

Electromagnetic finite-size effects beyond the point-like approximation

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Motivation

- Top row unitarity of CKM matrix: Study $\frac{|V_{us}|}{|V_{ud}|}$
- Leptonic decays: $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma]$ for $P = \pi, K$

$$\Gamma(P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma]) = \Gamma^{\text{tree}} + \delta\Gamma$$

$$\Gamma^{\text{tree}} = \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi} |V_{ij}|^2 f_P^2 m_P m_\ell^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_P^2}\right)^2$$

- $\delta\Gamma = \Gamma^{\text{tree}} \delta R_P$: $\alpha \neq 0$ and $m_u \neq m_d$
- Ratios of decays: $K_{\ell 2}/\pi_{\ell 2} \rightarrow$ combine experiment and theory

$$\frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} = \frac{\Gamma(K^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma])}{\Gamma(\pi^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma])} \frac{m_{K^-}^3}{m_{\pi^-}^3} \frac{(m_{\pi^-}^2 - m_{\mu^-}^2)^2}{(m_{K^-}^2 - m_{\mu^-}^2)^2} \frac{(f_\pi/f_K)^2}{1 + \delta R_K - \delta R_\pi}$$

- Obtain theory part from lattice: reaching percent level precision \implies isospin breaking needed! \implies Lattice QCD+QED

QED in a finite volume

- Difficult to define charged states in finite volume with periodic boundary conditions (Gauss' law)
- Related to absence of mass gap in QED and zero-modes of photon
- **We choose QED_L**: Photon zero-mode subtracted on every time slice
[Hayakawa, Uno 2008]

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k}} \longrightarrow \sum'_{\mathbf{k}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0}$$

- Finite-size effects in observable $\mathcal{O}(L)$ given by:

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(L) - \mathcal{O}_{\text{IV}} = \left(\frac{1}{L^3} \sum'_{\mathbf{k}} - \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int \frac{dk_4}{2\pi} f_{\mathcal{O}}(k = (k_4, \mathbf{k}), \dots)$$

- **Soft photons travel far**: Expand in small $|\mathbf{k}| = \frac{2\pi|\mathbf{n}|}{L} \implies$ expansion in L

- Massless photon \implies Finite-size effects (FSEs):

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(L) - \mathcal{O}_{\text{IV}} = C_0 + C_{\log} \log m_P L + C_1 \frac{1}{m_P L} + C_2 \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} + \dots$$

- **Scaling in L is observable-dependent:** e.g. self-energy $C_0 = C_{\log} = 0$
- **Coefficients depend on physical particle properties:** masses, charges, structure (**form-factors**): Point-like + structure-dependent
- **What we do:**
 - 1 FSEs in a model-independent, relativistic set-up including structure-dependence
 - 2 Derive leading structure-dependence in self-energy ($1/L^3$) and leptonic decays ($1/L^2$) \longrightarrow **Only physical quantities appear**

Leptonic decays

- Infrared-divergent process:

$$\Gamma(P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma]) = \Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1(\Delta E_\gamma)$$

- **RM-123 strategy 2015:** Add and subtract point-like Γ_0^{pt}

$$\Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1(\Delta E_\gamma) = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} [\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L)] + \lim_{m_\gamma \rightarrow 0} [\Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(m_\gamma) + \Gamma_1(m_\gamma, \Delta E_\gamma)]$$

- **RM-123 2017:** $\Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L)$ calculated to give

$$\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L) \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^2}\right)$$

- Our proposal: Replace $\Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L)$ by

$$\Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) = \Gamma_0^{\text{pt}}(L) + \sum_{j=2}^n \Delta\Gamma_0^{(j)}(L)$$

- $\Delta\Gamma_0^{(j)}(L)$ are here the FSEs of order $1/L^j$, containing both point-like and structure terms

Leptonic decays

- The residual volume-scaling is thus

$$\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{n+1}}\right)$$

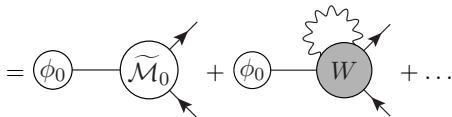
- Define the dimensionless FV function $Y^{(n)}(L)$ as

$$\Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) = \Gamma_0^{\text{tree}} \left[1 + 2 \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} Y^{(n)}(L) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{n+1}}\right)$$

- NB:** $Y^{(1)}(L) = Y(L)$ of [RM-123, 2017]

- Euclidean correlator for the decay $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell$

$$C_W^{rs}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}_\ell) = \int d^4 z e^{-ipz} \langle \ell^-, \mathbf{p}_\ell, r; \nu_\ell, \mathbf{p}_{\nu_\ell}, s | T[\mathcal{O}_W(z) \phi^\dagger(0)] | 0 \rangle$$



The Compton scattering amplitude

- Need to define kernels: Compton scattering amplitude

$$C_{\mu\nu}(p, k, -k) = \text{---} \textcircled{C} \text{---}$$

$$\lim_{p^2 \rightarrow -m_{P,0}^2} C_{\mu\nu}(p, k, -k) = e^2 \int d^4x e^{-ik \cdot x} \langle P, \mathbf{p} | T \{ J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0) \} | P, \mathbf{p} \rangle$$

- Decompose into irreducible vertex functions $\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_\mu$, $\Gamma_2 = \Gamma_{\mu\nu}$

$$\text{---} \textcircled{C} \text{---} = \text{---} \textcircled{\Gamma_1} \text{---} \textcircled{\Gamma_1} \text{---} + \text{---} \textcircled{\Gamma_2} \text{---}$$

- Amplitude $C_{\mu\nu}(p, k, -k)$ satisfies Ward identities:
 - Γ_μ and $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}$ must satisfy these, but arbitrary separation!

Decomposing vertex functions

- Can constrain the form of vertex functions from Ward identities, e.g.

$$k_\mu \Gamma^\mu(p, k) = D(p+k)^{-1} - D(p)^{-1}$$

- Full propagator ($Z(p^2)$: z_n [BMW 2015; RM-123 2017])

$$D(p) = \frac{Z(p^2)}{p^2 + m_p^2}$$

- Form-factor decomposition (**structure-dependence!**)

$$\Gamma_\mu(p, k) = (2p+k)_\mu F(k^2, (p+k)^2, p^2) + k_\mu G(k^2, (p+k)^2, p^2)$$

$$F^{(1,0,0)}(0, -m_p^2, -m_p^2) \equiv F'(0) = -\langle r_p^2 \rangle / 6$$

- Ward identity yields G as a function of F and

$$F(0, p^2, -m^2) = F(0, -m^2, p^2) = Z(p^2)^{-1}$$

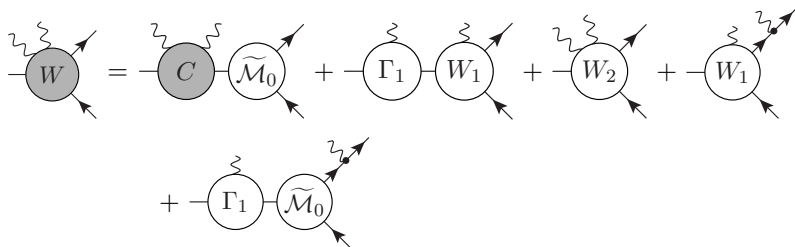
- We see e.g. $z_1 = F^{(0,0,1)}(0, -m_{p,0}^2, -m_{p,0}^2)$

Unphysical derivative! \rightarrow Must always cancel in the end!

- General method: Expand order by order in $k \rightarrow$ arbitrary order in $1/L$

Leptonic decays

- Need to define kernels: **Play the same game for $1/L^2$ effects**



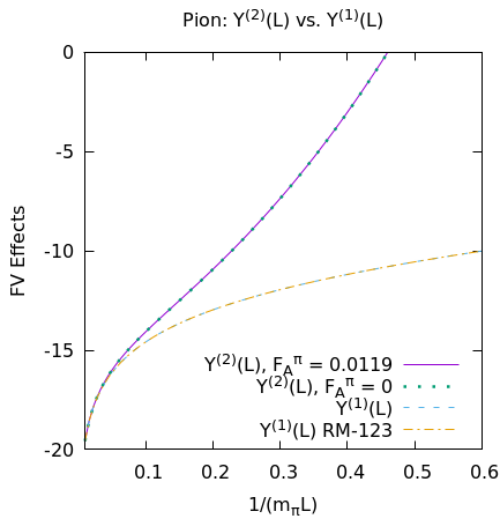
- W_1 and W_2 depend on unphysical off-shell derivatives of the decay constant:
 f_n [RM-123 2017]
- W_1 : $A_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)$, $V_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)$: appear in $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_e \gamma$
- On-shell: $F_A^P = A_1(0, -m_P^2)$ and $F_V^P = V_1(0, -m_P^2)$
- Known from chiral perturbation theory [Bijnens, Ecker, Gasser 1992], lattice [RM-123 2020], experiment [...] (**Discrepancies** [RM-123 2020])

- Diagrams give $Y^{(n)}(L)$ for $n = 2$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y^{(2)}(L) = & \frac{3}{4} + 4 \log \left(\frac{m_\ell}{m_W} \right) + \frac{c_3 - 2 c_3(\mathbf{v}_\ell)}{2\pi} - 2 A_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell) + 2 \log \left(\frac{m_W L}{4\pi} \right) \\
 & - 2 A_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell) \left[\log \left(\frac{m_P L}{4\pi} \right) + \log \left(\frac{m_\ell L}{4\pi} \right) \right] - \frac{1}{m_P L} \left[\frac{(1 + r_\ell^2)^2 c_2 - 4 r_\ell^2 c_2(\mathbf{v}_\ell)}{1 - r_\ell^4} \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} \left[- \frac{F_A^P}{f_P} \frac{4\pi m_P [(1 + r_\ell^2)^2 c_1 - 4 r_\ell^2 c_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell)]}{1 - r_\ell^4} + \frac{8\pi [(1 + r_\ell^2) c_1 - 2 c_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell)]}{(1 - r_\ell^4)} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

- All unphysical quantities vanish, i.e. we could put $f_n = z_n = 0$ from the start (as they must at all orders in $1/L$)
- Only F_A^P appears
- Charge radii $\langle r_P^2 \rangle$ cancel between diagrams due to charge conservation
- $c_j(\mathbf{v}_\ell)$ FS coefficients previously only known for $j < 3$, now for all $j \geq 3$ too

Numerical results: Physical Pion



- Perfect agreement with RM-123 for $Y^{(1)}(L)$
- The $1/L^2$ -correction is sizeable
- Point-like $1/L^2$ completely dominates

Conclusions

- With model-independent principles it is indeed possible to predict FSEs beyond the point-like approximation (only physical form-factors and derivatives appear)
- Self-energy ($1/L^3$):
 - Charge radii $\langle r_P^2 \rangle$
- Leptonic decays ($1/L^2$):
 - Radiative leptonic decay axial form-factor F_A^P
 - Charge radii cancel because of charge conservation
- Our method is general, and new software released
 - Infrared divergent FS coefficients
- Future: Semi-leptonic decays, ...