

# On the lineshapes manifested by the molecular candidates of isovector $K^*\bar{K}$

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## Axial current and One-Boson-Exchange model

- Pseudoscalar and vector mesons are involved in the classical OBE. M.M. Nagels et al, PRD 17 (1978); R. Machleidt et al, Phys.Rept. 149 (1987); R. Machleidt, Phys.Rev.C 63 (2001)
- Axial-vector meson exchange contributes to the delta-force in OBE MJY et al, PRD 104 (2021); in preparation

## More on axial vector meson

- CP violation in  $\Lambda_b \rightarrow pa_1(1260)$ ; topics on  $g - 2$

# Low lying axial-vector meson

$f_1$

- $f_1(1285)$  and  $f_1(1420)$  are  $^3P_1$  states [S. Navas et al, PRD110\(2024\)\[PDG\]](#)
- $f_1(1420)$  is a threshold effect. [W. H. Liang et al, EP.C 80 \(2020\)](#)
- $f_1(1420)$  is a mixture of  $K^*\bar{K}$  and  $[q\bar{q}]$  [H.L. Fu et al, arxiv:2606.19040](#)

$K_1(1270)$

- A mixture of  $^3P_1$  and  $^1P_1$  [S. Navas et al, PRD110\(2024\)\[PDG\]](#);
- A double-pole state in  $\{K^*\pi, K\rho\}$  scattering [L. Roca et al, PPD 72 \(2005\)](#)

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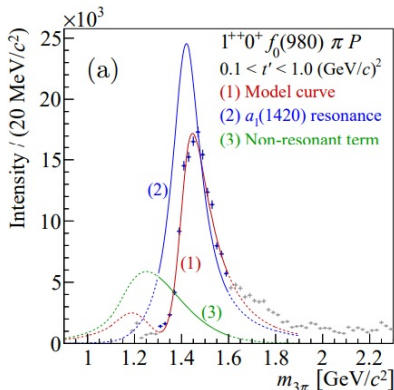
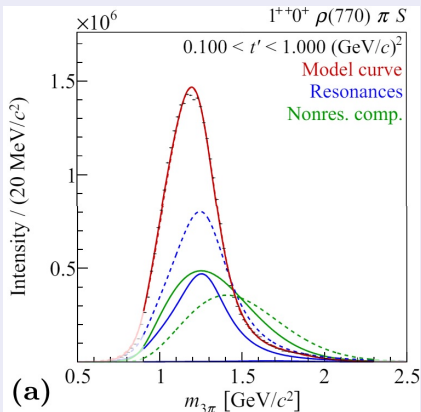
- $^3P_1$  state of  $[q\bar{q}]$  [S. Godfrey et al, PRD 32, 189 \(1985\); S. Navas et al, PRD110\(2024\)\[PDG\]](#)
- $a_1(1260)$  is a  $\rho\pi$  resonance, [L. Roca et al, PRD72 \(2005\); M. Mai et al, PRL. 127 \(2021\)](#)

$b_1$

- $b_1(1235)$  is a  $^1P_1$  state of  $[q\bar{q}]$  [S. Navas et al, PRD110\(2024\)\[PDG\]](#)

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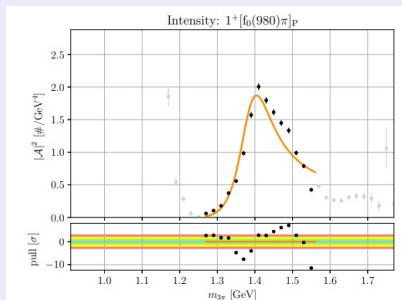
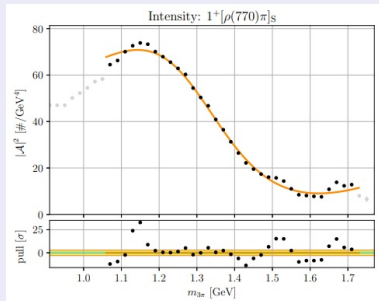
$\pi^- p \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ p$  from COMPASS, C. Adolph et al, PRL. 115 (2015) 8, 082001



- $a_1(1420)$  mainly decays into  $f_0(980)\pi$ .
- mass  $(1414^{+15}_{-13})$  MeV and width  $(153^{+8}_{-23})$  MeV.

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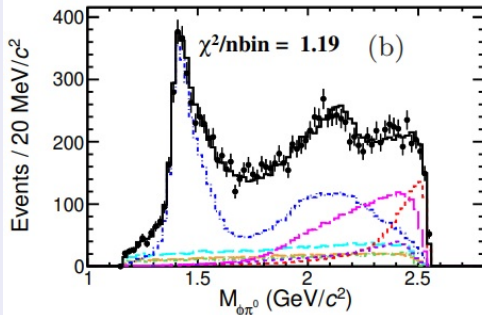
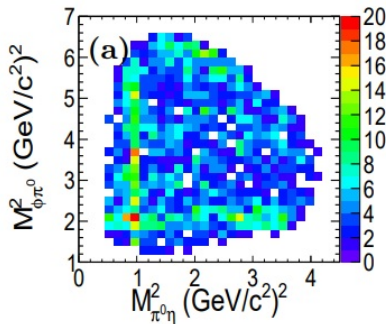
$\tau \rightarrow \pi^- \pi^- \pi^+ \nu_\tau$  from Belle, Andrei Rabusov et al, HADRON2023



- $a_1(1260)$ :  $(M, \Gamma) = (1328.9 \pm 0.1, \quad 388.4 \pm 0.1)$ .
- $a_1(1420)$ :  $(M, \Gamma) = (1387.8 \pm 0.3, \quad 109.2 \pm 0.6)$ .

# Hints on $b_1(1400)$ from BESIII in $J/\psi \rightarrow \phi\pi^0\eta$

Peak near  $K^*\bar{K}$  threshold may couple to  $Z_s$



BESIII, PRL 121(2018)2, 022001, PRD 110 (2024) 11, 112014; H.P. Li et al, PRD 113 (2026) 5, 054028

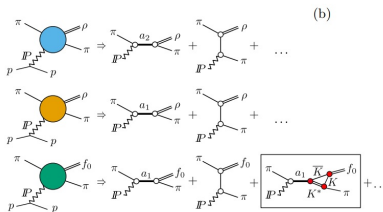
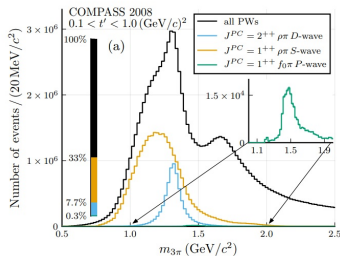
The peak around 1400 MeV is the non- $\phi$  background.

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- Triangle singularity: Q. Zhao, HDARON2013; M. Mikhasenko et al, PRD 91 (2015); F. Aceti et al, PRD 94 (2016); G.D. Alexeev et al, PRL. 127 (2021)



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# VP scattering in ChUA

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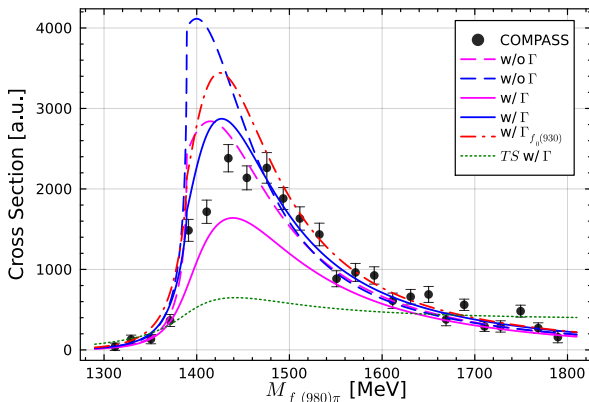
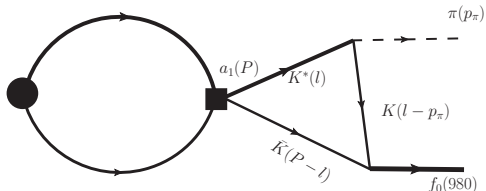
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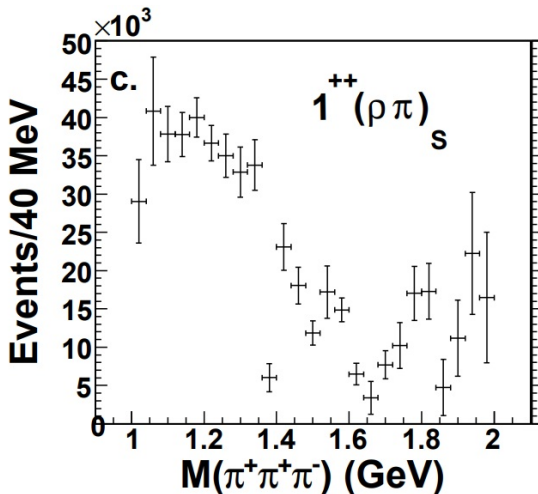
$$C_{11} = -2, C_{12} = -\sqrt{2}, C_{22} = -1$$

- $\det = (1 - V_{11} G_{11}) (1 - V_{22} G_{22}) - V_{12}^2 G_{11} G_{22}$
- $V_{11} V_{22} \simeq V_{12}^2$ :  $\det \simeq 1 - V_{11} G_{11} - V_{22} G_{22}$
- One pole is presented L. Roca et al, PPD 72 (2005)

# $K^*\bar{K} - f_0(980)\pi$ scattering in $I^G J^{PC} = 1^-1^{++}$ sector



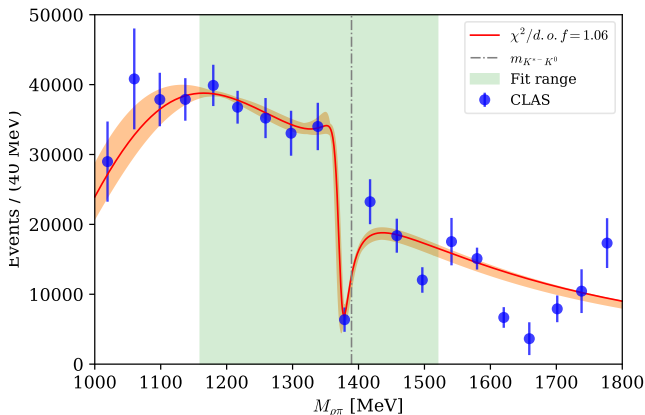
$$\gamma p \rightarrow n \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$$



$a_1(1260)$  is concerned [M. Nozar et al, CLAS, PRL 102 \(2009\)](#)

NO TS around 1.4 GeV in  $\rho\pi$  invariant mass distribution.

# $\gamma p \rightarrow n\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$ : 2 BWs

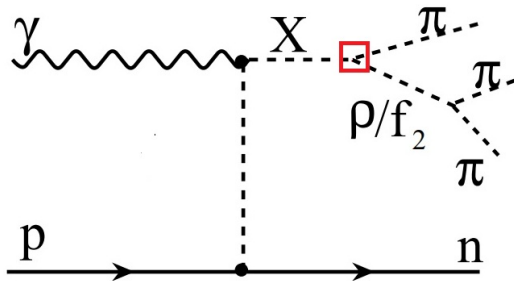


$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{g_1}{w - m_1 + i\frac{\Gamma_1}{2}} + \frac{g_2}{w - m_2 + i\frac{\Gamma_2}{2}}, \quad \frac{dN}{dM} = |\mathcal{M}|^2 p.s.$$

$$g_1 = (6.06 \pm 0.30)e^5, \quad m_1 = (1.07 \pm 0.04)e^3 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_1 = 600 \pm 70 \text{ MeV}$$

$$g_2 = -(8.6 \pm 1.3)e^3, \quad m_2 = (1.372 \pm 0.005)e^3 \text{ MeV}, \quad \Gamma_2 = 20 \pm 4 \text{ MeV}$$

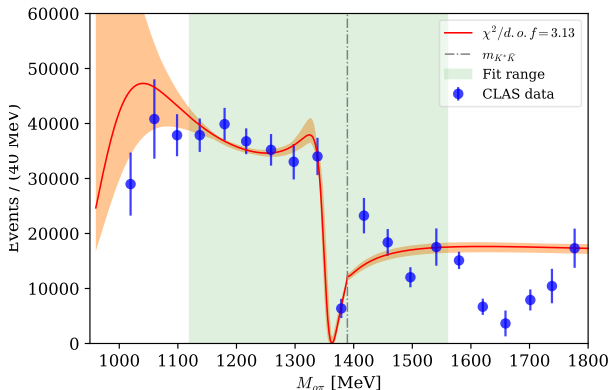
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$\{ \rho\pi, K^* \bar{K} \}$  coupled channel scattering in the rectangle

- WT:  $V_{11}, V_{22}$
- $V_{12}$  is a constant; dim. regularized  $G$
- the production rates  $P_i$  and loop connected to the production vertex are approximated by constants:  $\lambda_i = P_i \tilde{G}_i$  and  $\lambda_2$  is a constant

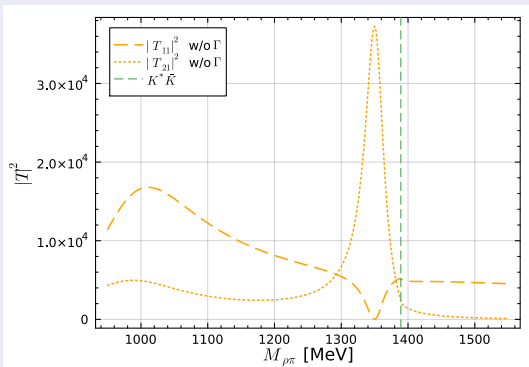
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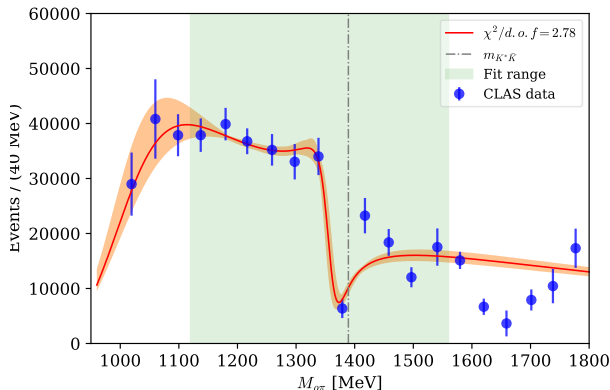
- $\mathcal{M} = \lambda_1 t_{11} + \lambda_2 t_{21}, w/ \lambda_i = P_i \tilde{G}_i, \frac{dN}{dM} = |\mathcal{M}|^2 p.s.$
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- $au_1 = -1.2 \pm 0.4, au_2 = -3.77 \pm 0.11, v.s. au_i \in [-1.6, -1.2]$

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- $V_{12} = 25.7 \pm 1.7 < V_{12}^{WT} = 82 @ th_2$
- $Num = \lambda_1 V_{11} V_{22} \left[ \frac{1}{V_{22}} + \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \frac{V_{12}}{V_{11} V_{22}} + G_{22} \left( 1 - \frac{V_{12}^2}{V_{11} V_{22}} \right) \right]$
- The  $V_{22}^{eff}$  leads to a large  $au_2$ .
- Poles  $972 - i98 \text{ MeV}$  and  $1349 - i17 \text{ MeV}$  on  $RS_{-+} : a_1$  states

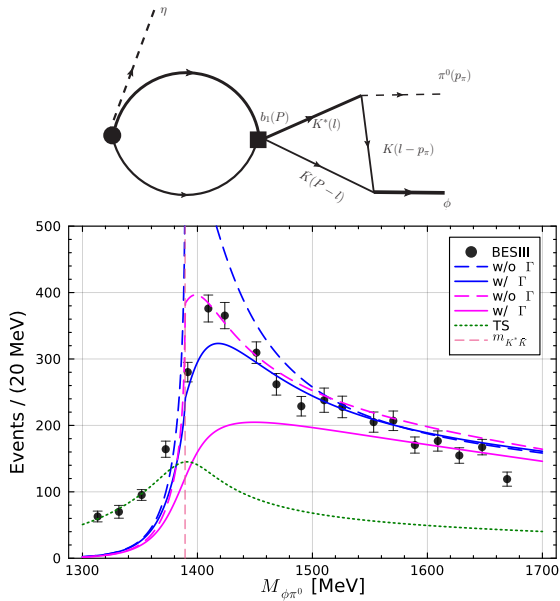


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- $au_1 = -2.1 \pm 0.5, au_2 = -4.30 \pm 0.04$

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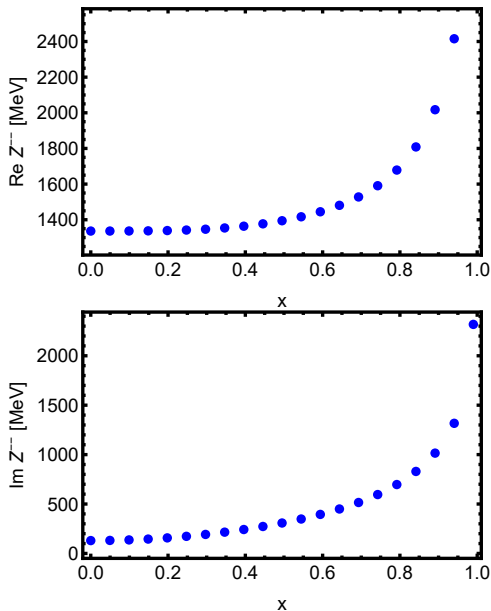
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***Thanks !***

# Backup: Pole trajectory w/ $q_{max} = 800 \text{ MeV}$



$$G_\ell^{\text{DR}}(s) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ \alpha_\ell(\mu) + \log \frac{M_\ell^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{m_\ell^2 - M_\ell^2 + s}{2s} \log \frac{m_\ell^2}{M_\ell^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{p_\ell}{\sqrt{s}} \left( \log \frac{s - m_\ell^2 + M_\ell^2 + 2p_\ell\sqrt{s}}{-s + m_\ell^2 - M_\ell^2 + 2p_\ell\sqrt{s}} + \log \frac{s + m_\ell^2 - M_\ell^2 + 2p_\ell\sqrt{s}}{-s - m_\ell^2 + M_\ell^2 + 2p_\ell\sqrt{s}} \right) \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{K^*K\pi} = g_1 K^{*,\mu} (K \partial_\mu \pi - \partial_\mu K \pi), \quad \mathcal{L}_{f_0 K \bar{K}} = g_2 f_0 K \bar{K},$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{a_1}^{\text{tri.}} = \int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{g_1 g_2 \epsilon_i \delta^{ij} (\vec{p}_\pi - \vec{l})_i}{(q^2 - m_{K^*}^2) \left[ (P - q)^2 - m_K^2 \right] (l^2 - m_K^2)},$$

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