

Inelastic meson-meson scattering in hadronic matter

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Hadronic matter consists of π , ρ , K , K^* , p, n and other hadrons. All possible meson-meson scattering takes place in hadronic matter.

Types of meson-meson scattering:

1. Involve quark interchange between mesons.
2. Involve quark-antiquark annihilation.
3. Involve quark-antiquark creation.
4. Involve quark-antiquark annihilation and creation.
5. Involve quark interchange as well as quark-antiquark annihilation and creation.
6. Involve resonances as well as quark-antiquark annihilation and creation.

Pions, kaons and rho mesons are dominant meson species in hadronic matter.

Study scattering among π , ρ , K and K^* .

Reactions governed by quark interchange

Y.-Q. Li, X.-M. Xu, Nucl. Phys. A794 (2007) 210

Z.-Y. Shen, X.-M. Xu, J. Korean Phys. Soc. 66 (2015) 754

$$l=2 \pi\pi \rightarrow \rho\rho$$

$$l=1 KK \rightarrow K^*K^*$$

$$l=3/2 \pi K \rightarrow \rho K^*$$

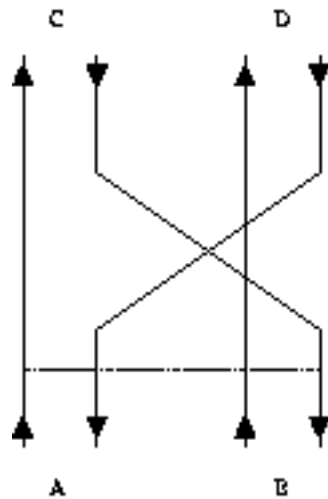
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$$l=1 KK^* \rightarrow K^*K^*$$

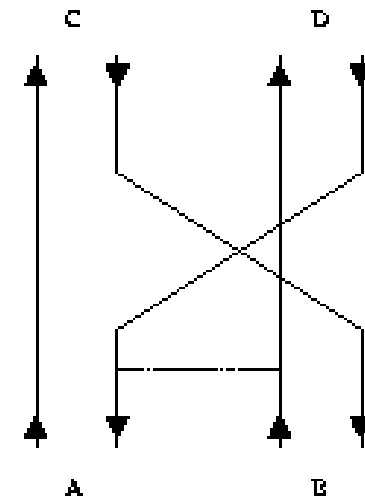
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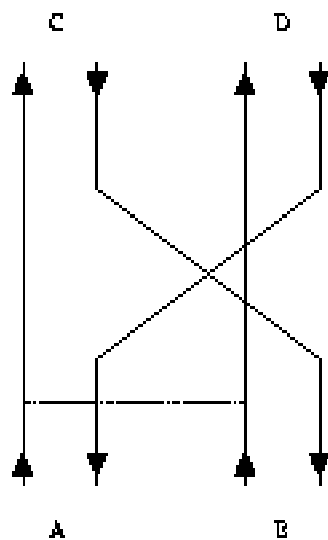
Scattering in the prior form: gluon exchange occurs before quark interchange



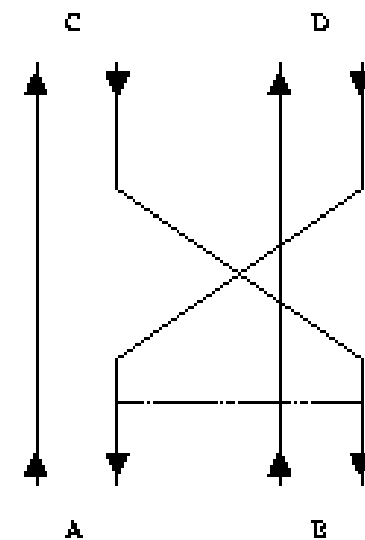
C1 prior



C2 prior

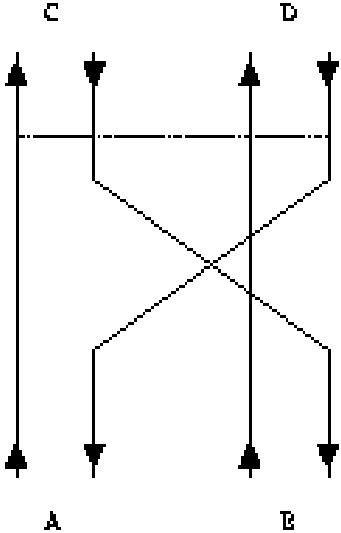


T1 prior

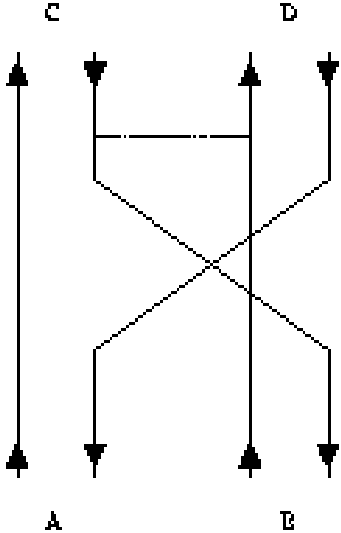


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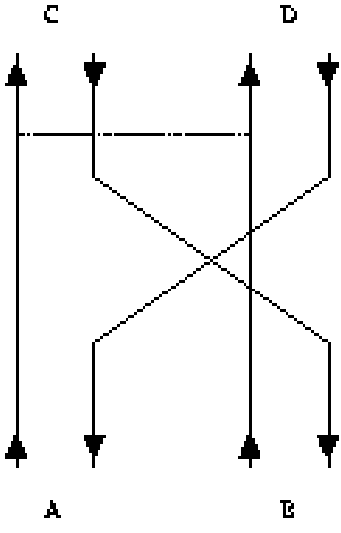
Scattering in the post form: gluon exchange occurs after quark interchange



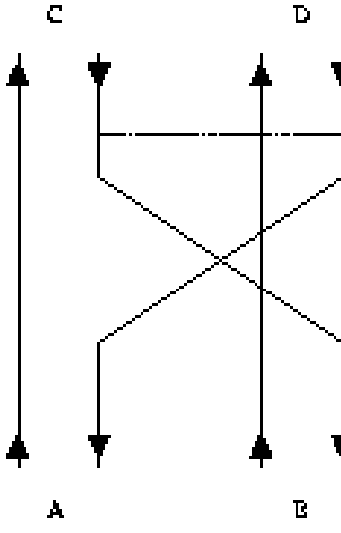
C1 post



C2 post



T1 post



T2 post

S-matrix element

for $A(q_1 \bar{q}_1) + B(q_2 \bar{q}_2) \rightarrow C(q_1 \bar{q}_2) + D(q_2 \bar{q}_1)$

$$S_{fi} = \delta_{fi} - 2\pi i \delta(E_f - E_i) \langle q_1 \bar{q}_2, q_2 \bar{q}_1 | H_I | q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2 \rangle$$

$$H_I = V_{q_1 \bar{q}_2} + V_{\bar{q}_1 q_2} + V_{q_1 q_2} + V_{\bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2} \quad \text{in the prior form}$$

$$H_I = V_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} + V_{\bar{q}_2 q_2} + V_{q_1 q_2} + V_{\bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2} \quad \text{in the post form}$$

quark interaction

$$V_{ab} = V_{si} + V_{ss}$$

Spin-independent potential

$$V_{si}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\vec{\lambda}_a \cdot \vec{\lambda}_b}{2} \left\{ -\frac{3}{4} D \left[1.3 - \left(\frac{T}{T_c} \right)^4 \right] \tanh(Ar) + \frac{6\pi v(\lambda r)}{25 r} e^{-Er} \right\}$$

$T_c = 0.175$ GeV, $D=0.7$ GeV, $E=0.6$ GeV. The short-distance part of V_{si} originates from one-gluon exchange plus one- and two-loop corrections. The intermediate-distance and large-distance part of V_{si} fits well the numerical potential obtained in the lattice gauge calculations.

Spin-spin interaction

$$V_{ss}(\vec{r}) = \frac{\vec{\lambda}_a \cdot \vec{\lambda}_b}{2} \left\{ -\frac{16\pi^2}{25} \frac{d^3}{\pi^{3/2}} e^{-d^2 r^2} + \frac{4\pi}{25} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2 v(\lambda r)}{dr^2} \right\} \frac{\vec{s}_a \cdot \vec{s}_b}{m_a m_b}$$

Including relativistic corrections to the gluon propagator.

X.-M. Xu, Nucl. Phys. A697 (2002) 825

Y.-P. Zhang, X.-M. Xu, H.-J. Ge, Nucl. Phys. A832 (2010) 112

J. Zhou, X.-M. Xu, Phys. Rev. C85 (2012) 064904

Transition amplitudes

$$M^{prior} = \sqrt{2E_{q_1\bar{q}_1} 2E_{q_2\bar{q}_2} 2E_{q_1\bar{q}_2} 2E_{q_2\bar{q}_1}} \int \frac{d^3 p_{q_1\bar{q}_2}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 p_{q_2\bar{q}_1}}{(2\pi)^3}$$

$$\Psi_{q_1\bar{q}_2}^+ \Psi_{q_2\bar{q}_1}^+ (V_{q_1\bar{q}_2} + V_{\bar{q}_1 q_2} + V_{q_1 q_2} + V_{\bar{q}_1\bar{q}_2}) \Psi_{q_1\bar{q}_1} \Psi_{q_2\bar{q}_2}$$

for the prior form

$$M^{post} = \sqrt{2E_{q_1\bar{q}_1} 2E_{q_2\bar{q}_2} 2E_{q_1\bar{q}_2} 2E_{q_2\bar{q}_1}} \int \frac{d^3 p_{q_1\bar{q}_1}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 p_{q_2\bar{q}_2}}{(2\pi)^3}$$

$$\Psi_{q_1\bar{q}_2}^+ \Psi_{q_2\bar{q}_1}^+ (V_{q_1\bar{q}_1} + V_{\bar{q}_2 q_2} + V_{q_1 q_2} + V_{\bar{q}_1\bar{q}_2}) \Psi_{q_1\bar{q}_1} \Psi_{q_2\bar{q}_2}$$

for the post form

Phase shift

$$\delta_l = - \frac{2\pi^2 |\vec{P}| E_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} E_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}}{E_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} + E_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}} \int_{-1}^1 T_{fi} P_l(x') dx'$$

reduced T-matrix element

$$T_{fi} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2E_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} 2E_{q_2 \bar{q}_2} 2E_{q_1 \bar{q}_2} 2E_{q_2 \bar{q}_1}}} \frac{M^{prior} + M^{post}}{2}$$

The experimental data of S-wave $l=2$ elastic phase shifts for $\pi\pi$ scattering for $0 < \sqrt{s} < 2.4$ GeV in vacuum are reproduced.

Cross section

The unpolarised cross section for the scattering in the prior form

$$\sigma_{prior} = \frac{1}{(2S_{q_1\bar{q}_1} + 1)(2S_{q_2\bar{q}_2} + 1)(2L_{q_2\bar{q}_2} + 1)} \frac{1}{32\pi s} \frac{|\vec{P}'|}{|\vec{P}|} \sum_{SL_{q_2\bar{q}_2z}} (2S + 1) \int_0^\pi d\theta |M^{prior}|^2 \sin\theta$$

The unpolarised cross section for the scattering in the post form

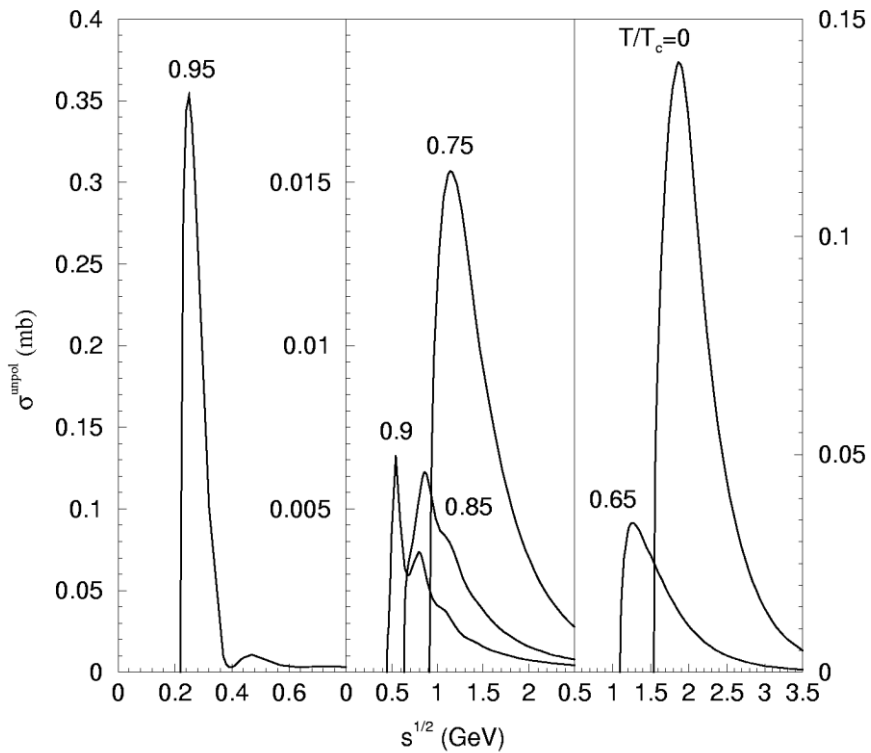
$$\sigma_{post} = \frac{1}{(2S_{q_1\bar{q}_1} + 1)(2S_{q_2\bar{q}_2} + 1)(2L_{q_2\bar{q}_2} + 1)} \frac{1}{32\pi s} \frac{|\vec{P}'|}{|\vec{P}|} \sum_{SL_{q_2\bar{q}_2z}} (2S + 1) \int_0^\pi d\theta |M^{post}|^2 \sin\theta$$

The unpolarised cross section for $A(q_1\bar{q}_1) + B(q_2\bar{q}_2) \rightarrow C(q_1\bar{q}_2) + D(q_2\bar{q}_1)$

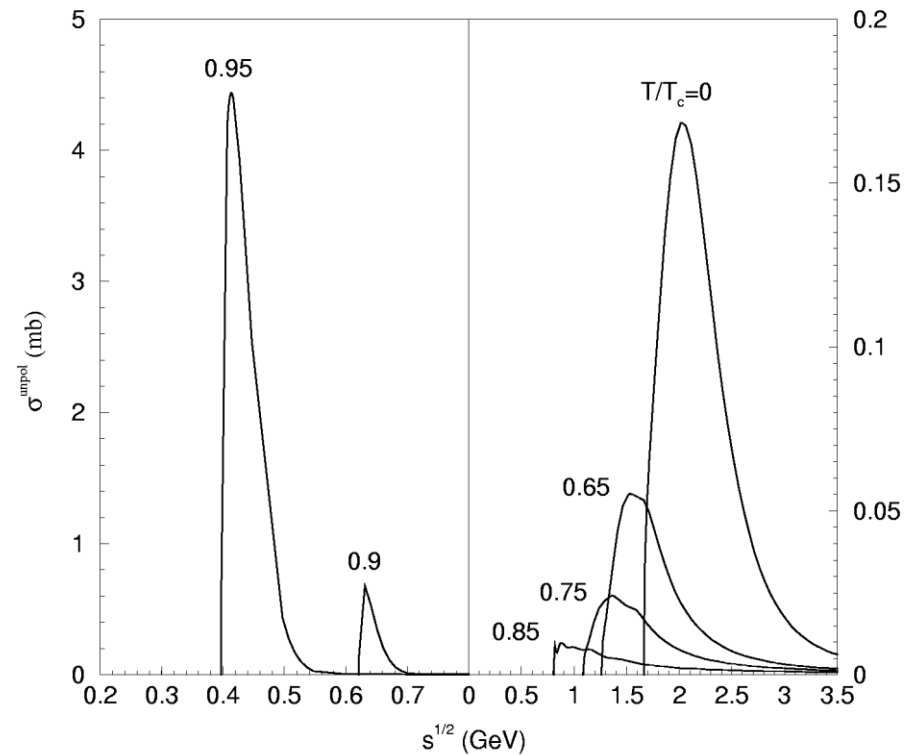
$$\sigma^{unpol} = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{prior} + \sigma_{post})$$

The cross section depends on temperature T and the total energy of the two initial mesons in their center-of-mass frame \sqrt{s} .

$$I = 2 \quad \pi\pi \rightarrow \rho\rho$$



$$I = \frac{3}{2} \quad \pi K^* \rightarrow \rho K^*$$



Reactions governed by quark-antiquark annihilation and creation

Z.-Y. Shen, X.-M. Xu, H. J. Weber, Phys. Rev. D94 (2016) 034030

T.-T. Wang, X.-M. Xu, Chin. Phys. C43 (2019) 024102

$$l=1 \quad \pi\pi \rightarrow \rho\rho$$

$$K\bar{K} \rightarrow K\bar{K}^*, K^*\bar{K}, K^*\bar{K}^*$$

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$$K^*\bar{K} \rightarrow K^*\bar{K}^*$$

$$\pi\pi \rightarrow K\bar{K}, K\bar{K}^*, K^*\bar{K}, K^*\bar{K}^*$$

$$K\bar{K} \rightarrow \rho\rho$$

$$K\bar{K}^* \rightarrow \rho\rho$$

$$K^*\bar{K} \rightarrow \rho\rho$$

$$\rho\rho \rightarrow K^*\bar{K}^*$$

$$\pi\rho \rightarrow K\bar{K}, K\bar{K}^*, K^*\bar{K}, K^*\bar{K}^*$$

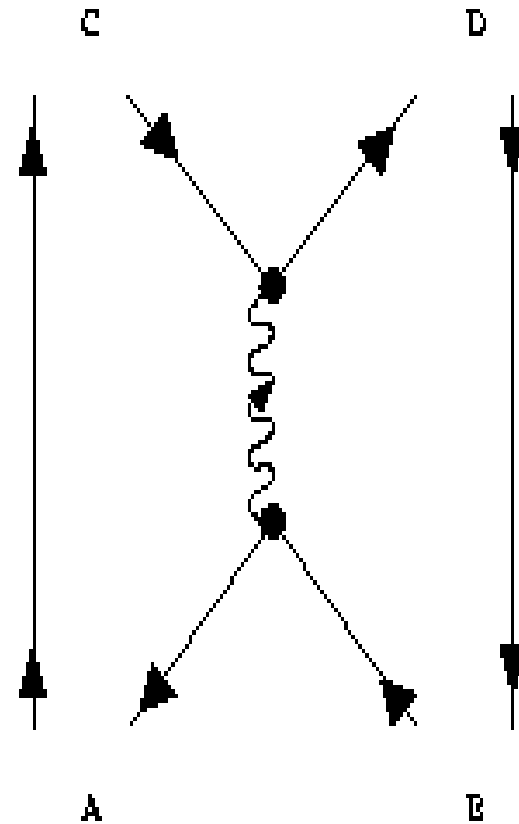
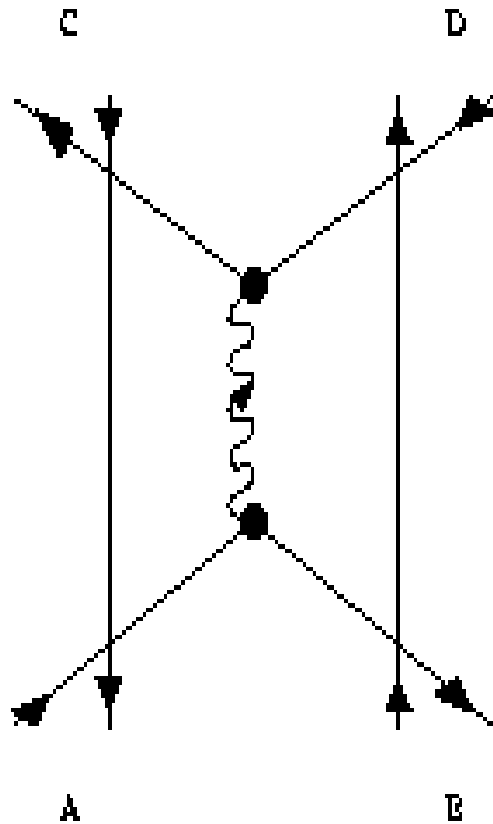
$$l=1/2 \quad \pi K \rightarrow \pi K^*$$

$$l=1/2 \quad \pi K \rightarrow \rho K$$

Quark-antiquark annihilation and creation

$$q_1 + \bar{q}_2 \rightarrow q_3 + \bar{q}_4$$

$$\bar{q}_1 + q_2 \rightarrow q_3 + \bar{q}_4$$



S-matrix element

for $A + B \rightarrow C + D$

via quark-antiquark annihilation and creation

$$S_{fi} = \delta_{fi} - 2\pi i \delta(E_f - E_i) \\ (\langle q_3 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_4 | V_{a q_1 \bar{q}_2} | q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2 \rangle \\ + \langle q_1 \bar{q}_4, q_3 \bar{q}_2 | V_{a \bar{q}_1 q_2} | q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2 \rangle)$$

Transition amplitudes

$$M_{aq_1\bar{q}_2} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_C 2E_D} \int \frac{d^3 p_{q_1\bar{q}_1}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 p_{q_2\bar{q}_2}}{(2\pi)^3}$$

$$\psi_{q_3\bar{q}_1}^\dagger \psi_{q_2\bar{q}_4}^\dagger V_{aq_1\bar{q}_2} \psi_{q_1\bar{q}_1} \psi_{q_2\bar{q}_2}$$

$$M_{a\bar{q}_1q_2} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_C 2E_D} \int \frac{d^3 p_{q_1\bar{q}_1}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 p_{q_2\bar{q}_2}}{(2\pi)^3}$$

$$\psi_{q_1\bar{q}_4}^\dagger \psi_{q_3\bar{q}_2}^\dagger V_{a\bar{q}_1q_2} \psi_{q_1\bar{q}_1} \psi_{q_2\bar{q}_2}$$

Phase shift

$$e^{i\delta_l} \sin \delta_l = -\frac{2\pi^2 |\vec{P}| E_A E_B}{E_A + E_B} \int_{-1}^1 dx T_{fi} P_l(x)$$

reduced T-matrix element

$$T_{fi} = \frac{M_{aq_1\bar{q}_2} + M_{a\bar{q}_1q_2}}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_C 2E_D}}$$

The experimental data of S-wave $l=0$ and P-wave $l=1$ elastic phase shifts for $\pi\pi$ scattering near the threshold energy are reproduced.

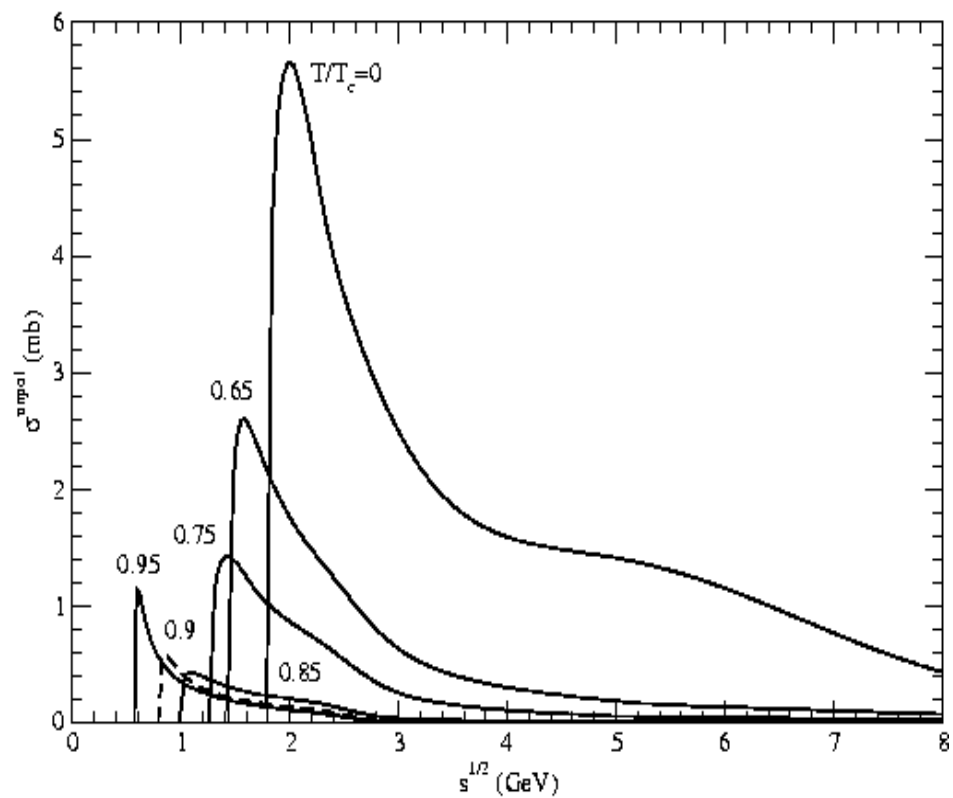
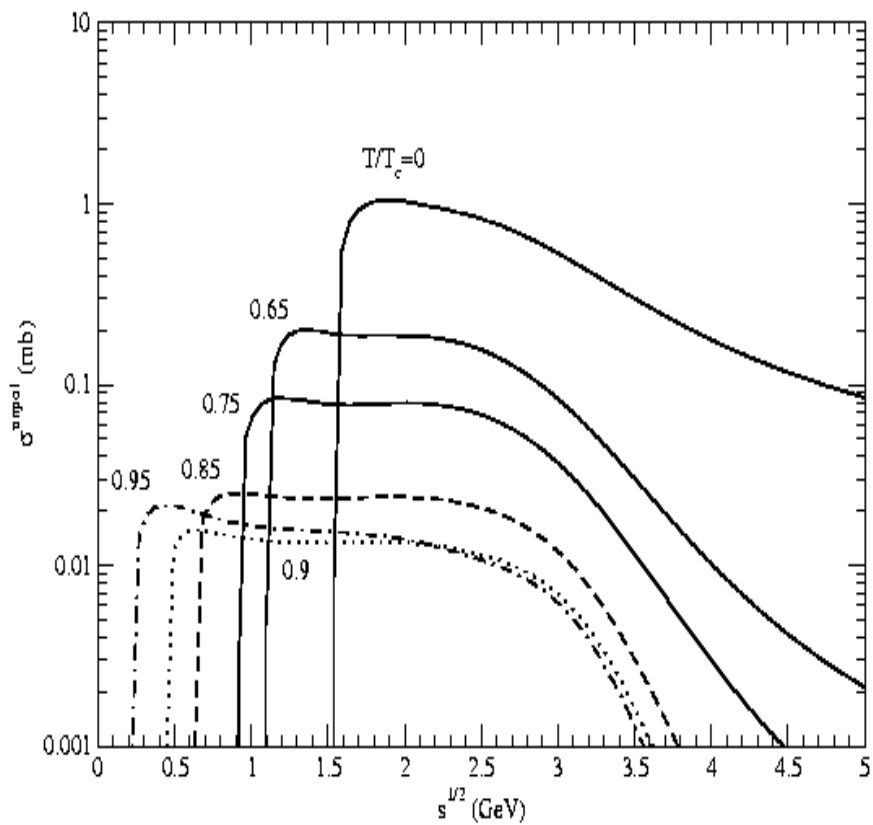
Cross section

The unpolarised cross section for $A + B \rightarrow C + D$ via $q_1 + \bar{q}_2 \rightarrow q_3 + \bar{q}_4$ and $\bar{q}_1 + q_2 \rightarrow q_3 + \bar{q}_4$ is

$$\sigma^{unpol} = \frac{1}{(2J_A + 1)(2J_B + 1)} \frac{1}{32\pi s} \frac{|\vec{P}'|}{|\vec{P}|} \int_0^\pi d\theta \sum_{J_{Az} J_{Bz} J_{Cz} J_{Dz}} |M_{aq_1\bar{q}_2} + M_{a\bar{q}_1q_2}|^2 \sin\theta$$

$I=1 \pi\pi \rightarrow \rho\rho$

$I=0 K\bar{K} \rightarrow K^*\bar{K}^*$



Reactions governed by quark interchange as well as
quark-antiquark annihilation and creation

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$$I = 0 \quad \pi\pi \rightarrow \rho\rho$$

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Cross section

The unpolarised cross section for $A + B \rightarrow C + D$ via quark interchange as well as quark-antiquark annihilation and creation is

$$\sigma^{unpol} = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_{unpol}^{prior} + \sigma_{unpol}^{post})$$

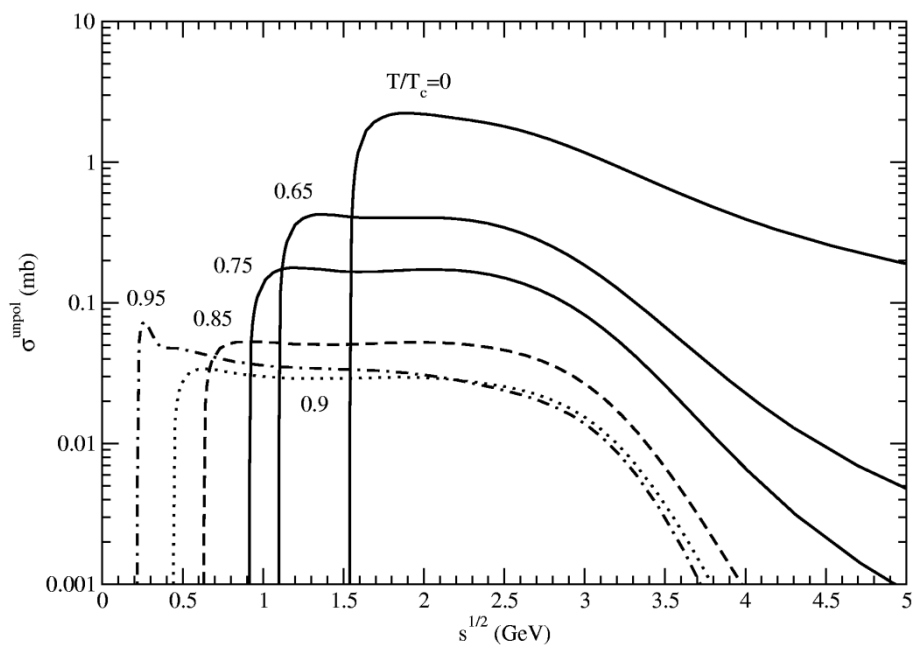
$$\sigma_{unpol}^{prior} = \frac{1}{(2J_A + 1)(2J_B + 1)} \frac{1}{32\pi s} \frac{|\vec{P}'|}{|\vec{P}|}$$

$$\int_0^\pi d\theta \sum_{J_{Az} J_{Bz} J_{Cz} J_{Dz}} |M_{aq_1\bar{q}_2} + M_{a\bar{q}_1q_2} + M_{fi}^{prior}|^2 \sin\theta$$

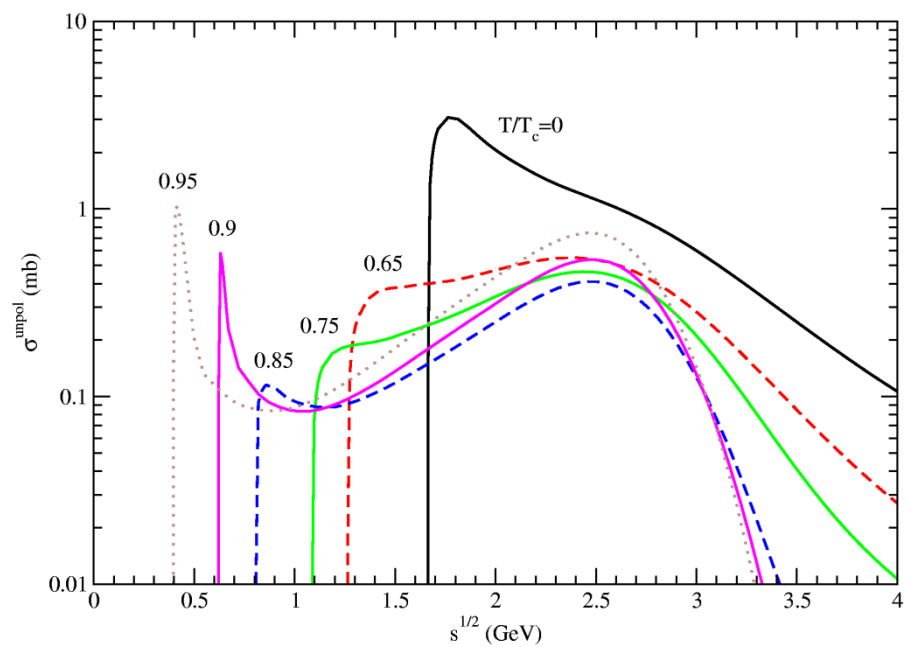
$$\sigma_{unpol}^{post} = \frac{1}{(2J_A + 1)(2J_B + 1)} \frac{1}{32\pi s} \frac{|\vec{P}'|}{|\vec{P}|}$$

$$\int_0^\pi d\theta \sum_{J_{Az} J_{Bz} J_{Cz} J_{Dz}} |M_{aq_1\bar{q}_2} + M_{a\bar{q}_1q_2} + M_{fi}^{post}|^2 \sin\theta$$

$I = 0 \quad \pi\pi \rightarrow \rho\rho$



$I = \frac{1}{2} \quad \rho K \rightarrow \rho K^*$



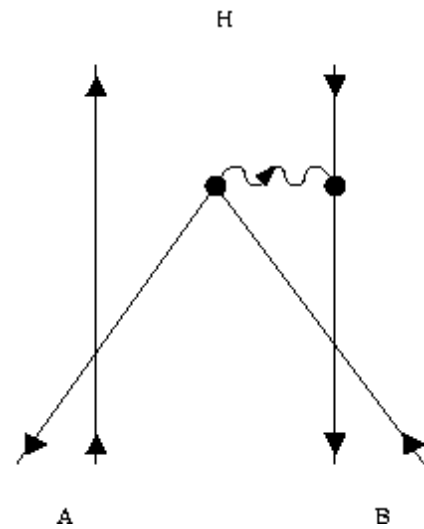
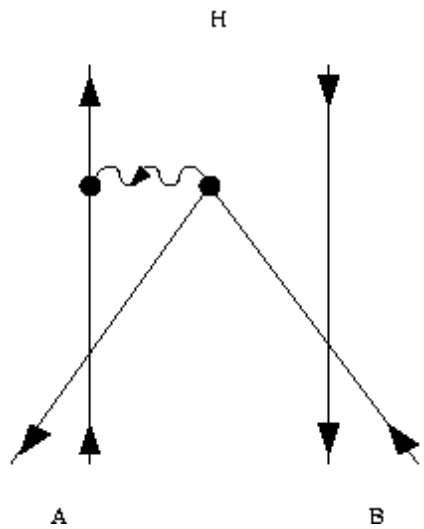
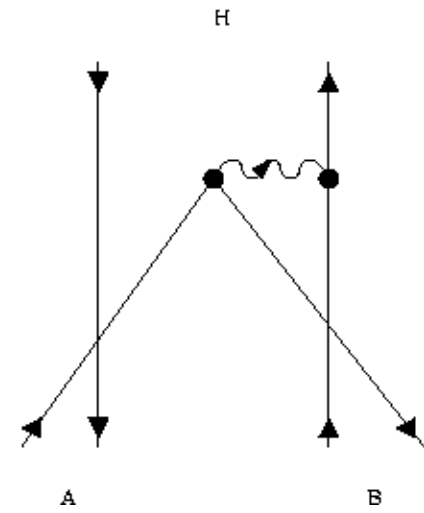
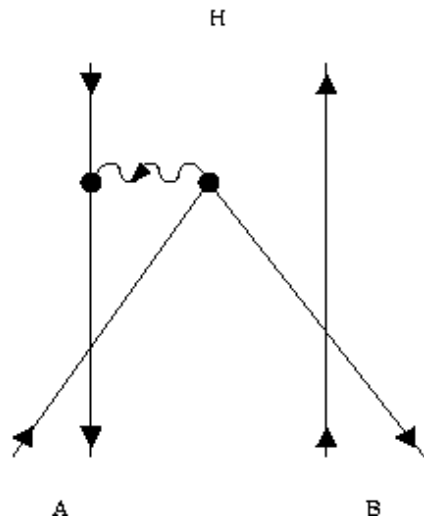
Reactions governed by quark-antiquark annihilation

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Two mesons annihilate into one meson

$$\pi\pi \rightarrow \rho \qquad \pi K \rightarrow K^*$$

$$A(q_1\bar{q}_1) + B(q_2\bar{q}_2) \rightarrow H(q_2\bar{q}_1) \text{ or } H(q_1\bar{q}_2)$$



S-matrix element

for $A + B \rightarrow H$

$$S_{fi} = \delta_{fi} - 2\pi i \delta(E_f - E_i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\langle H | V_{rq_1 \bar{q}_2 \bar{q}_1} | A, B \rangle + \langle H | V_{rq_1 \bar{q}_2 q_2} | A, B \rangle \\ & + \langle H | V_{rq_2 \bar{q}_1 q_1} | A, B \rangle + \langle H | V_{rq_2 \bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2} | A, B \rangle) \end{aligned}$$

$V_{rq_1 \bar{q}_2 \bar{q}_1}$ is the transition potential for $q_1 + \bar{q}_2 + \bar{q}_1 \rightarrow \bar{q}_1$.

$V_{rq_1 \bar{q}_2 q_2}$ is the transition potential for $q_1 + \bar{q}_2 + q_2 \rightarrow q_2$.

$V_{rq_2 \bar{q}_1 q_1}$ is the transition potential for $q_2 + \bar{q}_1 + q_1 \rightarrow q_1$.

$V_{rq_2 \bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2}$ is the transition potential for $q_2 + \bar{q}_1 + \bar{q}_2 \rightarrow \bar{q}_2$.

Transition amplitudes in coordinate space

$$M_{r_{q_1 \bar{q}_2 \bar{q}_1}} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_H} \int d\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} d\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}$$

$$\psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_1}^+ V_{r_{q_1 \bar{q}_2 \bar{q}_1}} \psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_2} e^{i\vec{p}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2} \cdot \vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2}}$$

$$M_{r_{q_1 \bar{q}_2 q_2}} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_H} \int d\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} d\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}$$

$$\psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_1}^+ V_{r_{q_1 \bar{q}_2 q_2}} \psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_2} e^{i\vec{p}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2} \cdot \vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2}}$$

$$M_{r_{q_2 \bar{q}_1 q_1}} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_H} \int d\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} d\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}$$

$$\psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_2}^+ V_{r_{q_2 \bar{q}_1 q_1}} \psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_2} e^{i\vec{p}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2} \cdot \vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2}}$$

$$M_{r_{q_2 \bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2}} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_H} \int d\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} d\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}$$

$$\psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_2}^+ V_{r_{q_2 \bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2}} \psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_2} e^{i\vec{p}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2} \cdot \vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2}}$$

Unpolarised cross section

The unpolarised cross section for $A + B \rightarrow H$ is

$$\sigma^{unpol} = \frac{1}{(2J_A + 1)(2J_B + 1) \sqrt{\pi} \exp\left(-\frac{(\sqrt{s} - m_H)^2}{h^2}\right)} \frac{1}{2h \sqrt{[s - (m_A + m_B)^2][s - (m_A - m_B)^2]} E_H} \sum_{J_{Az} J_{Bz} J_{Hz}} |M_{rq_1 \bar{q}_2 \bar{q}_1} + M_{rq_1 \bar{q}_2 q_2} + M_{rq_2 \bar{q}_1 q_1} + M_{rq_2 \bar{q}_1 \bar{q}_2}|^2$$

With $\sqrt{s} = m_H$

Isospin-averaged unpolarised cross section

$$\sigma^{un} = \frac{2I_H + 1}{(2I_A + 1)(2I_B + 1)} \sigma^{unpol}$$

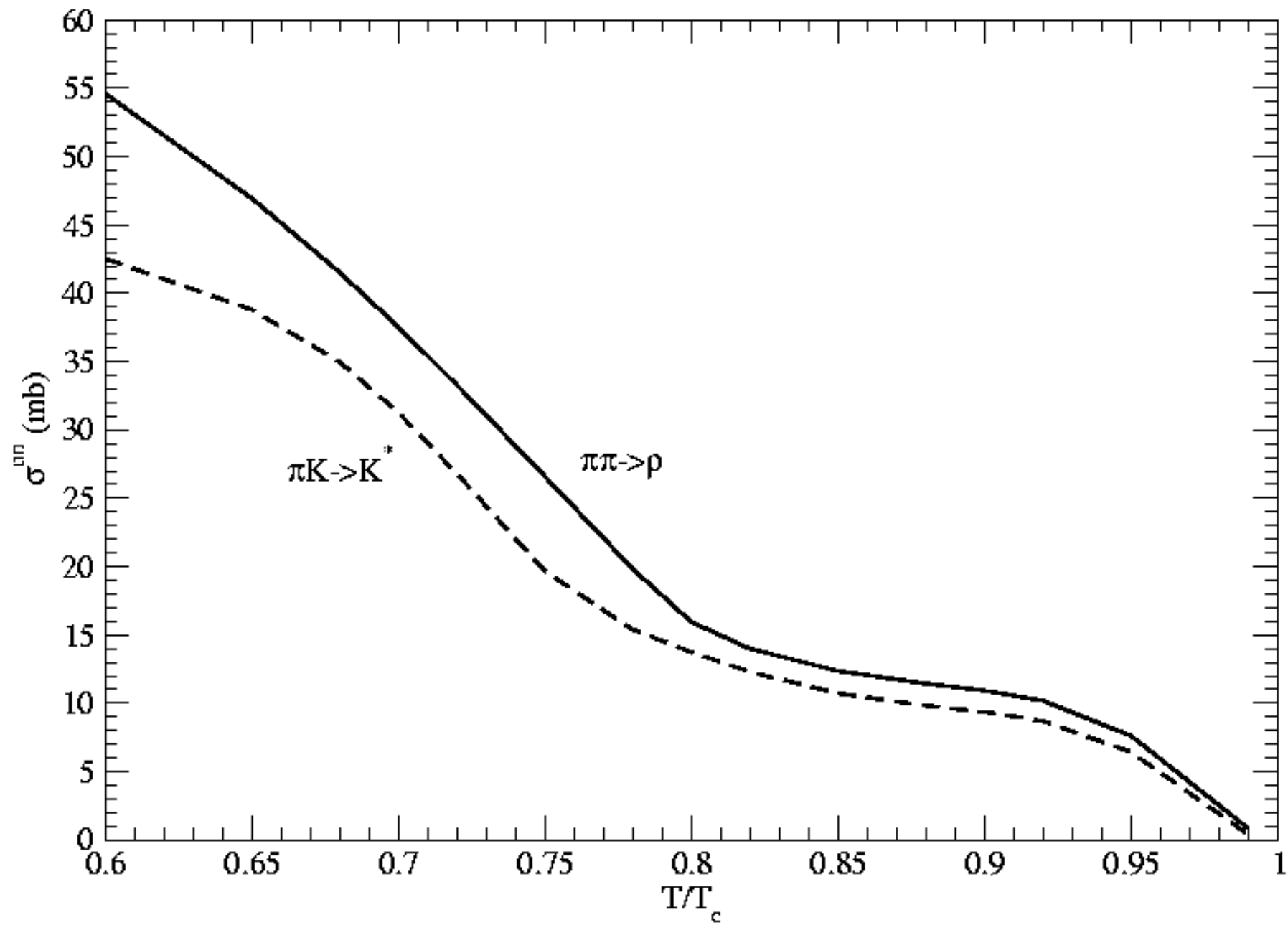
empirical values

For $\pi\pi \rightarrow \rho$ at $T = 0$, $\sigma^{un} = 80.07$ mb

80 mb

For $\pi K \rightarrow K^*$ at $T = 0$, $\sigma^{un} = 60.5$ mb

60 mb



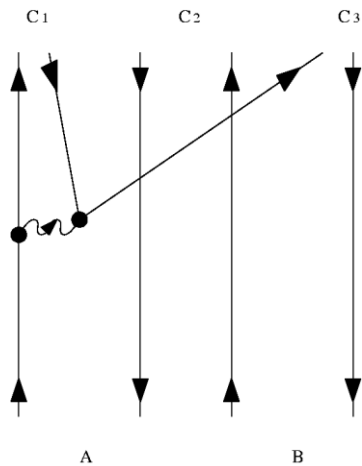
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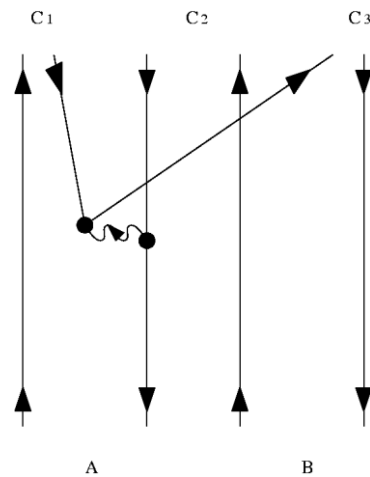
meson-meson collisions produce three mesons:

$$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi K \bar{K}, \quad \pi K \rightarrow \pi\pi K, \quad \pi K \rightarrow K K \bar{K},$$
$$K K \rightarrow \pi K K, \quad K \bar{K} \rightarrow \pi K \bar{K}$$

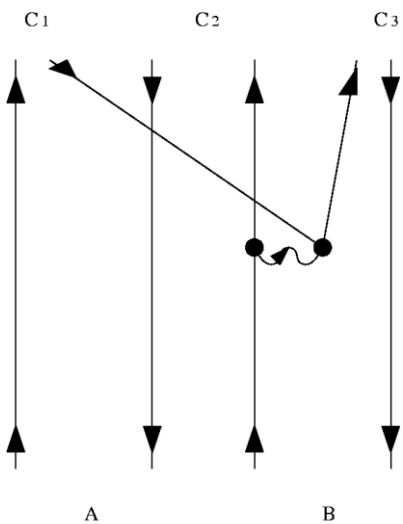
$$A(q_1 \bar{q}_1) + B(q_2 \bar{q}_2) \rightarrow C_1(q_1 \bar{q}_4) + C_2(q_2 \bar{q}_1) + C_3(q_3 \bar{q}_2)$$



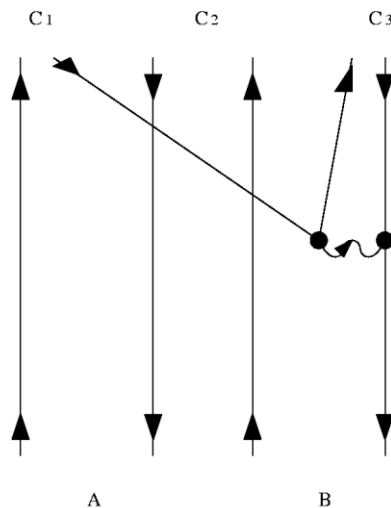
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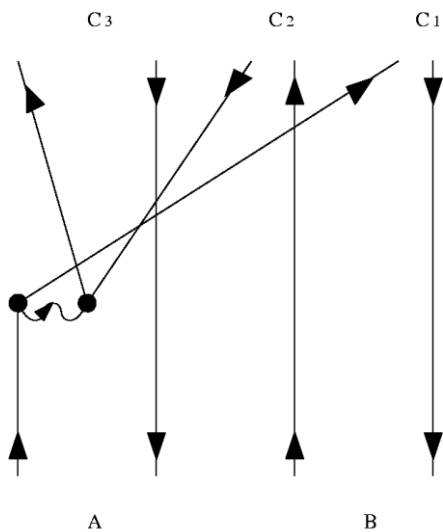


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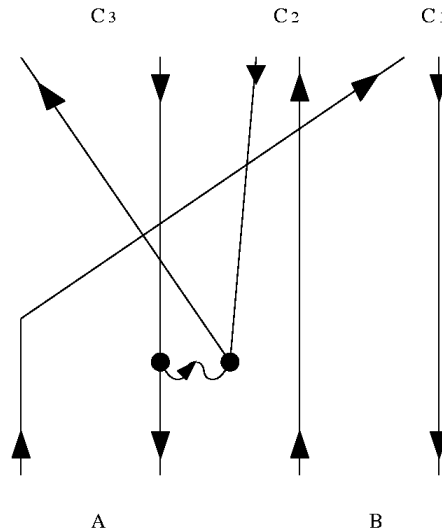


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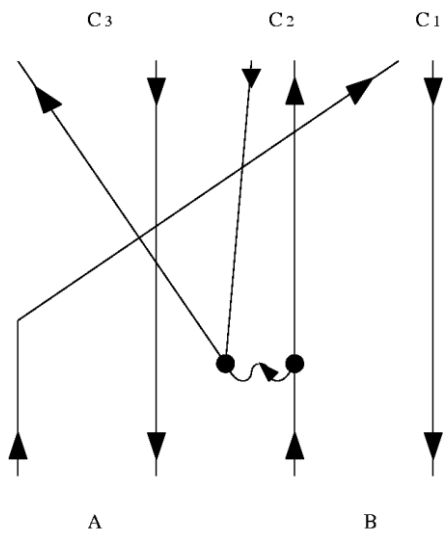
$$A(q_1 \bar{q}_1) + B(q_2 \bar{q}_2) \rightarrow C_1(q_1 \bar{q}_2) + C_2(q_2 \bar{q}_4) + C_3(q_3 \bar{q}_1)$$



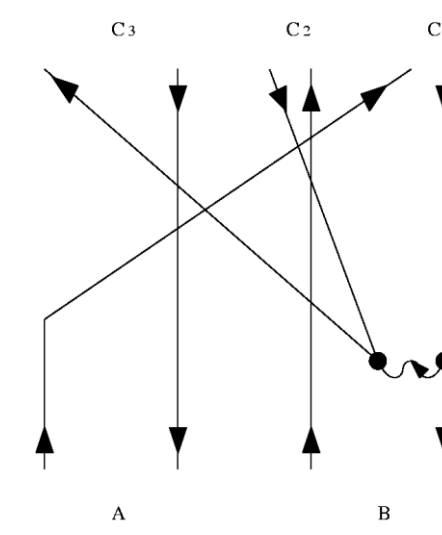
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S-matrix element
for $A + B \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$

$$S_{fi} = \delta_{fi} - 2\pi i \delta(E_f - E_i) (\langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_1} | A, B \rangle + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_2} | A, B \rangle \\ + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_3} | A, B \rangle + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_4} | A, B \rangle \\ + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_5} | A, B \rangle + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_6} | A, B \rangle \\ + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_7} | A, B \rangle + \langle C_1, C_2, C_3 | V_{D_8} | A, B \rangle)$$

$V_{D_1}, V_{D_2}, V_{D_3}, V_{D_4}, V_{D_5}, V_{D_6}, V_{D_7}$ and V_{D_8} stand for the transition potentials corresponding to diagrams $D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4, D_5, D_6, D_7$, and D_8 .

Transition amplitudes

$$M_{D_1} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_{C_1} 2E_{C_2} 2E_{C_3}} \frac{3\sqrt{3}(m_{q_1} + m_{\bar{q}_4})^3 (m_{q_2} + m_{\bar{q}_1})^3 (m_{q_3} + m_{\bar{q}_2})^3}{(m_{q_1} m_{q_2} m_{q_3} + m_{\bar{q}_1} m_{\bar{q}_2} m_{\bar{q}_4})^3}$$

$$\int d\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} d\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2} d\vec{\rho}_X d\vec{\lambda}_X \psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_4}^+(\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_4}) \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_1}^+(\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_1}) \psi_{q_3 \bar{q}_2}^+(\vec{r}_{q_3 \bar{q}_2}) V_{D_1}$$

$$\psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_1}(\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1}) \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}(\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}) \exp(-i\vec{p}_{\rho_X} \cdot \vec{\rho}_X - i\vec{p}_{\lambda_X} \cdot \vec{\lambda}_X + i\vec{p}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2} \cdot \vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2})$$

$$M_{D_5} = \sqrt{2E_A 2E_B 2E_{C_1} 2E_{C_2} 2E_{C_3}} \frac{3\sqrt{3}(m_{q_1} + m_{\bar{q}_2})^3 (m_{q_2} + m_{\bar{q}_4})^3 (m_{q_3} + m_{\bar{q}_1})^3}{(m_{q_1} m_{q_2} m_{q_3} + m_{\bar{q}_1} m_{\bar{q}_2} m_{\bar{q}_4})^3}$$

$$\int d\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1} d\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2} d\vec{\rho}_Y d\vec{\lambda}_Y \psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_2}^+(\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_2}) \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_4}^+(\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_4}) \psi_{q_3 \bar{q}_1}^+(\vec{r}_{q_3 \bar{q}_1}) V_{D_5}$$

$$\psi_{q_1 \bar{q}_1}(\vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1}) \psi_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}(\vec{r}_{q_2 \bar{q}_2}) \exp(-i\vec{p}_{\rho_Y} \cdot \vec{\rho}_Y - i\vec{p}_{\lambda_Y} \cdot \vec{\lambda}_Y + i\vec{p}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2} \cdot \vec{r}_{q_1 \bar{q}_1, q_2 \bar{q}_2})$$

Cross section

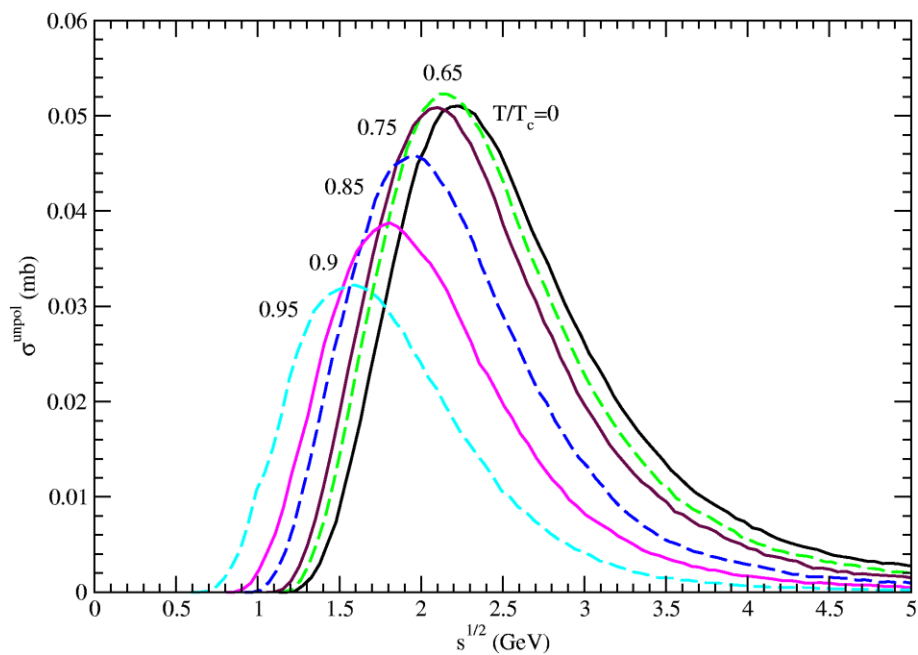
The unpolarised cross section for $A + B \rightarrow C_1 + C_2 + C_3$ is

$$\sigma^{unpol} = \frac{1}{(2J_A + 1)(2J_B + 1)} \frac{1}{16(2\pi)^5 \sqrt{[s - (m_A + m_B)^2][s - (m_A - m_B)^2]}}$$

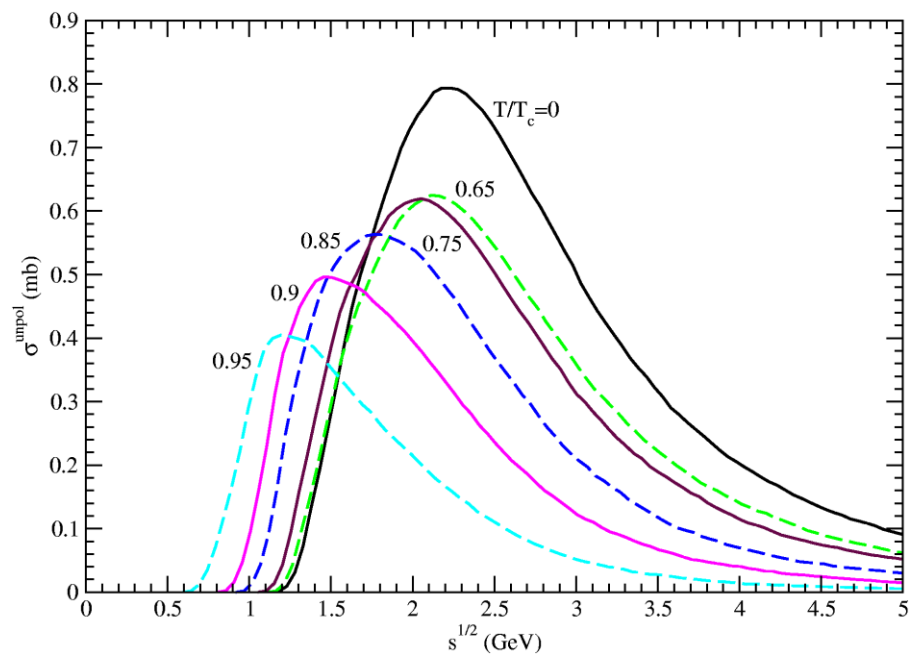
$$\int \frac{d^3 P_{C_3}}{E_{C_3}} d\Omega_{C_1} \frac{|\vec{P}_{C_1}|_0^2}{\left| |\vec{P}_{C_1}|_0 E_{C_2} + (|\vec{P}_{C_1}|_0 - |\vec{P}_A + \vec{P}_B - \vec{P}_{C_3}| \cos \theta) E_{C_1} \right|}$$

$$\sum_{J_{Az} J_{Bz} J_{C_1z} J_{C_2z} J_{C_3z}} |M_{D_1} + M_{D_2} + M_{D_3} + M_{D_4} + M_{D_5} + M_{D_6} + M_{D_7} + M_{D_8}|^2$$

$$I = 1 \quad I_{\pi K}^f = \frac{3}{2} \quad \pi\pi \rightarrow \pi K \bar{K}$$



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summary

- ⊕ We have proposed a model to study 2-to-2 meson-meson scattering.
- ⊕ We have proposed a model to study 2-to-1 meson-meson scattering.
- ⊕ We have proposed a model to study 2-to-3 meson-meson scattering.
- ⊕ We have done the first calculations of cross sections for many meson-meson reactions.
- ⊕ We find remarkable temperature dependence of the cross sections.