

# Softening of the dynamical sigma meson



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## Introduction

- Structure of the sigma meson
- Softening phenomena




## Dynamical chiral models

- Chiral symmetry and low energy interaction
- Unitarity and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  scattering amplitude




## Chiral symmetry restoration

- Prescription for symmetry restoration
- Analysis in the restoration limit



## Numerical analysis

- Softening of the sigma meson



## Summary

# The sigma meson

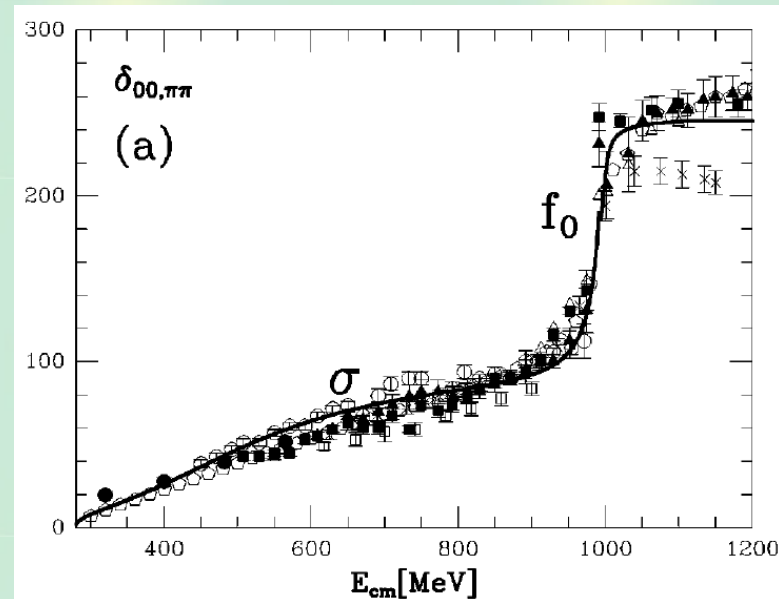
$f_0(600)$  or  $\sigma$  :  $J^P = 0^+, I = 0$

**Mass : 400-1200 MeV**

**Width : 600-1000 MeV**

**Decay modes :  $\sigma \rightarrow \pi\pi$  dominant**

$\sigma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  **seen**



## $\sigma$ meson

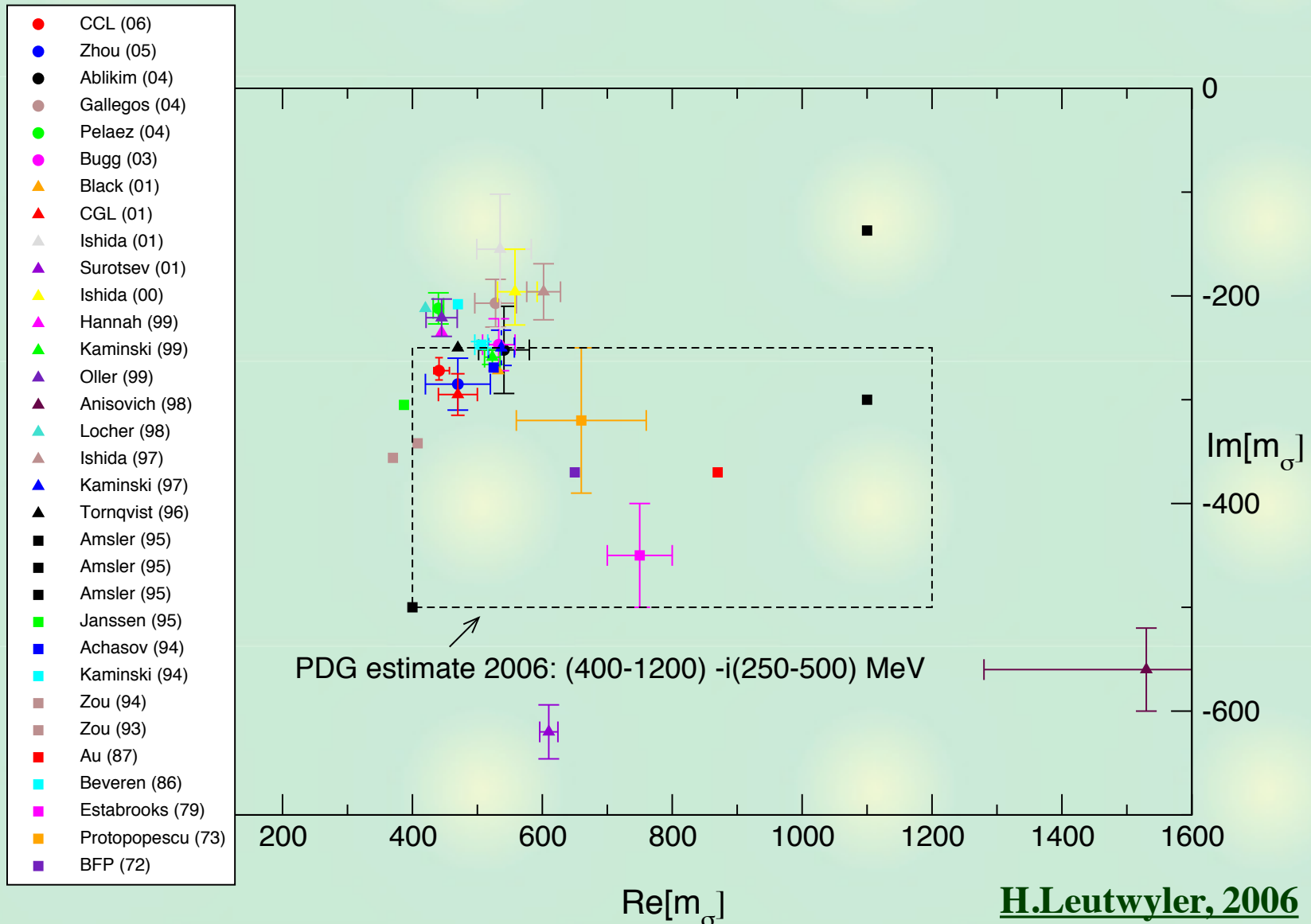
- is the lowest resonance in QCD
- plays an important role in hadron mass generation due to spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking
- provides attraction in phenomenological nuclear force

## Recent development

- : **precise pole position** is now available.

# Existence of the sigma pole

## Development of scattering theory + experimental data



# Structure of the sigma meson

Sigma meson in naive constituent quark model ( $\sim \bar{q}q$ ) has some difficulties: **light mass** (v.s. p-wave excitation), **mass ordering** of scalar nonet (v.s.  $\sigma > \kappa > f_0 \sim a_0$ )

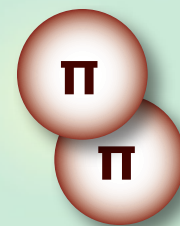
Alternative descriptions of the sigma meson

- **Chiral sigma**  
(e.g. linear sigma model)



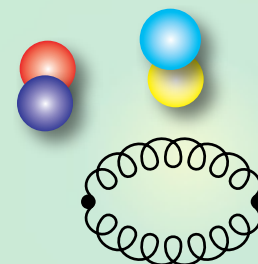
M. Gell-Mann, M. Levy, Nuovo Cim. 16, 705 (1960), ...

- **Dynamical sigma**  
(e.g. mesonic molecule generated by  $\pi$ - $\pi$  attraction)



J.A. Oller, E. Oset, J.R. Pelaez, Phys. Rev. D59, 074001 (1999), ...

- **CDD pole contribution (pre-formed state)**  
(e.g. constituent four-quark model, glueball, ...)



L.R. Jaffe, Phys. Rev. D15, 267 (1977), ...

We want to clarify the **structure** <-- **softening**

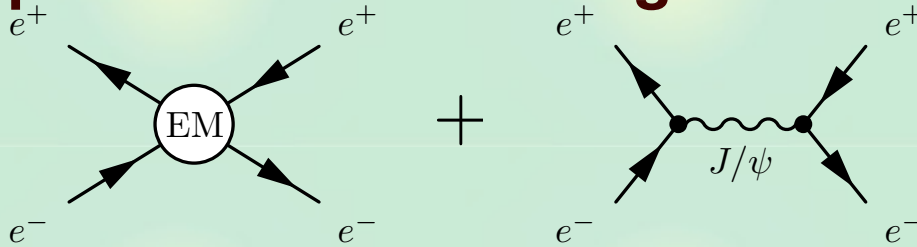
# The CDD pole : example

Consider resonant/bound states in  $e^+e^-$  scattering.

- below threshold: positronium
- above 3 GeV:  $J/\psi$

Model (a) : single  $e^+e^-$  channel

potential : electromagnetic interaction (EM)

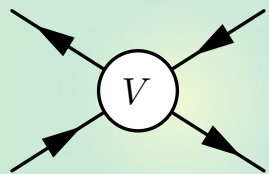


solving Schrödinger equation  $\rightarrow$  positronium : **dynamical**

$J/\psi$  pole must be introduced by hand  $\rightarrow$  **CDD pole**

Model (b) :  $e^+e^-$  &  $c\bar{c}$  coupled channels

potential : EM,  $c\bar{c}$ , transition



$$V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{EM} & V_{e^+e^- \leftrightarrow c\bar{c}} \\ V_{e^+e^- \leftrightarrow c\bar{c}} & V_{c\bar{c}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$J/\psi$  is generated by ladder sum  $\rightarrow$  **dynamical**

# Softening of the sigma meson

## Softening of chiral sigma

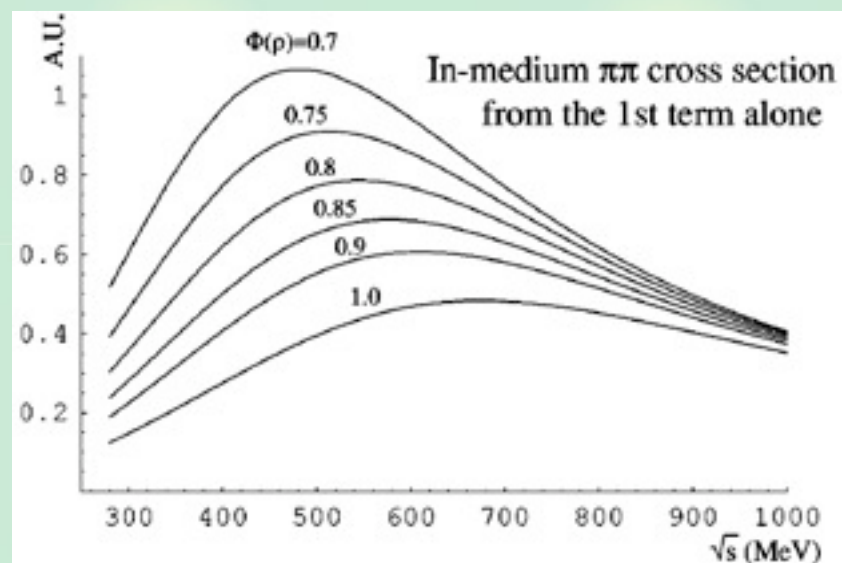
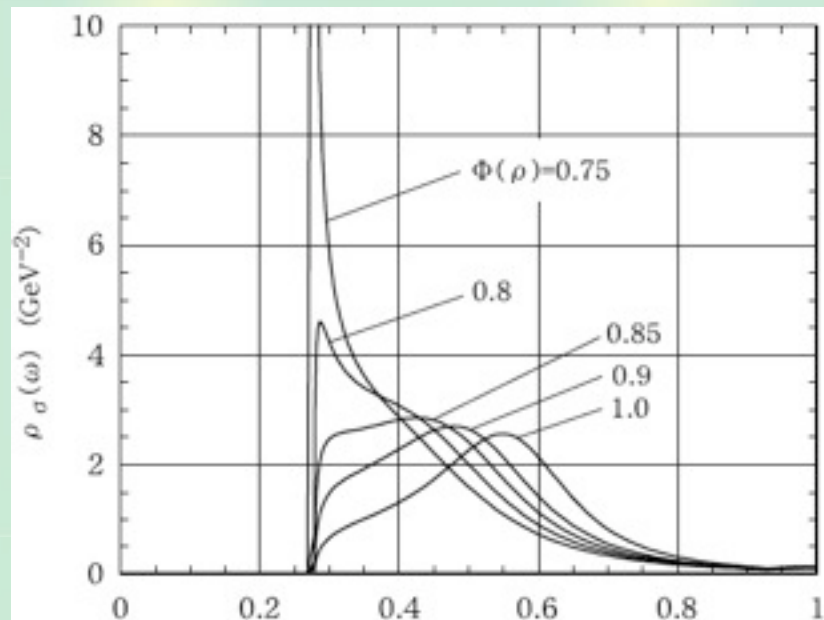
T. Hatsuda, T. Kunihiro, H. Shimizu  
 Phys. Rev. Lett. 82, 2840 (1999)

Spectral enhancement in  $l=j=0$  channel near threshold, when the chiral sym. is partially restored.

sigma: fluctuation of the order parameter of chiral phase transition

Threshold enhancement of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  cross section, also for the dynamical sigma meson

D. Jido, T. Hatsuda, T. Kunihiro,  
 Phys. Rev. D63, 011901 (2001)



# Softening of the sigma meson

Systematic study up to restoration limit.

K. Yokokawa, T. Hatsuda, A. Hayashigaki, T. Kunihiro, Phys. Rev. C66, 022201 (2002)

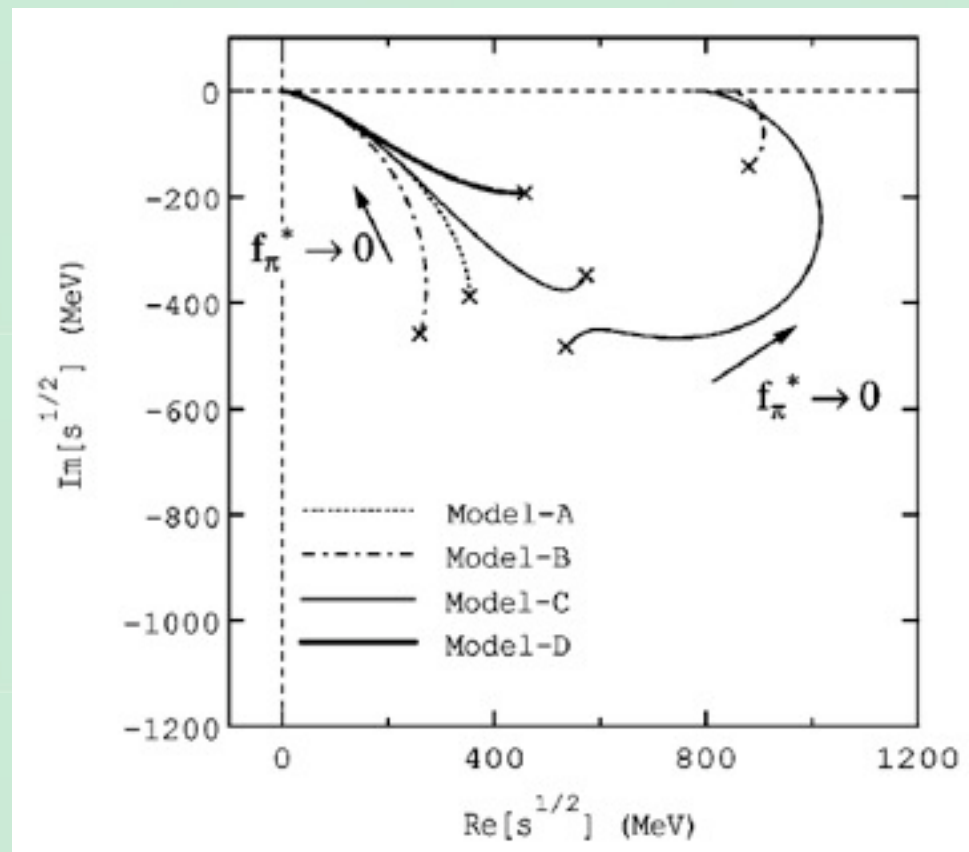
- dynamical model with chiral symmetry, unitarity, analyticity, (crossing)

K. Igi, K. Hikasa, Phys. Rev. D59, 034005 (1999)

- 4 cases:  $\sigma$  pole on/off  
 $\otimes$   $\rho$  pole on/off

- roughly corresponds to dynamical sigma and/or CDD pole

- “universal softening” at  $f_{\pi^*}/f_{\pi} \ll 1$





## Mechanism of the softening

In the previous studies, it seems that the softening takes place, irrespective to the structure of the sigma meson.

Mechanism of the softening?

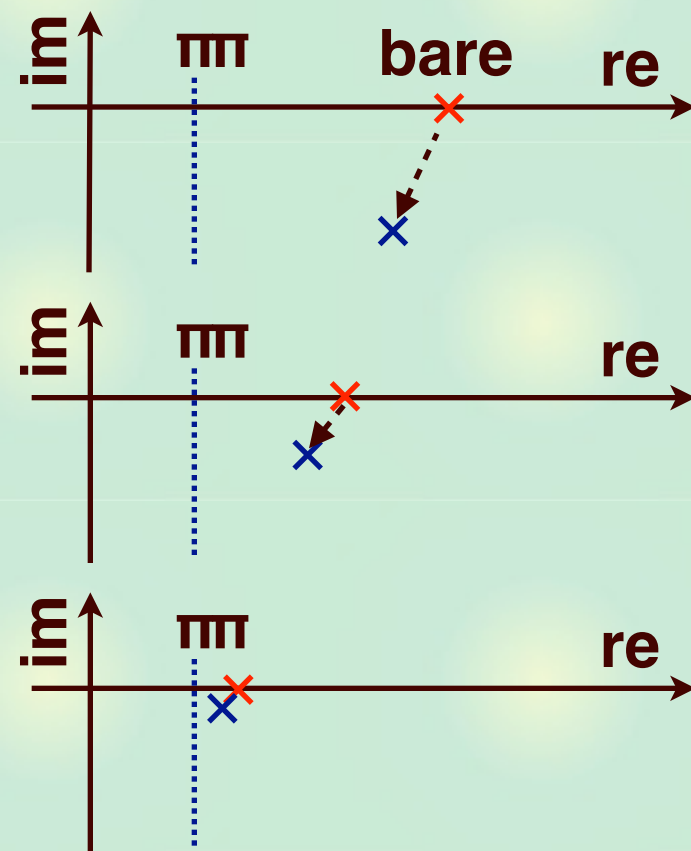
Softening of the **chiral sigma** (linear sigma model)

Sigma meson:

bare sigma pole acquires finite width through the coupling to  $\pi\text{-}\pi$

Chiral symmetry restoration:

- > **lowering bare sigma mass**
- > reduction of the phase space
- > narrow spectrum



# Mechanism of the softening

Softening of the **dynamical sigma** (ChPT + unitarization)

Sigma meson: dynamically generated by  $\pi$ - $\pi$  attraction

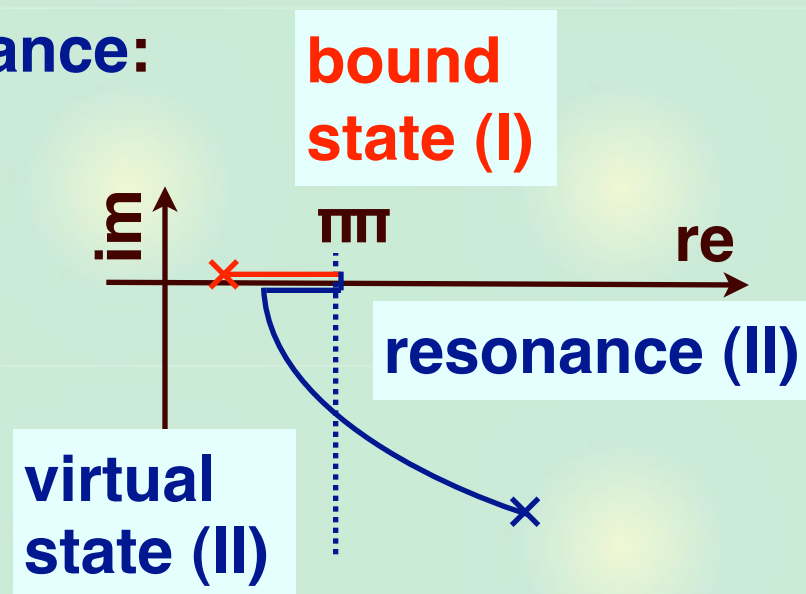
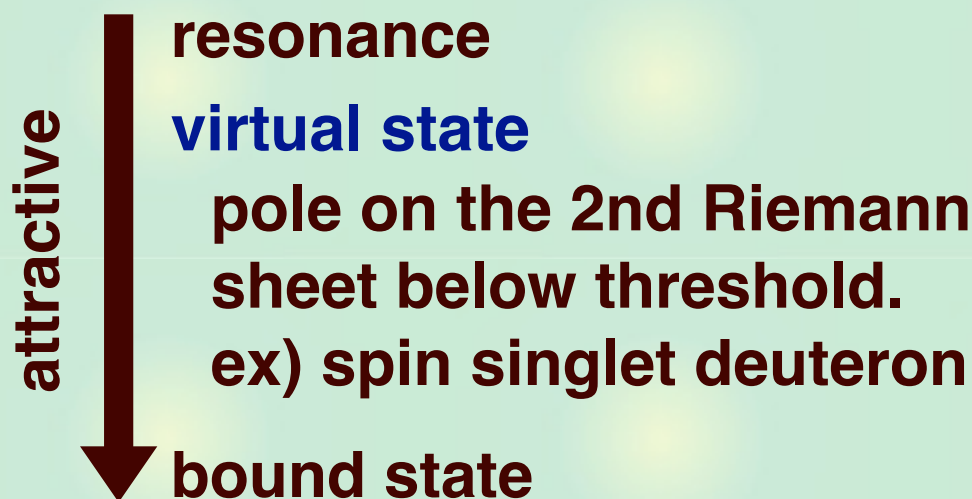
Chiral symmetry restoration:

-->  $f_\pi \sim \langle \sigma \rangle$  decreases

--> **(attractive) interaction**  $\sim (f_\pi)^{-2}$  increases

--> resonance turns into bound state, spectrum gets narrow

Special nature of the **s-wave resonance**:



--> novel softening pattern?

## The aim of this study

We want to study the **structure of the “sigma meson”** through the behavior in the **softening phenomena**.

For this, we use a schematic model of chiral dynamics.

### Comparison with previous studies

	$m_\pi$	chiral restoration	sigma meson
Jido, Hatsuda, Kunihiro	finite	$\phi \rightarrow 0.7$	<b>chiral</b> , <b>dynamical</b>
Yokokawa, et al.	0	$\phi \rightarrow 0$	<b>dynamical</b> , <b>CDD</b> , mixture
This work	finite	$\phi \rightarrow 0$	<b>chiral</b> , <b>dynamical</b> , <b>CDD</b> , mixture

It is important to keep  $m_\pi$  finite and to take restoration limit.

## Tree level interaction

### Lagrangian of 2-flavor linear sigma model

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr} \left[ \partial M \partial M^\dagger - \mu^2 M M^\dagger - \frac{2\lambda}{4!} (M M^\dagger)^2 + h(M + M^\dagger) \right], M = \sigma + i\tau \cdot \pi$$

**3 parameters**  $\leftarrow$   $m_\pi, m_\sigma, \langle \sigma \rangle$  at mean field level.

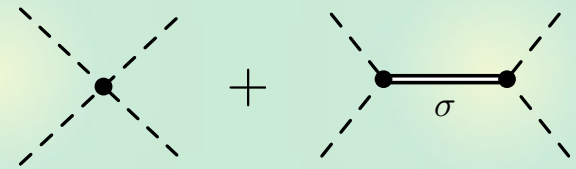
### $\pi$ - $\pi$ scattering amplitude in general (crossing symmetry)

$$T_{\text{tree}}(s, t, u) = A(s, t, u) \delta_{ab} \delta_{cd} + A(t, s, u) \delta_{ac} \delta_{bd} + A(u, t, s) \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc}$$

### Tree-level $\pi$ - $\pi$ scattering amplitude

$$A(s, t, u) = -\frac{m_\sigma^2 - m_\pi^2}{\langle \sigma \rangle} - \frac{(m_\sigma^2 - m_\pi^2)^2}{\langle \sigma \rangle} \frac{1}{s - m_\sigma^2}$$

$$= \frac{s - m_\pi^2}{\langle \sigma \rangle^2} - \frac{(s - m_\pi^2)^2}{\langle \sigma \rangle^2} \frac{1}{s - m_\sigma^2}$$



**leading order term of ChPT**

- consistent with low energy expansion
- 1st and 2nd terms are chiral invariant

# Tree level interaction

Introduce a parameter using chiral invariant decomposition

$$A(s; x) = \frac{s - m_\pi^2}{\langle \sigma \rangle^2} - \frac{x}{1-x} \frac{(s - m_\pi^2)^2}{\langle \sigma \rangle^2} \frac{1}{s - m_\sigma^2}$$

$x \rightarrow 1$  : linear sigma model

$x \rightarrow 0$  : leading order term in ChPT

$x \rightarrow 1/2$  : model C in Yokokawa et al. ( $\sigma$ - $\rho$  degeneracy, KSRF relation, and duality)

Parameter  $x$  is useful to extrapolate models.

The origin of the resonance can be investigated (later).

Projecting the amplitude onto  $l=j=0$ , we obtain

$$T_{\text{tree}}(s; x) = \frac{m_\sigma^2 - m_\pi^2}{\langle \sigma \rangle^2} \left[ \frac{2s - m_\pi^2}{m_\sigma^2 - m_\pi^2} (1 - x) - 5x \right. \\ \left. - 3x \frac{m_\sigma^2 - m_\pi^2}{s - m_\sigma^2} - 2x \frac{m_\sigma^2 - m_\pi^2}{s - 4m_\pi^2} \ln \left( \frac{m_\sigma^2}{m_\sigma^2 + s - 4m_\pi^2} \right) \right]$$

# Unitarization

**Unitarity of S-matrix : conservation of probability.**

**Tree-level amplitude violates unitarity at certain energy.**

**Optical theorem :**

$$\text{Im } T^{-1}(s) = -\frac{\Theta(s)}{2} \quad \text{for } s > 4m_\pi^2 \quad \Theta(s) = (16\pi)^{-1} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s}}$$

**Scattering amplitude (N/D method + matching with  $T_{\text{tree}}$ )**

**J. A. Oller, E. Oset, Phys. Rev. D60, 074023 (1999)**

$$T(s; x) = \frac{1}{T_{\text{tree}}^{-1}(s; x) + G(s)}$$

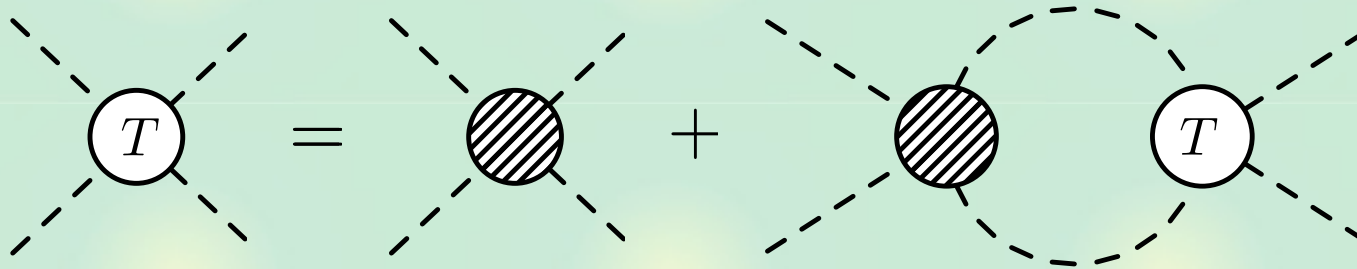
$$G(s) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left\{ \boxed{a(\mu)} + \ln \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} + \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s}} \left[ \ln \frac{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s}} + 1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{s}} - 1} \right] \right\}$$

- **Left hand cut (crossed diagrams) is neglected.**
- **zeroth N/D iteration (N=1); c.f. single iteration (N= $T_{\text{tree}}$ ).**

**K. Igi, K. Hikasa, Phys. Rev. D59, 034005 (1999)**

# Renormalization

**Dynamical model with chiral symmetry.**



**With sufficient attraction, a resonance can be generated.**

**Single-subtraction  $\Leftrightarrow$  log divergence of loop function**

**We determine the cutoff degree of freedom as**

$$G(s) = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad s = m_\pi^2 \quad a(m_\pi) = -\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{3}}$$

**Exclude the CDD pole contribution from the loop function**

**T. Hyodo, D. Jido, A. Hosaka, Phys. Rev. C78, 025203 (2008)**

**Consistency of the amplitude with chiral low energy theorem**

**K. Igi, K. Hikasa, Phys. Rev. D59, 034005 (1999)**

**Crossing symmetry (matching with u-channel amplitude)**

**M.F.M. Lutz, E. Kolomeitsev, Nucl. Phys. A700, 193 (2002)**

## Prescription for symmetry restoration

We introduce the effect of chiral symmetry restoration from the outside of the model, by modifying  $m_\pi$ ,  $m_\sigma$ ,  $\langle\sigma\rangle$ .

1) chiral condensate (pion decay constant) : **decreases**

$$\langle\sigma\rangle = \Phi\langle\sigma\rangle_0, \quad 0 \leq \Phi \leq 1$$

2) mass of pion : **no change**

$$\frac{\partial m_\pi}{\partial \Phi} = 0$$

3) mass of sigma -- two possibilities

- **case I (chiral sigma : decreases)**

$$m_\sigma|_{\Phi \rightarrow 0} = m_\pi \quad (\text{case I}) \quad m_\sigma = \sqrt{\lambda \frac{\langle\sigma\rangle^2}{3} + m_\pi^2}$$

- **case II (CDD pole : no change)**

$$\frac{\partial m_\sigma}{\partial \Phi} = 0 \quad (\text{case II})$$



## Restoration limit and chiral partner

Properties of the **chiral partner** in the restoration limit

- mass degeneracy with pion
- coupling to  $\pi$ - $\pi$  scattering state vanishes

Model for **chiral sigma** ( $x=1$ , case I  $\sim$  linear sigma model)

- pole term in the tree-level interaction

$$T_{\text{tree}}(s; 1) = -\frac{\lambda^2 \langle \sigma \rangle^2}{3} \frac{1}{s - m_\pi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{3} \langle \sigma \rangle^2} + \dots$$

- renormalization condition

$$G(s) = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad s = m_\pi^2$$

$$T(m_\pi^2; 1)|_{\Phi \rightarrow 0} = T_{\text{tree}}(m_\pi^2; 1)|_{\Phi \rightarrow 0} \equiv -\frac{g^2}{s - M_{\text{pole}}^2}$$

Thus, the pole in the  $\pi$ - $\pi$  amplitude behaves as

$$g \rightarrow 0, \quad M_{\text{pole}} \rightarrow m_\pi \quad \text{for} \quad \Phi \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{like the chiral partner}$$

## Restoration limit and chiral partner

### Model for dynamical sigma and/or CDD pole (case II)

$$T_{\text{tree}}(s; x) \propto \frac{1}{\langle \sigma \rangle^2}$$

The amplitude in the restoration limit is solely determined by the loop function  $G$ , irrespective to  $x$ :

$$T(s; x) = \frac{1}{T_{\text{tree}}^{-1}(s, x) + G(s)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{G(s)} \quad \text{for } \Phi \rightarrow 0$$

- renormalization condition requires a pole at  $m_\pi$

$$G(s) = 0 \quad \text{at } s = m_\pi^2$$

- coupling can be calculated : proportional to  $m_\pi$

$$\begin{aligned} g^2 \Big|_{\Phi \rightarrow 0} &= -(s - m_\pi^2) T(s) \Big|_{s \rightarrow m_\pi^2, \Phi \rightarrow 0} \\ &= - \frac{s - m_\pi^2}{G(s)} \Big|_{s \rightarrow m_\pi^2} = (4\pi)^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} m_\pi^2 \end{aligned}$$

How to interpret this result?

## Restoration limit and chiral partner

### Properties of **chiral sigma**

$$g \rightarrow 0, \quad M_{\text{pole}} \rightarrow m_{\pi} \quad \text{for} \quad \Phi \rightarrow 0$$

### Properties of **dynamical sigma**

$$g^2 \rightarrow (4\pi)^2 \left( \frac{\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} m_{\pi}^2, \quad M_{\text{pole}} \rightarrow m_{\pi} \quad \text{for} \quad \Phi \rightarrow 0$$

- mass degenerates with pion
- coupling to  $\pi$ - $\pi$  : vanishes in the chiral limit

### **Dynamical sigma as chiral partner of pion?**

- Renormalization condition plays an important role.  
← consistency with chiral theorem. Generally,

$$G(\mu^2) = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad 0 \leq \mu \leq 2m_{\pi} \quad \text{--> deviation} \sim m_{\pi}$$

- dynamical resonance as chiral partner (mass degeneracy)

J.A. Oller, hep-ph/0007349

S. Leupold, M.F.M. Lutz, M. Wagner, 0811.2398 [nucl-th]

# Model setup

We numerically analyze four models:

	$x$	$m_\sigma$	sigma origin
model A	1	case I	chiral
model B	0	-	dynamical
model C	1	case II	CDD
model D	1/2	case II	CDD + dynamical

**model C** : same with model A, but  $m_\sigma$  unchanged.  
pole term + repulsion (c.f. linear sigma model)

$$T_{\text{tree}}(s; x) \equiv \boxed{T_{\text{tree}}^{(\text{contact})}(s; x)} + T_{\text{tree}}^{(\text{pole})}(s; x)$$

**model D** : pole term + attraction

existence of dynamical state  $\leftrightarrow$  sign of the contact term

## Results in vacuum

**Input:  $m_\pi = 140$  MeV,  $m_\sigma = 550$  MeV,  $\langle\sigma\rangle = 93$  MeV**

	scattering length $(m_\pi)^{-1}$	pole position [MeV]
<b>model A, C</b>	<b>0.244</b>	<b>423 - 126 i</b>
<b>model B</b>	<b>0.174</b>	<b>364 - 356 i</b>
<b>model D</b>	<b>0.208</b>	<b>512 - 162 i, 732 - 295 i</b>
<b>(experiment)</b>	<b>0.216 [1]</b>	<b>441 - 272 i [2]</b>

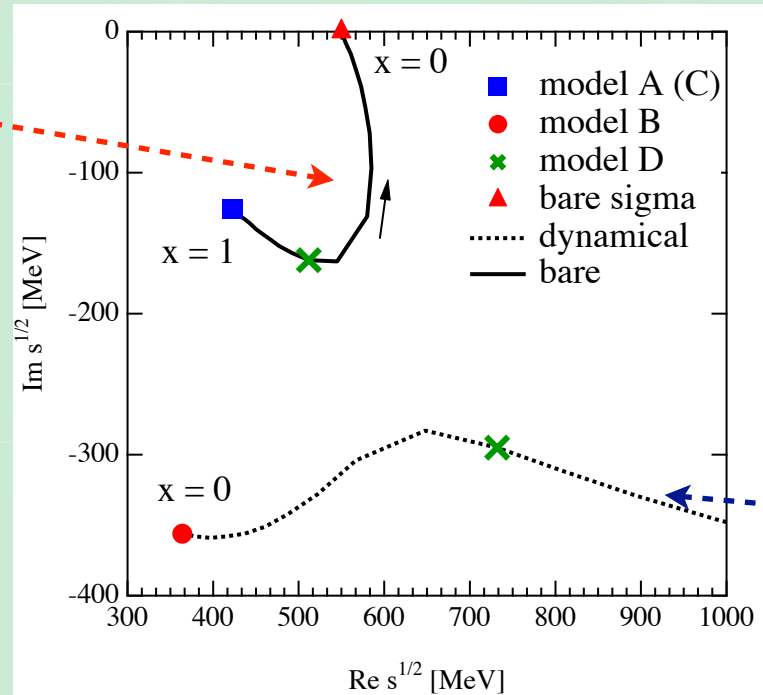
[1] S. Pislak *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D67, 072004 (2003)

[2] I. Caprini, G. Colangelo, H. Leutwyler, Phys. Rev. Lett. 96, 132001 (2006)

# Model extrapolations and origin of the pole

## Poles in the complex energy plane

bare pole



dynamical

Trace pole position of model A ( $x=1$ ) with  $x \rightarrow 0$

: approaches to **bare pole**, through one pole in model D

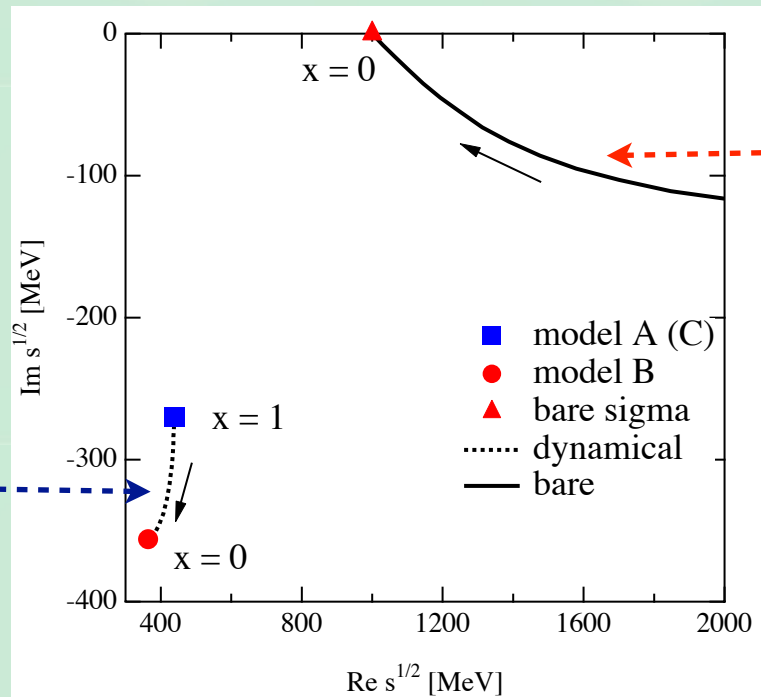
Trace pole position of model B ( $x=0$ ) with  $x \rightarrow 1$

: dissolves into **continuum**, through one pole in model D

Poles in model D: one **bare pole** origin, one **dynamical**.

# Model extrapolations and origin of the pole

If  $m_\sigma = 1$  GeV, then



dynamical

bare pole

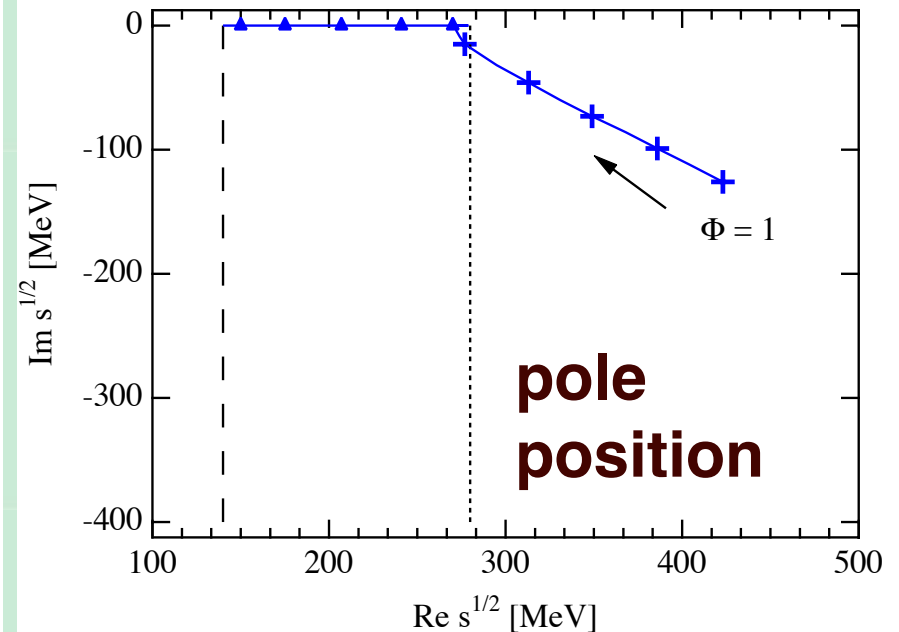
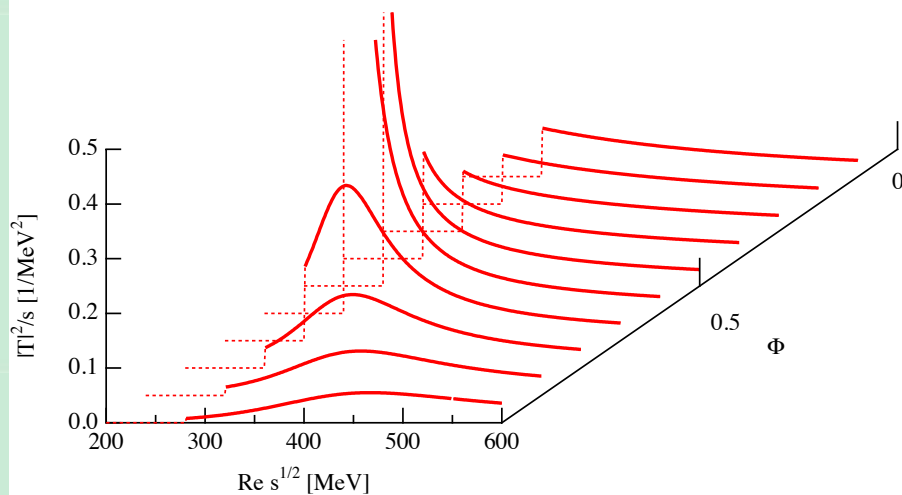
A bare pole at sufficiently high energy than the energy region under consideration  $\implies$  effective attraction

$$-G^2 \frac{1}{s - m_\sigma^2} = G^2 \frac{1}{m_\sigma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{s}{m_\sigma^2} + \dots \right) \quad \text{for } s \ll m_\sigma^2.$$

In this case the origin of the pole in model A(C) is dynamical<sub>23</sub>

# Results in model A

spectrum

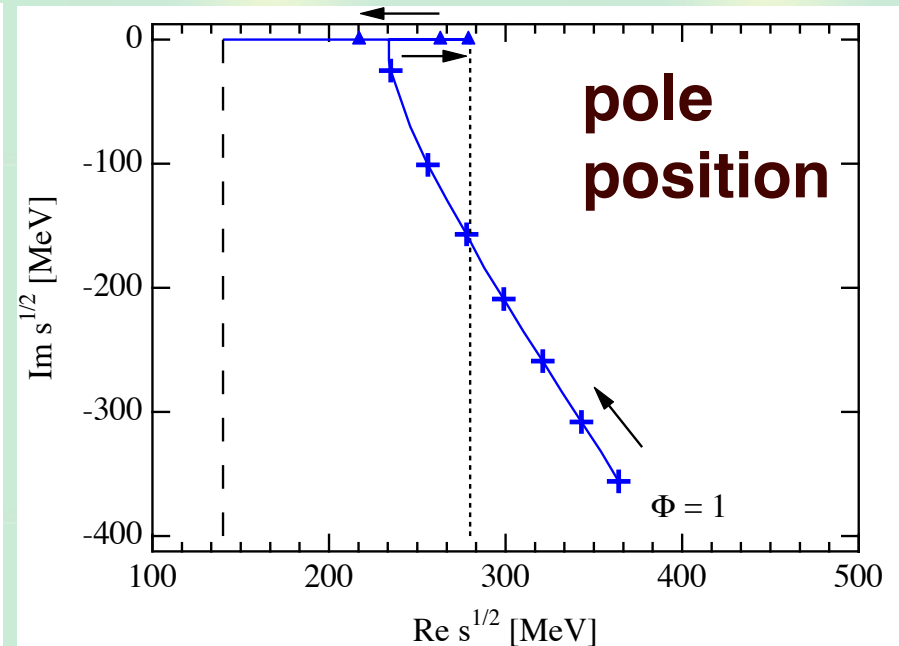
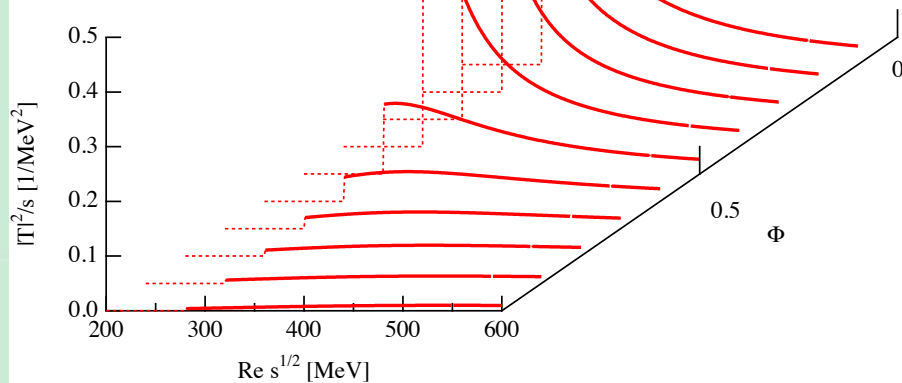


- Linear sigma model + unitarization : **chiral sigma**
- Softening takes place, as expected.
- peak at threshold :  $\Phi \sim 0.6$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$  bare sigma pole moves below the threshold
- $M_{\text{pole}} \rightarrow m_{\pi}$  as  $\Phi \rightarrow 0$



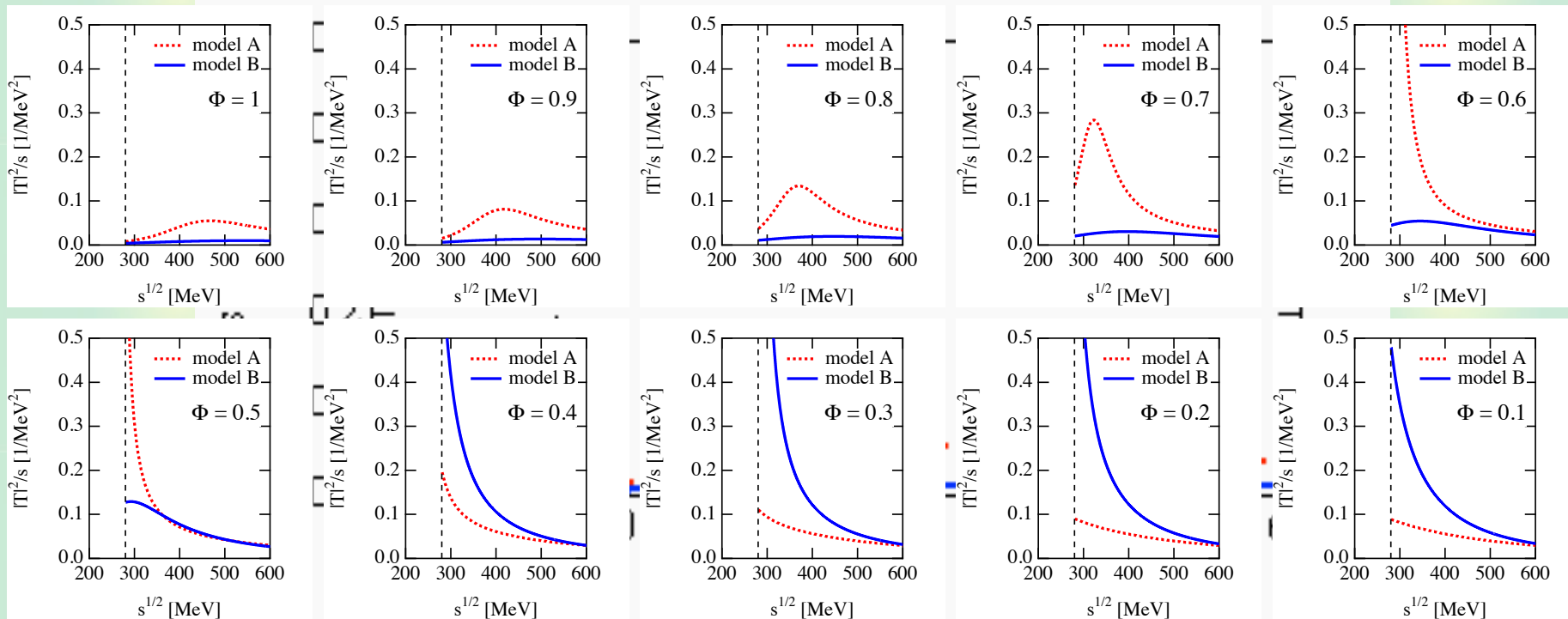
# Results in model B

spectrum

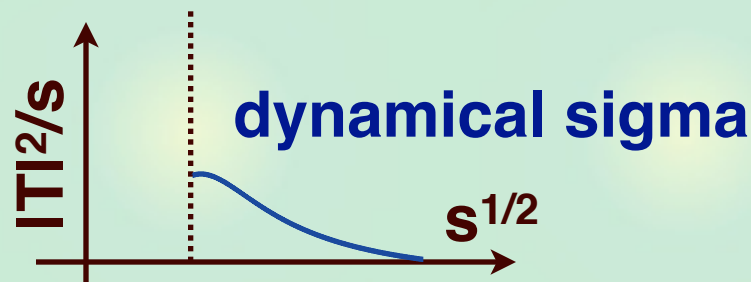
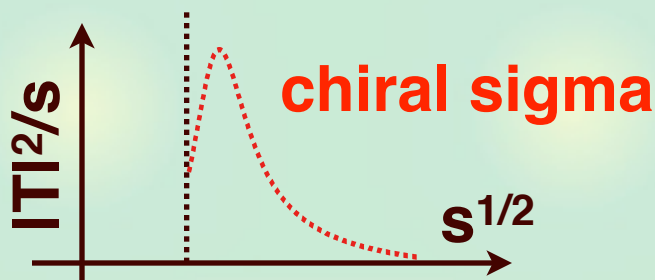


- ChPT + unitarization : **dynamical sigma**
- Softening takes place, but **virtual state** appears.
- at  $\text{Re}[M_{\text{pole}}] = 2m_{\pi}$  ( $\Phi \sim 0.6$ ), due to finite width, spectrum does not show the peak structure
- peak at threshold :  $\Phi \sim 0.3 \iff$  formation of bound state
- $M_{\text{pole}} \rightarrow m_{\pi}$  as  $\Phi \rightarrow 0$

# Comparison of model A and model B

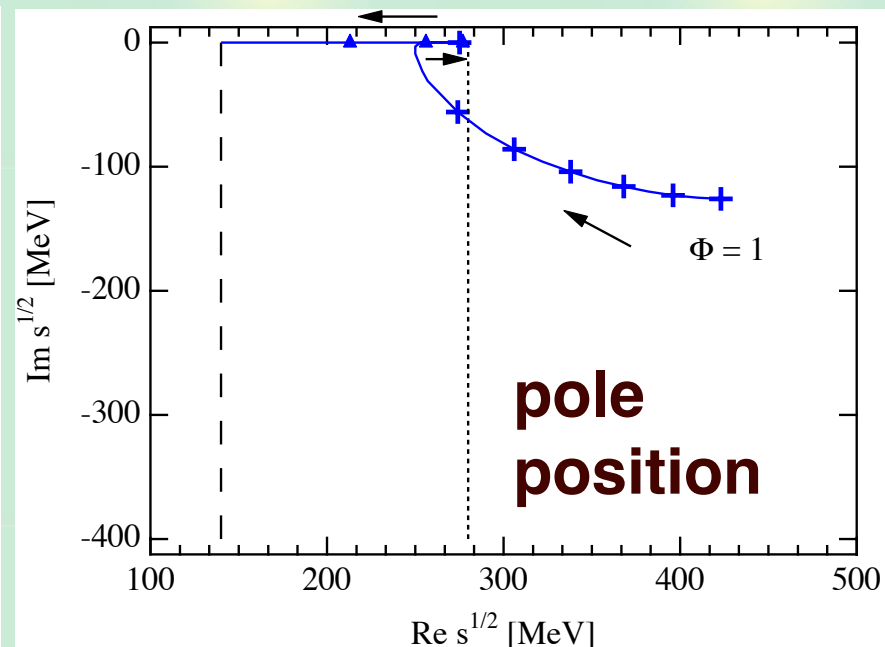
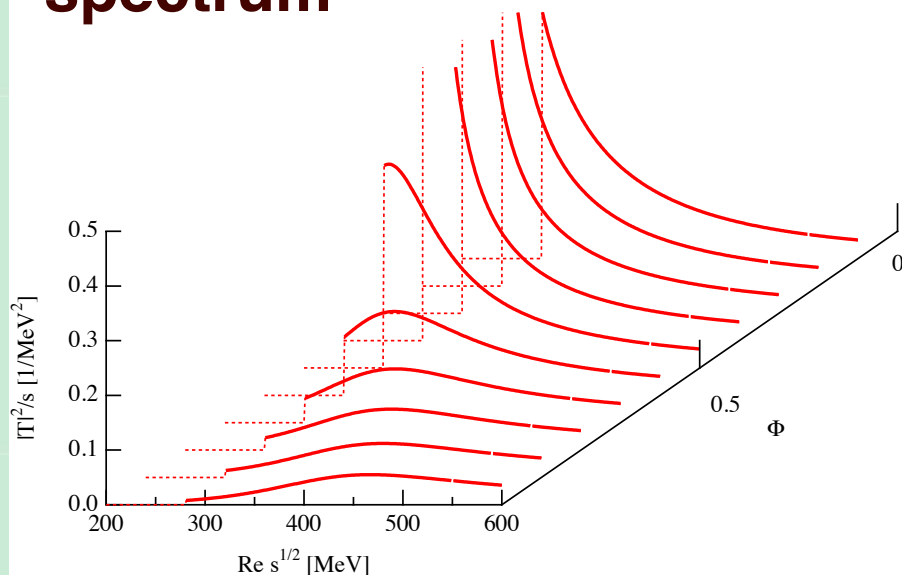


- Strong threshold enhancement : different from each other.
- Shape of the spectrum?



# Results in model C

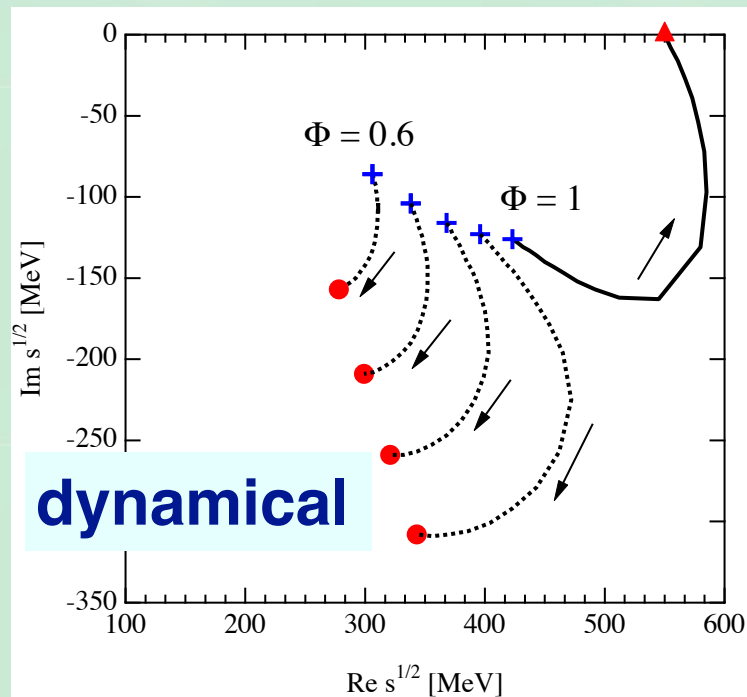
spectrum



- Bare pole + unitarization : **CDD pole**
- Softening : similar to **dynamical sigma** (virtual state).  
 <--> bare pole origin ??
- peak at threshold :  $\Phi \sim 0.3 \iff$  formation of bound state
- $M_{\text{pole}} \rightarrow m_{\pi}$  as  $\Phi \rightarrow 0$

# Property change of the pole

Extrapolation to  $x=0$  for  $1 \geq \Phi \geq 0.6$



bare  
(CDD)  
pole

dynamical

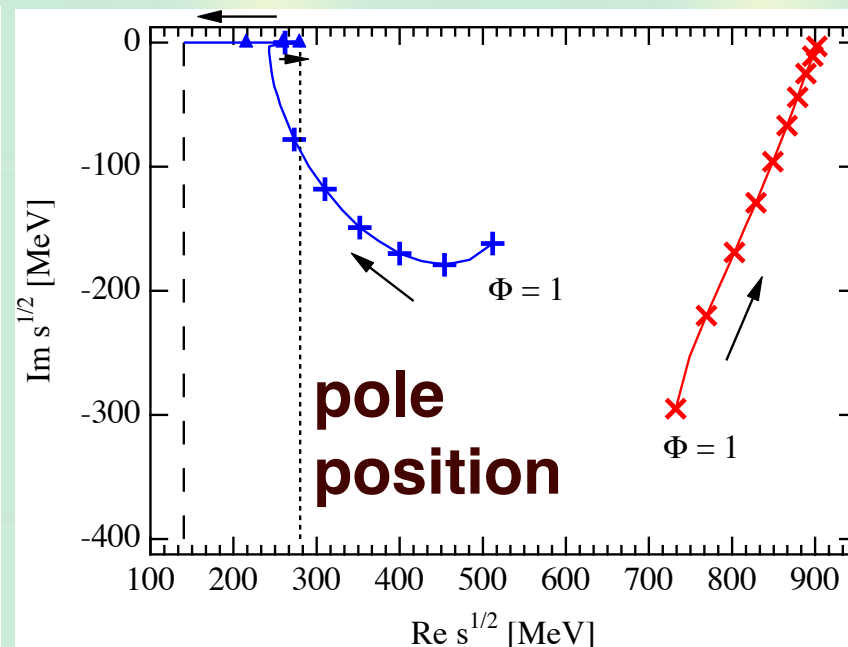
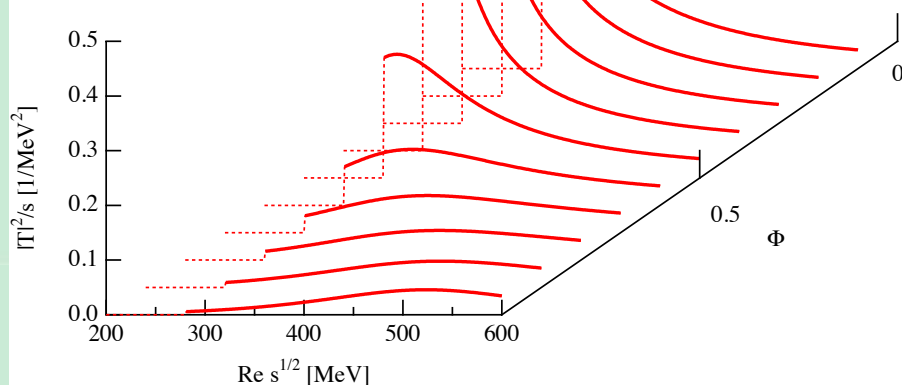
Symmetry restoration --> pole moves to lower energy

Bare pole unchanged, so it behaves as an effective attraction.

Origin of the pole : CDD pole --> dynamical sigma.

# Results in model D


spectrum



- Pole + attraction + unitarization : **CDD pole** + **dynamical**
- Softening : similar to **dynamical sigma**
- the other pole : goes to a kinematical singularity, reducing residue (irrelevant for spectrum).
- $M_{\text{pole}} \rightarrow m_{\pi}$  as  $\phi \rightarrow 0$

## Summary : chiral dynamics and sigma meson

We study the structure of the sigma meson with chiral symmetry restoration.


 We classify the possible structure of the sigma meson into three classes:

(i) **chiral sigma**

(ii) **dynamical sigma**

(iii) **CDD pole contribution**

 We construct two-flavor dynamical chiral models which account for them.

 **Dynamical sigma** (s-wave resonance) is expected to behave differently.

## Summary : results



In the chiral restoration limit:

Mass and coupling of the dynamical sigma behave **similarly** with chiral sigma, **in the chiral limit**. Chiral partner?



Softening phenomena:

Dynamical sigma softens **qualitatively differently** from chiral sigma.

<-- **virtual state** (s-wave resonance)

**CDD pole** case reduces to **dynamical case** around threshold. Universality?