

VI. DISCUSSION

The theoretical results for the capture rate given in Table I are to be compared with the recent experimental results

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\mu^- + p \rightarrow n + \nu; \mu p \text{ singlet})]_{\text{expt.}} &= 640 \pm 70 \text{ sec}^{-1} \\ &[\text{Bologna-CERN (Ref. 3)}], \\ \Gamma(\mu^- + \text{He}^3 \rightarrow \text{H}^3 + \nu)_{\text{expt.}} &= 1505 \pm 46 \text{ sec}^{-1} \quad (44) \\ &[\text{Berkeley (Ref. 25)}], \\ &= 1465 \pm 67 \text{ sec}^{-1} \\ &[\text{Carnegie (Ref. 26)}]. \end{aligned}$$

The over-all agreement between theory and experiment is gratifying and must be viewed as lending general support to the belief in the validity of $V-A$ interaction, muon-electron universality, CVC, and PCAC.

The capture rate is not very sensitive to the values of F_P and the present experimental errors are still too large to eliminate one or the other version of PCAC. How-

²⁵ L. B. Auerbach, R. J. Esterling, R. E. Hill, D. A. Jenkins, J. T. Lach, and N. Y. Lipman, Phys. Rev. 138, B127 (1965).

²⁶ D. B. Clay, J. W. Keuffel, R. L. Wagner, Jr., and R. M. Edelman, Phys. Rev. 140, B586 (1965).

TABLE I. Theoretical capture rates in units of sec^{-1} . The capture rates (a), (b), (c), and (d) are, respectively, for G_P^N and $F_A \times (0; p \rightarrow n) = 1.18$, G_P^{G-L} and $F_A(0; p \rightarrow n) = 1.18$, G_P^N and $F_A \times (0; p \rightarrow n) = 1.23$, and G_P^{G-L} and $F_A(0; p \rightarrow n) = 1.23$.

Process	Capture rate (a)	Capture rate (b)	Capture rate (c)	Capture rate (d)
$\mu^- + p \rightarrow n + \nu$	625	613	662	654
$\mu^- + \text{He}^3 \rightarrow \text{H}^3 + \nu$	1449	1525	1449	1525

ever, in view of the recent spectacular success of the Gell-Mann-Lévy version of PCAC in the application of current algebra to various problems of elementary-particle physics, we believe that the capture rates with G_P^{G-L} and $F_A(0; p \rightarrow n) = 1.23$, as given in the last column of Table I, are the best theoretical values at the present time.

Note added in proof. The final result of the experiment of Ref. 3 has been reported as

$$\Gamma(\mu^- + p \rightarrow n + \nu; \mu p \text{ singlet})]_{\text{expt.}} = 651 \pm 57 \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

(Phys. Rev., to be published) which is in excellent agreement with our theoretical estimate (d) in Table I.

Pole Dominance and a Low-Energy Theorem in the Radiative Decays of Charged Kaons*

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A low-energy theorem is derived for the structure-dependent axial-vector form factor in the radiative decay $K \rightarrow l + \nu + \gamma$ in the soft-kaon approximation. Corrections of the order of (m_K^2/m_V^2) ($V = \rho, \omega, \varphi$) are obtained in the pole-dominance approximation. In each approximation, the model predictions of both (i) asymptotic $SU(3)$ and (ii) current mixing are investigated. The quantity $|\gamma_K| \equiv |a_K(0)/F(0)|$ is calculated in both approximations and in both models. It is found that the soft-kaon result is shifted upward by approximately 20%; the separation between the models in the two approximations is of the same order of magnitude.

I. INTRODUCTION

THE techniques of current algebra have recently been used^{1,2} to study the radiative decays of charged pions. In particular a low-energy theorem for the structure-dependent axial-vector part of the radi-

ative decay $\pi \rightarrow l + \nu + \gamma$ has been derived both in the soft-pion approximation¹ and in the pole-dominance approximation (PDA).² In this paper we consider the extension of such techniques to the analogous radiative decay $K \rightarrow l + \nu + \gamma$ where the theoretical situation is much less clear. One of the bases for our interest in such a calculation is the expectation that the PDA calculation of, say,¹ $dA/d\nu(q^2=0, \Delta^2=0)$, in this case, might prove substantially different from the SKA (soft-kaon approximation) result because of hardly negligible "correction terms" of the order of m_K^2/m_V^2 ($V = \rho, \omega, \varphi$). At the same time, we are not aware of any experimental

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¹ T. Das, V. S. Mathur, and S. Okubo, Phys. Rev. Letters 19, 859 (1967).

² S. G. Brown and G. B. West, Phys. Rev. 168, 1605 (1968).

data on this decay mode as yet, although such an experiment would appear to be feasible.³

In Sec. II we outline the soft-kaon approach to this problem. There, two expressions for the sum rule for $a_K(\nu=0)=dA/d\nu(0,0)$ are derived, depending on whether results of asymptotic $SU(3)$ obtained by Das, Mathur, and Okubo,⁴ or results of the current-mixing model of Oakes and Sakurai⁵ are used.

In Sec. III we derive an expression for $A(q^2, \Delta^2)$ in PDA, after calculating the various form factors by the dispersion-theoretic technique of Das, Mathur, and Okubo.⁶ The SKA results for $dA/d\nu(0,0)$ are then merely the limiting values ($m_K^2 \rightarrow 0$) of the corresponding PDA expressions. We find that although individually large, the aggregate effect of the correction terms on $|\gamma_K| \equiv |a_K(0)/F(0)|$ [$F(\nu)$ is the structure-dependent vector form factor] is just a shift to larger values of the order of 20% of the soft-kaon result in both models.^{4,5} Moreover, the differences in the model^{4,5} predictions are of the same order of magnitude. The remaining source of uncertainty in the numerical estimates of $|\gamma_K|$ in the two models^{4,5} resides, of course, in the calculation of $|F(0)|$; there we have chosen to relate the VVP couplings by nonet symmetry.⁷

II. LOW-ENERGY THEOREM IN THE DECAY $K^+ \rightarrow l^+ + \nu + \gamma$: SOFT-KAON APPROXIMATION (SKA)

Following Ref. 1 we write

$$M_{\mu\nu} = (2k_0)^{1/2} \int d^4x e^{-iq \cdot x} \times \langle 0 | T \{ V_\mu^{(em)}(x), [V_{3\nu}^1(0) + A_{3\nu}^1(0)] \} | K^+(k) \rangle, \quad (1)$$

with the axial vector part of $M_{\mu\nu}$ (for arbitrary q^2) being given by

$$M_{\mu\nu}^A(\nu, q^2) = A(\nu, q^2) \delta_{\mu\nu} + B(\nu, q^2) q_\nu k_\mu + C(\nu, q^2) q_\mu q_\nu + D(\nu, q^2) q_\mu k_\nu + E(\nu, q^2) k_\mu k_\nu. \quad (2)$$

Using current algebra and taking the soft-kaon limit $k \rightarrow 0$, one finds

$$M_{\mu\nu}^A(\nu=0, q^2) = -[\Delta_{\mu\nu}^{As}(q) - \Delta_{\mu\nu}^{V(3)}(q) - \Delta_{\mu\nu}^{V(8)}(q)]/F_K, \quad (3)$$

where the decay constant F_K is defined by

$$\langle 0 | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(k) \rangle = -ik_\nu F_K / (2k_0)^{1/2}, \quad (4)$$

³ We wish to thank Professor S. L. Meyer for some discussions on this point.

⁴ T. Das, V. S. Mathur, and S. Okubo, Phys. Rev. Letters **18**, 761 (1967); **19**, 470 (1967).

⁵ R. J. Oakes and J. J. Sakurai, Phys. Rev. Letters **19**, 1266 (1967).

⁶ T. Das, V. S. Mathur, and S. Okubo, Phys. Rev. Letters **19**, 1067 (1967).

⁷ S. Okubo, Phys. Letters **5**, 165 (1963).

and

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu}^{As}(q) = i \int d^4x e^{-iq \cdot x} \times \langle 0 | T \{ A_\mu^{(4+i5)}(x), A_\nu^{(4-i5)}(0) \} | 0 \rangle, \quad (5)$$

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu}^{V(\alpha)}(q) = i \int d^4x e^{-iq \cdot x} \times \langle 0 | T \{ V_\mu^{(\alpha)}(x), V_\nu^{(\alpha)}(0) \} | 0 \rangle. \quad (6)$$

Analogous to the result obtained in Ref. 1, one finds

$$A(\nu=0, q^2) = -\frac{1}{F_K} \int \frac{\rho_{As}(m^2) - \rho_{V(3)}(m^2) - \rho_{V(8)}(m^2)}{q^2 + m^2} dm^2, \quad (7)$$

$$C(\nu=0, q^2) = -\left[\frac{1}{F_K} \int \frac{\rho_{As}(m^2) - \rho_{V(3)}(m^2) - \rho_{V(8)}(m^2)}{m^2(q^2 + m^2)} dm^2 + \frac{F_K}{q^2 + m_K^2} \right]. \quad (8)$$

Vector-meson dominance implies that

$$A(0,0) = \left[\int dm^2 \frac{\rho_{V(3)}(m^2) + \rho_{V(8)}(m^2) - \rho_{As}(m^2)}{m^2} \right] / F_K = \left(\frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} + \frac{G_\varphi^2}{m_\varphi^2} + \frac{G_\omega^2}{m_\omega^2} - \frac{G_{KA}^2}{m_{KA}^2} \right) / F_K, \quad (9)$$

with⁴

$$\frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} = \frac{G_\varphi^2}{m_\varphi^2} + \frac{G_\omega^2}{m_\omega^2}, \quad (10)$$

and Weinberg's first spectral function sum rule,⁸

$$2 \frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} - \frac{G_{KA}^2}{m_{KA}^2} = \frac{G_{K^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} - \frac{G_{KA^*}^2}{m_{KA^*}^2} = F_K^2, \quad (11)$$

implies that

$$A(0,0) = F_K. \quad (12)$$

The sum rule which then emerges from the straightforward manipulation of the preceding material (as in

⁸ S. Weinberg, Phys. Rev. Letters **18**, 507 (1967). Note that in this paper G_ρ is defined (as in Ref. 4) by

$$G_\rho \epsilon_\nu^{(\rho)}(q) / (2q_0)^{1/2} = \langle 0 | V_\nu^{(3)}(0) | \rho^0(q) \rangle = (1/\sqrt{2}) \langle 0 | V_2^1(0) | \rho^+(q) \rangle,$$

with $(G_\rho^2/m_\rho^2) = F_\pi^2$; also $\int dm^2 \rho_\pi(m^2) = \frac{1}{2} G_{K^*}^2$, as in the first, but not the second, of Ref. 4.

Ref. 1) is

$$a_K(\nu=0) \equiv \frac{dA}{d\nu}(0,0) \\ = - \left[\frac{1}{F_K} \int \frac{\rho_{A^*}(m^2) - \rho_{V(3)}(m^2) - \rho_{V(8)}(m^2)}{m^4} dm^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{3} F_K \langle r^2 \rangle_K \right], \quad (13)$$

where the derivative of the kaon electromagnetic form factor $f_K(q^2)$ is given by

$$f_K'(0) = -\frac{1}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle_K \\ = - \left(\frac{G_\rho G_{\rho KK}}{m_\rho^4} + \frac{G_\varphi G_{\varphi KK}}{\sqrt{3} m_\varphi^4} + \frac{G_\omega G_{\omega KK}}{\sqrt{3} m_\omega^4} \right), \quad (14)$$

and may be further reduced to⁴

$$f_K'(0) = - \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{m_\rho^2} + \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} + \left(\frac{m_\rho^2 G_\varphi^2}{m_\varphi^2 G_\rho^2} \right) \frac{(m_\omega^2 - m_\varphi^2)}{m_\varphi^2 m_\omega^2} \right]. \quad (15)$$

Thus,

$$a_K(\nu=0) = -F_K \left\{ \frac{1}{F_K^2} \left(\frac{G_{K_A^*}^2}{m_{K_A^*}^4} - \frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^4} - \frac{G_\varphi^2}{m_\varphi^4} - \frac{G_\omega^2}{m_\omega^4} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \left[\frac{1}{m_\rho^2} + \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} + \left(\frac{m_\rho^2 G_\varphi^2}{m_\varphi^2 G_\rho^2} \right) \frac{(m_\omega^2 - m_\varphi^2)}{m_\varphi^2 m_\omega^2} \right] \right\}. \quad (16)$$

Expression (16) may be simplified somewhat if we accept (i) the proposal of Das, Mathur, and Okubo⁴ that $\int dm^2 \rho_{\alpha\beta}(m^2)$ satisfy the Gell-Mann-Okubo formula, or (ii) the proposal of Oakes and Sakurai⁵ (OS) that $\int dm^2 m^{-4} \rho_{\alpha\beta}(m^2)$ satisfy the Gell-Mann-Okubo formula. In case (i) we find⁹

$$[a_K(\nu=0)]_{\text{DMO}} \\ = -F_K \left[\frac{(m_{K^*}^2/m_{K_A^*}^2)}{(m_{K_A^*}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)} - \frac{(F_\pi/F_K)^2}{m_\rho^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{(F_\pi/F_K)^2}{3m_\varphi^2 m_\omega^2} [3(m_\varphi^2 + m_\omega^2) + m_\rho^2 - 4m_{K^*}^2] \right. \\ \left. + \left[\frac{1}{m_\rho^2} + \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} + \frac{1}{m_\varphi^2} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{(4m_{K^*}^2 - m_\rho^2)}{m_\varphi^2 m_\omega^2} \right] \right], \quad (17)$$

⁹ For calculational purposes we do not assume the existence of the κ meson in this paper. [However, see K. Kang, Phys. Rev. Letters 21, 857 (1968), for arguments on the other side.] Thus from Ref. 4 we have, for example,

$$G_{K^*}^2 = G_{K_A^*}^2,$$

and

$$\frac{G_{K_A^*}^2}{m_{K^*}^2} \left(1 - \frac{m_{K^*}^2}{m_{K_A^*}^2} \right) = F_K^2,$$

where it is assumed that $m_{K_A^*} = 1320$ MeV.

while in case (ii), where⁵

$$\frac{G_\omega^2}{m_\omega^4} + \frac{G_\varphi^2}{m_\varphi^4} = \frac{1}{3} \left[4 \left(\frac{1}{2} G_{K^*}^2 \right) \frac{1}{m_{K^*}^4} - \frac{G_\rho^2}{m_\rho^4} \right], \quad (18)$$

we find¹⁰

$$[a_K(0)]_{\text{OS}} = -F_K \left[\frac{(m_{K^*}^2/m_{K_A^*}^2)}{(m_{K_A^*}^2 - m_{K^*}^2)} - \frac{(F_\pi/F_K)^2}{m_\rho^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{(F_\pi/F_K)^2}{3m_{K^*}^2 m_\rho^2} (4m_\rho^2 - m_{K^*}^2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{1}{m_\rho^2} + \frac{2}{m_{K^*}^2} \right) \right]. \quad (19)$$

In case (ii) we need the results,¹¹

$$G_\varphi^2 = \frac{m_\omega^4 m_\varphi^2}{m_\rho^2 (m_\omega^2 - m_\varphi^2)} \\ \times \left(\frac{4}{3m_{K^*}^2} - \frac{1}{3m_\rho^2} - \frac{1}{m_\omega^2} \right) G_\rho^2 \simeq 1.43 G_\rho^2, \\ G_\omega^2 = \frac{m_\omega^4 m_\varphi^2}{m_\rho^2 (m_\varphi^2 - m_\omega^2)} \\ \times \left(\frac{4}{3m_{K^*}^2} - \frac{1}{3m_\rho^2} - \frac{1}{m_\varphi^2} \right) G_\rho^2 \simeq 0.24 G_\rho^2. \quad (20)$$

We shall present numerical calculations of the ratio¹² $|\gamma_K| \equiv |a_K(0)/F(0)|$ in the next section, where the "corrections" of the order of $(m_{K^*}^2/m_V^2)$ ($V = \rho, \omega, \varphi$) in PDA are taken up.

III. POLE-DOMINANCE APPROACH TO THE DECAY $K^+ \rightarrow l^+ + \nu + \gamma$

In the pole-dominance approach to the decay $K^+ \rightarrow l^+ + \nu + \gamma$ we are concerned with the retarded amplitude

$$M_{\mu\nu}^A = \int d^4x e^{-iq \cdot x}$$

$$\times \langle 0 | \theta(x_0) [V_\mu^{(\text{em})}(x), A_{3\nu}^1(0)] | K^+(k) \rangle (2k_0)^{1/2}, \quad (21)$$

¹⁰ As in case (i) we assume the validity of the second spectral sum rule in the subgroup $SU(2) \times SU(2)$.

¹¹ Our notation follows that of the second of Ref. 4.

¹² In view of the experimental situation we confine ourselves here solely to numerical estimates of this quantity.

with absorptive part,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Abs} M_{\mu\nu}^A = & -i\pi \sum_{\lambda} \langle 0 | V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(0) | \rho^0(q); \lambda \rangle 2(m_{\rho}^2 + q^2)^{1/2} \langle \rho^0(q); \lambda | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(k) \rangle (2k_0)^{1/2} \delta(q^2 + m_{\rho}^2) \\ & -i\pi \sum_{\lambda} \langle 0 | V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(0) | \varphi(q); \lambda \rangle 2(m_{\varphi}^2 + q^2)^{1/2} \langle \varphi(q); \lambda | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(k) \rangle (2k_0)^{1/2} \delta(q^2 + m_{\varphi}^2) \\ & -i\pi \sum_{\lambda} \langle 0 | V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(0) | \omega(q); \lambda \rangle 2(m_{\omega}^2 + q^2)^{1/2} \langle \omega(q); \lambda | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(k) \rangle (2k_0)^{1/2} \delta(q^2 + m_{\omega}^2) \\ & +i\pi \langle 0 | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(\Delta) \rangle 2(m_{K^+}^2 + \Delta^2)^{1/2} \langle K^+(\Delta) | V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle (2k_0)^{1/2} \delta(\Delta^2 + m_{K^+}^2) \\ & +i\pi \sum_{\lambda} \langle 0 | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K_A^+(\Delta) \rangle 2(m_{K_A^+}^2 + \Delta^2)^{1/2} \langle K_A^+(\Delta) | V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle (2k_0)^{1/2} \delta(\Delta^2 + m_{K_A^+}^2), \quad (22) \end{aligned}$$

where $\Delta_{\mu} = (k - q)_{\mu}$. On substituting the definitions¹³

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(0) | \rho^0(q) \rangle &= G_{\rho} \epsilon_{\mu}^{(\rho)}(q), \\ \langle 0 | V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(0) | \varphi, \omega(q) \rangle &= (1/\sqrt{3}) G_{\varphi, \omega} \epsilon_{\mu}^{(\varphi, \omega)}(q), \quad (23) \\ \langle 0 | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K_A^+(\Delta) \rangle &= -G_{K_A} \epsilon_{\nu}^{(K_A)}(\Delta), \end{aligned}$$

and the relevant form factors tabulated in the Appendix in Eq. (22), one finds

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Abs} A(q^2, \Delta^2) &= \pi G_{\rho} P_1^{(\rho)}(\Delta^2) \delta(q^2 + m_{\rho}^2) + \pi \frac{G_{\varphi}}{\sqrt{3}} P_1^{(\varphi)}(\Delta^2) \delta(q^2 + m_{\varphi}^2) \\ &+ \pi \frac{G_{\omega}}{\sqrt{3}} P_1^{(\omega)}(\Delta^2) \delta(q^2 + m_{\omega}^2) \\ &+ \pi G_{K_A} Q_1(q^2) \delta(\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2). \quad (24) \end{aligned}$$

From Eq. (24) we first determine $A(q^2, \Delta^2)$ up to "unknown" pole terms in q^2 :

$$\begin{aligned} A(q^2, \Delta^2) &= -\frac{G_{K_A} Q_1(q^2)}{m_{K_A}^2 + \Delta^2} + \sum_{V=\rho, \varphi, \omega} \frac{C_V}{m_V^2 + q^2} \\ &= -\frac{(G_{K_A}^2/F_K)}{m_{K_A}^2 + \Delta^2} - \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2 + \Delta^2} \sum_V \left(\frac{q^2 + m_{K_A}^2}{q^2 + m_V^2} \right) \\ &\quad \times \frac{g_V G_s^{K, V}}{(m_V^2 - m_{K_A}^2)} + \sum_V \frac{C_V}{m_V^2 + q^2}, \quad (25) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$g_V = G_{\rho}, \quad (1/\sqrt{3}) G_{\varphi, \omega}, \quad (26)$$

and then fix the pole residues C_V ($V = \rho, \varphi, \omega$) by reference to the absorptive part of A as given by (24). Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\rho} &= \frac{G_{\rho}^2}{F_K} - \frac{G_{\rho} G_{K_A} G_s^{K, \rho}}{m_{K_A}^2 - m_{\rho}^2}, \\ C_{\varphi, \omega} &= \frac{G_{\varphi, \omega}^2}{F_K} - \frac{G_{\varphi, \omega} G_{K_A} G_s^{K, \varphi, \omega}}{m_{K_A}^2 - m_{\varphi, \omega}^2}, \quad (27) \end{aligned}$$

¹³ We now dispense with kinematical factors [e.g., $2(m^2 + \Delta^2)^{1/2}$] and polarization sums, for simplicity.

and

$$\begin{aligned} A(q^2, \Delta^2) &= -\frac{(G_{K_A}^2/F_K)}{m_{K_A}^2 + \Delta^2} - \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \left(\frac{q^2 + m_{K_A}^2}{q^2 + m_V^2} \right) \frac{1}{m_{K_A}^2 + \Delta^2} \\ &\quad \times \frac{G_{K_A} g_V G_s^{K, V}}{(m_V^2 - m_{K_A}^2)} + \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{(G_V^2/F_K)}{m_V^2 + q^2} \\ &\quad + \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{G_{K_A} g_V G_s^{K, V}}{m_V^2 + q^2} \frac{1}{(m_V^2 - m_{K_A}^2)}, \quad (28) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dA(0,0)}{d\nu} &= -\frac{2G_{K_A}^2}{m_{K_A}^4 F_K} \\ &\quad - 2 \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{G_{K_A} g_V G_s^{K, V}}{(m_V^2 m_{K_A}^2) (m_V^2 - m_{K_A}^2)}. \quad (29) \end{aligned}$$

On making use of the Eqs. (A29–A31) derived in the Appendix, one finds

$$\begin{aligned} a_K(0) &= -F_K \left\{ \frac{1}{F_K^2} \left[\frac{G_{K_A}^2}{m_{K_A}^4} \left(2 - \frac{\eta_{\rho}}{\eta_{\rho} + \eta_{K_A}} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \frac{2\eta_{K_A}}{\eta_{\rho} + \eta_{K_A}} \frac{G_{\rho}^2}{m_{\rho}^4} - \frac{G_{\varphi}^2}{m_{\varphi}^4} - \frac{G_{\omega}^2}{m_{\omega}^4} \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 4 \left[\frac{\eta_{K_A}}{\eta_{\rho} + \eta_{K_A}} \frac{G_{\rho} G_{\rho K K}}{m_{\rho}^4} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{G_{\varphi} G_{\varphi K K}}{\sqrt{3} m_{\varphi}^4} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{G_{\omega} G_{\omega K K}}{\sqrt{3} m_{\omega}^4} \right] \right\} \\ &\quad + \text{terms} \{ O(\eta_{K_A} - \eta_V), O(\eta_{\omega} - \eta_{\varphi}) \}, \quad (30) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\eta_{\alpha} = 1 - \frac{m_K^2}{m_{\alpha}^2}, \quad (\alpha = \rho, \varphi, \omega, K_A); \quad (31)$$

of course, in the limit $m_K^2 \rightarrow 0$, we recover the soft-kaon limit, Eq. (16).

In order to make some estimate of, say, $|\gamma_K|$, it is necessary to derive an expression for $F(\nu)$, the structure-dependent vector form factor, which is given by

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\mu\nu}^V(q^2=0, \Delta^2) &= \int d^4x e^{-iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \{ V_{\mu}^{(\text{em})}(x), V_{3\nu}^1(0) \} | K^+(k) \rangle \Big|_{(q^2=0)} \\ &= F(\nu) \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} q_{\lambda} k_{\sigma}. \quad (32) \end{aligned}$$

TABLE I. Values of the parameter $|\gamma_K|$ in the DMO and OS models for soft and hard kaons.

	$ \gamma_K $ (SKA)	$ \gamma_K $ (PDA)
DMO model	0.38	0.48
OS model	0.44	0.58

In the pole approximation one finds

$$|F(\nu)| = \left| \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{g_V G_{K^*} G_{K^*KV}}{m_V^2 (m_{K^*}^2 - m_K^2 - 2\nu)} \right|. \quad (33)$$

We evaluate the unknown couplings G_{K^*KV} in (33) by assuming nonet symmetry,^{7,14} so that $G_{K^*K\rho} = (1/\sqrt{2})G_{K^*K\varphi} = G_{K^*K\omega} = (\frac{1}{2})G_{\rho\pi\omega}$, with¹⁵ $m_{\pi^2} G_{\rho\pi\omega}^2 / (4\pi) = 0.40$. Note that because of the conventions of Ref. 14, where

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi &= -\cos\theta \omega_8 + \sin\theta \omega_1, \\ \omega &= \sin\theta \omega_8 + \cos\theta \omega_1, \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

one has, rather,¹⁶

$$|F(0)| = G_{\rho\pi\omega} \frac{G_{K^*}}{2(m_{K^*}^2 - m_K^2)} \times \left[\frac{G_\rho}{m_\rho^2} - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{1/2} \frac{G_\varphi}{m_\varphi^2} - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{1/2} \frac{G_\omega}{m_\omega^2} \right]. \quad (35)$$

The SKA and PDA predictions for $|\gamma_K|$ are compared in Table I for both models of interest.¹⁷

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APPENDIX

We give here the pole-dominant solutions for the matrix elements occurring in Abs $M_{\mu\nu}^A$ [Eq. (22)] after

¹⁴ We use the conventions of Yellin [J. Yellin, Phys. Rev. 147, 1080 (1966)].

¹⁵ G. W. Barry and J. J. Sakurai, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center SLAC Report No. 382, 1968 (unpublished).

¹⁶ Note that in Ref. 4, $G_\varphi = G_8 \cos\theta + G_1 \sin\theta$ and $G_\omega = -G_8 \sin\theta + G_1 \cos\theta$. We also use $(G_\varphi/G_\rho) = \cos\theta$, and $(G_\omega/G_\rho) = -\sin\theta$.

¹⁷ We have taken $(F_K/F_\pi) = 1.1$ in our computations.

the method of Ref. 6.¹⁸ Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \rho^0(q) | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(k) \rangle \\ = i\epsilon_{\mu}^{(\rho)}(q) [P_1^{(\rho)}(\Delta^2)\delta_{\mu\nu} \\ + P_2^{(\rho)}(\Delta^2)k_\mu(k+q)_\nu + P_3^{(\rho)}(\Delta^2)k_\mu(q-k)_\nu], \end{aligned} \quad (A1)$$

$$P_1^{(\rho)}(\Delta^2) = \frac{G_\rho}{F_K} - \left(\frac{\Delta^2 + m_\rho^2}{\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2} \right) \frac{G_{K_A} G_s^{K,\rho}}{(m_{K_A}^2 - m_\rho^2)}, \quad (A2)$$

$$P_2^{(\rho)}(\Delta^2) = - \frac{G_{K_A} G_d^{K,\rho}}{2(\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}, \quad (A3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_3^{(\rho)}(\Delta^2) = \frac{2G_{\rho KK} F_K}{\Delta^2 + m_K^2} - \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2 (\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} \\ \times [G_s^{K,\rho} - \frac{1}{2}(m_\rho^2 - m_K^2) G_d^{K,\rho}], \end{aligned} \quad (A4)$$

and, for $V = \varphi, \omega$,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle V(q) | A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(k) \rangle \\ = i\epsilon_{\mu}^{(V)}(q) [P_1^{(V)}(\Delta^2)\delta_{\mu\nu} \\ + P_2^{(V)}(\Delta^2)k_\mu(k+q)_\nu + P_3^{(V)}(\Delta^2)k_\mu(q-k)_\nu], \end{aligned} \quad (A5)$$

$$P_1^{(\varphi)}(\Delta^2) = \frac{\sqrt{3}G_\varphi}{F_K} - \left(\frac{\Delta^2 + m_\varphi^2}{\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2} \right) \frac{G_{K_A} G_s^{K,\varphi}}{(m_{K_A}^2 - m_\varphi^2)}, \quad (A6)$$

$$P_2^{(\varphi)}(\Delta^2) = - \frac{G_{K_A} G_d^{K,\varphi}}{2(\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2)}, \quad (A7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_3^{(\varphi)}(\Delta^2) = \frac{2G_{\varphi KK} F_K}{\Delta^2 + m_K^2} - \frac{G_{K_A}}{m_{K_A}^2 (\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2)} \\ \times [G_s^{K,\varphi} - \frac{1}{2}(m_\varphi^2 - m_K^2) G_d^{K,\varphi}], \end{aligned} \quad (A8)$$

with the $P_i^{(\omega)}$ being given by the simple replacement $\varphi \rightarrow \omega$ in the $P_i^{(\varphi)}$ [Eqs. (A6)–(A8)]; also,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle K_A^+(q) | V_\mu^{(em)}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle \\ = i\epsilon_\nu^{(K_A)}(q) [Q_1(\Delta^2)\delta_{\mu\nu} \\ + Q_2(\Delta^2)k_\nu(k+q)_\mu + Q_3(\Delta^2)k_\nu(q-k)_\mu], \end{aligned} \quad (A9)$$

$$Q_1(\Delta^2) = \frac{G_{K_A}}{F_K} + \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \left(\frac{\Delta^2 + m_{K_A}^2}{\Delta^2 + m_V^2} \right) \frac{g_V G_s^{K,V}}{m_V^2 - m_{K_A}^2}, \quad (A10)$$

$$Q_2(\Delta^2) = \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{g_V G_d^{K,V}}{2(\Delta^2 + m_V^2)}, \quad (A11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_3(\Delta^2) = \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{g_V}{m_V^2 (\Delta^2 + m_V^2)} \\ \times [G_s^{K,V} - \frac{1}{2}(m_{K_A}^2 - m_K^2) G_d^{K,V}]. \end{aligned} \quad (A12)$$

¹⁸ We shall consider the application of some of these relations in a forthcoming work on the $K^+ - K^0$ mass difference done in collaboration with K. Kang.

To the matrix elements of (A1), (A5), and (A9), we add those of the octet vector current $\langle K_A^+(q) | \times V_\mu^{(8)}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle$, and of the unitary-singlet vector current $\langle K_A^+(q) | V_\mu^{(0)}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle$,

$$\langle K_A^+(q) | V_\mu^{(8)}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle = i\epsilon_{\nu}^{(KA)}(q)[R_1(\Delta^2)\delta_{\nu\mu} + \dots], \quad (\text{A13})$$

$$R_1(\Delta^2) = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}\frac{G_{KA}}{F_K} - \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \left(\frac{\Delta^2 + m_{KA}^2}{\Delta^2 + m_V^2} \right) \frac{G_V G_s^{K,V}}{(m_{KA}^2 - m_V^2)}, \quad (\text{A14})$$

$$R_2(\Delta^2) = \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{G_V G_d^{K,V}}{2(\Delta^2 + m_V^2)}, \quad (\text{A15})$$

$$R_3(\Delta^2) = \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{G_V}{m_V^2(\Delta^2 + m_V^2)} \times [G_s^{K,V} - \frac{1}{2}(m_{KA}^2 - m_V^2)G_d^{K,V}], \quad (\text{A16})$$

and¹¹

$$\langle K_A^+(q) | V_\mu^{(0)}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle = i\epsilon_{\nu}^{(KA)}(q)[S_1(\Delta^2)\delta_{\nu\mu} + \dots], \quad (\text{A17})$$

$$S_1(\Delta^2) = - \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{\sigma_V G_s^{K,V}}{\Delta^2 + m_V^2}, \quad (\text{A18})$$

$$S_2(\Delta^2) = \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{\sigma_V G_d^{K,V}}{2(\Delta^2 + m_V^2)}, \quad (\text{A19})$$

$$S_3(\Delta^2) = \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{\sigma_V}{m_V^2(\Delta^2 + m_V^2)} \times [G_s^{K,V} - \frac{1}{2}(m_{KA}^2 - m_K^2)G_d^{K,V}]. \quad (\text{A20})$$

The divergence conditions, $V = \rho^0, \varphi, \omega$,

$$\langle V(q) | \partial_\nu A_{3\nu}^1(0) | K^+(k) \rangle = - \frac{2F_K m_K^2}{\Delta^2 + m_K^2} G_{VKK} \epsilon^{(V)} \cdot k, \quad (\text{A21})$$

$$\langle K_A^+(q) | \partial_\mu V_\mu^{(\text{em}, 8, 0)}(0) | K^+(k) \rangle = 0, \quad (\text{A22})$$

with

$$\sigma_\varphi = -\sigma_\omega \left(\frac{G_\omega}{G_\varphi} \right) \left(\frac{m_\varphi^2}{m_\omega^2} \right), \quad (\text{A23})$$

are then sufficient to determine the three s -wave and three d -wave couplings, $G_s^{K,V}, G_d^{K,V}$ ($V = \rho^0, \varphi, \omega$). These conditions are

$$- \frac{G_\rho}{F_K} + \frac{G_{KA} G_s^{K,\rho}}{m_{KA} - m_\rho^2} + 2G_{\rho KK} F_K - \frac{G_{KA}}{m_{KA}^2} \times [G_s^{K,\rho} - \frac{1}{2}(m_\rho^2 - m_K^2)G_d^{K,\rho}] = 0, \quad (\text{A24})$$

$$\frac{G_{KA}}{F_K} + \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{m_{KA}^2 g_V G_s^{K,V}}{m_V^2(m_V^2 - m_{KA}^2)} + \frac{1}{2}(m_{KA}^2 - m_K^2) \times \sum_{V=\rho^0, \varphi, \omega} \frac{g_V G_d^{K,V}}{m_V^2} = 0, \quad (\text{A25})$$

$$- \sqrt{3} \frac{G_V}{F_K} + \frac{G_{KA} G_s^{K,V}}{(m_{KA}^2 - m_V^2)} + 2G_{VKK} F_K - \frac{G_{KA}}{m_{KA}^2} \times [G_s^{K,V} - \frac{1}{2}(m_V^2 - m_K^2)G_d^{K,V}] = 0, \quad (V = \varphi, \omega) \quad (\text{A26})$$

$$- \frac{\sqrt{3}G_{KA}}{2F_K} + \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{G_V G_s^{K,V}}{(m_{KA}^2 - m_V^2)} + \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{G_V}{m_V^2} \times [G_s^{K,V} - \frac{1}{2}(m_{KA}^2 - m_K^2)G_d^{K,V}] = 0, \quad (\text{A27})$$

$$G_\omega G_s^{K,\varphi} - G_\varphi G_s^{K,\omega} - \frac{1}{2}(m_{KA}^2 - m_K^2)(G_\omega G_d^{K,\varphi} - G_\varphi G_d^{K,\omega}) = 0, \quad (\text{A28})$$

with

$$G_s^{K,\rho} = \left(2 - \frac{m_K^2}{m_\rho^2} - \frac{m_K^2}{m_{KA}^2} \right)^{-1} (m_\rho^2 - m_{KA}^2) \times \left[\left(1 - \frac{m_K^2}{m_{KA}^2} \right) \frac{m_{KA}^2}{m_\rho^2 G_{KA}} \left(-\frac{G_\rho}{F_K} + 2G_{\rho KK} F_K \right) + \left(1 - \frac{m_K^2}{m_\rho^2} \right) \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_{KA}^2 G_\rho} \left(-\frac{G_{KA}}{2F_K} \right) \right], \quad (\text{A29})$$

and

$$\left(1 - \frac{m_K^2}{m_{KA}^2} \right) \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{G_{KA} G_V G_d^{K,V}}{\sqrt{3} m_V^2 m_{KA}^2} = - \frac{G_{KA}^2}{m_{KA}^4 F_K} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{G_{KA} G_V G_s^{K,V}}{m_{KA}^2 m_V^2 (m_V^2 - m_{KA}^2)}; \quad (\text{A30})$$

note that

$$\left(1 - \frac{m_K^2}{m_{KA}^2} \right) \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \frac{G_{KA} G_V G_d^{K,V}}{\sqrt{3} m_V^2 m_{KA}^2} = - \frac{G_{KA}^2}{2m_{KA}^4 F_K} + \sum_{V=\varphi,\omega} \left(\frac{G_V^2}{m_V^4 F_K} - \frac{2G_V G_{VKK} F_K}{\sqrt{3} m_V^4} \right) + \text{terms} \left\{ O\left(\frac{m_K^2}{m_\varphi^2} - \frac{m_K^2}{m_\omega^2} \right), O\left(\frac{m_K^2}{m_{KA}^2} - \frac{m_K^2}{m_V^2} \right) \right\}. \quad (\text{A31})$$

The perturbations $O(m_K^2/m_\omega^2 - m_K^2/m_\rho^2)$ may be straightforwardly obtained by suitably manipulating Eqs. (A26)–(A28).