

$K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ within factorization

The amplitudes for the decays of the kaons into two pions are given, in the isospin limit, by:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(K^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) &= A_0 e^{i\chi_0} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} A_2 e^{i\chi_2}, \\ \mathcal{A}(K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0) &= A_0 e^{i\chi_0} - \sqrt{2} A_2 e^{i\chi_2}, \\ \mathcal{A}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0) &= \frac{3}{2} A_2 e^{i\chi_2},\end{aligned}$$

in terms of the isospin amplitudes A_0 and A_2 and the corresponding phase-shifts χ_0, χ_2 :

- By evaluating the leading Feynman diagram in the Standard Model, given by Figure 1, obtain the result:

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} V_{us}^* (\bar{s} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) u) (\bar{u} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) d),$$

in the limit of $M_W^2 \gg q^2$.

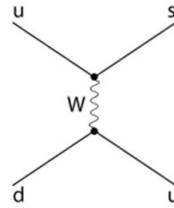


Figure 1:

- This result can be hadronized by assuming factorization of the SU(3) currents. Show that one can write:

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} V_{us}^* (V_\mu^{4-i5} - A_\mu^{4-i5}) (V^{\mu(1+i2)} - A^{\mu(1+i2)}),$$

where $V_\mu^i = \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \frac{\lambda^i}{2} q$ and $A_\mu^i = \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \frac{\lambda^i}{2} q$.

- Obtain the isospin amplitudes A_0 and A_2 using the $\mathcal{O}(p^2)$ chiral Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{F^2}{4} \langle u_\mu u^\mu + \chi_+ \rangle.$$

The notation is the one in the slides of the Kaon Physics talk. To hadronize the currents you can use that $V_\mu^i = \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta v_\mu^i}$ and, analogously, for the axial-vector current.

- Check that $A_0/A_2 = \sqrt{2}$.