### Electromagnetic transition form factors of the nucleon

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- Introduction to transition form factors (TTFs)
- Oispersion Theory in a nutshell
- N\*(1520) TFFs at low and intermediate energies
- Results and outlook

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## Tool box for non-perturbative QCD

Quark-gluon based methods:

- Dyson-Schwinger Equations
- QCD sum rules
- 4 Lattice QCD

Hadron-based methods:

- Chiral perturbation theory
- Oispersion theory



Relativistic quark model and light cone sum rules calculation [3] for TFF of  $N \rightarrow N(1535)$ .



Dyson-Schwinger Equation prediction [3] for TFF of

 $N \rightarrow N(1440)$ 

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Example: Pion vector form factor



$$S = 1 + iT$$
  

$$SS^{\dagger} = 1 + i(T - T^{\dagger}) + |T|^{2} = 1$$
  

$$\rightarrow 2ImT = |T|^{2}$$
  

$$HmT_{A \rightarrow B} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x} T_{A \rightarrow x} T^{\dagger}_{x \rightarrow B}$$
(1)

Simplest example:  $A = \gamma^*$ ,  $B = |\pi^-(p_1)\pi^+(p_2)\rangle$ .

$$\Rightarrow T_{\gamma^* \to \pi^- \pi^+} = e A^{\mu} \underbrace{\langle \pi^-(p_1) \pi^+(p_2) | j^{\mu} | 0 \rangle}_{(p_1^{\mu} - p_2^{\mu}) F_{\nu}(s)}$$
(2)

Unitarity cut 
$$[4m_{\pi}^2,\infty)$$

$$T_{\gamma^* \to x} = e A^{\mu} \langle x | j^{\mu} | 0 \rangle \tag{3}$$

$$ImF_{\nu}(s)(p_{1}^{\mu}-p_{2}^{\mu})=\frac{1}{2}\sum_{x}\langle\pi^{-}(p_{1})\pi^{+}(p_{2})|x\rangle^{*}\langle x|j^{\mu}|0\rangle$$
(4)

 $|x\rangle=2pions(s=4m_{\pi}^2),4pions(s=16m_{\pi}^2),2kaons(s=4m_k^2),...$ 

## Dispersion relation

#### Cauchy integral formula:

$$F_{\nu}(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{s_0 = 4m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} dz \frac{lim_{\epsilon \to 0}[F_{\nu}(z + i\epsilon) - F_{\nu}(z - i\epsilon)]}{z - s}$$
(5)

Schwarz Reflection Principle:  $F_v(z - i\epsilon) = F_v(z + i\epsilon)^*$ 

$$F_{\nu}(s) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{s_0 = 4m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} dz \frac{Im[F_{\nu}(z + i\epsilon)]}{z - s} \text{ Dispersion relation}$$
(6)

Consider only the 2 pion contribution

$$2ImF_{\nu}(q^{2})(p_{1}^{\mu}-p_{2}^{\mu})\approx\int d\tau_{2\pi}^{'}\langle\underbrace{\pi^{-}(p_{1})\pi^{+}(p_{2})|\pi^{-}(p_{1}^{'})\pi^{+}(p_{2}^{'})\rangle^{*}}_{\text{Pion rescattering amplitude}}\underbrace{\langle\pi^{-}(p_{1}^{'})\pi^{+}(p_{2}^{'})|j^{\mu}|0\rangle}_{F_{\nu}(q^{2})(p_{1}^{'})^{\mu}-p_{2}^{'})}$$
(7)



Only pion p-wave re-scattering amp.  

$$f_1(s) = \frac{\sin \delta_1(s)}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s}}} \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \text{ contributes!}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_1(s) \text{ parametrized by phase-shift } \delta_1$$

$$\delta_1 \Rightarrow \text{ well measured by experiments!}$$

## Dispersion relation

$$\delta_1 \text{ contains } \rho \text{ meson information} \xrightarrow{\text{Dispersion relation}} F_v(s) \approx \Omega(s) = exp[rac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds' rac{\delta_1(s')}{s'(s'-s)}]$$



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### Experiments' status



Space-like and time-like form factors [8].

- **()** Space-like form factors accessible from Jlab and MAMI  $e^-N \rightarrow e^-R$ .
- **②** Time-like form factors will be accessible in the future in the process  $R \rightarrow Ne^-e^-$  from PANDA+HADES.
- **IDENTIFY and Set UP** BES, Belle for scattering region.

### Previous studies on TFFs

$$\begin{split} \Sigma(J^P = \frac{3}{2}^+) &\to \Lambda(J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+) \text{ (Granados, Leupold, Perotti) [2]} \\ \text{Nucleon isovector form factors (Leupold) [4]} \\ \Sigma^*(J^P = \frac{3}{2}^+) &\to \Lambda(J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+) \text{ (Junker, Leupold, Perotti, Vitos) [7]} \\ \Delta(J^P = \frac{3}{2}^+) &\to \mathcal{N}(J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+) \text{ (Aung, Leupold, Perotti)(In progress)} \end{split}$$

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TFFs of the nucleon

 $N^*(1520)$  I = 1/2 and  $J^P = 3/2^-$ .



Imaginary part:

- **1** Pion vector form factor:  $F_v$
- 2 Baryon-meson exchanges: BM

Imaginary part  $\xrightarrow{Dispersion}$  Full amplitude







Pion p-wave phase-shift  $\delta_1$ .

$$\begin{split} \delta_1 \text{ contains } \rho \text{ meson information} \\ f_1(s) &= \frac{\sin \delta_1(s)}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s}}} \frac{\sqrt{s}}{2} \\ F_v(s) &= \exp[\frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\delta_1(s')}{s'(s'-s)}] \end{split}$$

# Theory Input

- Fit to hadronic decay data from HADES provides v1, v3, v5 and v7.
- ChPT gives v2, v4, v6.
- Projector Formalism constructed:  $\bar{u}_N M_\mu u_{N^*}^\mu = \sum_{i=1}^{i=4} a_i(s,\theta) \bar{u}_N M_\mu^i u_{N^*}^\mu$ .



## Cuts, Poles and Singularities

• Analytic continuation  $a_i(s, \theta)$ 



Cutkosky cutting rules

$$T(s) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{4m_{\pi^2}}^{\infty} \frac{disc_{UNI}T(z)}{z-c} dz +$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \frac{disc_{ANOM}T((\gamma(t)))}{\gamma(t)-s} dt$$
(11)

## Anomalous threshold condition

$$m_{exc}^2 < rac{1}{2}(m_{\mathcal{N}^*}^2 + m_{\mathcal{N}}^2 - 2m_{\pi}^2) \ m_{exc} = m_{\mathcal{N}} \$$
(see back up slides for rigorous derivation)



The first Riemann sheet includes a unitarity and an anomalous part.

•  $a_i(s, \theta) \xrightarrow{\text{Dispersive machinery}} \text{full } N^*N \to \pi\pi$ 

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## Comparison with 1-loop scalar-triangle

 $N^*$ 

How do we make sure we are right about the analytic structures?

 $\rightarrow$  use 1-loop scalar triangle ('t Hooft, G. Veltman, M.) as a toy calculation for  ${\color{blue} \mbox{double-check}!}$ 

$$T(z) = T(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{4m_{\pi}2}^{\infty} \frac{disc_{UNI}T(z)}{z-c} dz + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \frac{disc_{ANOM}T((\gamma(t)))}{\gamma(t)-s} dt$$
(12)

Our dispersive relation for the scalar triangle perfectly matches the analytic results:



Subtracted dispersion relations for TFFs:

$$F_i(q^2) = F_i(0) + \frac{q^2}{12\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\Lambda^2} \frac{ds}{\pi} \frac{T_i(s) \, \rho_{c.m.}^3(s) \, F_\pi^{V*}(s)}{s^{3/2} \left(s - q^2 - i\epsilon\right)} + F_i^{anom}(q^2) \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3.$$
(13)

First model-independent predictions on  $N^*(1520)$  TFFs:



Based on our preliminary results:

A good description in the space-like region TFFs and we make predictions for the time-like TFFs!

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#### Model-independent predictions on the Dalitz decay: $N^* ightarrow N \, e^+ \, e^-$



$$\begin{split} & \text{Our prediction}: \\ & \Gamma_{N^* \to Nee} \approx 4.8 \, \text{keV} \,, \\ & \Gamma_{N^* \to N\gamma} \approx 0.41 \, \text{MeV} \\ & \text{PDG}: \, \left[ 0.341, 0.572 \right] \text{MeV}. \end{split}$$

## Outlook

1. In progress: Use our results to test quality of existing isobar models. (Back up slides)

- 2. Fully coupled-channel dispersive analysis
- $\rightarrow$  3-loop calculation + anomalous cut.



(a)  $\pi N$  cross channel re-scattering for future



3. Determination of  $v_7$  from QCD based functional methods (Dyson-Schwinger Eqs)?



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## Test quality of existing isobar models. (Back up slides)

• Calculate the Dalitz Decay  $N^* \rightarrow N\pi\pi$ .



Selected diagrams from the isobar model



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## Anomalous singularities

On the second Riemann sheet the amplitudes have a term  $\log\left(\frac{Y(s)+K(s)}{Y(s)-K(s)}\right)$ 



Figure: Trajectory of a singularity in the second Riemann sheet [6]

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