

Isospin Violations and Radiative Corrections in $K_{\ell 4}$ Decays

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Theoretical framework :

- Low-energy effective theory, SU(3) framework ($m_u \neq m_d$)

S. Weinberg (1979)

J. Gasser and H. Leutwyler (1984, 1985)

- Combined expansion in powers of momenta and α

R. Urech (1995)

H. Neufeld and H. Rupertsberger (1995)

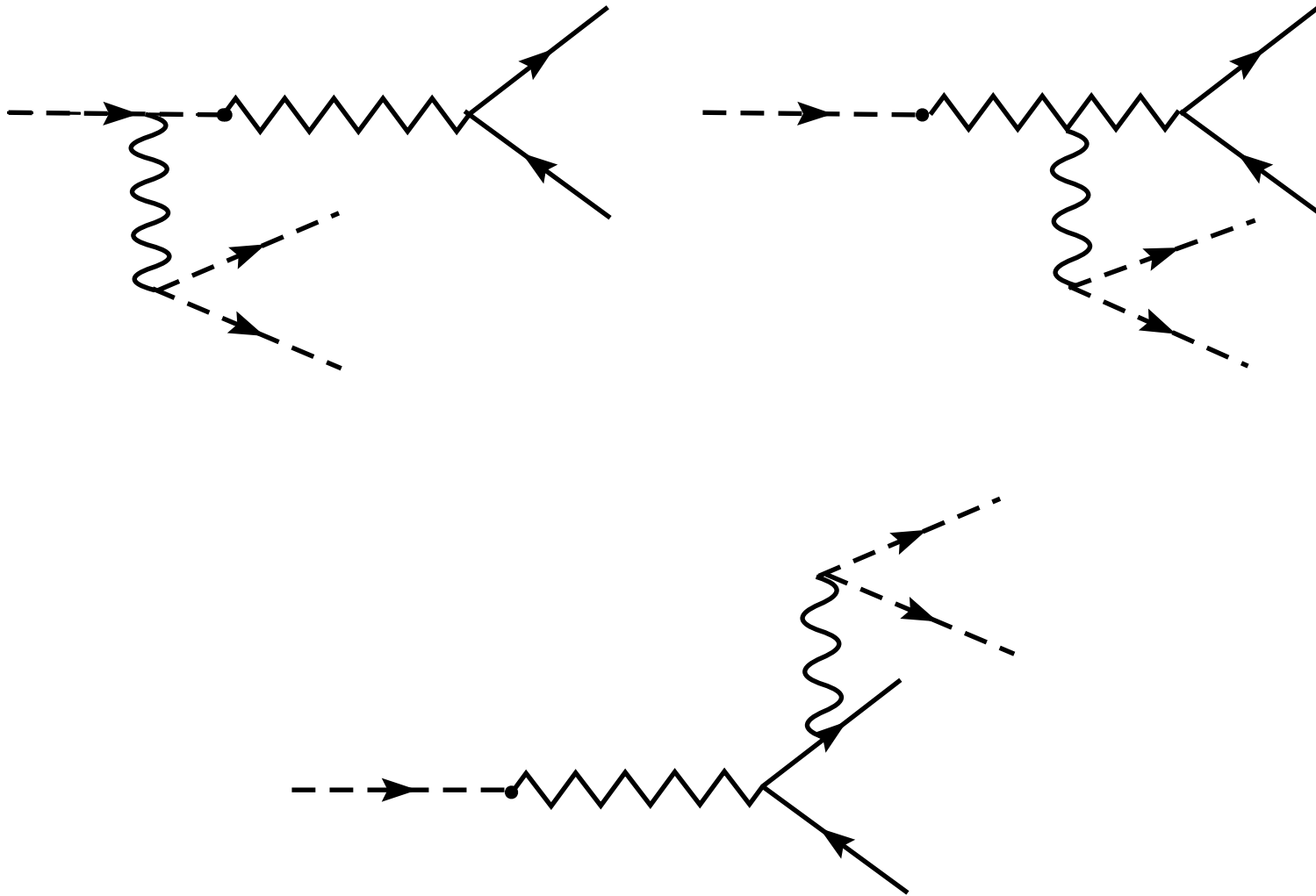
- Extension of the framework to the light leptons

M. Knecht, H. Neufeld, H. Rupertsberger, P. Talavera (2000)

Discuss mainly $K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^\pm \nu_\ell$

- One advantage: two equal mass pions
→ invariants have the same expression as in the isospin symmetric case, but with $M_{\pi^\pm}$ instead of M_π
- Big disadvantage: maximal number of charged particles
→ complicates issue of **radiative corrections**

Tree level



$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A}(K^\pm \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^\pm \nu_\ell) &= \\
&= \frac{G_F V_{us}^*}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{u}(p_{\nu_\ell})(1 + \gamma^5) \times \left\{ \frac{1}{M_{K^\pm}} [(p_1 + p_2)^\mu \textcolor{blue}{F} \right. \\
&\quad + (p_1 - p_2)^\mu \textcolor{blue}{G} + (p_\ell + p_\nu)^\mu \textcolor{blue}{R} \\
&\quad + \frac{i}{M_{K^\pm}^3} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} (p_\ell + p_\nu)_\nu (p_1 + p_2)_\rho (p_1 - p_2)_\sigma \textcolor{blue}{H}] \gamma_\mu \\
&\quad \left. + \frac{1}{2M_{K^\pm}^2} [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu] p_1^\mu p_2^\nu \textcolor{red}{T} \right\} v(p_\ell) .
\end{aligned}$$

Lowest order, i.e. $\mathcal{O}(p^2 e^0)$ and $\mathcal{O}(p^0 e^2)$,

$$F = \frac{M_{K^\pm}}{\sqrt{2}F_\pi}$$

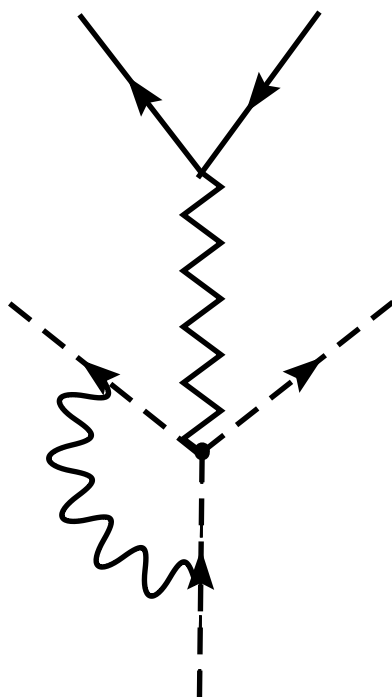
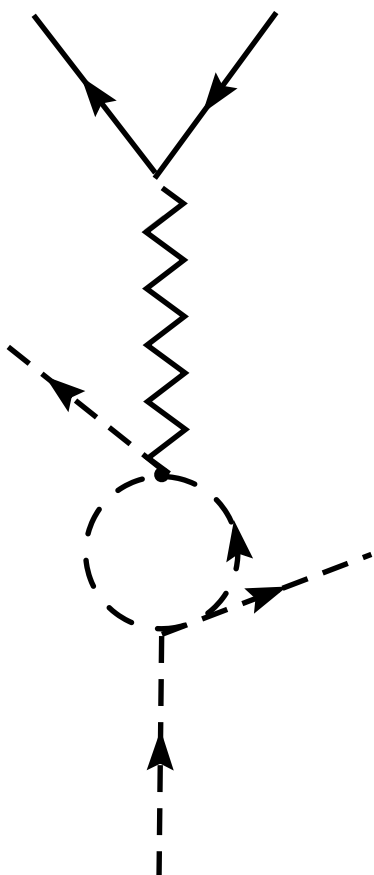
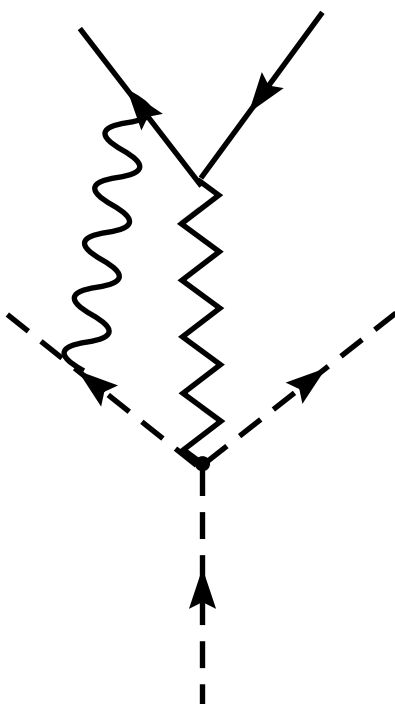
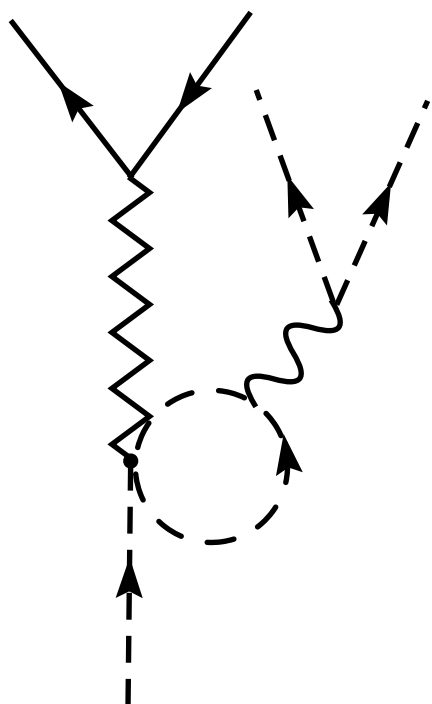
$$G = \frac{M_{K^\pm}}{\sqrt{2}F_\pi}$$

$$H = 0$$

$$T = \frac{M_{K^\pm}}{\sqrt{2}F_\pi} \frac{4e^2 F_\pi^2}{s_\pi} \frac{m_\ell M_{K^\pm}}{M_{K^\pm}^2 - m_\ell^2 - 2k \cdot p_{\nu_\ell}}$$

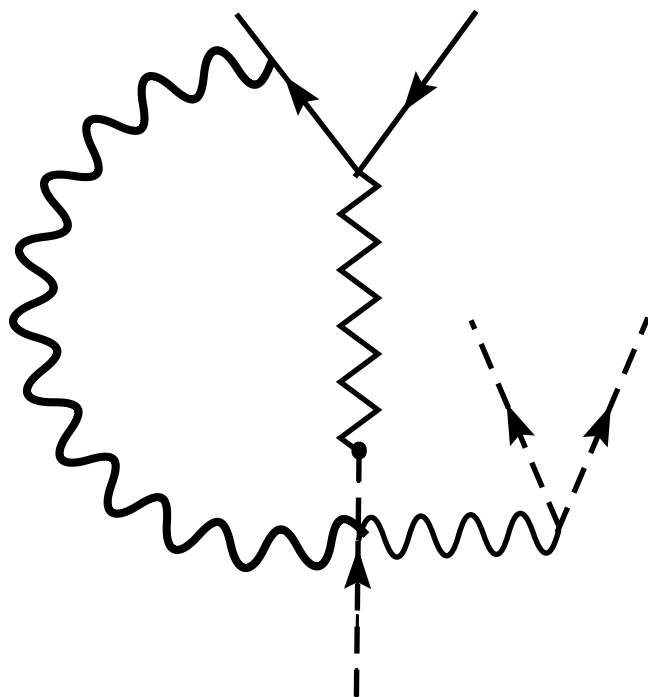
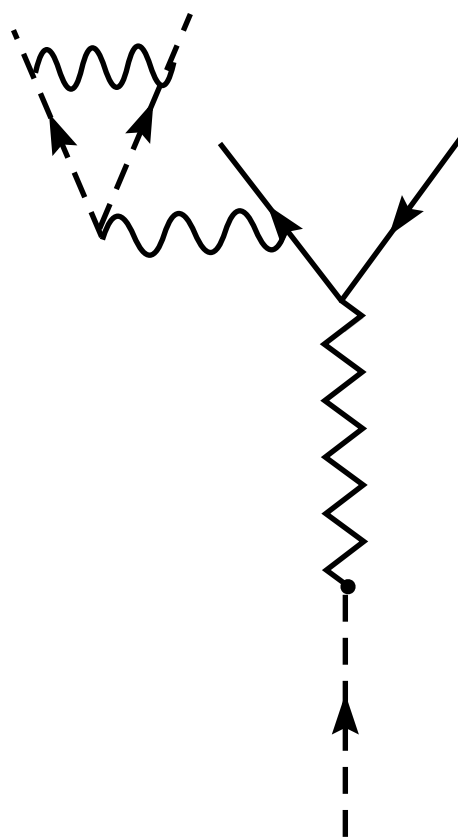
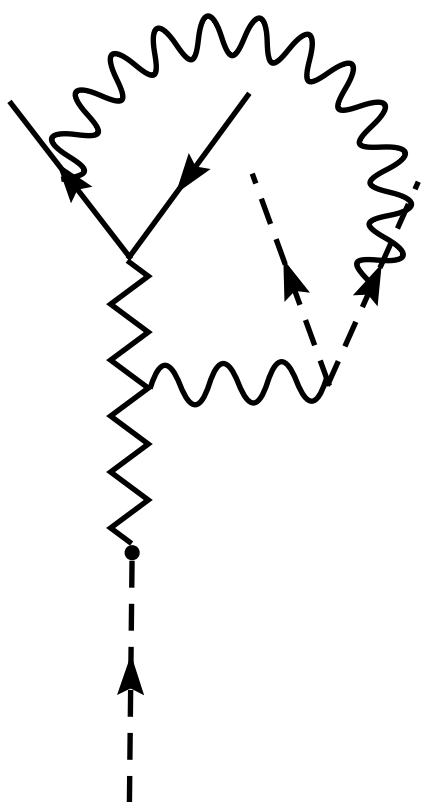
One-loop order, i.e. $\mathcal{O}(p^4 e^0)$, $\mathcal{O}(p^2 e^2)$...

- UV divergences are absorbed by the appropriate counterterms
- IR divergences, generated by photon loops, are regulated by a finite photon mass m_γ
→ see later
- Expressions for the form factors F and G have been worked out, but remain cumbersome
Cuplov and Nehme, [hep-ph/0311274](#)



... and $\mathcal{O}(p^0 e^4)$,

- Many diagrams
- Will not be considered



Radiative $K_{\ell 4}$ Decay Amplitudes

$$\mathcal{A}(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) = -e \frac{G_F V_{us}^*}{\sqrt{2} F_\pi} \varepsilon_\mu^* \mathcal{M}^\mu(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^\mu(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= \bar{u}(p_\ell) \left(\frac{p_\ell^\mu}{p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{p_+^\mu}{p_+ \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} + \frac{\gamma^\mu \not{q}}{2p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2} \right) \\ &\quad \times (2 \not{p}_0 - \not{k} + m_\ell)(1 - \gamma_5)v(p_{\nu_\ell}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) = +e \frac{G_F V_{us}^*}{2 F_\pi} \varepsilon_\mu^* \mathcal{M}^\mu(K^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^\mu(K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= \bar{u}(p_\ell) \left(\frac{p_\ell^\mu}{p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{k^\mu}{p_+ \cdot q - m_\gamma^2/2} + \frac{\gamma^\mu \not{q}}{2p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2} \right) \\ &\quad \times (\not{p}_1 + \not{p}_2 + \frac{2}{3}m_\ell)(1 - \gamma_5)v(p_{\nu_\ell}) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}^\mu(K^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= \bar{u}(p_\ell) \left(\frac{p_\ell^\mu}{p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{k^\mu}{p_+ \cdot q - m_\gamma^2/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{p_-^\mu}{p_- \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{p_+^\mu}{p_+ \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} + \frac{\gamma^\mu \not{q}}{2p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2} \right) \\ &\quad \times (2 \not{p}_- + \frac{2}{3} m_\ell)(1 - \gamma_5) v(p_{\nu_\ell}) \\ &\quad + \frac{4}{3} \bar{u}(p_\ell) \frac{p_-^\mu \not{q} - (p_- \cdot q) \gamma^\mu}{p_- \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} (1 - \gamma_5) v(p_{\nu_\ell}) \end{aligned}$$

Expand in powers of the photon energy

$$\mathcal{A}(K_{\ell 4\gamma}) = \mathcal{A}_{-1}(K_{\ell 4\gamma}) + \mathcal{A}_0(K_{\ell 4\gamma}) + \dots \quad (1)$$

In order to study the issue of infrared divergences, $\mathcal{A}_{-1}$ is enough (Low approximation)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{-1}(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= e \mathcal{A}(\bar{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell) \left(\frac{p_\ell \cdot \varepsilon^*}{p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{p_+ \cdot \varepsilon^*}{p_+ \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} \right) \\ \mathcal{A}_{-1}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= e \mathcal{A}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell) \left(\frac{p_\ell \cdot \varepsilon^*}{p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{k \cdot \varepsilon^*}{k \cdot q - m_\gamma^2/2} \right) \\ \mathcal{A}_{-1}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= e \mathcal{A}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell) \left(\frac{p_\ell \cdot \varepsilon^*}{p_\ell \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{p_+ \cdot \varepsilon^*}{p_+ \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{p_- \cdot \varepsilon^*}{p_- \cdot q + m_\gamma^2/2} - \frac{k \cdot \varepsilon^*}{k \cdot q - m_\gamma^2/2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Integrate over the three-momenta of the *invisible* particles

$$I_{m,n}(p_1, p_2; P, m_\gamma^2) \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_{\nu_\ell}}{|\vec{p}_{\nu_\ell}|} \int \frac{d^3 \vec{q}}{\sqrt{\vec{q}^2 + m_\gamma^2}} \\ \times \frac{\delta^4(P - p_{\nu_\ell} - q)}{\left[p_1 \cdot q + \frac{m_\gamma^2}{2} \right]^m \left[p_2 \cdot q + \frac{m_\gamma^2}{2} \right]^n}$$

$$m_\gamma^2 \leq x \equiv P^2 \leq x_{\max} \tag{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
d\Gamma_{-1}(\overline{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \ell^- \overline{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int_{m_\gamma^2}^{x_{\max}} d\Gamma(\overline{K}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \ell^- \overline{\nu}_\ell) \\
&\times \left\{ 2(p_\ell \cdot p_+) I_{1,1}(p_\ell, p_+; P, m_\gamma^2) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - m_\ell^2 I_{2,0}(p_\ell; P, m_\gamma^2) - M_{\pi^\pm}^2 I_{2,0}(p_+; P, m_\gamma^2) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
d\Gamma_{-1}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \ell^- \overline{\nu}_\ell \gamma) &= \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int_{m_\gamma^2}^{x_{\max}} d\Gamma(K^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \ell^- \overline{\nu}_\ell) \\
&\times \left\{ -2(p_\ell \cdot k) I_{1,1}(p_\ell, -k; P, m_\gamma^2) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - m_\ell^2 I_{2,0}(p_\ell; P, m_\gamma^2) - M_{K^\pm}^2 I_{2,0}(-k; P, m_\gamma^2) \right\}
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&\times \left\{ 2(p_\ell \cdot p_+) I_{1,1}(p_\ell, p_+; P, m_\gamma^2) \right. \\
&- 2(p_\ell \cdot p_-) I_{1,1}(p_\ell, p_-; P, m_\gamma^2) \\
&+ 2(p_- \cdot p_+) I_{1,1}(p_-, p_+; P, m_\gamma^2) \\
&- 2(p_- \cdot k) I_{1,1}(p_-, -k; P, m_\gamma^2) \\
&+ 2(p_+ \cdot k) I_{1,1}(p_+, -k; P, m_\gamma^2) \\
&- 2(p_\ell \cdot k) I_{1,1}(p_\ell, -k; P, m_\gamma^2) \\
&- m_\ell^2 I_{2,0}(p_\ell; P, m_\gamma^2) - M_{K^\pm}^2 I_{2,0}(-k; P, m_\gamma^2) \\
&\left. - M_{\pi^\pm}^2 I_{2,0}(p_+; P, m_\gamma^2) - M_{\pi^\pm}^2 I_{2,0}(p_-; P, m_\gamma^2) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

The integration over x produces $\ln m_\gamma$ terms due to the singular behaviour of the integrands at the lower end of the integration range

$$-\frac{p^2}{4} \int_{m_\gamma^2}^{x_{\max}} I_{2,0}(p; P, m_\gamma^2) = \ln m_\gamma + \text{finite}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{p_1 \cdot p_2}{2} \int_{m_\gamma^2}^{x_{\max}} I_{1,1}(p_1, p_2; P, m_\gamma^2) = \\ &= \frac{p_1 \cdot p_2}{\sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - p_1^2 p_2^2}} \ln \frac{(p_1 \cdot p_2) - \sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - p_1^2 p_2^2}}{(p_1 \cdot p_2) + \sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - p_1^2 p_2^2}} \ln m_\gamma \\ &+ \text{finite} \end{aligned}$$

Conclusions - Outlook

- K_{e4} is a complex process from the point of view of radiative corrections. The difficulty, however, is technical rather than conceptual.
- Only partial calculations available in the literature. A user adapted presentation (as e. g. in $K_{\ell 3}$) is missing
- Is the framework adapted ?
→ no a priori knowledge on $\pi - \pi$ phases