \sim k_3^2$

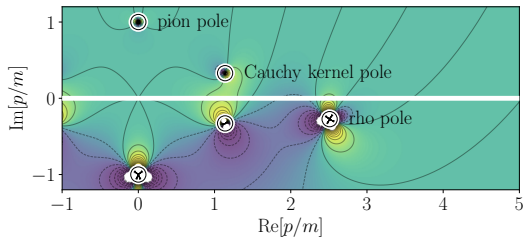
$\delta_{\pi\pi}(p)$ pion-pion scattering phase shift in the isospin-1 channel (elastic regime)

$$\delta G_L^A(\tau) = -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{\pi^2 |\mathbf{n}|L} \text{Im} \int_0^\infty dp \frac{p^3 e^{-2\sqrt{p^2+m^2}|\tau|}}{p^2 + m^2} |F(4(p^2 + m^2))|^2 e^{-2i\delta_{\pi\pi}(p)} e^{-i|\mathbf{n}|Lp}$$

$$\delta G_L^A(\tau) \xrightarrow{\text{Inverse Laplace}} \delta \hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^A(\alpha)$$

Final result

$$\delta \widehat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^A(\alpha) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} \frac{1}{4\pi^2 |\mathbf{n}| L} \operatorname{Im} \int_0^\infty dp p^3 \underbrace{\frac{1}{(p^2 + m^2)^2}}_{\text{pion pole}} \overbrace{|F(4(p^2 + m^2))|^2}^{\rho \text{ pole}} e^{i2\delta_{\pi\pi}(p) + i|\mathbf{n}|Lp} \underbrace{\widehat{\kappa}(2\sqrt{p^2 + m^2}, \alpha)}_{\text{kernel singularities}}$$



$$\widehat{\kappa}(2\sqrt{p^2 + m^2}; \alpha) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\sigma}{\left(2\sqrt{p^2 + m^2} - \omega^*\right)^2 + \sigma^2}$$

Exponential suppression:

$$p \rightarrow p + i\mu \quad \Rightarrow \quad e^{ipL} \rightarrow e^{-\mu L}, \quad \mu \propto \operatorname{Im}(p^*), \quad p^* = \text{first singularity hit by contour shift}$$

Derivation 2

Lellouch–Lüscher–Meyer formalism

$$G_L(\tau) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_n c_n(L) e^{-E_n(L)\tau}, \quad c_n(L) = L^3 \sum_{k=1}^3 |\langle n, \mathbf{0} | j_k(0) | 0 \rangle_L|^2$$

$$E_n(L) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{Q}(E_n, L) = \pi n, \quad c_n(L) \longleftrightarrow |F(E_n^2)|^2 \text{ by } \partial_{E_n} \mathcal{Q}(E_n, L)$$

[M. Lüscher, '86, '91] [L. Lellouch, M. Lüscher, '01] [H. B. Meyer, '11]

$$\hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}(\alpha) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_n(L)}{E_n(L)^2} \hat{\kappa}(E_n(L), \alpha)$$

- $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(n\pi - \mathcal{Q}(E, L)) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2il\mathcal{Q}(E, L)} \longrightarrow \text{recover factors } e^{2i\delta_{\pi\pi}(p)} e^{i|\mathbf{n}|pL}$
- Large- L expansion Lüscher zeta function

Final expression: $\delta\hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^A(\alpha) +$


subleading corrections

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$$\delta(g(x)) = \frac{\delta(x - x_0)}{g'(x_0)} \longrightarrow \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(n\pi - \mathcal{Q}(E, L)) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2il\mathcal{Q}(E, L)} \quad (\text{PSF})$$

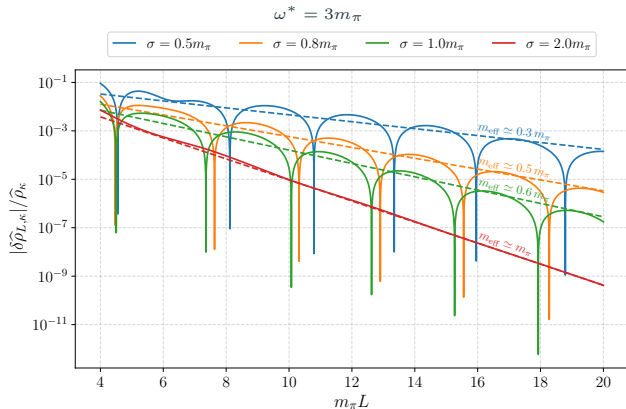
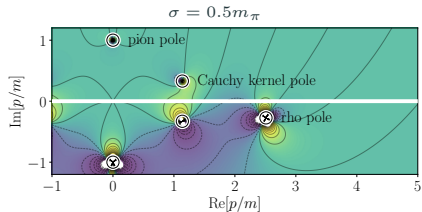
$$(\text{PSF}) \quad l = 1 \longrightarrow e^{2i\delta_{\pi\pi}(p)} e^{2i\phi(q(E, L))} \xrightarrow{\text{large } L\text{-expansion}} \frac{e^{2i\delta_{\pi\pi}(p)}}{2ipL} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{e^{i|\mathbf{n}|pL}}{|\mathbf{n}|} + \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(e^{2ipL}/(Lp)^2)}_{\text{subleading corrections}}$$

$$2 \operatorname{Re} \overbrace{\hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^{(1)}(\alpha)}^{l=1} = \delta \hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^A(\alpha) + \underbrace{\vdots}_{\text{subleading corrections}}$$

Numerical explorations

Gounaris-Sakurai model

$F(s)$ Gounaris-Sakurai, $\hat{\kappa}(\sqrt{s}, \alpha)$ Cauchy, $\alpha = (\omega^*, \sigma)$



$$|F(4(p^2 + m^2))|^2 e^{2i\delta_{\pi\pi}(p)} = 1 \rightarrow \left. \delta \hat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^A(\alpha) \right|_{\text{Cauchy poles}} \propto \frac{e^{-m_{\text{eff}} L}}{L}, \quad m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Im} \sqrt{(\omega^* + i\sigma)^2 - 4m^2}$$

Conclusions & Outlooks

Summary

- Universal expression for $\delta\widehat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})$. Naive expectation $e^{-\sigma L}$ made precise.
- Two complementary approaches to describe FVE



- Sufficiently reliable model of F : FVE of smeared spectral densities quantifiable.

Outlooks

- Compare estimate of FVE of smeared densities from real data with our formula. Expected validity at low energies.
- Extension to more general spectral densities (e.g. three-particle states)
- Main result can be expressed as FVE $[\rho_\kappa] = \int d\omega \kappa \times \underbrace{\Delta(L)}_{\text{FVE kernel}} \times \underbrace{[\rho]}_{\text{Spec. dens. itself}}$

Thank you!

Backup

Backup: derivation (I)

$$\delta G_L(\tau) = -\frac{1}{6} \sum_{n \neq 0} \int \frac{dp_3}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-|\mathbf{n}|L\sqrt{m^2+p_3^2}}}{4\pi|\mathbf{n}|L} \int \frac{dk_3}{2\pi} \cos(k_3\tau) \operatorname{Re} T(-k_3^2, -p_3k_3), \quad T = T_{\text{pole}} + \textcolor{red}{T}_{\text{reg}}$$

$$T_{\text{pole}}(-k_3^2, -p_3k_3) = \sum_{x=\pm} \frac{2(4m^2 + k_3^2)F(-k_3^2)^2}{k_3^2 + 2xk_3p_3 - i\epsilon} \Rightarrow \delta G_L(\tau) = \delta G_L^{\text{pole}}(\tau) + \delta G_L^{\text{reg}}(\tau), \quad \delta G_L^{\text{pole}}(\tau) = \delta G_L^A(\tau) + \textcolor{red}{\delta G_L^B}(\tau)$$

$$\delta G_L^A(\tau) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n \neq 0} \operatorname{Im} \int_{\mathbb{R}+i\mu} \frac{dk_3}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-|\mathbf{n}|L\sqrt{m^2+k_3^2}/4}}{4\pi k_3|\mathbf{n}|L} e^{ik_3|\tau|} (4m^2 + k_3^2) F(-k_3^2)^2, \quad \delta G_L^A(\tau) = \delta G_L^{A,+}(\tau) + \delta G_L^{A,-}(\tau)$$

$$\delta G_L^{A,-}(\tau) = \delta G_L^{A,+}(\tau), \quad k_3 = xe^{i\theta} + i\mu$$

$$\delta G_L^{A,+}(\tau) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n \neq 0} \operatorname{Im} \left[e^{i\theta} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{2\pi} \frac{e^{i(xe^{i\theta}+i\mu)|\tau|-|\mathbf{n}|L\sqrt{m^2+(xe^{i\theta}+i\mu)^2}/4}}{4\pi(xe^{i\theta}+i\mu)|\mathbf{n}|L} \left(4m^2 + (xe^{i\theta} + i\mu)^2 \right) F\left[-(xe^{i\theta} + i\mu)^2\right]^2 \right]$$

$$\stackrel{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}}{=} \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n \neq 0} \operatorname{Im} \left[\int_{2m}^\infty \frac{dx}{2\pi} \frac{e^{-x|\tau|-i|\mathbf{n}|L\sqrt{x^2/4-m^2}}}{4\pi x|\mathbf{n}|L} (4m^2 - x^2) F((x - i0^+)^2)^2 \right]$$

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Backup: derivation (I)

$$4(p^2 + m^2) \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) e^{-2\sqrt{p^2 + m^2} \tau_i} = \widehat{\kappa}(2\sqrt{p^2 + m^2}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}), \quad \epsilon_{L,\kappa}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) \varepsilon_L(\tau_i)$$

$$\delta \widehat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^A(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{4\pi^2 |\mathbf{n}| L} \text{Im} \int_0^\infty dp \frac{p^3}{(p^2 + m^2)^2} |F(4(p^2 + m^2))|^2 e^{i2\delta_{\pi\pi}(p) + i|\mathbf{n}|Lp} \widehat{\kappa}(2\sqrt{p^2 + m^2}, \boldsymbol{\alpha})$$

$$\delta \widehat{\rho}_{L,\kappa}^A(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \int d\omega \rho_{\pi\pi}(\omega) \widehat{\kappa}(\omega, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \Delta(\omega, L)$$

$$\rho_{\pi\pi}(\omega) = \frac{p^3}{6\pi^2 \omega^3} |F(\omega^2)|^2 \Big|_{p=\sqrt{\omega^2/4-m^2}}, \quad \Delta(\omega, L) = \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\sin(2\delta_{\pi\pi}(p) + |\mathbf{n}|Lp)}{|\mathbf{n}|Lp} \Big|_{p=\sqrt{\omega^2/4-m^2}}$$

Backup: derivation (II) - Large- L expansion details

$$\mathcal{Q}(E, L) = \delta_{\pi\pi}(p(E)) + \phi(q(E, L)), \quad \cot \phi(q) = -\frac{\mathcal{Z}_{00}(1, q^2)}{q\pi^{3/2}}, \quad p(E) = \sqrt{E^2/4 - m^2}, \quad q(E, L) = \frac{p(E)L}{2\pi}$$

$$\cot \phi(q) = -\frac{1}{\pi p L} \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\mathbf{n}}^{\Lambda} \left[\frac{1}{\mathbf{n}^2 - (pL/2\pi)^2} - 4\pi\Lambda \right] \stackrel{\mathbf{k} = \frac{2\pi\mathbf{n}}{L}}{=} -\frac{4\pi}{p} \lim_{\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\bar{\Lambda}} \frac{1}{\mathbf{k}^2 - p^2} - \frac{\bar{\Lambda}}{2\pi^2} \right], \quad \bar{\Lambda} = 2\pi\Lambda/L$$

$$(\text{PSF}) \longrightarrow \cot \phi(q) = -\frac{4\pi}{p} \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{1}{x^2 - p^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - \frac{4\pi}{p} \sum_{n \neq 0} \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{e^{iL\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x}}}{x^2 - p^2}$$

$$\frac{4\pi}{p} \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{1}{x^2 - p^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) = i, \quad \frac{4\pi}{p} \sum_{n \neq 0} \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{e^{iL\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{x}}}{x^2 - p^2} = \frac{1}{Lp} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{1}{|n|} e^{iL|n|p}$$

$$\cot \phi(q) = -i - \frac{\zeta(pL)}{pL}, \quad \zeta(z) = \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{e^{iz|n|}}{|n|}, \quad e^{2iz} = \frac{\cot z + i}{\cot z - i}$$

$$e^{2i\phi(q)} = \frac{1}{2ipL} \frac{\zeta(pL)}{1 + \zeta(pL)/(2ipL)} \Rightarrow e^{2i\phi(q)} = \frac{1}{2ipL} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{e^{i|n|pL}}{|n|} + \mathcal{O}(e^{2ipL}/(Lp)^2)$$

Backup: $\delta G_L^B(\tau)$ contribution

$$\delta G_L^B(\tau) = -\frac{1}{4\pi^3 L} \text{Re} \left[\int dp_z e^{-L\sqrt{m^2+p_z^2}} \int dk_z \frac{e^{i(k_z+i\mu)|\tau|} (4m^2 + (k_z+i\mu)^2)}{(k_z+i\mu)^2 - 4p_z^2} F[-(k_z+i\mu)^2]^2 \right]$$

- Non-interacting limit ($F = 1$) $\rightarrow \delta G_L^B(\tau) = 0$ for $\tau \neq 0$
- Interacting case $\rightarrow$ Large- L expansion analysis

$$\delta G_L^A(\tau) = -\frac{m^2}{2\pi L} e^{-mL} + \dots$$

$$\delta G_L^B(\tau) = \frac{me^{-mL}}{4\pi^2 L^2} \mathcal{I}_L^B(\tau) + \dots \quad \mathcal{I}_L^B(\tau) \text{ bounded by } L\text{-independent constant}$$

$$m\tau = 1$$

$$F(s) = [1 - s/M^2]^{-1}$$

$$M/m = 727/137$$

mL	δG_L^A	δG_L^B	$\delta G_L^B/\delta G_L^A$
4	-1.51×10^{-4}	-1.01×10^{-5}	0.0667
5	-5.99×10^{-5}	-2.64×10^{-6}	0.0442
6	-2.21×10^{-5}	-7.38×10^{-7}	0.0333
7	-7.96×10^{-6}	-2.15×10^{-7}	0.0270
8	-2.82×10^{-6}	-6.46×10^{-8}	0.0229
9	-9.94×10^{-7}	-1.99×10^{-8}	0.0200
10	-3.49×10^{-7}	-6.24×10^{-9}	0.0179