Graphical Representation of CP-Nonconservation Parameters in K^0 Decay

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CP-nonconservation parameters in K^0 decay are plotted in a way which directly exhibits the conditions imposed by unitarity and TCP invariance. A similar construction shows the conditions under which the hypothesis of T invariance can be disproved.

INTRODUCTION

LMOST all measurements of the amplitude ratios $\mathbf{A}_{\eta_{+-}}$ and η_{00} in $K^0 \rightarrow 2\pi$ decay are analyzed¹ in terms of the parametrization proposed by Wu and Yang,² which allows a simple geometrical interpretation. In this paper we describe an alternative and equally simple graphical representation which retains all the useful features of Wu-Yang plots while avoiding approximations usually made in drawing them.

I. ANALYSIS ASSUMING TCP INVARIANCE

The Wu-Yang triangles pictorially represent the equations2,3

$$\eta_{+-} = \epsilon + \epsilon', \qquad (1a)$$

$$\eta_{00} = \epsilon - 2\epsilon', \qquad (1b)$$

which are valid to lowest order in the parameters ϵ , ϵ' , and $\Delta = 2^{-1/2} [(\text{Re}A_2)/A_0] e^{i(\delta_2 - \delta_0)}$. More general equations are4,5

$$\eta_{+-} = \epsilon + \epsilon' (1 + \Delta)^{-1}, \qquad (2a)$$

$$\eta_{00} = \epsilon - 2\epsilon' (1 - 2\Delta)^{-1}, \qquad (2b)$$

where the smallness of ϵ and ϵ' can be directly demonstrated. That Δ should also be a small number, $|\Delta| \ll 1$, is expected from the general success of the $\Delta I = \frac{1}{2}$ rule.

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³ To conform to current practice, the structure parameter ϵ determines the composition of short-lived and long-lived kaon states through $K_{1,2^0} = [2(1+|\epsilon|^2)]^{-1/2}[(1+\epsilon)K^0 \pm (1-\epsilon)\overline{K^0}]$. The relative phase of K^0 and $\overline{K^0}$ states is so chosen that their presumably dominant decay amplitudes to the $I=0 \pi \pi$ scattering eigenstate coincide both in magnitude, as required by TCP invariance, and in phase. $\epsilon' = 2^{-1/2} [(ImA_2)/A_0] e^{i(\delta_2 - \delta_0 + \pi/2)}$. δ_2 and δ_0 are the s-wave $\pi\pi$ phase shifts for I=2 and I=0, respectively, at an ⁴J. S. Bell and J. Steinberger, in *Proceedings of the Oxford*

International Conference on Elementary Particles, 1965, edited by T. Walsh et al. (Rutherford Laboratory, Chilton, England, 1966). ⁵ We have written Eqs. (2) in the Wu-Yang phase convention.

The measured value of the $\pi^+\pi^-/\pi^0\pi^0$ ratio C in $K_1^0 \rightarrow 2\pi$ decay, which is given by

$$C = 2 \left| \frac{1 + \Delta}{1 - 2\Delta} \right|^2, \tag{3}$$

neglecting terms of relative order ϵ , is consistent with this hypothesis. However, this can be proved from measurements on K^0 decays only if one knows the values of C, η_{+-} , and η_{00} as well as the relevant $\pi\pi$ phase shifts.⁶ In any case, the observed rate of $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0$ decay shows that, barring accidental cancellations, Δ is at least an order of magnitude larger than η_{+-} and η_{00} . This expectation is confirmed by a recent precise measurement of C.⁷ Therefore, analyses which do not neglect Δ have eventual practical as well as logical interest. Another approximation which is frequently made in fitting Wu-Yang plots is to require ϵ to have the phase $\phi_w \approx \tan^{-1}[2(m_2 - m_1)/\gamma_1]$, which it would have if $|\Delta| \ll 1$ and all η 's were of the same order as η_{+-} and η_{00} .⁸ Possible corrections to the phase of ϵ due to unknown CP-nonconserving amplitudes have been discussed before,⁸ but could not be expressed in a simple way, in particular without the assumption $|\Delta| \ll 1$. The method we advocate is free from this difficulty.

Unitarity imposes the condition^{4,9}

$$\langle K_{1^{0}} | K_{2^{0}} \rangle = \left[\frac{1}{2} (\gamma_{1} + \gamma_{2}) + i(m_{2} - m_{1}) \right]^{-1} \\ \times \sum_{f} \langle f | T | K_{2^{0}} \rangle \langle f | T | K_{1^{0}} \rangle^{*}.$$
 (4)

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See, e.g., E. Yen, Phys. Rev. Letters 18, 513 (1967). ² T. T. Wu and C. N. Yang, Phys. Rev. Letters 13, 380 (1964).

⁶ There are, in general, two solutions with equal and opposite phases for Δ in the two cases: M. Gourdin, Nucl. Phys. B3, 207 (1967); G. Field and P. Kabir, in Proceedings of the International (1907), G. Fleid and F. Kabir, in Proceedings of the International Conference on Particles and Fields, edited by C. Hagen et al. (Wiley-Interscience, Inc., New York, 1967), p. 19. A simple geometrical construction which yields the values of ϵ , ϵ' , and Δ from Eqs. (2a), (2b), and (3) will be given elsewhere. ⁷ B. Gobbi, D. Green, W. Hakel, R. Moffett, and J. Rosen, Phys. Rev. Letters 22, 682, (1969). ⁸ I. Wolfangtein, Numer Constant (24, 15, 1666)

⁸ L. Wolfenstein, Nuovo Cimento **42A**, 17 (1966). ⁹ W. D. McGlinn and D. Polis, Phys. Rev. Letters **22**, 908 (1969), recently suggested that an S-matrix approach leads to a different unitarity relation. However, we have verified that there is no conflict between Eq. (4) and S-matrix unitarity.

With our choice of relative phases for K_1^0 and K_2^0 states, TCP invariance requires $\langle K_1^0 | K_2^0 \rangle$ to be purely real.¹⁰ Thus, unitarity and TCP invariance require that

$$\operatorname{Im}(e^{-i\phi_w}\sum_{f}\eta_f\gamma_1^f)=0, \qquad (5)$$

with

$$\phi_w = \tan^{-1} [2(m_2 - m_1)/(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)] \approx 43^\circ, \qquad (6)$$

where γ_1^{f} is the partial decay rate of K_1^{0} into the channel f and

$$\eta_f = \langle f | T | K_2^0 \rangle / \langle f | T | K_1^0 \rangle.$$

It is convenient to write

$$(\gamma_1^{2\pi})^{-1} \sum_{f} \eta_f \gamma_1^{f} = Z + \sum_{f \neq 2\pi} \eta_f \left(\frac{\gamma_1^{f}}{\gamma_1^{2\pi}} \right), \qquad (7)$$

where

$$Z = (C\eta_{+-} + \eta_{00})/(C+1) \tag{8}$$

is the contribution of 2π channels. Contributions of other channels can be taken into account explicitly if the corresponding partial decay rates γ_1^{f} and amplitude ratios η_f are known. Where the complex parameters η_f are unknown, the partial decay rates $\gamma_1{}^f$ and $\gamma_2{}^f$ furnish the magnitude $(\gamma_1^f \gamma_2^f)^{1/2}$ of $\eta_f \gamma_1^f$ and thereby a limit on the absolute magnitude of the sum on the right-hand side of Eq. (7). Equation (5) thus leads to the

inequality¹¹

$$|\langle M_{\theta},$$
 (9)

$$M_{\theta} = (\gamma_{1}^{2\pi})^{-1} \Big[\sum_{l} (\gamma_{1}^{l} + \gamma_{2}^{l}) | \operatorname{Im} x_{l} | \cos \phi_{w} / (1 + |x_{l}|^{2}) \\ + \sum_{\substack{f \neq 2\pi, f \neq l}} \lambda_{f} (\gamma_{1}^{f} \gamma_{2}^{f})^{1/2} \Big], \quad (10)$$

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where the index l denotes leptonic channels, and x_l has its usual meaning; λ_f is a factor which can be approximated by $\cos\phi_w$ if the geometric mean of γ_1^f and γ_2^f greatly exceeds $|\langle K_1^0 | K_2^0 \rangle|$ times their arithmetic mean, and is unity otherwise.¹² If some partial decay rates are not known, e.g., those for K_1^0 decay to 3π channels, the experimental upper limits provide a corresponding upper bound. If M_{θ} could be neglected, Eq. (9) would require the complex vector Z to have the phase ϕ_w and therefore to lie along the straight line \mathfrak{L}_{θ} through the origin making an angle $\phi_w \approx 43^\circ$ with the positive x axis. For a finite value of M_{θ} , the condition (9), imposed by unitarity and *TCP* invariance, relaxes to the requirement that Z lie within a distance M_{θ} of \mathfrak{L}_{θ} , i.e., inside a band of width $2M_{\theta}$ whose median line is \mathfrak{L}_{θ} . The "allowed" strip is indicated by shading in Fig. 1. The distance of Z from \mathfrak{L}_{θ} is a measure of the

FIG. 1. The small rectangular box indicates the value η_{+-} given in Ref. 15. Unitarity and *TCP* invariance require Z to fall within the shaded strip, and the dot-dashed lines mark the corresponding boundaries within which η_{00} must lie, for the central value of η_{+-} . The large annular box represents the measured value of η_{00} reported in Ref. 16. (Instead of indicating experimental limits on ϕ_{00} and $|\eta_{00}|$ separately as represented by the annular box, it is preferable to show the correlation between the variations in these quantities corresponding to one or more standard deviations in an over-all χ^2 fit. The χ^2 contours quoted in Ref. 16 are given explicitly in Fig. 2.) The encased point is the value of Z corresponding to the central value of η_{+-} and the arbitrarily chosen value of η_{00} denoted by the encircled point. Values of Ree deduced from the charge asymmetry in K_{2^0} leptonic decays are marked by *a* (Ref. 19), *b* (Ref. 20), and *c* (Ref. 15), respectively.



¹⁰ T. D. Lee, R. Oehme, and C. N. Yang, Phys. Rev. 106, 340 (1957).
 ¹¹ P. K. Kabir, Nature 220, 1310 (1968).

¹²S. L. Glashow and S. Weinberg, Phys. Rev. Letters 14, 835 (1965).

sum on the right-hand side of Eq. (7), i.e., of the magnitude of *CP*-nonconserving amplitudes in channels other than 2π .

If we neglect corrections of relative order α , arising from coupling of 2π channels with radiative channels Consistent with our neglect of radiative corrections in Eqs. (1)-(3)], another consequence of *TCP* invariance is¹¹

$$\operatorname{Re} Z \approx \operatorname{Re} \epsilon \approx \frac{1}{2} \langle K_1^0 | K_2^0 \rangle. \tag{11}$$

TCP invariance also requires¹⁰ that $\langle K_1^0 | K_2^0 \rangle$ be equal to the charge asymmetry A_l in K_{2^0} leptonic decays, multiplied by a proportionality factor $C(x_i)$. If the $\Delta S = \Delta Q$ rule is valid, this factor is exactly unity, whereas if $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$ transitions also occur, $C(x_l)$ can be deduced from measurements of the time dependence of the corresponding leptonic decay mode of neutral kaons.13 Such measurements therefore specify the ordinate (11) on which Z must lie.

The phase $\psi = \delta_2 - \delta_0(+\pi)$ of Δ is related to the argument χ of $(\eta_{+-}-\eta_{00})$ by^{6,14}

$$\cot \psi = \mp \tan \chi \left(\frac{(2C-1)(C-2) \cot^2 \chi + 2(C+1)^2}{9C} \right)^{1/2},$$
(12)

where the negative sign gives the phase of the smaller root for Δ , and the positive sign corresponds to the other solution. The approximation $C \approx 2$ and the choice of the root $\Delta \approx 0$ yields the corresponding result of the Wu-Yang analysis, $\psi \approx \chi \pm \frac{1}{2}\pi$. According to Eq. (8), Z is the "centroid" of η_{+-} and η_{00} ; therefore $(\eta_{+-}-Z)$ has the same phase as $(\eta_{+-} - \eta_{00})$ and the $\pi\pi$ phase-shift combination ψ can be determined as easily from the Z diagram as from the Wu-Yang plot.

II. COMPARISON WITH EXPERIMENT

The ingredients of Z which are best known experimentally are7,15

$$|\eta_{+-}| = (1.90 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-3},$$
 (13a)

$$\arg \eta_{+-} \equiv \phi_{+-} = 39.8^{\circ} \pm 6^{\circ},$$
 (13b)

$$C = 2.285 \pm 0.055$$
. (13c)

There is disagreement on the magnitude of η_{00} , and further measurements of this quantity as well as of its phase are being made. All but one of the reported values of $|\eta_{00}|$ lie between the value of $|\eta_{+-}|$ (13a) and $2 \times |\eta_{+-}|$. Chollet *et al.*¹⁶ have also reported a pre-

$$\sin^2\psi = \left[9C/2(C+1)^2\right]\cos^2\chi.$$

¹⁵ These values are taken from the review by J. Steinberger, in ¹⁶ J. Chollet, J. M. Gaillard, M. R. Jane, T. J. Ratcliffe, J. P. Repellin, K. R. Schubert, and B. Wolff, in Ref. 15, p. 309. liminary result

$$\arg \eta_{00} \equiv \phi_{00} = 23^{\circ} \pm 30^{\circ}.$$
 (13d)

The vector η_{+-} corresponding to the quoted values (13a) and (13b) lies within the small rectangular box in Fig. 1; the width of the shaded strip corresponds to the current best limit of 6.5×10^{-4} for M_{θ} .¹¹ If the $\Delta S = \Delta Q$ rule applies, this limit becomes 4.1×10^{-4} . Since, within the accuracy of the measurements, the phase of η_{+-} coincides with ϕ_w , the unitarity condition (9) hardly restricts the phase of η_{00} unless

$$|\eta_{00}| \ge (C+1)M_{\theta}.$$
 (14)

If $|\eta_{00}|$ is appreciably greater than this value (which happens to be just about equal to $|\eta_{+-}|$, ϕ_{00} must fall approximately within $\pm \sin^{-1}[(C+1)M_{\theta}/|\eta_{00}|]$ of ϕ_w (modulo π) if Z is to fall within the allowed strip. The reported value (13d) obviously satisfies this condition. The largest contribution to M_{θ} comes from the poorly known limits on $K_1^0 \rightarrow 3\pi$ decay rates. If these rates could be shown to be significantly lower than the corresponding $K_{2^{0}}$ decay rates, as one expects theoretically, M_{θ} would become appreciably smaller and the restriction on ϕ_{00} strengthened accordingly. The limits between which η_{00} must lie, for a given η_{+-} , if Z is to fall within the unitarity-TCP strip, are straight lines parallel to \mathfrak{L}_{θ} displaced by

$$C | \eta_{+-} | \sin(\phi_w - \phi_{+-}) \pm (C+1) M_{\theta},$$

respectively. These are shown by dot-dashed lines in Fig. 1 for the central value of η_{+-} . It is clear from the figure that the phase χ of $(\eta_{+-} - \eta_{00})$ will necessarily lie in the first or third quadrant only if $|\eta_{00}|$ is much smaller or much larger than $|\eta_{+-}|$. For values of η_{00} with magnitude comparable to $|\eta_{+-}|$, tan χ can have either sign¹⁷ and the values of η_{00} quoted in Ref. 16, shown by the annular box in Fig. 1, represent just such a situation. If we accept the negative values of $\tan\psi$ indicated by analyses of $\pi\pi$ scattering,¹⁸ the condition $|\Delta| \ll 1$ would require tan χ to be positive in order to satisfy Eq. (12). This requirement could not be fulfilled if the value of η_{00} fell into either the second or the fourth quadrant relative to η_{+-} .

A question of great interest is whether η_{+-} and η_{00} have identical values. If $\eta_{+-} = \eta_{00}$, Z coincides with η_{+-} and the small rectangular box in Fig. 1 also indicates the range of Z in that case. Unitarity would clearly be satisfied, but we have still to consider the additional TCP test (11). The only reported measurement of

 $^{^{13}}$ S. Bennett, D. Nygren, H. Saal, J. Sunderland, J. Steinberger, and K. Kleinknecht, Phys. Letters **27B**, 244 (1968). 14 The magnitude of ψ is given more simply by

¹⁷ The time dependence of the $\pi^+\pi^-/\pi^0\pi^0$ ratio in $K^0 \to 2\pi$ decay

The line dependence of the $\pi^{-\pi}$ / $\pi^{-\pi}$ ratio in $K^{\circ} \rightarrow 2\pi$ decay directly yields the phase χ . Measurement by B. Gobbi *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Letters **22**, 685 (1969), place restrictions on χ but do not yield a definite sign for tan χ . ¹⁸ S. Marateck, V. Hagopian, W. Selove, L. Jacobs, F. Oppenheimer, W. Schultz, E. Marquit, D. Huwe, L. J. Gutay, D. H. Miller, J. Prentice, E. West, and W. D. Walker, Phys. Rev. Letters **21**, 1613 (1968).

charge-asymmetry in $K_2^0 \rightarrow \pi \mu \nu$ decays yielded¹⁹

$$A_{\mu} = (4.05 \pm 1.35) \times 10^{-3}, \tag{15}$$

which is compatible with such a value of Z if the possible correction factor $C(x_{\mu})$ is not too different from unity. The factor $C(x_e)$ has been measured¹³ for $K^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu$ decays. The latest value is¹⁵

$$C^{-1}(x_e) = 0.95 \pm 0.05$$
, (16)

suggesting that there is at most a small correction due to possible violation of the $\Delta S = \Delta O$ rule. Two measurements of the charge asymmetry in $K_2^0 \rightarrow \pi e \nu$ decay reported values²⁰

$$A_e = (2.24 \pm 0.36) \times 10^{-3} \tag{17}$$

and¹⁵

$$A_e = (3.15 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-3}. \tag{18}$$

It is difficult to decide whether these results confirm or disprove the hypothesis that $\operatorname{Re}\epsilon = \operatorname{Re}\eta_{+-}$. Under the hypothesis of *TCP* invariance, the values of $\text{Re}\eta_{+-}$ and Re ϵ determine the value of Re η_{00} , which must differ from $\operatorname{Re}_{\eta+-}$ if $\operatorname{Re}_{\epsilon} \neq \operatorname{Re}_{\eta+-}$.

III. TEST OF T INVARIANCE

If T invariance holds, the neutral kaon states with definite lifetimes can be written in the form^{21,22}

$$|K_{1^{0}}\rangle = [2(1+|\zeta|^{2})]^{-1/2} \times [(1+\zeta)|K^{0}\rangle + (1-\zeta)|\bar{K}^{0}\rangle], \quad (19)$$

$$|K_{2}^{0}\rangle = [2(1+|\zeta|^{2})]^{-1/2} \times [(1-\zeta)|K^{0}\rangle - (1+\zeta)|\bar{K}^{0}\rangle]. \quad (20)$$

Then $\langle K_1^0 | K_2^0 \rangle$ is purely imaginary, so that the unitarity condition (4) yields

$$\operatorname{Re}(e^{-i\phi_w}\sum_f \eta_f \gamma_1^f) = 0.$$
(21)

Proceeding exactly as in the TCP-invariant case, we obtain¹¹

$$\operatorname{Re}(e^{-i\phi_w}Z) | \leqslant M_T, \tag{22}$$

with

$$M_T = (\gamma_1^{2\pi})^{-1} \left[\sum_l r_l \gamma_1^l \sin \phi_w \right]$$

$$+\sum_{\substack{f\neq 2\pi, f\neq l}}\mu_f(\gamma_1^f\gamma_2^f)^{1/2}], \quad (23)$$

¹⁹ D. Dorfan, J. Enstrom, D. Raymond, M. Schwartz, S. Wojcicki, D. H. Miller, and M. Paciotti, Phys. Rev. Letters 19, 987 (1967).
²⁰ S. Bennett, D. Nygren, H. Saal, J. Steinberger, and J. Sunderland, Phys. Rev. Letters 19, 993 (1967).
²¹ T. D. Lee and L. Wolfenstein, Phys. Rev. 138, B1490 (1965).
²² Because of the difference in the expression of K₁⁰ and K₂⁰ states as superpositions of K⁰ and K⁰ for the *TCP*-invariant case (Ref 3) and in the case of *T* invariance [Fos. (19 and (20)] inter-

(Ref. 3) and in the case of T invariance [Eqs. (19 and (20)], interference experiments for the phase and magnitude of the η 's must be interpreted as measuring slightly different quantities in the two cases. Since ϵ and ζ can both be shown to have modulus less than 10⁻², this will have no practical effect on our conclusions.

where $r_{\pm} = \pm |1 + x_{\pm}|^{-2} (1 - |x_{\pm}|^2)$ and μ_f is a factor which can be approximated by $\sin \phi_w$ if

$$(\gamma_1{}^{f}\gamma_2{}^{f}){}^{1/2} \gg \frac{1}{2} |\langle K_1{}^0 | K_2{}^0 \rangle | (\gamma_1{}^{f}+\gamma_2{}^{f}),$$

and by unity otherwise. Unitarity and T invariance thus require Z to lie within a distance M_T of the straight line \mathfrak{L}_T drawn through the origin at an inclination of $(\frac{1}{2}\pi + \phi_w) \approx 133^\circ$ to the positive real axis. The present limit on M_T is¹¹ 4.9×10⁻⁴; the allowed strip corresopnding to this value is shaded in Fig. 2. The contribution from leptonic channels, dependent on possible $\Delta S = -\Delta Q$ transitions, is estimated as 0.8×10^{-4} . Given the vector η_{+-} , which lies in the small rectangular box for the values quoted in (13a) and (13b), the condition (22), that Z fall within the allowed strip, requires η_{00} to lie within the band bounded by straight lines (dotdashed in Fig. 2) parallel to \mathfrak{L}_T and displaced by

$$C | \eta_{+-} | \cos(\phi_w - \phi_{+-}) \pm (C+1) M_T$$

on the side of \mathcal{L}_T opposite to η_{+-} . This will only be possible if $|\eta_{00}|$ exceeds the value

$$|\eta_{00}|_{\min} = C |\eta_{+-}| \cos(\phi_w - \phi_{+-}) - (C+1)M_T.$$
 (24)

For $\phi_{+-} \approx \phi_w$, and the quoted values of the other parameters, this minimum value is about 2.8×10^{-3} . This limit would increase if the limit on M_T could be reduced, e.g., by improving the limits on $K_1^0 \rightarrow 3\pi$ decay rates. If the magnitude of η_{00} exceeds this value, but is smaller than

$$C|\eta_{+-}|\cos(\phi_w-\phi_{+-})+(C+1)M_T\approx 5.9\times 10^{-3},$$

its phase can lie anywhere in the range

$$\pi + \phi_w - \alpha < \phi_{00} < \pi + \phi_w + \alpha$$

with

$$x = \cos^{-1} \{ [C | \eta_{+-} | \cos(\phi_{+-} - \phi_w) - (C+1) M_T] / | \eta_{00} | \}.$$
 (25)

For $\phi_{+-} \approx \phi_w$, the permitted values of ϕ_{00} fall in the third quadrant for all values of $|\eta_{00}|$ less than 3.9×10^{-3} . If η_{00} lies on the same side of \mathfrak{L}_T as η_{+-} , i.e., if $|\phi_{00}-\phi_w| \leq \frac{1}{2}\pi$, the *T*-invariance condition (22) clearly cannot be satisfied for any value of $|\eta_{00}|$. Therefore, the reported¹⁶ value (13d) of ϕ_{00} provides direct evidence against the hypothesis of T invariance.

There are indications of T noninvariance²³ even without referring to the measured value of ϕ_{00} . We have seen that if the condition (22) is to be satisfied, the magnitude of η_{00} must exceed the limit (24), whose value already exceeds some of the reported measurements of $|\eta_{00}|$. We shall now show that even if $|\eta_{00}|$

²³ R. C. Casella, Phys. Rev. Letters 21, 1128 (1968); 22, 554 (1969).



FIG. 2. Unitarity and T invariance require Z to fall within the shaded strip. For the value of η_{+-} enclosed by the small rectangular box, this requires η_{00} to lie in a "T-allowed" band whose boundary is shown by the dot-dashed lines. For illustrative purposes we have superimposed the quoted χ^2 contours for (Re η_{00} , Im η_{00}) [transcribed from contours in the (ϕ_{00} , $|\eta_{00}|$) plane] corresponding to 1, 2, and 3 standard deviations from the central value reported in the preliminary measurements of Ref. 16 (shown by the cross). Values of η_{00} restricted to the region between the broken lines within the allowed η_{00} band all yield a phase χ in the first quadrant.

satisfies this constraint, the hypothesis of T invariance cannot be reconciled with $\pi\pi$ phase-shift information¹⁸ if the $\Delta I = \frac{1}{2}$ rule is assumed. Referring to Fig. 2, we see that T invariance and the unitarity condition (22) require the vector

$$Z = \eta_{+-} + (\eta_{00} - \eta_{+-})/(C+1) \tag{26}$$

to lie within the allowed strip. Equation (26) shows further that unless $|\eta_{00}| \gg |\eta_{+-}|$, the magnitudes of Z and η_{+-} are similar. It follows in that case that the phase χ of $\eta_{+-}-Z$ cannot be too different from that of η_{+-} as reported. The phase χ lies in the first quadrant for all values of η_{00} in the allowed band, between the limits shown by the broken lines. For $\phi_{+-} \approx \phi_w$ and the quoted values of the other parameters, this holds for all η_{00} 's satisfying (22) with magnitudes less than 5.4×10^{-3} . The formula analogous to Eq. (12) in the T-invariant case is

$$\cot \psi = \pm \cot x \left[\frac{(2C-1)(C-2) \tan^2 x + 2(C+1)^2}{9C} \right]^{1/2},$$
(27)

where the plus sign now corresponds to the small- $|\Delta|$ solution, and the minus sign to the other. A value of χ in the first quadrant cannot be reconciled with the negative values of $\tan\psi$ from $\pi\pi$ scattering¹⁸ unless one is prepared to accept the solution with $|\Delta|$ of the order of unity, in contradiction to the $\Delta I = \frac{1}{2}$ rule. It may be remarked that such a solution requires the $\Delta I = \frac{3}{2}$ and $\Delta I = \frac{5}{2}$ components of $K \rightarrow 2\pi$ decay amplitudes to be comparable in magnitude to the $\Delta I = \frac{1}{2}$ component. Only thus could one arrange for a large I = 2 amplitude in $K^0 \rightarrow 2\pi$ decay while maintaining a relatively small negative number.

IV. SUMMARY

An Argand diagram of the complex vectors η_{+-} and

$$Z = (C\eta_{+-} + \eta_{00})/(C+1)$$

exhibits the relations between CP-nonconservation parameters in K^0 decays. Under the hypothesis of TCPinvariance, one has the following results:

(i) Unitarity requires Z to lie near the polar axis \mathfrak{L}_{θ} at an inclination of $\phi_w = \tan^{-1}[2(m_2 - m_1)/(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)] \approx 43^{\circ}$ to the positive real axis. The distance of Z from the axis \mathfrak{L}_{θ} is a measure of CP nonconservation in decay modes other than 2π channels, and can be bounded by a quantity M_{θ} determined by the partial decay rates of those modes.

(ii) The value of ReZ must equal the quantity Re ϵ deduced from measurements of the charge asymmetry in K_{2^0} leptonic decays.

(iii) The phase $\hat{\chi}$ of $(\eta_{+-}-Z)$ determines the $\pi\pi$ phase shift $\psi = \delta_2 - \delta_0(+\pi)$ through Eq. (12).

Statements analogous to (i) and (iii) can be made in the *T*-invariant case, and available data do not fit in easily with these conditions. If η_{+-} and η_{00} both lie in the first quadrant, unitarity and *T* invariance cannot be satisfied for any value of $|\eta_{00}|$.

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