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INTRODUÇÃO

Nesses últimos anos, uma das descobertas importantes na física das partículas elementares tem sido a sintetização esquemática do spin isotópico e a hipercarga pelo grupo de simetria unitária $SU(3)$ (1). Por outro lado, por exemplo, pela não igualdade das massas das partículas que pertencem ao mesmo multiplet no $SU(3)$ é evidente que esta simetria é necessariamente violada, porém, verifica-se, experimentalmente, que os processos de espalhamento e decaimento são pelo menos, qualitativamente, bem descritos dentro desse mesmo esquema de simetria $SU(3)$. Os detalhes da natureza das forças no $SU(3)$, ao contrário do que no caso da simetria do isospin, a qual é violada pelas interações eletromagnéticas, não são bem compreendidas até agora.

A fim de elucidar o conceito da simetria $SU(3)$ aproximada e formular uma descrição quantitativa para o conceito da universalidade digamos, nas interações fracas, Gell-Mann (2) postulou que as correntes hadrônicas obedecem certas relações de comutação, para tempos iguais, e que estas regras continuam prevalecendo, ainda que, haja uma violação da simetria unitária $SU(3)$. Este postulado, juntamente com a bem conhecida técnica de redução na teoria dos campos, constitui o método da "álgebra das correntes" (3). Esta técnica tem sido muito utilizada, recentemente, para derivar teoremas de baixas energias, classificação das partículas hadrônicas, formular regras de soma, como por exemplo, de Adler e Weisberger para o cálculo da renormalização da constante de acoplamento axial na desintegração beta, devidas às interações fortes, e ainda para o relacionamento de diversos processos de decaimento, etc.

Os trabalhos apresentados aqui abordam discussões sobre :
a razão F_2/F_1 entre os acoplamentos da desintegração beta

par de leptons, as regras de soma para funções espectrais de Weinberg, as renormalizações dos fatores de forma de decaimento K_{l_3} por causa da violação da simetria SU(3) e ainda os cálculos de decaimentos fortes / das ressonâncias estranhas K^* e K_A . Os últimos três trabalhos sugerem que os fatores de forma podem satisfazer relações de dispersão com (uma) subtração e que um cálculo auto-consistente dos decaimentos fortes com pions e kaons "duros" é possível sem usar a hipótese da conservação parcial da corrente axial. Além disso, as regras de soma de Weinberg / são obtidas, sem apelar para simetria chiral assintótica, mas saem como condições de auto-consistências.

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I., REGRAS DE SOMA DE WEINBERG E A RAZÃO $F_K/F_{\bar{K}}$

I. REGRAS DE SOMA DE WEINBERG E A RAZÃO F_K/F_π

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RESUMO:

Aponta-se neste trabalho que não é admissível usar, concomitantemente, a primeira e segunda regra de soma de Weinberg no grupo SU(3) sem chegar às conclusões inaceitáveis $m_\rho = m_K$ e $m_{A_1} \approx m_{K_A}$. Usando a segunda regra, somente, no sub grupo SU(2), obtemos:

$$\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} = \left(\frac{1 - \frac{m_{K^*}^2}{m_{A_1}^2}}{1 - \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_{A_1}^2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \approx 1.07$$

Esclarecemos também, que no decaimento K_{l_3} a experiência mede de fato $(F_+(0) \sin \theta)$ e temos a seguinte relação:

$$\frac{F_K}{F_+(0) F_\pi} \approx \frac{\sqrt{1 - (F_+(0) \sin \theta)^2}}{F_+(0) \sin \theta} \tan \theta_A$$

Tomando o valor experimental de 1.28 ± 0.06 para o lado direito e para F_K/F_π o valor calculado acima, encontramos $F_+(0) \approx 0.84$, contrariamente, ao valor unitário no caso de simetria SU(3) exata. Finalmente, a razão das larguras $\Gamma(\rho^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0) / \Gamma(K^{*+} \rightarrow K\pi)$ é calculada pela expressão:

$$\frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{k^\rho}{k^{\rho^+}} \right)^3 \frac{1}{\dots}$$

WEINBERG SUM RULES AND THE RATIO F_K/F_π

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The ratio F_K/F_π is derived using Weinberg's first spectral function sum rule in $SU(3) \times SU(3)$ while the second sum rule is used only in $SU(2) \times SU(2)$.

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In recent papers ¹, the ratio between the decay constants F_K and F_π , the decay constants in the leptonic decays of K and π mesons respectively, has been evaluated using the two spectral function sum rules derived by Weinberg ² and their $SU(3)$ generalizations given by Das, Mathur and Okubo ³. The derivations in Ref. ¹ make use of both of the sum-rules and thus necessarily imply, in the pole approximation considered, the exact $SU(3) \times SU(3)$ result $m_\rho = m_{K^*}$, $m_{A_1} \simeq m_{K_A}$. We derive here the above-mentioned ratio by using the first sum rule ⁴ in $SU(3) \times SU(3)$ while the second sum rule is used only in the $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ subgroup. The argument ⁵ for the restriction on the use of the second sum rule derives from the successful predictions ^{2, 3} $m_{A_1} \simeq \sqrt{2} m_\rho$, $m_{K_A} \simeq \sqrt{2} m_{K^*}$ and the disappearance of the unpleasant feature mentioned above.

The first spectral function sum rule gives rise to the following relations ^{2, 3}:

$$\frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} \simeq \frac{G_{A_1}^2}{m_{A_1}^2} = F_\pi^2$$

$$\frac{G_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} = \frac{G_{K_A}^2}{m_{K_A}^2} = F_K^2$$

$$\frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} = \frac{G_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2}$$

group $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ leads to the relations:

$$G_\rho = G_{A_1} \quad \text{and} \quad G_{K^*} = G_{K_A}$$

These relations then lead to

$$\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} = \frac{m_{A_1}}{m_{K_A}} \sqrt{\frac{m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2}{m_{A_1}^2 - m_\rho^2}}$$

which ⁶ gives $(F_K/F_\pi) \simeq 1.07$ against the value $\simeq 1.16$ found in Ref. ¹. Also it follows:

$$\frac{G_{A_1}^2}{m_{A_1}^2} \simeq \frac{G_{K_A}^2}{m_{K_A}^2}$$

The Cabibbo angles θ_A and θ are related through F_K/F_π by the relation

$$\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} = \frac{\tan \theta_A}{\tan \theta}$$

which can be rewritten ⁷ as

$$\frac{1}{F_+(0)} \left(\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} \right) \simeq \frac{\sqrt{1 - F_+^2(0) \sin^2 \theta}}{F_+(0) \sin \theta} \cdot \tan \theta_A$$

Here $F_+(0)$ is the $K-\pi$ form factor normalized to unity in exact $SU(3)$ limit. Now θ_A can be obtained from the branching ratio of $K_{\mu 2}$ and $\pi_{\mu 2}$ decays while $[F_+(0) \sin \theta]$ is determined from $K_{\ell 3}$ decays. Using for the right-hand side the value ⁸ $\simeq 1.28$, we obtain for the form factor, $F_+(0) \simeq 0.84$. On the other hand, if

we assume $F_+(0) = 1$, the calculated value of the Cabibbo angle turns out to be $\tan \theta \simeq 0.26$ which is about 18% higher than the value quoted in Ref. 8.

In conclusion, it is of interest to note the implications of our results on the branching ratio $\Gamma_{\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi} / \Gamma_{K^* \rightarrow K\pi}$. Assuming pole dominance in the pion form factor we can derive

$$G_{\rho} g_{\rho\pi\pi} = \sqrt{2} m_{\rho}^2$$

The $K_{\frac{1}{2}}$ form factor F_+ under the assumption of K^* pole dominance leads to analogous relation:

$$G_{K^*} g_{K^*K\pi} = \frac{F_+(0)}{\sqrt{2}} m_{K^*}^2$$

We obtain, thereby, (using $G_{K^*}/m_{K^*} = G_{\rho}/m_{\rho}$):

$$\frac{g_{\rho\pi\pi}}{g_{K^*K\pi}} = 2 \left(\frac{m_{\rho}}{m_{K^*}} \right) \frac{1}{F_+(0)}$$

and

$$\frac{\Gamma_{\rho^+ \rightarrow \pi\pi}}{\Gamma_{K^{*+} \rightarrow K\pi}} = \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{k_{C.M.}^{\rho}}{k_{C.M.}^{K^*}} \right)^3 \frac{1}{(F_+(0))^2} \simeq \frac{2.455}{(F_+(0))^2}$$

For $F_+(0) \simeq 1$ this implies $\Gamma_{\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi} = 122$ MeV for $\Gamma_{K^* \rightarrow K\pi} = 49.6$ MeV. For $F_+(0) \simeq 0.84$ it implies $\Gamma_{\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi} \simeq 173$ MeV. However, due to great uncertainties in the experimental decay widths of the particles involved it is not possible to draw definite information on $F_+(0)$ from this piece of experimental data.

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$$\int_0^{\infty} \left[\rho_V^i(\mu^2) - \rho_A^j(\mu^2) \right] \frac{d\mu^2}{\mu^2} = F_j^2$$

while the second sum rule is:

$$\int_0^{\infty} \left[\rho_V^i(\mu^2) - \rho_A^j(\mu^2) \right] d\mu^2 = 0$$

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II. ÁLGEBRA DAS CORRENTES E OS DECAIMENTOS $K_{\Delta} \rightarrow K^* \mathcal{J}$ e $K^* \rightarrow K \mathcal{I}$

II. ALGEBRA DAS CORRENTES E OS DECAIMENTOS $K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ e $K^* \rightarrow K \pi$

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RESUMO:

Os decaimentos $K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ e $K^* \rightarrow K \pi$ são estudadas usando-se "álgebra das correntes", relações de dispersão e regras da soma de Weinberg. Admite-se a conservação da corrente vetorial e a conservação parcial da corrente axial. A aproximação de dominância pelos polos nos elementos de matriz é também usada. Entretanto é permitido que os fatores de formas L_1 e K_1 definidos pelos elementos de matrizes invariantes:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4k_0 p_0 v^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | V^\mu(0) | K_A^+(p) \rangle \\ & = i e_\nu K_A \left[L_1(q^2) g^{\mu\nu} + L_2(q^2) k^\nu (p+k)^\mu + L_3(q^2) k^\nu (p-k)^\mu \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4k_0 p_0 v^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | A^\mu(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle \\ & = i e_\nu K^* \left[K_1(q^2) g^{\mu\nu} + K_2(q^2) k^\nu (p+k)^\mu + K_3(q^2) k^\nu (p-k)^\mu \right] \end{aligned}$$

satisfazem relações de dispersão com uma subtração, enquanto que, os demais fatores de forma satisfazem relações de dispersões sem subtrações. Estas restrições são sugeridas a fim de evitar o comportamento de "superconvergência" para os fatores de forma L_3 e K_3 que nos leva aos resultados que contrariam as experiências. Emprega-se constantes de subtração que decorrem do método da álgebra das correntes. A largura do decaimento do K^* é pouco afetada em relação aos cálculos anteriores usando o antigo método da álgebra das correntes, entretanto, para o decaimento de K_A a largura é afetada de forma significativa.

perimental, contrariamente, aos cálculos antigos que dão para o decaimento do A_1 uma largura parcial muito maior do que a largura total do A_1 . Nosso cálculo prevê, uma mistura apreciável da onda "d" no decaimento do K_A que pode ser testado pelas experiências futuras. Também é sugerido pelos cálculos quantitativos que as relações entre massas $m_{A_1} = \sqrt{2} m_p$ e $m_{K_A} = \sqrt{2} m_K$ sejam válidas somente aproximadamente.

$K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ AND $K^* \rightarrow K \pi$ DECAYS

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ABSTRACT

Strong decays $K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ and $K^* \rightarrow K \pi$ are studied using current algebra, partial conservation of axial current, dispersion relations and Weinberg sum rules. The pions are treated as "soft" in the sense $k^2 \rightarrow 0$ instead of $k \rightarrow 0$.

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In recent papers ¹ the rates of the strong decays $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$ and $A_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi$ have been related by using the techniques of current algebra and dispersion relations. The predictions are in good agreement with the experimental results. In this paper we relate and calculate the decay rates ² for $K^*(890) \rightarrow K\pi$ and $K_A(1320) \rightarrow K^*\pi$ the strangeness carrying vector and axial vector mesons belonging ³ to SU(3) octets containing ρ and A_1 , respectively. We follow closely the dispersion relation and current algebra method by Das et al. ¹. The various unknown couplings are determined ⁴ by making use of Weinberg's spectral function sum rules ⁵.

We consider the following invariant matrix elements:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu^i | K_A^+(p) \rangle \sqrt{4p_0 k_0} V^2 \\ & = i e_\nu^{K_A} (p) \left[L_1(q^2) \delta_{\mu\nu} + L_2(q^2) k_\nu (p+k)_\mu + L_3(q^2) k_\nu (p-k)_\mu \right] \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \pi^0(k) | A_\mu^i | K^{*+}(p) \rangle \sqrt{4p_0 k_0} V^2 \\ & = i e^{K^*} (p) \left[K_1(q^2) \delta_{\mu\nu} + K_2(q^2) k_\nu (p+k)_\mu + K_3(q^2) k_\nu (p-k)_\mu \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where $e_\nu(p)$ denotes the polarization vector and $q^2 = (p-k)^2$.

The conserved vector current hypothesis on Eq. (1) and the condition of partial conservation of axial current (PCAC) on Eq. (2) lead to the following relations for the couplings

$$L_1(q^2) + (m_{K_A}^2 - \mu^2) L_2(q^2) - L_3(q^2) q^2 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$K_1(q^2) + (m_{K^*}^2 - \mu^2) K_2(q^2) - K_3(q^2) q^2 = \frac{F_K m_K^2 G_{K^*+\pi} O_{K^+}}{(q^2 + m_K^2)} \quad (4)$$

where F_K is the decay constant appearing in $K \rightarrow \mu \nu$ decay and $G_{K^*+\pi} O_{K^+}$ is the coupling for the decay mode $K^{*+} \rightarrow \pi^0 + K^+$. They are defined as:

$$\sqrt{2k_0 V} \langle 0 | A_\mu(0) | K^+(k) \rangle = i F_K k_\mu \quad (5)$$

$$\sqrt{4p_0 q_0 V^2} \langle K^+(q) | j_{\pi^0}(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = G_{K^*+\pi} O_{K^+} e^{K^* \cdot q} \quad (6)$$

We shall postulate now the unsubtracted dispersion relations for the form factors $L_2(q^2)$, $L_3(q^2)$, $K_2(q^2)$ and $K_3(q^2)$, and a once-subtracted dispersion relation for $L_1(q^2)$ and $K_1(q^2)$. A justification ⁶ for the once-subtracted dispersion relation for the latter case may be found by applying PCAC and current algebra to the corresponding invariant matrix elements and neglecting only the k^2 dependent terms ⁷.

Thus we write:

$$L_1(q^2) = \frac{G_{K_A}}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} + \frac{(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}{\pi} \int \frac{\text{Im } L_1(q'^2)}{(q'^2 - q^2)(q'^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} dq'^2$$

$$L_2(q^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \frac{\text{Im } L_2(q'^2)}{(q'^2 - q^2)} dq'^2 \quad (7)$$

$$K_1(q^2) = \frac{G_{K^*}}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} + \frac{(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)}{\pi} \int \frac{\text{Im } K_1(q'^2)}{(q'^2 - q^2)(q'^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} dq'^2$$

etc. 8.

If we assume now that the form factors $L_1(q^2)$, $L_2(q^2)$ and $L_3(q^2)$ are dominated by the K^* pole, while $K_1(q^2)$, $K_2(q^2)$ and $K_3(q^2)$ by the K and K_A poles, we find:

$$L_1(q^2) = \frac{G_{K_A}}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} \frac{(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}{(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} \frac{G_{K^*} \cdot G_S}{(m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)}$$

$$L_2(q^2) = \frac{G_{K^*} G_D}{2(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} \quad (8)$$

$$L_3(q^2) = \frac{G_{K^*}}{m_{K^*}^2 (q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} \left[G_S - \frac{1}{2} (m_{K_A}^2 - \mu^2) G_D \right]$$

$$K_1(q^2) = \frac{G_{K^*}}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} + \frac{(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}{(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} \frac{G_{K_A} G_S}{(m_{K^*}^2 - m_{K_A}^2)}$$

$$K_2(q^2) = - \frac{G_{K_A} G_D}{2(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}$$

$$K_3(q^2) = \frac{F_K G_{K^*} + \pi^0 K^+}{(q^2 + m_K^2)} \quad (9)$$

$$- \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2 (q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} \left[G_S - \frac{1}{2} G_D (m_{K^*}^2 - \mu^2) \right]$$

The various constants appearing here are defined by:

$$\sqrt{2p_0 V} \langle 0 | v_\mu(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = G_{K^*} e^{K^*}_\mu(p) \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4p_0 q_0 V^2} \langle K^{*+}(q) | j_\pi^+(0) | K_A^+(p) \rangle \\ & = i \left[G_S e^{K_A}_{.e} e^{K^*} + G_D e^{K_A}_{.q} e^{K^*} \cdot p \right] \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where G_S and G_D are the s and d wave couplings in $K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ decay.

Using relations (3) and (4) on Eqs. (8) and (9), we obtain:

$$G_S - \frac{1}{2} G_D (m_K^2 - m_{K^*}^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} \frac{G_{K_A}}{G_{K^*}} \left(\frac{m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2}{m_{K_A}^2} \right) m_{K^*}^2 \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} G_S + \frac{1}{2} G_D (m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2) \\ = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} \frac{G_{K^*}}{G_{K_A}} - \frac{F_K G_{K^*+} \pi^0 K^+}{G_{K_A}} \right) \left(\frac{m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} \right) m_{K_A}^2 \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where we neglect terms of order $(\mu/m_{K^*})^2$.

For the values of unknown constants appearing on the right-hand side, we make use of the various relations⁹ derived in Ref. 4 using the spectral function sum rules⁵. If $K-\pi$ form factor F_+ in K_{13} decay is dominated by the K^* pole we obtain by assuming unsubtracted dispersion relation:

$$\frac{G_{K^*} G_{K^*+} \pi^0 K^+}{2m_{K^*}^2} = \frac{F_+(0)}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (14)$$

where $F_+(0) \rightarrow 1$ in exact $SU(3)$ limit. This then leads to⁴:

$$G_{K^{*+}\pi^0 K^+} = \left(\frac{m_{K^*}}{F_\pi} \right) \sqrt{1+\delta} \begin{pmatrix} F_+(0) & F_\pi \\ F_+ & F_K \end{pmatrix} \quad (15)$$

where $\delta = (m_{K_A}^2 - 2m_{K^*}^2)/m_{K_A}^2$ and the third factor on the right-hand side can be determined from K_{L3} decays.

From Eqs. (12) and (13) we obtain:

$$G_3 = \frac{(1+\delta)}{2\sqrt{2} F_\pi} \frac{m_{K^*}^2}{2} \left(1 + \frac{4\Delta}{(1-\delta)^2} \right)$$

$$G_D = \frac{(1-\delta)}{2\sqrt{2} F_\pi} \left(-1 + \frac{4\Delta}{(1-\delta)^2} \right)$$

where

$$\Delta = \left(1 - \frac{F_+(0) F_\pi}{F_K} (1+\delta) \right)$$

The decay widths are given by:

$$\Gamma_{K^{*+} \rightarrow K\pi} = \frac{1}{8\pi} k_{CM}^3 \cdot \frac{1}{F_\pi^2} \left(\frac{F_+(0) F_\pi}{F_K} \right)^2 (1+\delta)$$

$$\Gamma_{K_A^+ \rightarrow K^*\pi} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{k_{CM}^5}{m_{K^*}^2} (g_L^2 + 2g_T^2)$$

where $g_{T,L}$:

$$g_T = \sqrt{\frac{1-\delta}{2}} \frac{G_3}{k_{CM}^2}$$

$$g_L = G_D = g_T \sqrt{1 + \frac{k_{CM}^2}{m_{K^*}^2}}$$

The presently known values ¹¹ imply $\delta \approx 0.07$. Assuming ¹² $(1/F_+(0))(F_K/F_\pi) \approx 1.16$, and for F_π the value obtained from decay, we obtain $\Gamma_{K^{*+} \rightarrow K\pi} \sim 40$ MeV and $\Gamma_{K_A^+ \rightarrow K^*\pi} \approx 58$ MeV. These predictions are consistent with experimental results available at present. Also, we find

$$\frac{g_L}{g_T} \approx - \sqrt{1 + \frac{k_{CM}^2}{m_{K^*}^2}} \approx -1.2$$

implying a large d wave admixture. This can be tested by future experiments.

In conclusion, we find that if we assume $m_{A_1} = \sqrt{2} m_\rho$, $m_{K_A} = \sqrt{2} m_{K^*}$ and $\Delta = 0$, it is easily seen that the widths of $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$ and $K^* \rightarrow K\pi$ modes are only slightly affected. However, now the partial width for the $A_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi$ mode comes out ~ 1.2 times that for $K_A \rightarrow K^*\pi$; in fact $\Gamma_{A_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi} \approx 41$ MeV and $\Gamma_{K_A \rightarrow K^*\pi} \approx 34$ MeV. With the small deviations from the exact mass equalities cited above, it seems possible to predict quantitatively the right trend of all of the above strong decays.

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$$g_{\rho\pi\pi} = \frac{m_\rho}{F_\pi} \sqrt{1 + \delta_1}$$

$$g_{K^*K\pi} = \frac{m_{K^*}}{F_K} \frac{F_+(0)}{2} \sqrt{1 + \delta}$$

where $\delta_1 = (m_{A_1}^2 - 2m_\rho^2)/m_{A_1}^2$ and δ and $F_+(0)$ are defined in Eqs. (14) and (15).

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In the soft pion limit with $k \rightarrow 0$ we have the usual current algebra result:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} \sqrt{4p_0 k_0 V^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu(0) | K_A^+(p) \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} G_{K_A} e_{\mu}^{K_A}(p)$$

8. $\sqrt{2p_0 V} \langle 0 | A_\mu(0) | K_A^+(p) \rangle = G_{K_A} e_{\mu}^{K_A}(p)$

9. Other relations are ⁴:

$$G_{K^*} = G_{K_A} \frac{m_{K^*}}{m_p} G_p = \frac{\sqrt{2} m_{K^*}}{\sqrt{1+\delta}} F_K$$

and

$$\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} = \sqrt{\frac{1+\delta}{1+\delta_1}}$$

10. g_L and g_T are the coupling constants if we write the invariant matrix element (11) in the form:

$$i \left[g_L e_{\lambda}^{K_A}(p) e_{\mu}^{K^*}(q) \left(p_{\mu} - \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2} q_{\mu} \right) \left(q_{\lambda} - \frac{p \cdot q}{p^2} p_{\lambda} \right) + \frac{g_T}{m_{K_A} m_{K^*}} \epsilon^{\lambda\alpha\beta\gamma} \epsilon_{\mu\alpha'\beta'\gamma'} p_{\alpha} q_{\beta} p_{\alpha'} q_{\beta'} e_{\lambda}^{K_A} e_{\mu}^{K^*} \right]$$

No cross terms appear in this way of writing the interaction.

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For $\left(\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} \right) \frac{1}{F_\pi(0)} \approx 1.28$, we obtain $\Gamma_{K^* \rightarrow K\pi} \approx 33$ MeV, and

$\Gamma_{\pi \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}} \approx 90$ MeV. We take $F_\pi \approx 137$ MeV.

WEINBERG SUM RULES, THE RATIO F_{K^*}/F_π AND K_A AND K^* DECAYS

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Using Weinberg's first spectral sum rule in $SU(3) \times SU(3)$ while the second sum rule only in $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ we calculate the ratio F_{K^*}/F_π and study the decays $K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ and $K^* \rightarrow K \pi$ treating pions soft in the sense $k^2 \rightarrow 0$.

In recent papers [1], the ratio between the K - and π mesons decay constants for decay into lepton pair has been calculated using the two spectral function sum rules derived by Weinberg [2] and their $SU(3)$ generalizations given by Das et al. [3]. The derivations in ref. 1 make use of both the sum rules and thus imply, in the pole approximations considered, the exact $SU(3)$ results $m_\rho = m_{K^*}$ (and $m_{A_1} \approx m_{K_A}$). We derive here the above ratio by using the first sum rule † in $SU(3) \times SU(3)$ while the second sum rule †† is used only in the $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ subgroup. The unpleasant feature just mentioned is avoided while allowing for the successful predictions [2,3] $m_{A_1} \approx \sqrt{2}m_\rho$ and $m_{K_A} \approx \sqrt{2}m_{K^*}$. The relations thus obtained are used for the study of K^* and K_A decays. The predictions agree fairly well with the experimental data.

The spectral function sum rules lead to [2,3]

$$\begin{aligned} G_\rho^2/m_\rho^2 - G_{A_1}^2/m_{A_1}^2 &= F_\pi^2 \\ G_{K^*}^2/m_{K^*}^2 - G_{K_A}^2/m_{K_A}^2 &= F_K^2 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$G_\rho^2/m_\rho^2 = G_{K^*}^2/m_{K^*}^2,$$

$$G_\rho = G_{A_1} \quad \text{and} \quad G_{K^*} = G_{K_A}$$

These relations then give

$$F_{K^*}/F_\pi = [(1+\delta)/(1+\delta_1)]^{1/2} \quad (2)$$

where

$$\delta_1 = (m_{A_1}^2 - 2m_\rho^2)/m_{A_1}^2$$

and

$$\delta = (m_{K_A}^2 - 2m_{K^*}^2)/m_{K_A}^2$$

This gives $F_{K^*}/F_\pi \approx 1.07$ against the value ≈ 1.16 found in ref. 1. Also it follows

$$G_{A_1}^2/m_{A_1}^2 \approx G_{K_A}^2/m_{K_A}^2 \quad (3)$$

and

$$m_{A_1}/m_\rho \approx m_{K_A}/m_{K^*}$$

The Cabibbo angles θ_A and θ are related through F_{K^*}/F_π by ‡

‡ We make use of the fact that $F_\pi(0) \approx 1$ and θ is a small angle. The author is indebted to Dr. A. Sirlin and Dr. N. Brene for a discussion on this point.

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†† The first spectral function sum rule reads; [i, j being the $SU(3)$ indices]

$$\int_0^\infty [\rho_V^i(\mu^2) - \rho_A^j(\mu^2)] \frac{d\mu^2}{\mu^2} = F_j^2,$$

while the second sum rule is:

$$\int_0^\infty [\rho_V^i(\mu^2) - \rho_A^j(\mu^2)] d\mu^2 = 0 \quad \text{etc.}$$

†† Similar doubts about the applicability of the second sum rule in $SU(3) \times SU(3)$, have also been raised by Sakurai [4].

$$\frac{F_{K^*}}{F_{\pi}} = \frac{\tan \theta_A}{\tan \theta} \approx \frac{F_{+}(0)}{F_{+}(0) \sin \theta} \frac{\sqrt{1 - (F_{+}(0) \sin \theta)^2}}{F_{+}(0) \sin \theta} \tan \theta_A \quad (4)$$

where $F_{+}(0)$ is the $K-\pi$ form factor in K_{l3} decay normalized to unity in the exact SU(3) limit. g_A is determined from the leptonic decays of kaon and pion while $F_{+}(0) \sin \theta$ is determined from K_{l3} decays. Using in eq. (4) for the right-hand side the value $[\tau] \approx 1.16$ $F_{+}(0)$ we obtain $F_{+}(0) \approx 0.92$. On the other hand for $F_{+}(0) = 1$ (the calculated value of $\tan \theta$ is found to be ~ 0.26 which is about 18 percent higher than the value quoted in ref. 5).

Next we calculate the $\rho\pi\pi$ and $K^*K\pi$ couplings under the assumption [e.g. 3] that the pion electromagnetic form factor is dominated by ρ pole while K^* dominates the K_{l3} decay form factor. We find †

$$g_{\rho\pi\pi} = \left(\frac{m_{\rho}}{F_{\pi}} \right) (1 + \delta_1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5)$$

$$g_{K^*K\pi} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{m_{K^*}}{F_{\pi}} \right) \left(\frac{F_{\pi} F_{+}(0)}{f_{K^*}} \right) (1 + \delta)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and

$$\frac{\Gamma_{\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi}}{\Gamma_{K^* \rightarrow K\pi}} = \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{k_{\rho}}{k_{K^*}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{F_{+}(0)} \right)^2 \approx \frac{2.64}{(F_{+}(0))^2} \quad (6)$$

With F_{π} value obtained from pion decay and $F_{K^*}/F_{\pi} F_{+}(0) \approx 1.16$ we find $\Gamma_{\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi} \approx 125$ MeV and $\Gamma_{K^* \rightarrow K\pi} \approx 40$ MeV which agree fairly well with the experimental results considering the uncertainties in the K_{l3} decay measurements.

The decay $K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ can be calculated following the method of Das et al. [8] for $A_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi$ decay:

We consider the following invariant matrix elements:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4p_0 k_0} V^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | \mathcal{V}_{\mu}(0) | K_A^+(p) \rangle = \\ & = i e_{\nu}^{K^*} A [L_1(q^2) \delta_{\mu\nu} + L_2(q^2) k_{\nu}(p+k)_{\mu} + \\ & \quad + L_3(q^2) k_{\nu}(p-k)_{\mu}] \quad (7) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4p_0 k_0} V^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | A_{\mu}(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = \\ & = i e_{\nu}^{K^*} [K_1(q^2) \delta_{\mu\nu} + L_2(q^2) k_{\nu}(p+k)_{\mu} + \\ & \quad + L_3(q^2) k_{\nu}(p-k)_{\mu}] \quad (8) \end{aligned}$$

† These result are similar to those derived in refs. 6 and 7, but modified by the inclusion of A_1 and K_A pole contributions via the Weinberg sum rules.

where $\bar{e}_{\nu}(\rho)$ is the polarization vector and $q = p-k$.

The conserved vector current hypothesis on eq. (7) and the condition of partial conservation of axial vector current on eq. (8) give the following relations for the form factors †:

$$L_1(q^2) + (m_{K_A}^2 - \mu^2) L_2(q^2) - L_3(q^2) q^2 = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & K_1(q^2) + (m_{K^*}^2 + \mu^2) K_2(q^2) - K_3(q^2) q^2 + \\ & \quad = \frac{2F_{K^*} m_{K^*}^2 g_{K^*K\pi}}{(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} \quad (10) \end{aligned}$$

Assuming now the unsubtracted dispersion relations for the form factors L_2, L_3, K_2 and K_3 while once-subtracted dispersion relation for L_1 and K_1 , we can write

$$L_1(q^2) = \frac{G_{K_A}}{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi}} + \frac{(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}{\pi} \int \frac{\text{Im } L_1(q'^2)}{(q'^2 - q^2)(q'^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} dq'^2 \quad (11)$$

$$K_2(q^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \frac{\text{Im } K_2(q'^2)}{(q'^2 - q^2)^2} dq'^2 \quad \text{etc.}$$

A justification [3,9] for the once-subtracted dispersion relation for the latter case may be found by applying PCAC and current algebra to the corresponding invariant matrix elements and neglecting only the k^2 dependent terms.

In the approximation that $L(q^2)_{1,2,3}$ are dominated by K^* pole while $K(q^2)_{1,2,3}$ are dominated by the K and K_A poles we obtain

† The various constants appearing here, and latter are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{2} k_0 \bar{v} \langle 0 | A_{\mu}(0) | K^{*+}(k) \rangle = i F_{K^*} k_{\mu} \\ & \sqrt{4p_0 \sigma_0} V^2 \langle K^{*+}(q) | \mathcal{J}_{\pi^0}(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = g_{K^*K\pi} e^{K^*} \cdot (q-k) \\ & \sqrt{2} k_0 \bar{v} \langle 0 | \mathcal{V}_{\mu}(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = G_{K^*} e_{\mu}^{K^*} (p) \\ & \sqrt{2} k_0 \bar{v} \langle 0 | A_{\mu}(0) | K_A^+(p) \rangle = G_{K_A} e_{\mu}^{K_A} (p) \\ & \sqrt{4p_0 \sigma_0} V^2 \langle K^{*+}(q) | \mathcal{J}_{\pi^0}(0) | K_A^+(p) \rangle = \\ & \quad = i [G_{\rho} e^{K_A} \cdot e^{K^*} + G_{\rho} e^{K_A} \cdot q_{\sigma} e^{K^*} \cdot p] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_1(q^2) &= \frac{G_{K_A}}{\sqrt{2}F_\pi} \frac{(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}{(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} \frac{G_{K^*}G_S}{(m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)} \\
 L_2(q^2) &= \frac{G_{K^*}G_D}{2(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} \\
 L_3(q^2) &= \frac{G_{K^*}}{m_{K^*}^2(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} [G_S - \frac{1}{2}(m_{K_A}^2 - \mu^2 G_D)]
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_1(q^2) &= \frac{G_{K^*}}{\sqrt{2}F_\pi} + \frac{(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)}{(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} \frac{G_{K_A}G_S}{(m_{K^*}^2 - m_{K_A}^2)} \\
 K_2(q^2) &= -\frac{G_{K_A}G_D}{2(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} \\
 K_3(q^2) &= \frac{2F_\pi G_{K^*}K_\pi}{(q^2 + m_{K^*}^2)} + \\
 &\quad -\frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2(q^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} [G_S - \frac{1}{2}(m_{K^*}^2 - \mu^2 G_D)]
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

The relations (9) and (10) then give:

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_S - \frac{1}{2}(m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)G_D &= \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}F_\pi} \frac{G_{K_A}}{G_{K^*}} \left(\frac{m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2}{m_{K_A}^2} \right) m_{K^*}^2
 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{G}_S + \frac{1}{2}(m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)G_D &= \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}F_\pi} \frac{G_{K^*}}{G_{K_A}} - \frac{2F_\pi G_{K^*}K_\pi}{G_{K_A}} \right) \left(\frac{m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} \right) m_{K_A}^2
 \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

here we neglect terms of order $(\mu/m_{K^*})^2$. Taking use of eqs. (1), (2) and (5) we find:

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_S &= \frac{(1+\delta)}{2\sqrt{2}F_\pi} \frac{m_{K^*}^2}{2} \left(1 + \frac{4\Delta}{(1-\delta)2} \right) \\
 G_D &= \frac{(1-\delta)}{2\sqrt{2}F_\pi} \left(-1 + \frac{4\Delta}{(1-\delta)2} \right)
 \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

where

$$\Delta = [1 - (1+\delta)F_\pi F_+(0)/F_{K^*}]$$

The decay width is given by (k being the c.m. momentum):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma_{K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi} &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\frac{k}{m_{K_A}^2} \right)^2 \left[G_S^2 \left(3 + \frac{k^2}{m_{K^*}^2} \right) + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + G_D^2 \frac{m_{K_A}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} k^4 - 2G_S G_D \frac{m_{K_A}}{m_{K^*}} k^2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{k^2}{m_{K^*}^2}} \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

For $\delta \approx 0.07$, F_π obtained from pion decay and $F_{K^*}/F_\pi F_+(0) \approx 1.16$ we find $\Gamma_{K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi} \approx 58$ MeV, consistent with the present experiments. We also find $m_{K_A}^2(G_D/G_S) \approx -1.8$ implying an appreciable admixture of d-wave. This result may be tested in future experiments.

Finally, if we assume $m_A = \sqrt{2}m_\rho$, $m_{K_A} = \sqrt{2}m_{K^*}$ and $\Delta = 0$ the widths of $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$ and $K^* \rightarrow K\pi$ decays are only slightly affected. However, the partial widths for $A_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi$ decay now turns out to be ~ 1.2 times that of $K_A \rightarrow K^*\pi$ decay ($\Gamma_{A_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi} \approx 41$ MeV and $\Gamma_{K_A \rightarrow K^*\pi} \approx 34$ MeV).

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III. ÁLGEBRA DAS CORRENTES E FATORES DE FORMA NO
DECAIMENTO K_0^3

III. ÁLGEBRA DAS CORRENTES E FATORES DE FORMA NO DECAIMENTO K_{l_3}

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RESUMO:

Os fatores de forma no decaimento K_{l_3} são discutidos por um método modificado da álgebra das correntes. Postulamos relações de dispersão sem subtrações para os fatores de forma nos elementos de matrizes entre estados de uma partícula e o vácuo dos comutadores retardados entre as correntes ou entre correntes e divergências das correntes, mantendo fixo uma combinação linear (arbitrária) dos dois momentos transferidos. Os diversos fatores de forma (envolvendo somente um momento transferido) na discussão abaixo supõe-se que satisfaçam relações de dispersão com, no máximo, uma constante de subtração e a parte não constante é calculada na aproximação de dominância pelos polos.

A técnica é aplicada, primeiro, ao caso simples do fator de forma no decaimento π_{l_3} e o resultado $f(0) \neq \sqrt{2}$ é re-obtida como se espera pela hipótese de conservação da corrente vetorial.

No caso dos fatores de forma do K_{l_3} nos permitimos a não conservação da corrente vetorial de estranheza e admitimos a existência de um meson κ sendo este uma partícula scalar, isospinor, e carregando estranheza.

Os fatores de forma F_{\pm} e f_{\pm} nos elementos de matrizes envolvendo $K^- - \pi^0$ e $\kappa^+ - \pi^0$, respectivamente, são estudados ao mesmo tempo. Conclui-se que os $f_{\pm}(q^2)$ e $F_{\pm}(q^2)$ satisfazem relações de dispersão sem subtrações, enquanto que obtemos para $f_{\pm}(0)$ e $F_{\pm}(0)$ as seguintes

tes expressões:

$$\sqrt{2} F_+(0) = (F_K^2 + F_\pi^2 - F_{\rho}^2)/2 F_K F_\pi$$

$$\sqrt{2} f_+(0) = (F_K^2 - F_\pi^2 - F_{\rho}^2)/2 F_K F_\pi$$

Podendo $F_K/(\sqrt{2} F_\pi F_+(0)) \simeq 1,28$ o valor obtido pelas experiências sobre decaimento K_{l3} e $F_{\rho}^2 \simeq 2(F_K^2 - F_\pi^2)$ decorrendo das relações de soma de Weinberg calculamos $(F_K/F_\pi)^2 \simeq 1,17$, $(F_{\rho}/F_\pi)^2 \simeq 0,34$, $\sqrt{2} F_+(0) \simeq 0,85$ e $\sqrt{2} f_+(0) \simeq -1/4 (F_{\rho}/F_\pi) \simeq -0,15$.

É interessante ressaltar que, para obtermos estes resultados, não utilizamos a hipótese de conservação da corrente axial. De fato o fator de forma associado ao elemento de matriz

$$\sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \cdot \langle K^-(q) | \gamma^i (A_\nu(0) \frac{1}{2} - A_\nu(0) \frac{2}{2}) | \pi^-(p) \rangle$$

poderia satisfazer uma relação de dispersão como subtração. Entretanto, se impuzermos que ele satisfaça uma relação de dispersão sem subtração podemos calcular o acoplamento $\kappa \pi \bar{K}$ como sendo:

$$G_{\rho^+ \pi^0 K^+} \simeq \frac{3}{4} \frac{F_{\rho}}{F_K} \frac{(m_{\rho}^2 - m_K^2)}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi}$$

e o valor da razão, $\xi(0) = F_-(0)/F_+(0)$ como:

$$\xi(0) \simeq 11,58\lambda + 0,28 \left(1 - \frac{m_K^2}{m_{\rho}^2} \right)$$

Podemos demonstrar também

$$\xi(0) < \left(\frac{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2}{m_\pi^2} \right) \lambda + \frac{(F_K^2 + F_\pi^2 - F_\pi^2)}{2\sqrt{2} F_\pi F_K F_+(0)}$$

onde

$$F_+(q^2) \simeq F_+(0) \left(1 - \lambda \frac{q^2}{m_\pi^2} \right)$$

As consequências destas relações são discutidas no trabalho.

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K_{l3} DECAY FORM FACTORS AND CURRENT ALGEBRA

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Abstract: The form factors in K_{l3} decay are discussed in a current algebra approach by writing unsubtracted dispersion relations for the matrix elements of suitable retarded commutators between single particle states and vacuum, at (arbitrary) fixed linear combination of the two momentum transfers. This allows us to include the contributions of all the relevant poles and a consistent solution of the current algebra equations is then possible.

Recently, new techniques [1] of applying consistently current algebra method (with pole dominance approximation) have been suggested in order to remedy the failure of current algebra method, in its earlier form, for strong decays [2]. The calculations on A₁ decay [1, 3] and K_A decay [4], admitting that some of the form factors satisfy a subtracted dispersion relation, predict reasonable widths consistent with experimental data.

In this paper we study the K_{l3} decay form factors (including the contribution of kappa meson) following closely a procedure of Brown and West [1]. They calculated the A₁ decay by assuming dispersion relations for vertex functions with an appropriate fixed invariant, so as to include the poles in all the variables. Their approach gives the same results as those obtained by Schnitzer and Weinberg [1] using Ward identities derived from the current algebras. We will assume in what follows that the form factors are at most once subtracted and the non-constant part is calculated in pole dominance approximation. We illustrate the method by first considering the simple case of π_{l3} decay form factor.

The π_{l3} decay form factor. We start by considering the matrix element

$$S_{\mu} = i\sqrt{2k_0}V \int d^4x e^{ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [\partial_{\nu} A_{\nu}(0) \frac{1}{2}, V_{\mu}(x) \frac{1}{2}] | 0 \rangle$$

$$= (k-q)_{\mu} F_1(q^2, p^2) + (k+q)_{\mu} F_2(q^2, p^2) \quad (1)$$

where $p_{\mu} = k_{\mu} + q_{\mu}$ and $k^2 = -m_{\pi}^2$.

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Then

$$p_\mu S_\mu = C - D, \quad (2)$$

with

$$C = \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{ip \cdot x} \delta(x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [\partial_\nu A_\nu(0) \frac{1}{2}, V_0(x) \frac{1}{2}] | 0 \rangle, \quad (3)$$

and

$$D = \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [\partial_\nu \dot{A}_\nu(0) \frac{1}{2}, \partial_\mu V_\mu(x) \frac{1}{2}] | 0 \rangle. \quad (4)$$

Here C is independent of p if the equal-time commutator is assumed to be a local operator.

We postulate now * that $F_{1,2}$ and D satisfy ** an unsubtracted dispersion relation for fixed μ , where

$$\mu = \alpha q^2 + (1 - \alpha) p^2, \quad (5)$$

and α ($0 < \alpha < 1$) is a fixed constant, and $F_{1,2}$ and D are evaluated in pole dominant approximation. Eq. (2) then leads to the relation:

$$F_\pi m_\pi^2 f(p_1^2) + \frac{1}{2} G_\rho \beta(q_1^2) \left[-\frac{(1-\alpha)}{\alpha} + \frac{q_1^2 + m_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2} \right] = -C, \quad (6)$$

where the various form factors and coupling constants are defined as usual by:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{4k_0 p_0} V^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | \pi^-(p) \rangle &= f(q^2) (p+k)_\mu, \\ \sqrt{4k_0 p_0} V^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | \partial_\nu A_\nu(0) \frac{1}{2} | \rho^+(p) \rangle &= \beta(q^2) e^{\rho \cdot k}, \\ \sqrt{2p_0 V} \langle 0 | V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | \rho^+(p) \rangle &= G_\rho e_\mu^\rho(p), \\ \sqrt{2k_0 V} \langle 0 | A_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | \pi^-(k) \rangle &= i F_\pi k_\mu \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \alpha q_1^2 - (1 - \alpha) m_\rho^2 \\ &= -\alpha m_\pi^2 + (1 - \alpha) p_1^2. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Eq. (6) then implies that

$$\lim_{-\mu \rightarrow \infty} [q_1^2 \beta(q_1^2)],$$

* This is equivalent to writing Feynman graphs for the vertex function. The author is indebted to Professor J.S. Bell for this remark.

** In the present case D happens to be vanishing if we assume conserved vector current hypothesis for $V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2}$.

is finite so that $\beta(q^2)$ vanishes for infinite momentum transfer, e.g., $\beta(q^2)$ satisfies unsubtracted dispersion relations. However, the subtraction constant in pion form factor $f(q^2)$ is left unspecified. To obtain information about it we consider:

$$S_{\mu\nu} = i\sqrt{2}k_0 V \int d^4x e^{-iq \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [A_\nu(x) \frac{1}{2}, V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2}] | 0 \rangle. \quad (9)$$

We easily derive:

$$q_\nu S_{\mu\nu} = i\sqrt{2} F_\pi k_\mu - i S_\mu, \quad (10)$$

where we used the current-algebra commutation relation:

$$\delta(x_0) [A_0(x) \frac{1}{2}, V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2}] = (\delta_1^1 A_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} - \delta_j^k A_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2}) \delta^4(x). \quad (11)$$

With the forms of $F_{1,2}$ already derived, we can evaluate the relation (10) at $q_\mu = 0$, $q^2 = 0$, $p^2 = -m_\pi^2$. We obtain the result:

$$f(0) = \sqrt{2}, \quad (12)$$

which is expected because of the assumed charge independence and conserved current hypothesis in the simple case discussed. Next we discuss the K_{13} decay form factors where now the discussion is more involved due to non-conserved vector current and the appearance of two form factors.

The K_{13} decay form factors: The $K^-\pi$ form factor describing K_{13} decay are defined by the matrix element:

$$\sqrt{4k_0 p_0} V^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | K^-(p) \rangle = F_+(q^2)(k+p)_\mu + F_-(q^2)(p-k)_\mu. \quad (13)$$

In the limit of exact SU(3) symmetry we have $F_{K^+} = F_\pi$, $F(q^2) = 0$ and $\sqrt{2} F_+(0) = 1$.

As before, we consider now:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}_\mu &= i\sqrt{2}k_0 V \int d^4x e^{ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [\partial_\nu A_\nu(0) \frac{1}{2}, V_\mu(x) \frac{1}{2}] | 0 \rangle \\ &= (k-q)_\mu F_1 + (k+q)_\mu F_2, \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

and obtain

$$p_\mu \tilde{S}_\mu = C - D, \quad (15)$$

where C and D are defined as in eqs. (3) and (4), but with index 3 replacing the index 2. The poles involved here are due to K , K^* and an isospinor scalar strangeness carrying meson κ . Proceeding in the same manner as before, we obtain

$$F_K [g_+(q_1^2)(m_\pi^2 - m_K^2) + g_-(q_1^2)q_1^2] - F_K m_K^2 [F_+(p_1^2) - \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}\right)F_-(p_1^2)] \\ - \frac{1}{2} G_K \gamma(q_2^2) \left[\left(\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}\right) + \frac{q_2^2 + m_\pi^2}{m_K^2} \right] = C. \quad (16)$$

Here g_\pm are the κ - π form factors introduced by

$$\sqrt{4k_0 p_0} V^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | A_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{3} | \kappa^+(\rho) \rangle = g_+(q^2)(k+\rho)_\mu + g_-(q^2)(p-k)_\mu, \quad (17)$$

and

$$\sqrt{4k_0 p_0} V^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | \partial_\mu A_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{3} | K^{*+}(\rho) \rangle = \gamma(q^2) e^{K^*} \cdot k, \\ \sqrt{2k_0} V \langle 0 | A_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{3} | K^-(k) \rangle = i F_K k_\mu, \\ \sqrt{2k_0} V \langle 0 | V_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{3} | \kappa^+(k) \rangle = i F_K k'_\mu \\ \sqrt{2p_0} V \langle 0 | V_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{3} | K^{*+}(\rho) \rangle = G_{K^*} e_{\mu}^{K^*}(\rho), \quad (18)$$

while

$$\mu = \alpha q_1^2 - (1-\alpha) m_\pi^2 \\ = \alpha q_2^2 - (1-\alpha) m_{K^*}^2 \\ = -\alpha m_K^2 + (1-\alpha) p_1^2. \quad (19)$$

From eq. (16) we see,

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow \infty} [F_K q_1^2 g_-(q_1^2) - \frac{G_{K^*}}{2m_{K^*}^2} q_2^2 \gamma(q_2^2)], \quad (20)$$

is a constant independent of α . For eq. (16) then to be satisfied for arbitrary α we must have $F_-(\infty) = 0$ and $\gamma(\infty) = 0$. Eq. (20) then leads to $g(\infty) = 0$. Thus the form factors F_+ , g_+ and γ satisfy unsubtracted dispersion relations.

To obtain information on the remaining form factors, we consider $S_{\mu\nu}$ defined in eq. (9) with index 2 replaced by 3, and we proceed as before to obtain the sum rule:

$$F_K F_+(0) - F_K g_+(0) = \frac{F_\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (21)$$

We can obtain more sum rules by setting K or κ on the mass shell and considering retarded products involving the (pionic) current $(A_{\mu 1}^1 - A_{\mu 2}^2)$. The sum rules are:

$$\sqrt{2} F_{\pi} F_{+}(0) + \frac{F_{K} g(0)}{(m_{K}^2 - m_{K'}^2)} = F_{K}, \quad (22)$$

$$\sqrt{2} F_{\pi} g_{+}(0) - \frac{F_{K} g(0)}{(m_{K}^2 - m_{K'}^2)} = -F_{K}, \quad (23)$$

where

$$\sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K^-(q) | \partial_{\nu} (A_{\nu}(0)_1^1 - A_{\nu}(0)_2^2) | K^-(p) \rangle = i g(h^2) \quad (24)$$

Solving eqs. (21), (22) and (23):

$$\sqrt{2} F_{+}(0) = \frac{(F_{K}^2 + F_{\pi}^2 - F_{K'}^2)}{2F_{K} F_{\pi}}, \quad (25)$$

$$\sqrt{2} g_{+}(0) = \frac{(F_{K}^2 - F_{\pi}^2 - F_{K'}^2)}{2F_{K} F_{\pi}}, \quad (26)$$

$$g(0) = \frac{(m_{K}^2 - m_{K'}^2)(F_{K}^2 + F_{K'}^2 - F_{\pi}^2)}{2F_{K} F_{K'}} \quad (27)$$

To these we could add the relation

$$F_{K}^2 \approx 2(F_{K'}^2 - F_{\pi}^2), \quad (28)$$

derived from the Weinberg spectral function sum rules*.

From experiments on K_{S3} decays, one knows $(F_{K}/F_{\pi})(1/\sqrt{2}F_{+}(0)) \approx 1.28$. Eqs. (25) and (28) then give** $(F_{K}/F_{\pi})^2 = 1.17$, $(F_{K'}/F_{\pi})^2 \approx 0.34$ and $\sqrt{2}F_{+}(0) \approx 0.85$. We also obtain

$$\sqrt{2}g_{+}(0) \approx -0.25(F_{K'}/F_{\pi}) \approx -0.15, \quad (29)$$

and

$$g(0) \approx \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{F_{K'}}{F_{K}} \right) (m_{K}^2 - m_{K'}^2). \quad (30)$$

If we assume the very successful hypothesis of partially conserved axial current (PCAC) for pion, eqs. (24) and (27) then give for the $\pi\pi K$ coupling constant

* See ref. [5]. In deriving this sum rule, we assume $m_{A_1} \approx \sqrt{2}m_{\rho}$ and $m_{K_A} \approx \sqrt{2}m_{K^*}$.

** Same results are obtained in ref. [6], using Ward identities.

$$G_{K^+ \pi^0 K^+} \approx \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{F_K}{F_\pi} \right) \frac{(m_K^2 - m_\pi^2)}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi}, \quad (31)$$

which is different from the results obtained from PCVC or PCAC assumptions* for strangeness carrying currents in eqs. (13) or (17) respectively. In fact, the $\kappa\pi K$ coupling vanishes if $m_K = m_{K^*}$, as well as in the exact SU(3) symmetry limit.

We can then also calculate $\xi(0)$ for K_{l3} decay and find:

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(0) &= F_-(0)/F_+(0) \\ &= \left(\frac{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2}{m_\pi^2} \right) \lambda + \frac{(m_K^2 - m_{K^*}^2) (F_K^2 + F_{K^*}^2 - F_\pi^2)}{m_K^2 \cdot 2\sqrt{2} F_\pi F_K F_+(0)} \\ &\approx 11.58\lambda + 0.28(1 - m_{K^*}^2/m_K^2), \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

where λ is defined, for small momentum transfers, by:

$$F_+(q^2) \approx F_+(0) \left[1 + \lambda \frac{q^2}{m_\pi^2} \right]. \quad (33)$$

Hence an upper limit on the value of ξ is **

$$\xi(0) < \left(\frac{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2}{m_\pi^2} \right) \lambda + \frac{(F_K^2 + F_{K^*}^2 - F_\pi^2)}{2\sqrt{2} F_\pi F_K F_+(0)}. \quad (34)$$

With the experimental value [7] $\lambda \approx -0.023$, we find $\xi < 0.01$. Thus it excludes the possibility of a large positive value for ξ and favours the negative values found in the experiments measuring the polarization of muon in K_{l3} decay ($\xi_{\text{exp}} \approx -0.5 \pm 0.3$).

From eq. (32) we find $\xi \approx -0.2$ and -0.24 corresponding to $m_{K^*} \approx 560$ MeV and 520 MeV, respectively. The corresponding values for the $\kappa\pi K$ coupling $G_{K^+ \pi^0 K^+}$ are calculated to be 147 MeV and 56 MeV, respectively ***.

Finally, we remark that the unseen decay mode $K_A \rightarrow \kappa\pi$ will be suppressed compared to other modes if g_+ satisfies a subtracted dispersion relation with the subtraction constant close to that given by the right-hand side of eq. (26).

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* Note that we do not use any such assumption in deriving the above sum rules.

** If no PCAC assumption is made no upper limit follows and instead we have $G_{K^+ \pi^0 K^+} \approx (\xi + 0.27) m_K^2 F_+(0) / F_{K^*}$.

*** In a pole model with only pion pole contributing, the former case gives a 10⁻¹⁰ sec for the lifetime of K^+ decaying into $K^+ + 2\gamma$. The value is very sensitive to the deviation of κ mass from K mass. For $m_\kappa \approx 615$ MeV the lifetime is $\approx 10^{-13}$ sec.

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RESUMO:

Um método modificado da álgebra das correntes é discutido para os cálculos dos decaimentos fortes $K_A \rightarrow K\rho$ e $K_A \rightarrow K^*\pi$. A hipótese da conservação parcial da corrente axial não é usada e os píons e kaons são tratados como partículas "duras" com massas não nulas, contrariamente, à hipótese dos mesons "moles" usada, frequentemente, nos trabalhos que aplicam o método da álgebra das correntes. Postulamos relações de dispersão sem subtrações para os fatores de forma nos elementos de matrizes entre estados de uma partícula e o vácuo dos comutadores retardados entre as correntes ou entre correntes e divergências / das correntes, mantendo fixo uma combinação linear (arbitrária) dos dois momentos transferidos. Isto nos permite incluir em nossos cálculos as contribuições de polos em ambos os momentos transferidos. Para os diversos fatores de forma (envolvendo somente um momento transferido), na discussão, supõe-se que satisfaçam relações de dispersão com, no máximo, uma constante de subtração e a parte não constante é calculada na aproximação da dominância pelos polos. O método da álgebra das correntes é usado para derivar várias regras de soma entre as constantes de acoplamento e as constantes da subtração sem usar a hipótese da conservação parcial da corrente axial ou limite dos mesons "moles". A solução destas regras de soma permite-nos calcular as larguras parciais dos decaimentos e reestabelecer as regras de soma de Weinberg como condições de auto-consistência. As hipóteses feitas no trabalho (II) são -

bre as constantes de subtração dos fatores de forma $L_1(q^2)$ e $K_1(q^2)$ agora decorrem do nosso método da álgebra das correntes.

A inconveniência do uso da hipótese da conservação parcial da corrente axial correspondente ao meson K no cálculo do decaimento $K_A \rightarrow K\rho$ não se apresenta em nosso método de cálculo.

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INTRODUCTION

The current algebra method ¹ along with soft pion hypothesis has been used with considerable success in variety of processes. However, there are cases where this technique does not work so well. Recently, new techniques of applying consistently current algebra method (with pole dominance approximation) have been suggested in these cases. The calculations on strong ^{2, 3, 4} A_1 and ^{5, 6} K_A decays, admitting that some of the form factors satisfy a subtracted dispersion relation predict, contrary to the earlier calculations ⁷ giving very large widths, reasonable widths consistent with experiments. Schnitzer and Weinberg ³ developed a technique of Ward-like identities for the vertex functions to calculate "hard" pion processes $A_1 \rightarrow \rho\pi$ and $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$ successfully. Brown and West, ² on the other hand assume dispersion relations for vertex functions with an appropriate fixed invariant, so as to include the poles in

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all the variables while admitting that the form factors are at most once subtracted. The results obtained by the two methods are identical. The same holds true in the case of the second order renormalization corrections to the K_0 form factors as calculated by ⁸ Glashow and Weinberg and ⁹ Srivastava. However, the unsubtracted dispersion relation technique seems to be rather straightforward and amounts to writing Feynman diagrams with form factors at the vertices and establishing appropriate current algebra identities. We will discuss in this paper the strong decays $K_A \rightarrow K_0$ and $K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ following the procedure exposed in references 2 and 9. In what follows, we assume that the form factors are at most once subtracted and the non-constant part is calculated in the pole dominance approximation. Along with the expressions for the relevant decay rates we also re-derive the ¹⁰ Weinberg sum rules for $SU(3) \times SU(3)$ group and also illustrate that the hypothesis of partial conservation of axial current need not hold necessarily, even for pion, for every form factor. The calculated decay rates are in fair agreement with the experimental results considering the present uncertainties in experimental data.

$K_A \rightarrow K^* \pi$ and $K^* \rightarrow K \pi$ decays:

I. K_A and K^* Matrix Elements

We introduce the following matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sqrt{4k_0 p_0 V^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | A_\mu(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle \\
 & = i e_\nu K^*(p) \left[K_1(q^2) g^{\mu\nu} + K_2(q^2) k^\nu (p+k)^\mu + K_3(q^2) k^\nu q^\mu \right] \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4k_0 p_0 v^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu(0) | K_A^-(p) \rangle \\ &= 1 e_\nu^{K_A} (p) \left[L_1^i(q^2) g^{\mu\nu} + L_2^i(q^2) k^\nu (p+k)^\mu + L_3^i(q^2) k^\nu q^\mu \right] \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

where $q_\mu = p_\mu - k_\mu$ and the form factors $K_{1,2,3}(q^2)$ and $L_{1,2,3}(q^2)$, introduced on the considerations of Lorentz covariance, are calculated in the pole dominance approximation to be:

$$K_1(q^2) = \frac{G_{K_A} G_S^i}{(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} + K_1(\infty) \quad (3)$$

$$L_2(q^2) = - \frac{G_{K_A} G_D^i}{2(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} + K_2(\infty)$$

$$K_3(q^2) = \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2} \frac{\left[G_S^i + \frac{1}{2} G_D^i (m_{K^*}^2 - m_\pi^2) \right]}{(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} - \frac{F_K G_{K^*} + \pi^0_{K^*}}{(m_{K^*}^2 - q^2)} + K_3(\infty)$$

and similarly:

$$L_1^i(q^2) = \frac{G_{K^*} G_S^i}{(m_{K^*}^2 - q^2)} + L_1^i(\infty)$$

expressed in terms of the form factors $G_{K^*} G_S^i$ and $G_{K^*} G_D^i$.
 We note that the form factor $L_2^i(q^2)$ is calculated in the pole dominance approximation on the hypothesis of pole dominance for the π^0 meson.
 For the form factor $L_3^i(q^2)$ we have calculated a value for $L_3^i(q^2)$ in the pole dominance approximation for the π^0 meson.
 The results are consistent with the results obtained in the pole dominance approximation for the π^0 meson.

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Here $K(\infty)$, $L(\infty)$ are subtraction constants and the various coupling constants are defined by the following invariant matrix elements:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sqrt{2q_0 V} \langle 0 | A_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | K^+(q) \rangle &= i F_K q_\mu \\
 \sqrt{2q_0 V} \langle 0 | V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | \mathcal{K}^+(q) \rangle &= i F_{\mathcal{K}} \bar{q}_\mu \\
 \sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K^+(q) | j_{\pi^0}(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle &= G_{K^* \pi^0 K^+} e^{K^*}(p) \cdot q \\
 \sqrt{2q_0 V} \langle 0 | A_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | K_A^+(q) \rangle &= G_{K_A} e_\mu^{K_A}(q) \\
 \sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle \mathcal{K}^-(q) | j_{\pi^0}(0) | K_A^-(p) \rangle &= G_{K_A \pi^0 \mathcal{K}^-} e^{K_A}(p) \cdot q \\
 \sqrt{2q_0 V} \langle 0 | V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | K^{*+}(q) \rangle &= G_{K^*} e_\mu^{K^*}(q) \quad (5) \\
 \sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K^-(q) | j_{\pi^0}(0) | K_A^-(p) \rangle &= i \left[G_S'' e^{K_A} \cdot e^{K^*+} + G_D'' e^{K_A} \cdot q e^{K^*+} \cdot p \right] \\
 \sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K_A^+(q) | j_{\pi^0}(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle &= -i \left[G_S' e^{K_A^+} \cdot e^{K^*} + G_D' e^{K^*} \cdot q e^{K_A^+} \cdot p \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

The indices on the currents are the usual $SU(3)$ tensor indices; the coupling constants $G_{S,D}$ determine the decay rate of K_A ; and \mathcal{K} is a scalar isospinor strangeness carrying meson. For the discussion below we also need the $K - \pi^0$ and $\mathcal{K} - \pi^0$ form factors. The former are defined by:

$$\sqrt{4k_0 p_0 V^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} | K^+(p) \rangle = F_+(t)(p+q)_\mu + F_-(t)(p-q)_\mu \quad (6)$$

where $t = (p-k)^2 = q^2$. In the exact $SU(3)$ limit $F_-(q^2) = 0$ while $F_+(0) = -1/\sqrt{2}$. A similar definition is given for $\mathcal{K} - \pi^0$ form factors $f_\pm(q^2)$, considering the matrix element of axial current.

In the pole dominance approximation we find:

$$F_+(q^2) = - \frac{G_{K^*} G_{K^*}^+ \pi^0 K^+}{2(m_{K^*}^2 - q^2)} + F_+(\infty) \quad (7)$$

$$F_-(q^2) = \left(\frac{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2}{2m_{K^*}^2} \right) \frac{G_{K^*} G_{K^*}^+ \pi^0 K^+}{(m_{K^*}^2 - q^2)} = \frac{F_{\pi K} G_{K^*}^+ \pi^0 K^+}{(m_K^2 - q^2)}$$

where we have used the fact that the subtraction constant in $F_-(q^2)$ must be vanishing under the hypothesis of at most once subtracted dispersion relation for the matrix element of the divergence $\partial^\mu (V_{\mu 3}^1)$. Here the $K\pi\pi$ coupling is defined by:

$$\sqrt{4q_0 p_0} V_{\pi^0}^{\pi^+}(q) |j_{\pi^0}(0) |K^+(p)\rangle = i G_{K^+ \pi^0 \pi^+} \quad (8)$$

For $K^+-\pi^0$ form factors we find:

$$f_+(q^2) = - \frac{G_{K_A} G_{K_A}^+ \pi^0 K^+}{2(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} + f_+(\infty) \quad (9)$$

$$f_-(q^2) = \left(\frac{m_K^2 - m_\pi^2}{2 m_{K_A}^2} \right) \frac{G_{K_A} G_{K_A}^+ \pi^0 K^+}{(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} = \frac{F_K G_{\pi K^+}^+ \pi^0 K^+}{(m_K^2 - q^2)}$$

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II. Sum Rules from the K_A and K^* Matrix Elements of Two Currents:

We, now, set up a set of self consistent sum rules among the various subtraction constants. The solution of these equations will lead to the Weinberg sum rules and expressions for G_S and G_D to determine the decay width of K_A^0 . We will illustrate the

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procedure by discussing the case of K^* matrix element of two currents introduced below.

Consider the retarded matrix element:

$$W_{\mu\nu}^{K^*} = i\sqrt{2p_0V} \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle 0 | [A_\nu(x)_1^1 - A_\nu(x)_2^2, A_\mu(0)_3^1] | K^{*+}(p) \rangle \quad (10)$$

$$= i\sqrt{2p_0V} \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle 0 | [A_\nu(0)_1^1 - A_\nu(0)_2^2, A_\mu(x)_3^1] | K^{*+}(p) \rangle$$

Then:

$$ik^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^{K^*} = -W_{\mu}^{K^*} + iG_{K^*} e_{\mu}^{K^*}(p) \quad (11)$$

where

$$p = k + q,$$

$$W_{\mu}^{K^*} = i\sqrt{2p_0V} \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle 0 | [\partial^\nu (A_\nu(x)_1^1 - A_\nu(x)_2^2), A_\mu(0)_3^1] | K^{*+}(p) \rangle \quad (12)$$

$$= i\sqrt{2p_0V} \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle 0 | [\partial^\nu (A_\nu(0)_1^1 - A_\nu(0)_2^2), A_\mu(x)_3^1] | K^{*+}(p) \rangle$$

and we use the current algebra equal time commutator relation

$$\delta(x^0) [A_0(x)_j^1, A_\mu(0)_l^k] = \delta^4(x) [\delta_l^1 v_\mu(0)_j^k - \delta_j^k v_\mu(0)_l^1] \quad (13)$$

in the second term, on the right hand side, obtained on integration by parts.

We take, now, the limit $k^\nu \rightarrow 0$ so that $k^2 \rightarrow 0$ and $q^2 \rightarrow m_{K^*}^2$. Since the poles involved in $W_{\mu\nu}^{K^*}$ are due to π^0 , A_1^0 , K_A and K and thus there are no poles due to zero mass in k^2 or corresponding to mass $m_{K^*}^2$ in q^2 , it follows that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} k^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^{K^*} = 0 \quad (14)$$

Consequently:

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} W_{\mu}^{K^*}(k^2 = 0, q^2 = m_{K^*}^2) = 1 G_{K^*} e_{\mu}^{K^*}(p) \quad (15)$$

To apply this result we first calculate the invariant form factors appearing in $W_{\mu}^{K^*}(k^2, q^2)$ by assuming that they satisfy an unsubtracted dispersion relation for fixed invariant μ , where

$$\mu = \alpha q^2 + (1-\alpha)k^2 \quad (16)$$

and $\alpha (0 < \alpha < 1)$ is a fixed arbitrary constant. We evaluate them in pole dominant approximation. In this way we retain the pole contributions from both the variables k^2 and q^2 . We find:

$$W_{\mu}^{K^*} = i e_{\mu}^{K^*}(p) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi} m_{\pi}^2 K_1(q_1^2)}{(m_{\pi}^2 - k^2)} - \frac{G_{K_A} \beta_1(k_2^2)}{(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} \right) \quad (17)$$

+ terms (*) involving $e^{K^*} \cdot k$.

where

$$\mu = \alpha q_1^2 + (1-\alpha)m_{\pi}^2 = \alpha m_{K_A}^2 + (1-\alpha)k_2^2 = \alpha m_K^2 + (1-\alpha)k_1^2 \quad (18)$$

and $\beta_{1,2}(k^2)$ are defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K_A^+(q) | \partial^{\mu} (A_{\mu}(0)_1^{\dagger} - A_{\mu}(0)_2^{\dagger}) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle \\ &= i \left[\beta_1(k^2) e^{K_A^{\dagger}} \cdot e^{K^*} + \beta_2(k^2) e^{K_A^{\dagger} \cdot p} e^{K^* \cdot q} \right] \quad (19) \end{aligned}$$

The pole dominant expressions for $\beta_{1,2}$ are . . .

(*) See appendix.

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$$\beta_1(k^2) = \frac{-\sqrt{2} F_\pi m_\pi^2 G'_s}{(m_\pi^2 - k^2)} + \beta_1(\infty)$$

(20)

$$\beta_2(k^2) = \frac{-\sqrt{2} F_\pi m_\pi^2 G'_D}{(m_\pi^2 - k^2)} + \beta_2(\infty)$$

Hence

$$W_\mu^{K^*}(k^2, q^2) = i e^{K^*}(\rho) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} F_\pi m_\pi^2 G_{K_A} G'_s}{(m_\pi^2 - k^2)(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} + \frac{\sqrt{2} F_\pi m_\pi^2 K_1(\infty)}{(m_\pi^2 - k^2)} - \frac{G_{K_A} \beta_1(\infty)}{(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} \right) + \text{terms involving } (e^{K^*} \cdot k)$$

(21)

From equation (15) we then obtain the sum rule:[†]

$$G_{K^*} = \sqrt{2} F_\pi K_1(\infty) + \frac{G_{K_A} (\sqrt{2} F_\pi G'_s - \beta_1(\infty))}{(m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)}$$

(22)

A similar sum rule obtained by considering the K_A matrix element is discussed in section (V).

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III. Matrix Elements of Current Divergences

Information on $\beta_{1,2}(\infty)$ can be obtained by considering:

$$i q^\mu W_{\mu}^{K^*} = - W^{K^*} + C$$

(23)

where

$$W^{K*} = i \sqrt{2p_0 V} \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle 0 | \left[\partial^\nu (A_\nu(0)_1^1 - A_\nu(0)_2^2), \partial^\mu A_\mu(x)_3^1 \right] | K^{*+}(p) \rangle \quad (24)$$

$$= i \sqrt{2p_0 V} \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle 0 | \left[\partial^\nu (A_\nu(x)_1^1 - A_\nu(x)_2^2), \partial^\mu A_\mu(0)_3^1 \right] | K^{*+}(p) \rangle$$

and C is the other term obtained on integration by parts and it involves an equal time commutator. If this commutator is assumed to be a local operator, C is a constant. In the present case C is vanishing due to angular momentum considerations. W^{K*} is expressed (Appendix) in the pole dominant approximation proceeding as in the case of W_μ^{K*} and, finally, from equation (23) we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & - F_\pi m_\pi^2 K_2(q_1^2) + \frac{G_{KA}}{2} \beta_2(k_2^2) \left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \right) \\ & - F_\pi m_\pi^2 K_3(q_1^2) \left(\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} \right) - F_K m_K^2 E_1(k_1^2) \\ & - \frac{G_{KA}}{m_{KA}} \left[\beta_1(k_2^2) + \frac{1}{2} (m_{K^*}^2 - k_2^2) \beta_2(k_2^2) \right] = 0 \quad (25) \end{aligned}$$

where $E_1(k^2)$ is defined by

$$\sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K^+(q) | \partial^\mu (A_\mu(0)_1^1 - A_\mu(0)_2^2) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = E_1(k^2) e^{K^*(p), q} \quad (26)$$

Allowing $\mu \rightarrow \infty$ we find from equations (18) and (25), which holds for arbitrary $(0 < \alpha < 1)$, that

$$\beta_2(\infty) = 0, \quad K_3(\infty) = 0 \quad (27)$$

and

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & - F_{\pi} \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\hbar} K_2(\infty) - F_K \frac{m_K^2}{\hbar} E_1(\infty) - \\
 & - \frac{G_K A}{m_K^2} \left[\beta_1(\infty) - \frac{1}{2} \lim_{k^2 \rightarrow \infty} (k^2 \beta_2(k^2)) \right] = 0 \quad (28)
 \end{aligned}$$

Starting from

$$S_{\mu}^K = i \sqrt{2q_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle K^+(q) | \left[\partial^{\nu} (A_{\nu}(0)_1^1 - A_{\nu}(0)_2^2), V_{\mu}(x)_1^{\bar{1}} \right] | 0 \rangle \quad (29)$$

$$= i \sqrt{2q_0 V} \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle K^+(q) | \left[\partial^{\nu} (A_{\nu}(x)_1^1 - A_{\nu}(x)_2^2), V_{\mu}(0)_1^{\bar{1}} \right] | 0 \rangle$$

and considering

$$-i p^{\mu} S_{\mu}^K + S^K = \text{constant} \quad (30)$$

where

$$S^K = i \sqrt{2q_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle K^+(q) | \left[\partial^{\nu} (A_{\nu}(0)_1^1 - A_{\nu}(0)_2^2), V_{\mu}(x)_1^{\bar{1}} \right] | 0 \rangle \quad (31)$$

we can show, likewise, that

$$E_1(\infty) = 0 \quad (32)$$

Considering

$$S_{\mu}^{\pi^0} = i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | \left[\partial^{\nu} (A_{\nu}(0)_3^3), V_{\mu}(x)_1^{\bar{1}} \right] | 0 \rangle \quad (33)$$

we are lead to:

$$E_2(\infty) = 0 \quad (34)$$

where

$$\sqrt{4k_0 p_0 V^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | \partial^{\mu} A_{\mu}(0)_3^3 | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = E_2(q^2) e^{K^*(p) \cdot k} \quad (35)$$

that is:

$$E_2(q^2) = -K_1(q^2) + (m_{K^*}^2 - m_{\pi}^2) K_2(q^2) + q^2 K_3(q^2) \quad (36)$$

and, similarly, by considering

$$S_{\mu}^{\pi^0} = i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [\partial^{\mu} v_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{3}, A_{\mu}(x) \frac{1}{1}] | 0 \rangle$$

we show that

$$E_3(\infty) = 0 \quad (38)$$

where

$$\sqrt{4k_0 p_0 V^2} \langle \pi^0(k) | \partial^{\mu} v_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{3} | K_A^+(p) \rangle = E_3(q^2) e^{K_A(p) \cdot k} \quad (39)$$

that is

$$E_3(q^2) = -L_1(q^2) + (m_{K_A}^2 - m_{\pi}^2) L_2(q^2) + q^2 L_3(q^2) \quad (40)$$

We note that $E_2(\cdot) = 0$ leads to, again, with our assumptions, $K_3(\infty) = 0$.

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Likewise we consider:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\mu\nu}^{\pi^0} &= i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [A_{\nu}(x) \frac{1}{3}, v_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{1}] | 0 \rangle \\ &= i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [A_{\nu}(0) \frac{1}{3}, v_{\mu}(x) \frac{1}{1}] | 0 \rangle \\ &= A_1 g_{\mu\nu} + A_2 k_{\mu} k_{\nu} + A_3 p_{\mu} p_{\nu} + A_4 k_{\mu} p_{\nu} + A_5 k_{\nu} p_{\mu} \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

and

$$i q_{\nu} S_{\mu\nu}^{\pi^0} + S_{\mu}^{\pi^0} = \frac{F_{\pi}}{\sqrt{2}} k_{\mu} \quad (42)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\mu}^{\pi^0} &= i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [\partial^{\nu} A_{\nu}(x) \frac{1}{3}, v_{\mu}(0) \frac{1}{1}] | 0 \rangle \\ &= i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \pi^0(k) | [\partial^{\nu} A_{\nu}(0) \frac{1}{3}, v_{\mu}(x) \frac{1}{1}] | 0 \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

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obtained on integration by parts and using the current algebra commutation relation. We write then unsubtracted dispersion relations for fixed μ for the invariants $A_1(q^2, p^2)$. After a straightforward calculation following the procedure already explained, and using the results already obtained we find:

$$\begin{aligned} L_2^i(\infty) &= L_3^i(\infty) = K_2(\infty) = 0 \\ K_1(\infty) &= \lim_{q^2 \rightarrow \infty} [q^2 K_3(q^2)] \\ L_1^i(\infty) &= \lim_{q^2 \rightarrow \infty} [q^2 L_3^i(q^2)] \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

In addition we derive the following sum rules:

$$\frac{F_\pi}{\sqrt{2}} = 2 F_K F_+^i(\infty) - \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2} L_1^i(\infty) + \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2} \lim_{q^2 \rightarrow \infty} [q^2 L_2^i(q^2)] \quad (45)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & F_K f_+(\infty) - F_K F_+^i(\infty) \\ &= -\frac{F_\pi}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{G_{K_A}}{2m_{K_A}^2} \left[L_1^i(\infty) - \lim_{q^2 \rightarrow \infty} (q^2 L_2^i(q^2)) \right] \\ &+ \frac{G_{K^*}}{2m_{K^*}^2} \left[K_1(\infty) - \lim_{q^2 \rightarrow \infty} (q^2 K_2(q^2)) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

Here $F_\pm^i(q^2)$ denotes the $K^* - \pi^0$ form factors defined by an expression similar to equation (6).

Using the pole dominant forms for the various form factors we can re-cast them as follows (*)

$$F_{\mathcal{K}} f_+(0) - F_K F'_+(0) = -\frac{F_{\pi}}{\sqrt{2}} \quad (47)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & F_K F'_+(0) + F_{\mathcal{K}} f_+(0) \\ &= -\frac{G_{K_A} G_{K^*}}{m_{K^*}^2 m_{K_A}^2} \left[G'_S + \frac{1}{2} G'_D (m_{K_A}^2 + m_{K^*}^2 - m_{\pi}^2) \right] + \\ &+ \frac{F_{\mathcal{K}} G_{K_A} G_{K^*} \pi^0_{\mathcal{K}^*}}{m_{K_A}^2} + \frac{F_K G_{K^*} G_{K^*} \pi^0_{K^*}}{m_{K^*}^2} \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

From equations (28), (32) and (44) we find:

$$\beta_1(\infty) = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{k^2 \rightarrow \infty} \left[k^2 \beta_2(k^2) \right] \quad (49)$$

and from equations (20) and (27):

$$\beta_1(\infty) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{2} F_{\pi} G'_D \quad (50)$$

It is interesting to remark that according to the partial conservation of axial pion current hypothesis we should expect both $\beta_1(\infty) = \beta_2(\infty) = 0$, contrary to the conclusion arrived by using our procedure.

From equations (3), (22), (44) and (50) we deduce:

(*) In arriving at this result we have been made use of SU(3) symmetric coupling relations $G_{K^*} \pi^0_{K^*} = -G_{K^*} \pi^0_{K^*}$, $G_{K_A} \pi^0_{\mathcal{K}^*} = -G_{K_A} \pi^0_{\mathcal{K}^*}$, $G_{S,D} = -G_{S,D}$ etc.

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$$\frac{G_{K^*}}{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi}} = F_K G_{K^*+} \pi^0 K^+ + \frac{G_{K_A} m_{K^*}^2}{m_{K_A}^2 (m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)} \left[G_S^1 + \frac{1}{2} G_D^1 (m_{K^*}^2 - m_{K_A}^2 - m_{\pi}^2) \right] \quad (51)$$

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V. Sum Rules From K_A , K and π Matrix Elements of Two Currents.

Weinberg Sum Rule:

Considering

$$W_{\mu\nu}^{K_A^-} = i \sqrt{2 p_0 V} \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle 0 | [A_{\nu}(x)_1^1 - A_{\nu}(x)_2^2, V_{\mu}(0)_1^3] | K_A^-(p) \rangle \quad (52)$$

and proceeding as in section (II) we can obtain:

$$-\frac{G_{K_A}}{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi}} = F_K G_{K_A}^- \pi^0 K^- - \frac{G_{K^*} m_{K_A}^2}{m_{K^*}^2 (m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)} \left[G_S^1 + \frac{1}{2} G_D^1 (m_{K_A}^2 - m_{K^*}^2 - m_{\pi}^2) \right] \quad (53)$$

From equations (51) and (53) we show:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi}} \left(\frac{G_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} - \frac{G_{K_A}^2}{m_{K_A}^2} \right) = \frac{F_K G_{K^*} G_{K^*+} \pi^0 K^+}{m_{K^*}^2} + \frac{F_{\pi} G_{K_A} G_{K_A}^- \pi^0 K^-}{m_{K_A}^2}$$

$$-\frac{G_{K^*} G_{K_A}}{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi}} \left[G_S^1 + \frac{1}{2} G_D^1 (m_{K^*}^2 + m_{K_A}^2 - m_{\pi}^2) \right]$$

Using equations (4), (7), (44), (47), (48) and (54) we find:

$$\left(\frac{G_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} - \frac{G_K^2}{m_K^2} \right) = 2\sqrt{2} F_\pi F_K F_+^1(0) - F_\pi^2 \quad (55)$$

To obtain information on $F_+^1(0)$ we consider

$$S_{\mu\nu}^K = i\sqrt{2q_0V} \int d^4x e^{+ik \cdot x} \theta(+x_0) \langle K^+(q) | [A_\nu(x)_1^1 - A_\nu(x)_2^2, V_\mu(0)_1^3] | 0 \rangle \quad (56)$$

and proceeding as in section (II) we find

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} S_{\mu}^K (k^2 = 0, p^2 = m_K^2) = -F_K q_\mu \quad (57)$$

which leads to ⁹

$$-F_K = +\sqrt{2} F_\pi F_+(0) + \frac{F_\ell g(0)}{(m_\ell^2 - m_K^2)} \quad (58)$$

where

$$\sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K^+(q) | \partial^\nu (A_\nu(0)_1^1 - A_\nu(0)_2^2) | \ell^+(p) \rangle = ig(k^2) . \quad (59)$$

Considering, likewise,

$$S_{\mu\nu}^\ell = i\sqrt{2q_0V} \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \theta(x_0) \langle \ell^+(q) | [A_\nu(x)_1^1 - A_\nu(x)_2^2, A_\mu(0)_1^3] | 0 \rangle \quad (60)$$

we obtain

$$-F_\ell = \sqrt{2} F_\pi f_+(0) - \frac{F_K g(0)}{(m_K^2 - m_\ell^2)} \quad (61)$$

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From equations (58) and (61):

$$\begin{aligned} F_K^2 - F_{\mathcal{K}}^2 &= \sqrt{2} F_{\pi} (F_{\mathcal{K}} f_+(0) - F_K F'_+(0)) \\ &= \sqrt{2} F_{\pi} (F_{\mathcal{K}} f_+(0) + F_K F'_+(0)) \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

Combining with equation (47) we obtain:

$$\sqrt{2} F'_+(0) = \frac{F_K^2 + F_{\pi}^2 - F_{\mathcal{K}}^2}{2 F_{\pi} F_K} \quad (63)$$

$$\sqrt{2} f_+(0) = \frac{F_K^2 - F_{\pi}^2 - F_{\mathcal{K}}^2}{2 F_{\pi} F_{\mathcal{K}}} \quad (64)$$

and then, from equation (58)

$$g(0) = \frac{(F_K^2 - F_{\pi}^2 + F_{\mathcal{K}}^2)(m_K^2 - m_{\mathcal{K}}^2)}{2 F_K F_{\mathcal{K}}} \quad (65)$$

These results were already discussed in references (8) and (9) .

From equations (55) and (63) we obtain the Weinberg sum rule

$$\left(\frac{G_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} - \frac{G_{K_A}^2}{m_{K_A}^2} \right) = (F_K^2 - F_{\mathcal{K}}^2) \quad (66)$$

as a self consistency constraint.

The results of equations (27) and (44) justify the assumptions made on the subtraction constants of the form factors in reference (5) . The equations (51) and (53) are identical to those of the reference mentioned if $F_{\mathcal{K}} = 0$. The decay widths in

this case were already discussed and found to be in agreement with experiments. We now discuss $K_A \rightarrow K\rho$ decay mode.

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$K_A \rightarrow K\rho$ Decay

I. K_A and ρ Matrix Elements

The decays such as $K_A \rightarrow K\rho$, $K_A \rightarrow K\omega$ and $\varphi \rightarrow K\bar{K}$, with the large mass of kaon, can hardly be treated by soft kaon technique. We will only sketch the calculation since the technique has been already explained above. The partial decay width calculated for $K_A \rightarrow K\rho$ process is in agreement with the present experimental data.

We start by defining the form factors $G_{1,2,3}$ and $H_{1,2,3}$ appearing in the following invariant matrix elements

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4k_0 p_0} V^2 \langle \rho_\mu^0(k) | A_\nu(0) \frac{1}{3} | K^+(p) \rangle \\ = & -i (e_\rho^\lambda(k))^+ \left[g_{\lambda\nu} \bar{G}_1(q^2) - \bar{G}_2(q^2) q_\lambda (p+k)_\nu - \bar{G}_3(q^2) q_\lambda (k-p)_\nu \right] \end{aligned} \quad (67)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4q_0 p_0} V^2 \langle K_A^+(q) | V_\mu^+(0) \frac{1}{3} - V_\mu^-(0) \frac{2}{3} | K^+(p) \rangle \\ = & -i (e_{K_A}^\lambda(q))^+ \left[g_{\lambda\mu} \bar{H}_1(k^2) - \bar{H}_2(k^2) k_\lambda (q+p)_\mu - \bar{H}_3(k^2) k_\lambda (q-p)_\mu \right] \end{aligned} \quad (68)$$

In the pole dominant approximation we calculate

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$$\begin{aligned} \bar{G}_1(q^2) &= - \frac{G_{KA} G^S}{(m_{KA}^2 - q^2)} + \bar{G}_1(\infty) \\ \bar{G}_2(q^2) &= + \frac{G_{KA} G^D}{2(m_{KA}^2 - q^2)} + \bar{G}_2(\infty) \\ \bar{G}_3(q^2) &= + \frac{G_{KA}}{m_{KA}^2} \frac{\left[G^S + \frac{1}{2} G^D (m_{KA}^2 - m_p^2) \right]}{(m_{KA}^2 - q^2)} - \\ &= \frac{F_K G_{K^+ p^0 K^+}}{m_K^2 - q^2} + \bar{G}_3(\infty) \end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{H}_1(k^2) &= - \frac{\sqrt{2} G_p G^S}{(m_0^2 - k^2)} + \bar{H}_1(\infty) \\ \bar{H}_2(k^2) &= \frac{\sqrt{2} G_p G^D}{(m_p^2 - k^2)} + \bar{H}_2(\infty) \\ \bar{H}_3(k^2) &= \frac{\sqrt{2} G_p}{m_p^2} \frac{\left[G^S + \frac{1}{2} (m_K^2 - m_{KA}^2) G^D \right]}{(m_p^2 - k^2)} + \bar{H}_3(\infty) . \end{aligned} \tag{70}$$

The various coupling constants are defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2 p_0 v} \langle 0 | v_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} - v_\mu(0) \frac{2}{2} | p^0(p) \rangle &= \sqrt{2} G_p e_\mu^p(p) \\ \sqrt{4 q_0 p_0 v^2} \langle \bar{K}^+(q) | j_\rho^\mu(0) | \bar{K}^+(p) \rangle &= \frac{G_{K^+ p^0 K^+}}{2} (p+q)^\mu \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{4q_0 p_0 V^2} \langle K_A^+(q) | j_\rho^H(0) | K^+(p) \rangle = 1 \left(e^{K_A \cdot (q)} \lambda \right)^\dagger \left[G^S g^{\mu\lambda} + G^D K^\lambda q^\mu \right] \quad (71)$$

where $k = (p-q)$,

We also introduce the form factor $e(k^2)$ defined by

$$\langle K^+(q) | v_\mu(0) \frac{1}{2} - v_\mu(0) \frac{2}{2} | K^+(p) \rangle = (p+q)_\mu e(k^2) \quad (72)$$

and find easily:

$$e(k^2) = - \frac{\sqrt{2} G p G_{K^+ \rho}^i K^+}{2(m_\rho^2 - k^2)} + e(\infty) . \quad (73)$$

There is only one form factor in this case if we assume that the SU(2) currents $v_{\mu j}^1$ ($1, j = 1, 2$) are conserved. This assumption also leads to

$$\bar{H}_3(\infty) = 0 . \quad (74)$$

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II. Sum Rules from K Matrix Element of Two Currents

Following arguments similar to those in sections (IV) and (V) we can show:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{H}_2(\infty) &= \bar{G}_2(\infty) = \bar{G}_3(\infty) = 0 \\ \bar{H}_1(\infty) &= - \lim_{k^2 \rightarrow \infty} \left[k^2 \bar{H}_3(k^2) \right] \\ \bar{G}_1(\infty) &= - \lim_{k^2 \rightarrow \infty} \left[k^2 \bar{G}_3(k^2) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (75)$$

Consider the retarded matrix element:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\mu\nu}^K &= 1 \sqrt{2p_0 V} \int d^4x e^{ik \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle 0 | [v_\nu(0) \frac{1}{2}, v_\mu(x) \frac{1}{2} - v_\mu(x) \frac{2}{2}] | K^+(p) \rangle \\ &= A_1 g_{\mu\nu} + A_2 p_\mu p_\nu + A_3 k_\mu k_\nu + A_4 p_\mu k_\nu + A_5 p_\nu k_\mu \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

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We obtain after integrating by parts and using current algebra commutation relation

$$ik^\mu S_{\mu\nu}^K = -F_K p_\nu \quad (77)$$

where we have also used the conserved vector current hypothesis for $V_{\mu 1,2}^1, 2$. This relation leads to two sum rules:

$$e(0) = 1 \quad (78)$$

and

$$F_K = - \frac{\sqrt{2} G_\rho G_{K^+}^1 \rho^{OK^+}}{m_\rho^2} + \frac{\sqrt{2} G_\rho G_{K_A}^1}{m_{K_A}^2 m_\rho^2} \left[G^S + \frac{1}{2} (m_K^2 - m_{K_A}^2 - m_\rho^2) G^D \right]. \quad (79)$$

The result in equation (78) is already expected from the C.V.C. hypothesis used above.

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III. K_A and ρ Matrix Elements of Two Currents • Weinberg Sum Rule:

Considering the matrix elements

$$W_{\mu\nu}^{\rho} = i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle \rho^0(k) | [A_\nu(0) \frac{1}{3}, A_\mu(x) \frac{2}{3}] | 0 \rangle \quad (80)$$

and

$$W_{\mu\nu}^{K_A} = i \sqrt{2q_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ik \cdot x} \theta(-x_0) \langle K_A^+(q) | [\dot{V}_\nu(0) \frac{1}{1} - V_1^1(0) \frac{2}{2}, A_\mu(x) \frac{2}{1}] | 0 \rangle \quad (81)$$

and the corresponding relations

$$\lim_{p, q \rightarrow 0} W_{\mu\nu}^{\rho} (p^2=0, q^2=m_\rho^2) = - \frac{iG_\rho}{\sqrt{2}} e^{\rho}(k) \quad (82)$$

and

$$\lim_{p_\nu \rightarrow 0} W_\nu^K A(p^2=0, k^2 = m_{KA}^2) = i G_{KA} e_\nu^K A(q) \quad (83)$$

where

$$W_\nu^0 = i \sqrt{2k_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \Theta(-x_0) \langle \rho^0(k) | [A_\nu(0) \frac{1}{3}, \partial^\mu A_\mu(x) \frac{1}{3}] | 0 \rangle \quad (84)$$

and

$$W_\nu^K = i \sqrt{2q_0 V} \int d^4x e^{-ip \cdot x} \Theta(-x_0) \langle K_A^+(q) | [V_\nu(0) \frac{1}{1} - V_\nu(0) \frac{2}{2}, \partial^\mu A_\mu(x) \frac{1}{1}] | 0 \rangle \quad (85)$$

we obtain the following sum rules:

$$\frac{G\rho}{\sqrt{2}} = -F_K^2 G_{K^+ \rho}^+ G_{\rho K^+} - \frac{F_K G_{KA} m_\rho^2}{m_{KA}^2 (m_{KA}^2 - m_\rho^2)} \left[G^S - \frac{1}{2} G^D (m_\rho^2 - m_{KA}^2 - m_K^2) \right] \quad (86)$$

and

$$-G_{KA} = \frac{\sqrt{2} G_\rho F_K m_{KA}^2}{m_\rho^2 (m_{KA}^2 - m_\rho^2)} \left[G^S + \frac{1}{2} G^D (m_\rho^2 - m_{KA}^2 + m_K^2) \right] \quad (87)$$

From equations (78), (86) and (87) we derive the following Weinberg sum rule:

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} - \frac{G_{KA}^2}{m_{KA}^2} \\ \frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} - \frac{G_{KA}^2}{m_{KA}^2} \end{array} \right) = F_K^2 \quad (88)$$

Equations (66) and (88) are derived here from entirely different point of view than was used in their original derivation in ref. (10).

We also remark that for the form factors $D_{1,2}$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sqrt{4k_0 p_0 V^2} \langle \rho^0(k) | \partial^\mu A_\mu(0) \frac{1}{3} | K_A^+(p) \rangle \\ & = i e_\mu^K A(p) e_\nu^{\rho^+}(k) [D_1^+(q^2) g^{\mu\nu} + D_2(q^2) p^\nu k^\mu] \quad (89) \end{aligned}$$

as in the case of $\beta_{1,2}^1$, only D_2 is unsubtracted while $D_1(\infty) \neq 0$.

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PCAC hypothesis would require both of them to be unsubtracted.

We can use equations (86), (87) and the Weinberg sum rules to determine the couplings G^S and G^D and calculate the partial width for the decay $K_A \rightarrow K\rho$, which is given by:

$$\Gamma_{K_A^+ \rightarrow K\rho} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\frac{k}{m_{K_A}^2} \right) \left[G_S^2 \left(3 + \frac{k^2}{m_\rho^2} \right) + G_D^2 \frac{m_{K_A}^2}{m_\rho^2} k^4 - \right. \\ \left. - 2G^S G^D \frac{m_{K_A}}{m_\rho} k^2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{k^2}{m_\rho^2}} \right] \quad (90)$$

We determine F_π from decay of pion, F_K from the relation 8, 9 $(F_K/F_\pi)^2 \simeq 1.17$ and G_ρ and G_{K_A} from Weinberg sum rules assuming $G_\rho = G_{A_1}$. If we assume that ρ couples universally so we can make use of $G_{K^+ \rho^0 K^+} = \frac{1}{2} G_{\pi^+ \rho^0 \pi^+}$ and the experimental decay width of ρ^0 to obtain $G_{K^+ \rho^0 K^+}$. The partial width ¹¹ thus calculated for the decay $K_A^+ \rightarrow K\rho$ comes out to be $\simeq 8$ MeV.

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APPENDIX

The complete expressions of J_{μ}^{K*} and W^{K*} are given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 W_{\mu}^{K*} = & \mathbf{1} \left[e_{\mu}^{K*}(p) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi} m_{\pi}^2 K_1(q_1^2)}{(m_{\pi}^2 - k^2)} - \frac{G_{K_A} \beta_1(k_2^2)}{(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} \right) \right. \\
 & + e_{\mu}^{K*}(p+k) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi} m_{\pi}^2 K_2(q_1^2)}{(m_{\pi}^2 - k^2)} + \frac{G_{K_A} \beta_2(k_2^2)}{2(m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} \right) \\
 & + e_{\mu}^{K*}(k) q_{\mu} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} F_{\pi} m_{\pi}^2 K_3(q_1^2)}{(m_{\pi}^2 - k^2)} - \frac{F_K E_1(k_1^2)}{(m_K^2 - q^2)} \right) \\
 & \left. - \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2 (m_{K_A}^2 - q^2)} \left\{ \beta_1(k_2^2) + \frac{1}{2} (m_{K^*}^2 - k_2^2) \beta_2(k_2^2) \right\} \right] \\
 W^{K*} = & (e^{K*} \cdot k) \left[- \frac{F_K m_K^2 E_1(k_1^2)}{(m_K^2 - q^2)} + \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{F_{\pi} m_{\pi}^2}{(m_{\pi}^2 - k^2)} \left(-K_1(q_1^2) + (m_{K^*}^2 - m_{\pi}^2) K_2(q_1^2) + q_1^2 K_3(q_1^2) \right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

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V. SIMETRIA ASSINTÓTICA $SU(3)$ E OS FATORES DE
FORMA NO DECAIMENTO K_{S3}

V. SIMETRIA ASSINOTÓTICA SU(3) E OS FATORES DE FORMA NO DECAIMENTO K_L

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RESUMO:

Os fatores de forma $F_{\pm}(q^2)$ no decaimento K_L são estudados admitindo-se que a simetria SU(3) se torna exata quando nas altas energias e momentos transferidos.

Supõe-se que os fatores de forma satisfazem relações de dispersão com, no máximo, uma constante de subtração. Conclui-se então que $F_{-}(q^2)$ e $(2 F_{+}(q^2) - f(q^2))$, sendo $f(q^2)$ o fator de forma no decaimento π_{13} , devem satisfazer relações de dispersão sem subtrações. Isto nos leva a seguinte relação:

$$\frac{G_{\rho^{-}\pi^{0}\pi^{-}}}{G_{K^{*0}\pi^{0}K^{-}}} \simeq 2,16 \left(\frac{m_{\rho}}{m_{K^{*}}} \right)$$

que está em bom acôrdo com a experiência. Aachamos, vtambém que

$$\xi(0) = \frac{F_{-}(0)}{F_{+}(0)} = \left(\frac{m_K^2 - m_{\pi}^2}{m_{\pi}^2} \right) \lambda + \frac{F_{\rho} G_{K^{*0}\pi^{0}\rho^{-}}}{F_{+}(0) m_{\rho}^2}$$

e para o caso em que $m_K < m_{K^{*}} < m_K + m_{\pi}$ o valor estimado da largura para o decaimento $K \rightarrow K + 2\gamma$ é calculado como $\simeq 10^{-11}$ s a 10^{-14} s.

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Asymptotic SU_3 and K_{13} Decay Form Factors.

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It has been suggested by GELL-MANN (1) that the SU_3 symmetry, even though badly violated due to observed large mass differences within a multiplet, may still be a good symmetry when high energies and momentum transfers are involved. We study in this paper the application of this idea to the K_{13} and π_{13} decay form factors when some of the form factors satisfy (once) subtracted dispersion relations. The results following from this idea are in good agreement with experiments.

The $K-\pi$ form factors in K_{13} decay are defined by the matrix element

$$(1) \quad \sqrt{4k_0 p_0} \bar{V}^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu(0) | K^-(p) \rangle = (p+k)_\mu F_+(q^2) + (p-k)_\mu F_-(q^2),$$

where $q^2 = (p-k)^2$ and in the exact SU_3 limit $F_-(q^2) \doteq 0$ while $F_+(0) = 1/\sqrt{2}$. The π_{13} decay form factor is likewise defined by

$$(2) \quad \sqrt{4k_0 p_0} \bar{V}^2 \langle \pi^0(k) | V_\mu(0) | \pi^-(p) \rangle = f(q^2)(p+k)_\mu,$$

where the conserved-vector-current hypothesis for \bar{V}_μ^2 implies $f(0) = \sqrt{2}$.

The hypothesis of the validity of SU_3 for large momentum transfers implies that

$$2F_+(\infty) - f(\infty) = 0$$

and

$$(3) \quad F_-(\infty) = 0,$$

if $V_{\mu 3}^1$ and $V_{\mu 3}^2$ belong to the same octet. Thus F_- would satisfy an unsubtracted dispersion relation while F_+ and f may satisfy a subtracted dispersion relation. In fact, recently, in an attempt to explain the $\Lambda_{1-} \rightarrow \rho + \pi$ decay by current algebra technique and to correlate the decay $\Lambda_{1-} \rightarrow \rho + \pi$, $\rho \rightarrow \pi + \pi$ and the $\pi^\pm - \pi^0$ mass difference, it has been suggested (2) that the pion electromagnetic form factor should satisfy a (once)

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$$(4) \quad (2F_+(0) - f(0)) = (1/\pi) \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} dq^2 \frac{2 \operatorname{Im} P_+(q^2) - \operatorname{Im} f(q^2)}{q^2}.$$

Now, the experiments at low momentum transfer indicate ⁽¹⁾ that the variation of the form factors (with momentum transfer) is very well described by assuming that P_+ is dominated by the K^* pole while f by the ρ pole. We may thus calculate the right-hand side in eq. (4) in the pole-dominant approximation to obtain

$$(5) \quad \frac{2G_{K^*} G_{K^* \pi^+ \pi^-}}{2m_{K^*}^2} + \frac{G_\rho G_{\rho \pi^+ \pi^-}}{2m_\rho^2} = 2F_+(0) - \sqrt{2},$$

where we define

$$(6) \quad \begin{cases} \sqrt{2k_0} V \langle 0 | V_\mu(0) | K^{*+}(k) \rangle = G_{K^*} \epsilon_\mu^{K^*}(k), \\ \sqrt{4k_0} P_0 V^2 \langle K^-(k) | j_{\pi^+}(0) | K^{*+}(p) \rangle = G_{K^*} \end{cases}$$

and analogous expressions for other coupling constants.

We can also derive the following relations for K^* couplings, assuming, once subtracted and is pole-dominated:

$$(7) \quad -\frac{G_{K^*} G_{K^* \pi^+ \pi^-}}{2m_{K^*}^2} = \lambda \frac{m_{K^*}^2}{m_\pi} F_+(0).$$

Here λ is the parameter defined by

$$(8) \quad F_+(q^2) = F_+(0)(1 - \lambda q^2/m_\pi^2)$$

It is measured experimentally ⁽²⁾ to be $+0.023$.

We obtain from eq. (6)

$$(9) \quad \frac{G_\rho G_{\rho \pi^+ \pi^-}}{2m_\rho^2} = \sqrt{2} \left[1 - \lambda \left(\frac{m_{K^*}}{m_\pi} \right)^2 \right] F_+(0).$$

Using the relation ⁽³⁾ $G_\rho = \sqrt{2} m_\rho P_\pi$, we find that corresponding to $\sqrt{2} F_+(0) = 0.85$, the value obtained by current algebra calculation ⁽²⁾, the decay width for ρ comes out

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to be 110 MeV to be compared with the experimental value (110±140) MeV. The corresponding value for $G_{K^*}G_{K^* \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-} / 2m_{K^*}^2$ is found to be $\simeq -0.57$.

From Weinberg's spectral-function sum rules (*) we can derive (7)

$$(10) \quad G_{K^*} / G_p \simeq (m_{K^*} / m_p) \sqrt{2 - (F_K / F_\pi)^2}$$

The eqs. (7) and (9) then lead (for (2)) $(F_K / F_\pi)^2 = 1.17$ and $\sqrt{2} F_+(0) = 0.85$ to

$$(11) \quad G_{\rho^+ \pi^+ \pi^-} / G_{K^* \pi^+ \pi^-} = 2.10 (m_p / m_{K^*}),$$

which gives a width of 41 MeV for the K^* decay, in good agreement with the experimental value of 49 MeV considering the approximations involved in deriving eq. (10).

We may apply similar arguments for $F_-(q^2)$ to obtain

$$(12) \quad \xi(0) = F_-(0) / F_+(0) = (m_K^2 - m_\pi^2) \lambda / m_\pi^2 + F_K G_{K^* \pi^+ \pi^-} / F_+(0) \cdot m_K^2,$$

where we define

$$(13) \quad \begin{cases} \sqrt{2} k_0 \bar{V} \langle 0 | V_\mu(0) | \mu^-(k) \rangle = i F_\mu k_\mu, \\ \sqrt{4} k_0 p_0 \bar{V}^2 \langle K^-(k) | j_\pi(0) | \mu^-(p) \rangle = -i G_{K^* \pi^+ \pi^-} \end{cases}$$

for a scalar isospinor strangeness-carrying meson μ . We can make an estimate of the μ lifetime from eq. (12). For the interesting case of $m_K < m_\mu < m_K + m_\pi$ we find that with (2) $\sqrt{2} F_+(0) \sim 0.85$, $(F_K / F_\pi)^2 \sim 0.34$ and $m_K = 570$ MeV the lifetime of μ for decay into $K + 2\pi$, calculated in a pole model, is 10^{-11} s, if (*) $\xi = -0.5$, and it is $2 \cdot 10^{-12}$ s, if the value of ξ is $+0.3$. For $m_\mu = 610$ MeV the values in the two cases are $1.5 \cdot 10^{-12}$ s and $2.5 \cdot 10^{-14}$ s respectively.

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