

Light-Front Holography: *Hadronic Wavefunctions from AdS/QCD*



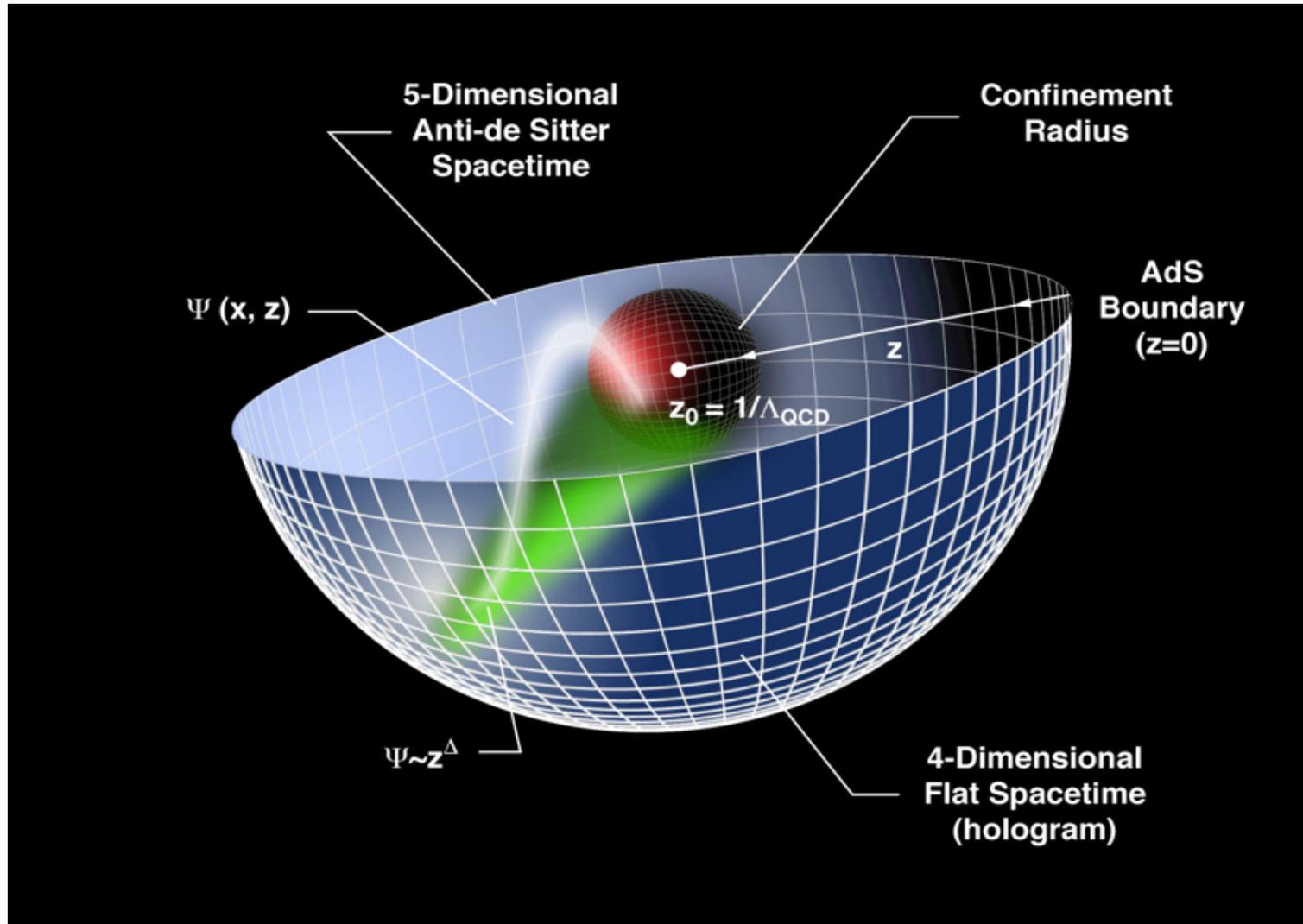
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Goal:

- **Use AdS/CFT to provide an approximate, covariant, and analytic model of hadron structure with confinement at large distances, conformal behavior at short distances**
- **Analogous to the Schrodinger Theory for Atomic Physics**
- *AdS/QCD Light-Front Holography*
- *Hadronic Spectra and Light-Front Wavefunctions*

Applications of AdS/CFT to QCD



Changes in physical length scale mapped to evolution in the 5th dimension z

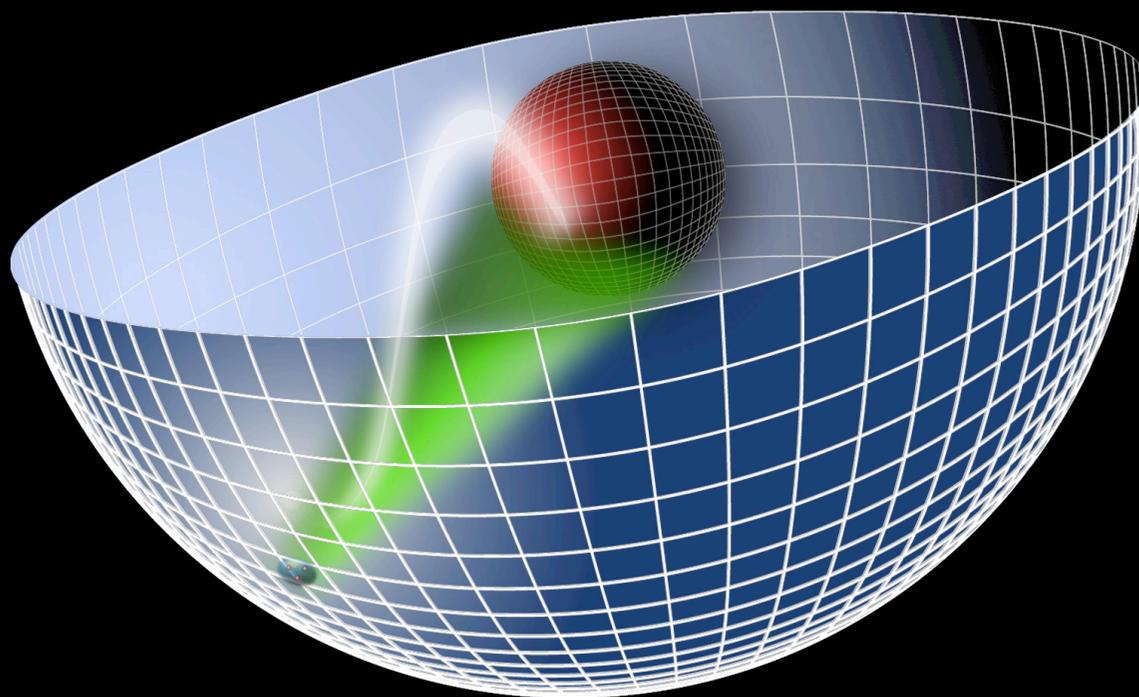
in collaboration with Guy de Teramond

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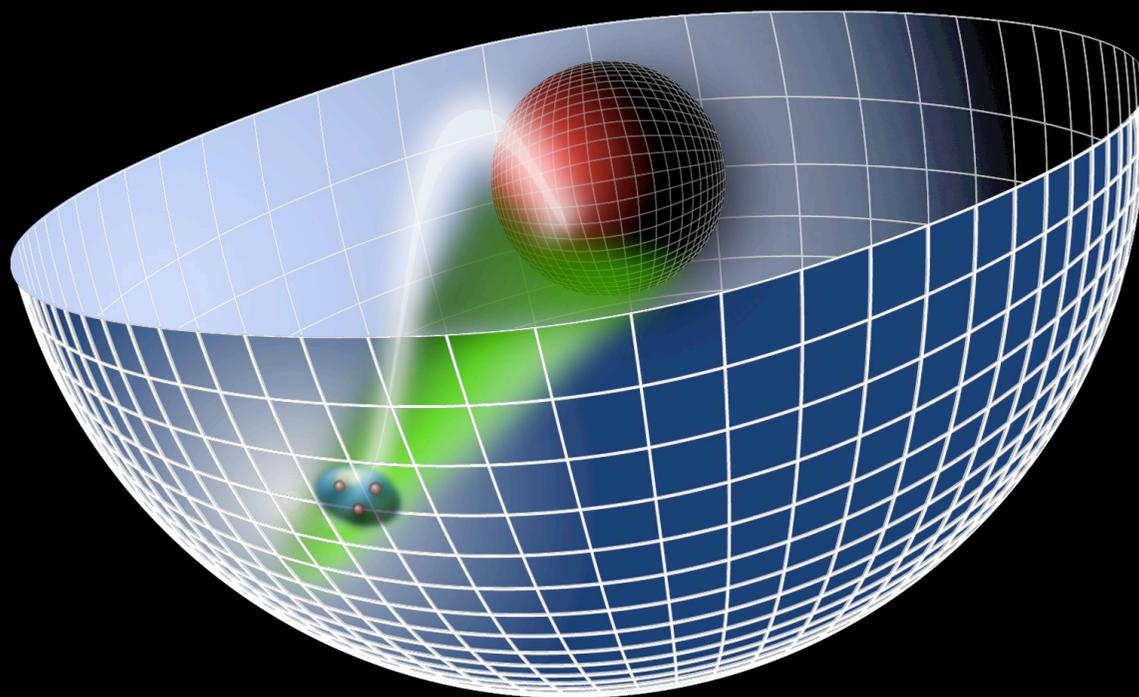


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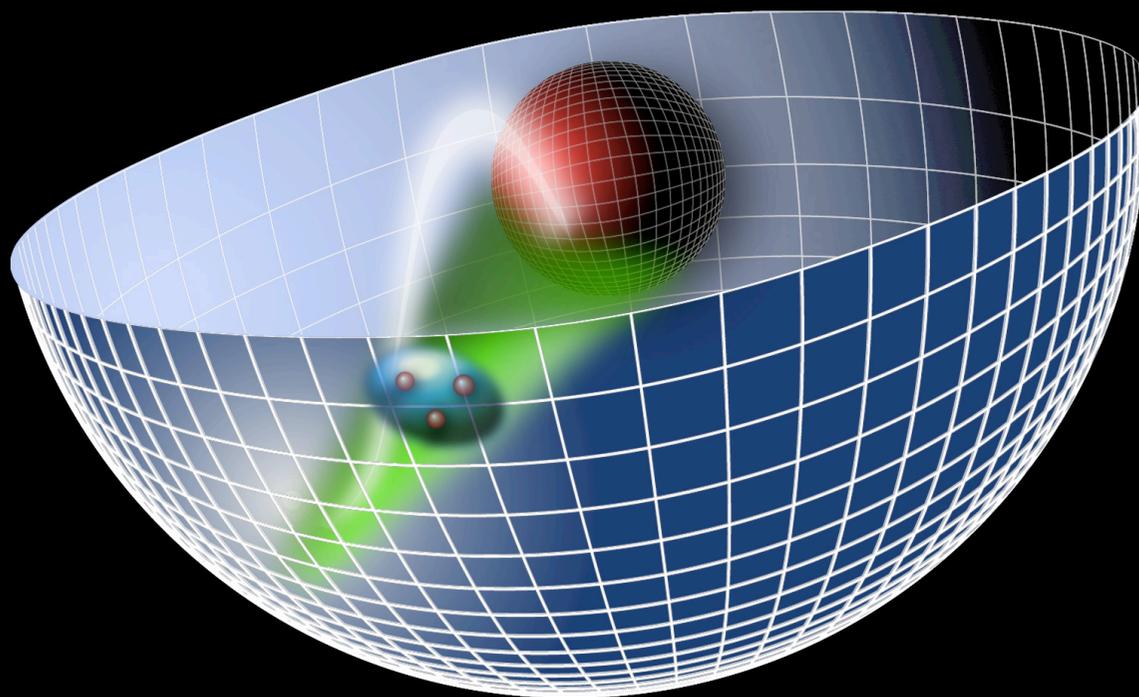


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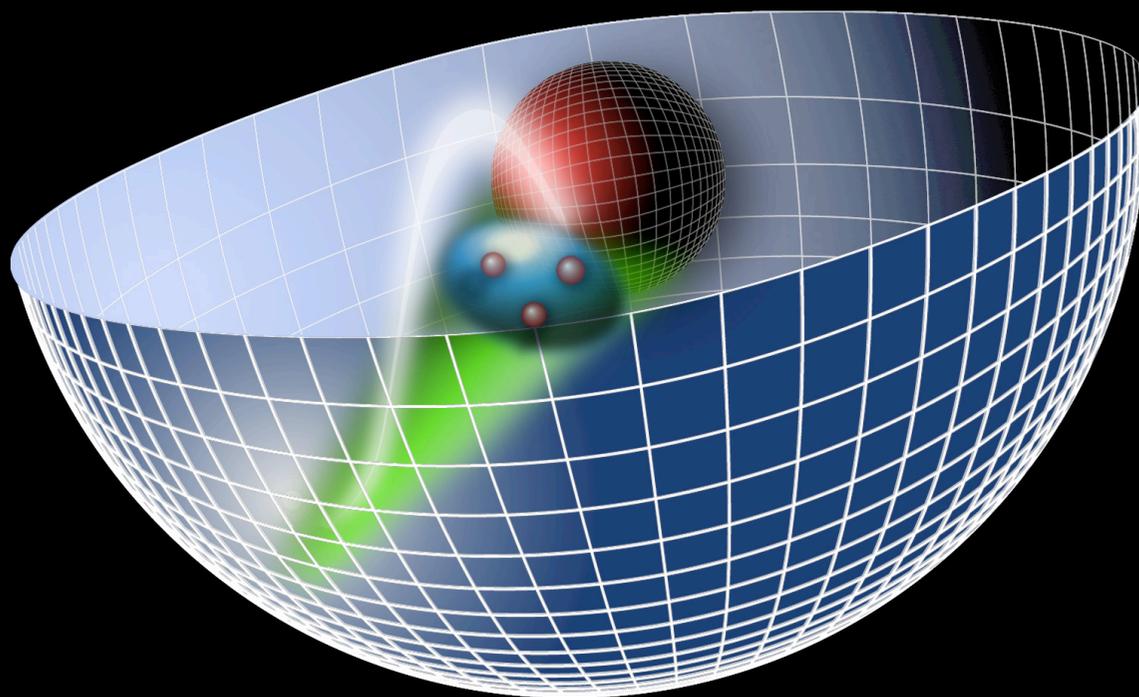
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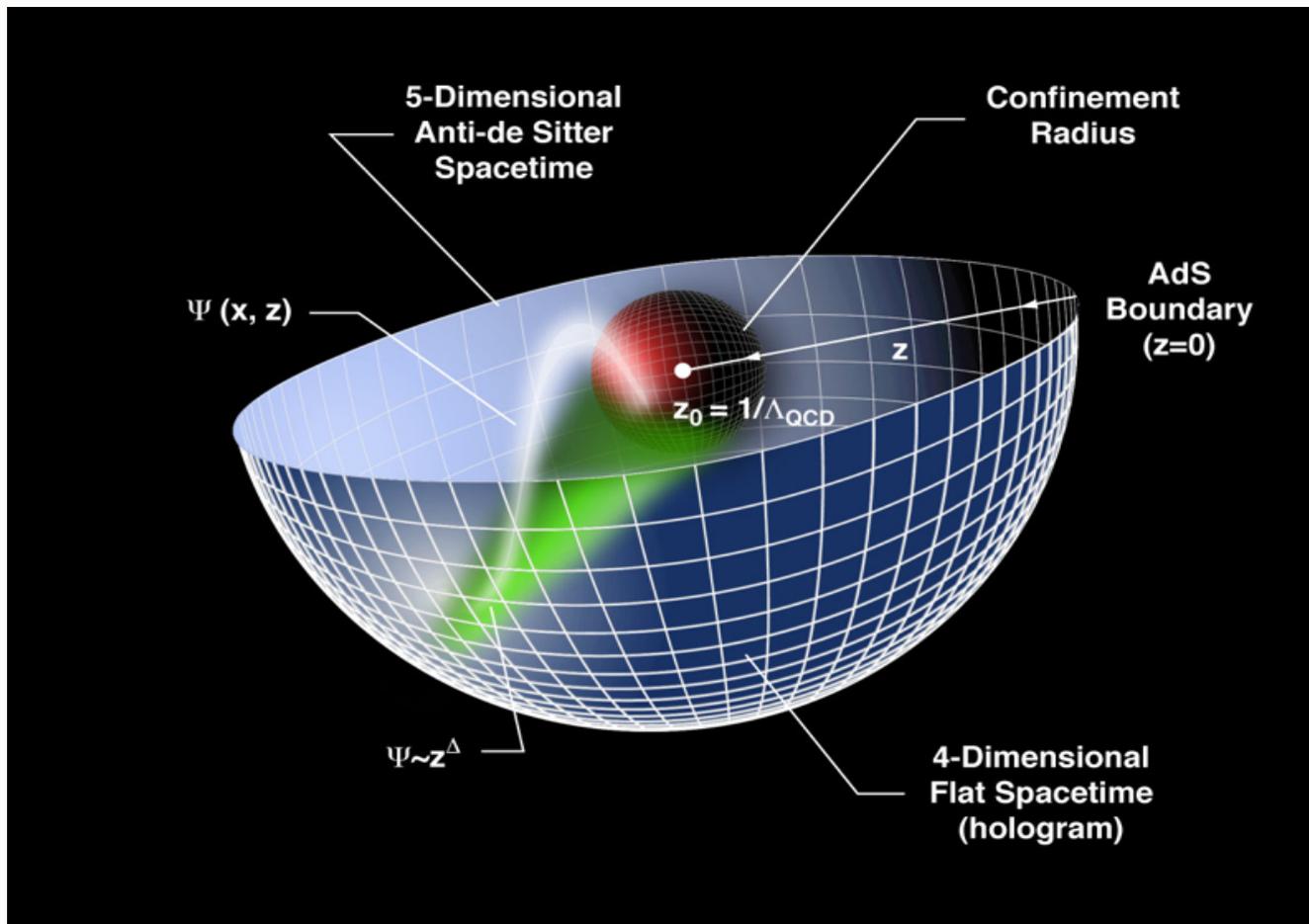


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- Truncated AdS/CFT (Hard-Wall) model: cut-off at $z_0 = 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ breaks conformal invariance and allows the introduction of the QCD scale (Hard-Wall Model) **Polchinski and Strassler (2001)**.
- Smooth cutoff: introduction of a background dilaton field $\varphi(z)$ – usual linear Regge dependence can be obtained (Soft-Wall Model) **Karch, Katz, Son and Stephanov (2006)**.

We will consider both holographic models

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Conformal Theories are invariant under the Poincare and conformal transformations with

$$\mathbf{M}^{\mu\nu}, \mathbf{P}^{\mu}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{K}^{\mu},$$

the generators of $SO(4,2)$

$SO(4,2)$ has a mathematical representation on AdS_5

Scale Transformations

- Isomorphism of $SO(4, 2)$ of conformal QCD with the group of isometries of AdS space

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2),$$

invariant measure 

$x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu, z \rightarrow \lambda z$, maps scale transformations into the holographic coordinate z .

- AdS mode in z is the extension of the hadron wf into the fifth dimension.
- Different values of z correspond to different scales at which the hadron is examined.

$$x^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x^2, \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z.$$

$x^2 = x_\mu x^\mu$: invariant separation between quarks

- The AdS boundary at $z \rightarrow 0$ correspond to the $Q \rightarrow \infty$, UV zero separation limit.

AdS/CFT: Anti-de Sitter Space / Conformal Field Theory

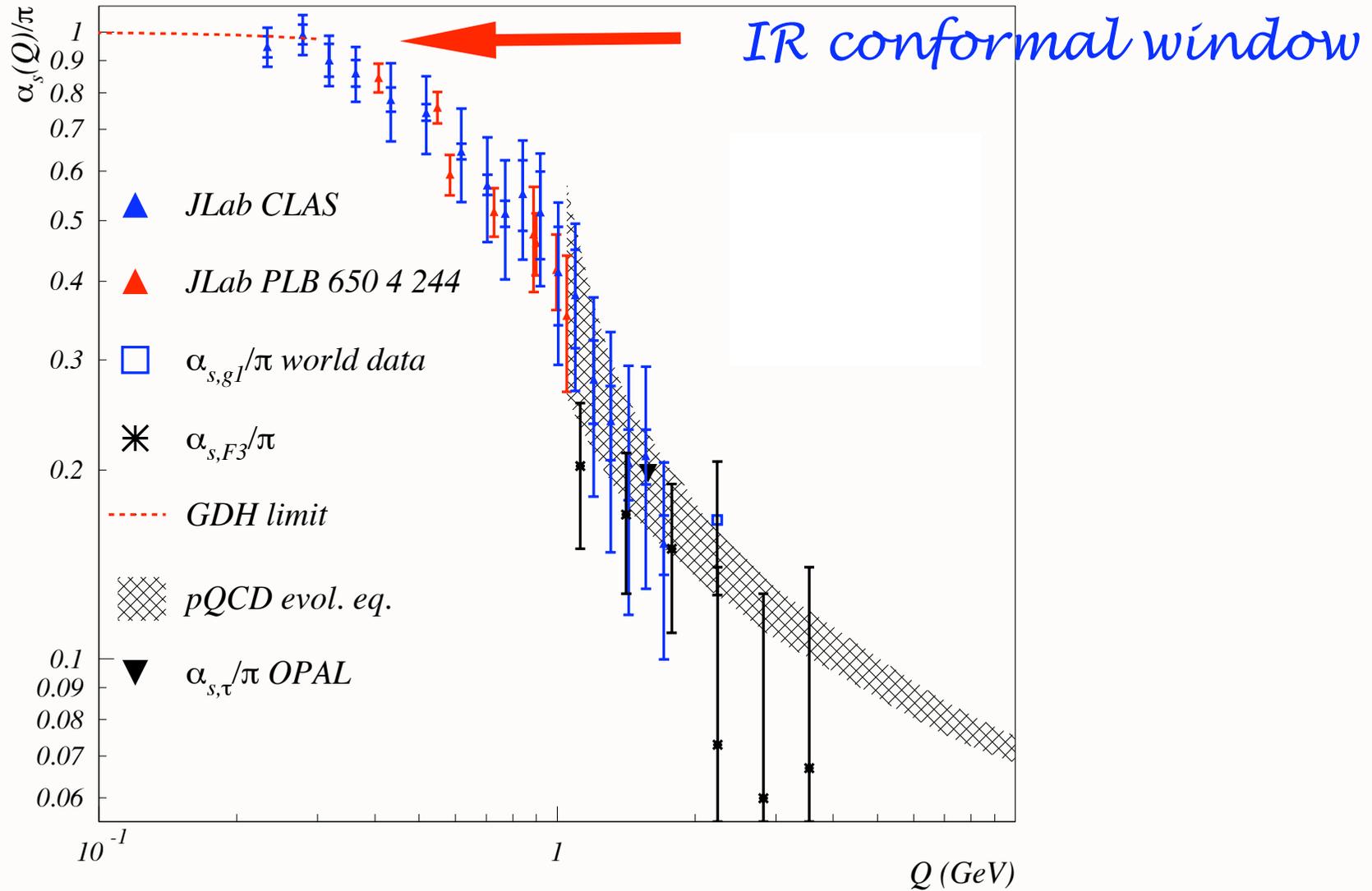
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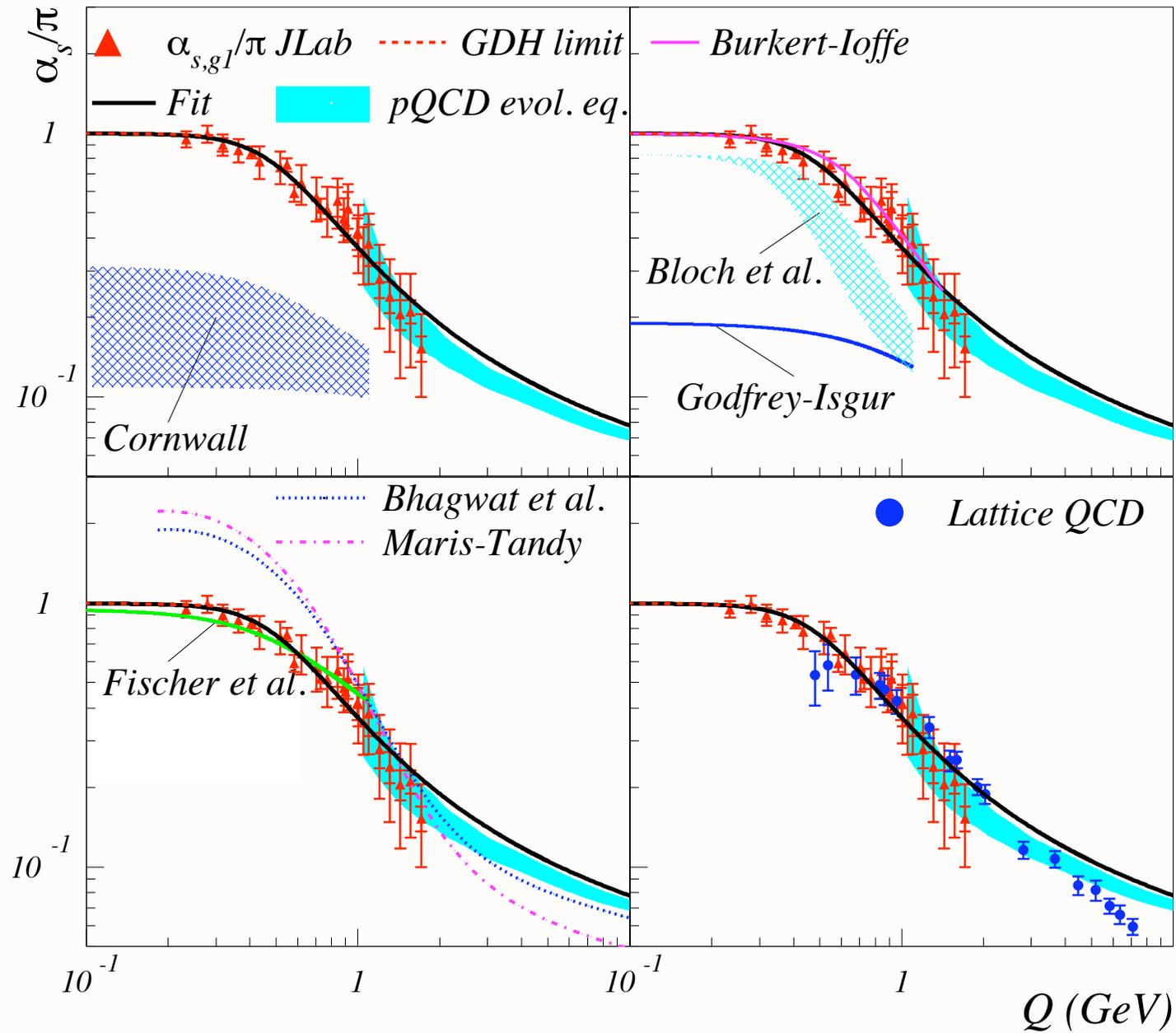
Map $AdS_5 \times S^5$ to conformal $N=4$ SUSY

- **QCD is not conformal**; however, it has manifestations of a scale-invariant theory: Bjorken scaling, dimensional counting for hard exclusive processes
- **Conformal window:** $\alpha_s(Q^2) \simeq \text{const}$ at small Q^2
- **Use mathematical mapping of the conformal group $SO(4,2)$ to AdS_5 space**

Deur, Korsch, et al: Effective Charge from Bjorken Sum Rule

$$\Gamma_{bj}^{p-n}(Q^2) \equiv \frac{g_A}{6} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha_s^{g1}(Q^2)}{\pi} \right]$$





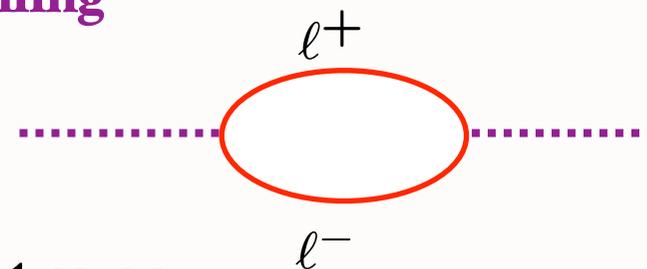
IR Conformal Window for QCD?

- *Dyson-Schwinger Analysis:* **QCD Coupling has IR Fixed Point**
- *Evidence from Lattice Gauge Theory*
- Define coupling from observable: **indications of IR fixed point for QCD effective charges**
- Confined gluons and quarks have maximum wavelength: **Decoupling of QCD vacuum polarization at small Q^2**

Shrock, de Teramond, sjb

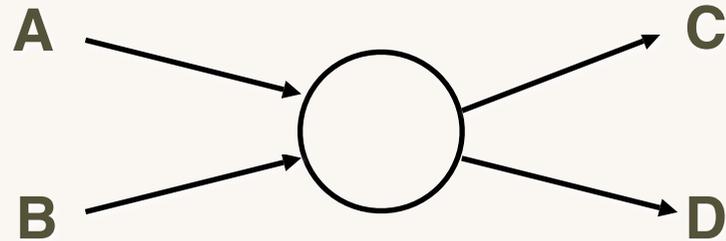
Serber-Uehling

$$\Pi(Q^2) \rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{15\pi} \frac{Q^2}{m^2} \quad Q^2 \ll 4m^2$$



- **Justifies application of AdS/CFT in strong-coupling conformal window**

Constituent Counting Rules



$$n_{tot} = n_A + n_B + n_C + n_D$$

Fixed t/s or $\cos \theta_{cm}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(s, t) = \frac{F(\theta_{cm})}{s^{[n_{tot}-2]}} \quad s = E_{cm}^2$$

$$F_H(Q^2) \sim \left[\frac{1}{Q^2}\right]^{n_H-1}$$

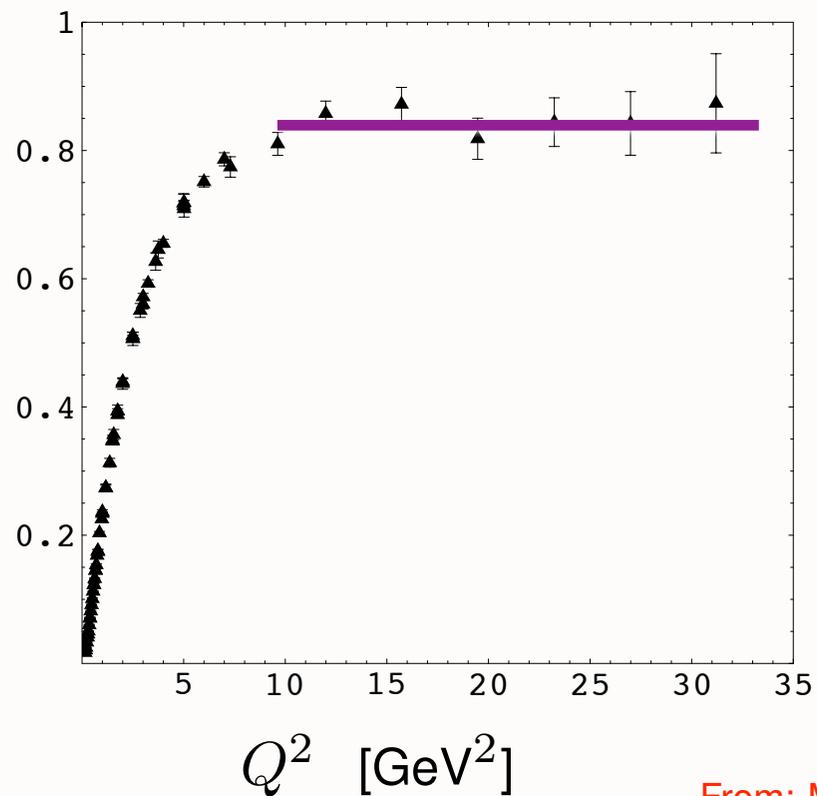
**Farrar & sjb; Matveev, Muradyan,
Tavkhelidze**

Conformal symmetry and PQCD predict leading-twist scaling behavior of fixed-CM angle exclusive amplitudes

Characteristic scale of QCD: 300 MeV

Many new J-PARC, GSI, J-Lab, Belle, Babar tests

$Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2)$ [GeV⁴]



$$F_1(Q^2) \sim [1/Q^2]^{n-1}, \quad n = 3$$

From: M. Diehl *et al.* Eur. Phys. J. C **39**, 1 (2005).

- Phenomenological success of dimensional scaling laws for exclusive processes

$$d\sigma/dt \sim 1/s^{n-2}, \quad n = n_A + n_B + n_C + n_D,$$

implies QCD is a strongly coupled conformal theory at moderate but not asymptotic energies

Farrar and sjb (1973); Matveev *et al.* (1973).

- Derivation of counting rules for gauge theories with mass gap dual to string theories in warped space (hard behavior instead of soft behavior characteristic of strings) Polchinski and Strassler (2001).

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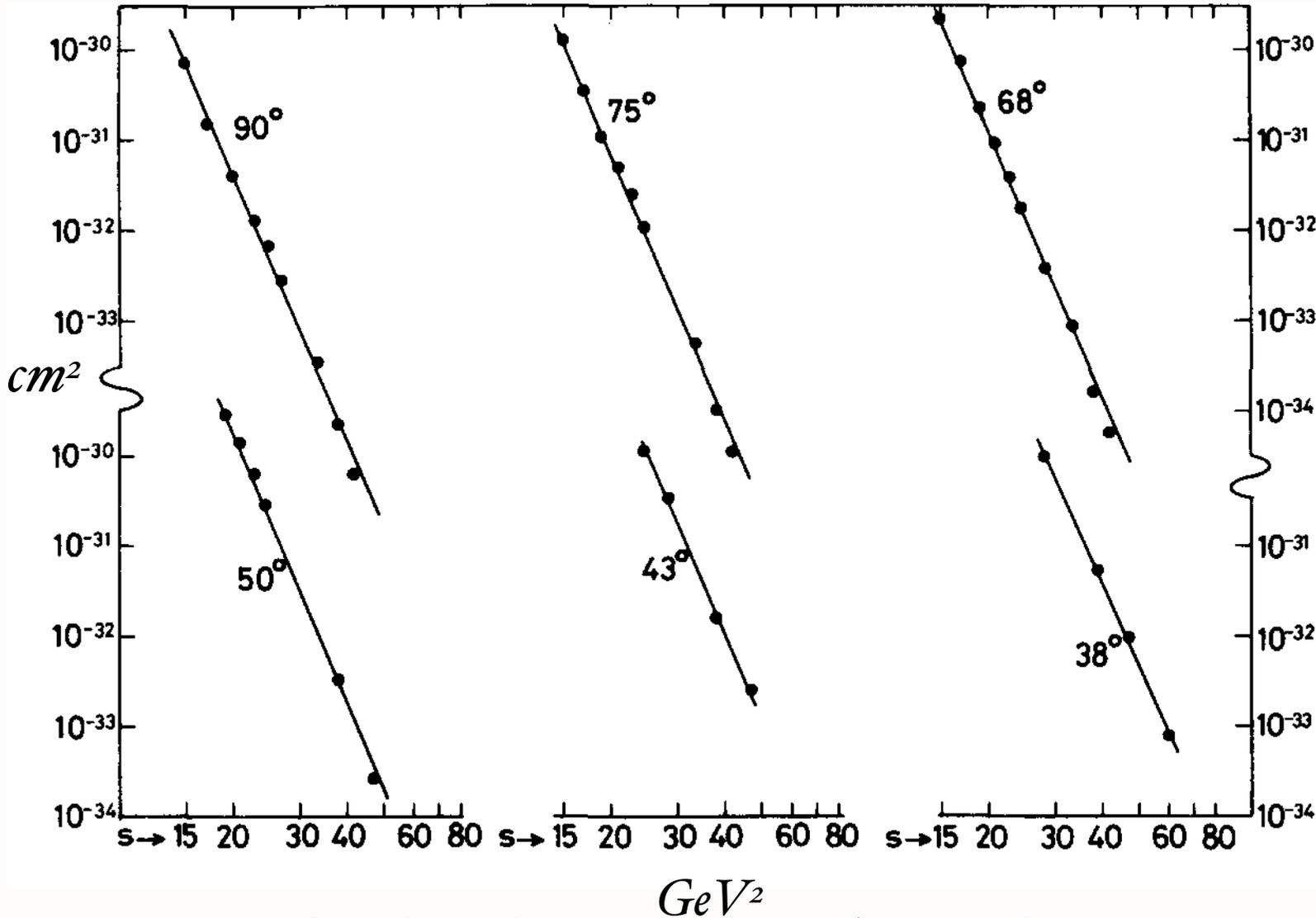
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Quark-Counting : $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(pp \rightarrow pp) = \frac{F(\theta_{CM})}{s^{10}}$

$n = 4 \times 3 - 2 = 10$

P.V. LANDSHOFF and J.C. POLKINGHORNE



Best Fit

$n = 9.7 \pm 0.5$

Reflects underlying conformal scale-free interactions

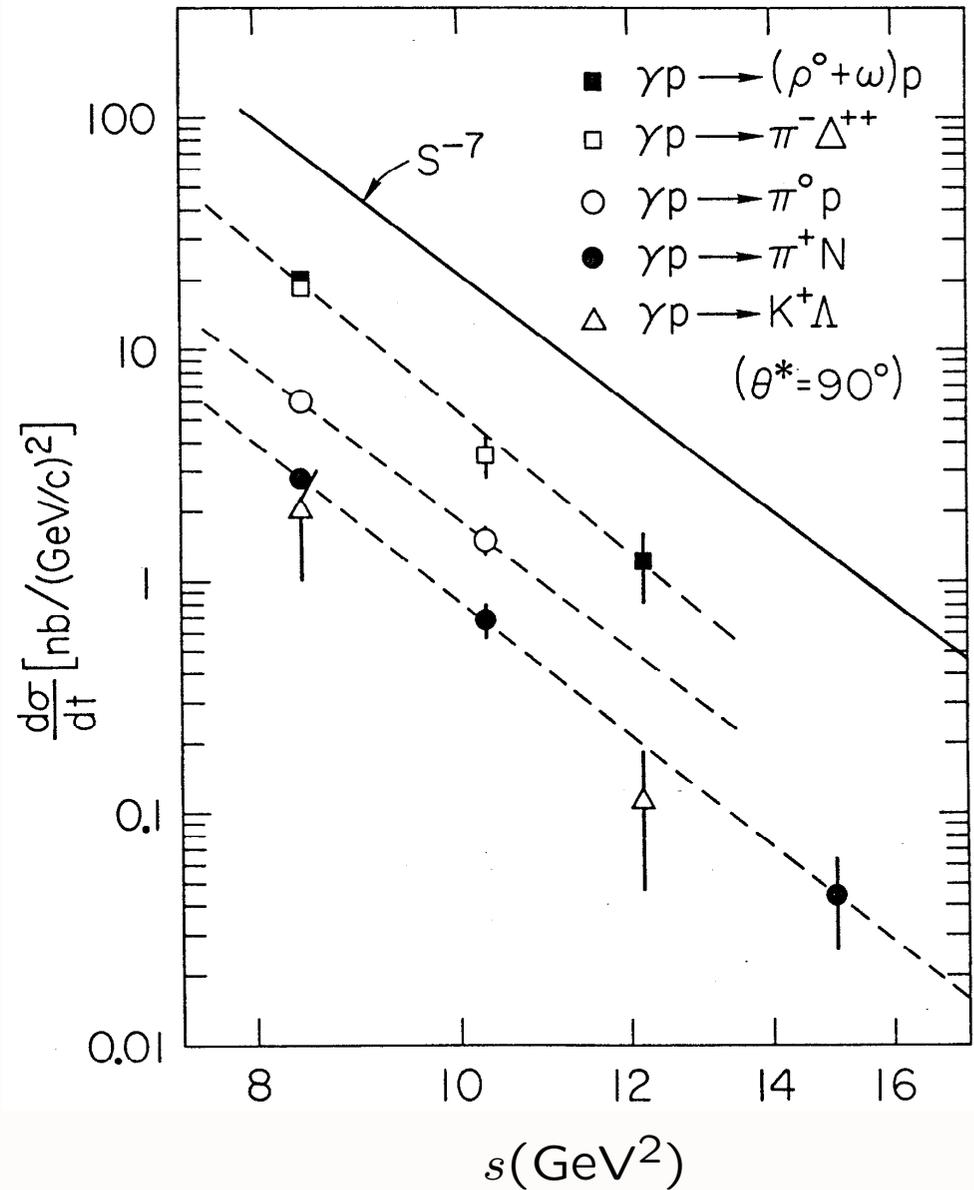
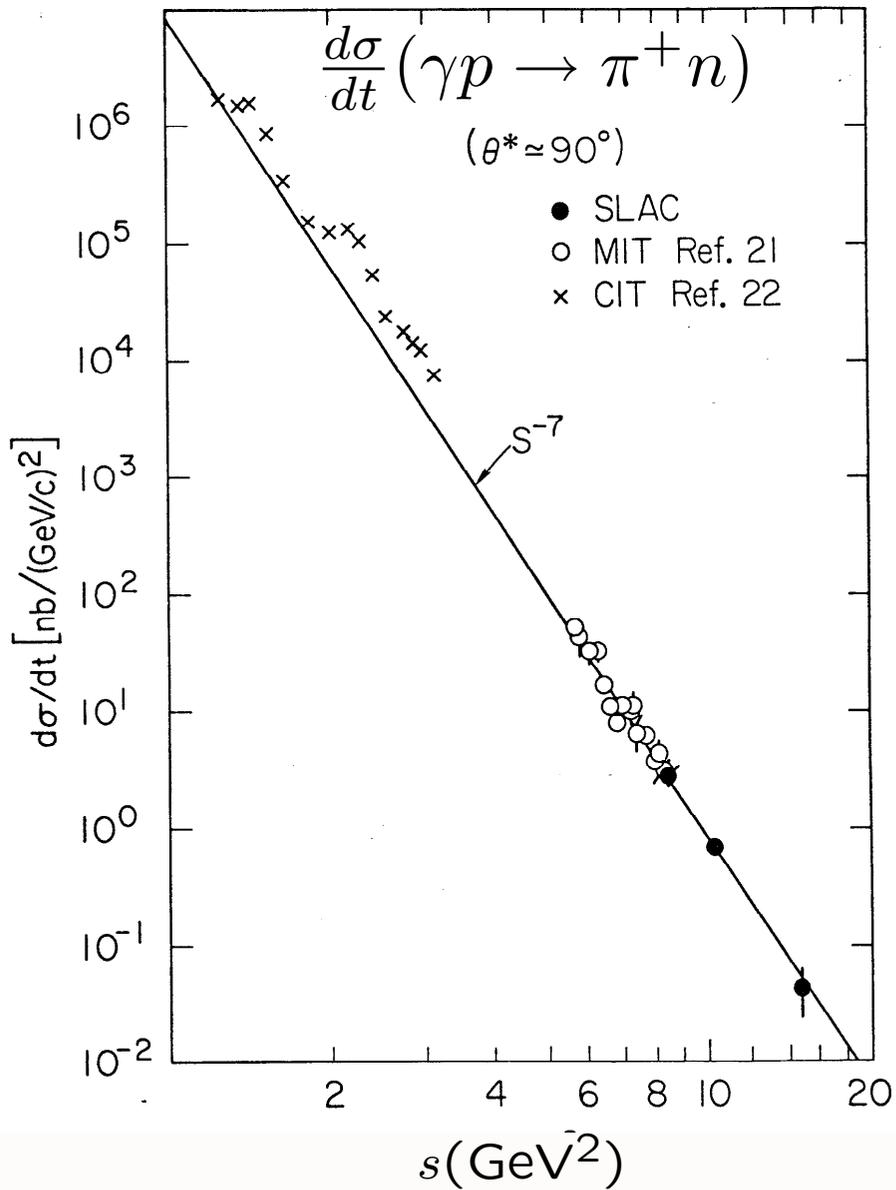
Angular distribution -- quark interchange

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Conformal Invariance:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma p \rightarrow MB) = \frac{F(\theta_{cm})}{s^7}$$

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String Theory



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Mapping of Poincare' and Conformal $SO(4,2)$ symmetries of $3+1$ space to AdS5 space

Goal: First Approximant to QCD

Counting rules for Hard Exclusive Scattering
Regge Trajectories
QCD at the Amplitude Level



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Conformal Invariance + Confinement at large distances

Semi-Classical QCD / Wave Equations

Light Front Holography

Boost Invariant $3+1$ Light-Front Wave Equations

$J=0, 1, 1/2, 3/2$ plus L

Integrable!

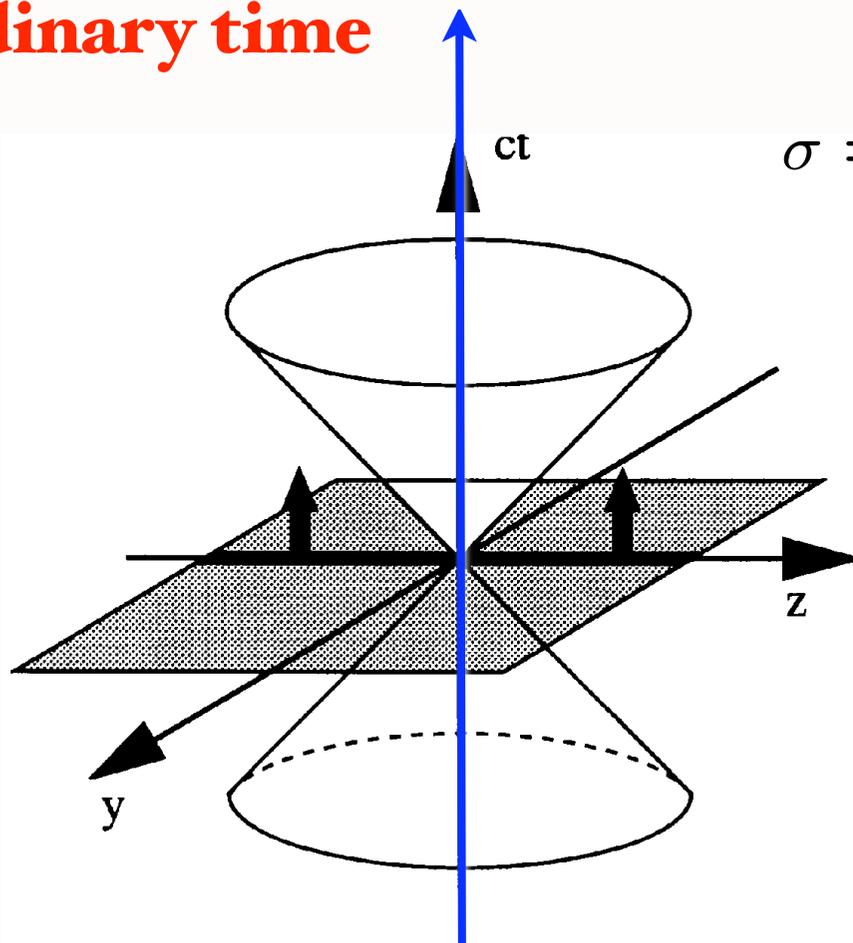


Hadron Spectra, Wavefunctions, Dynamics

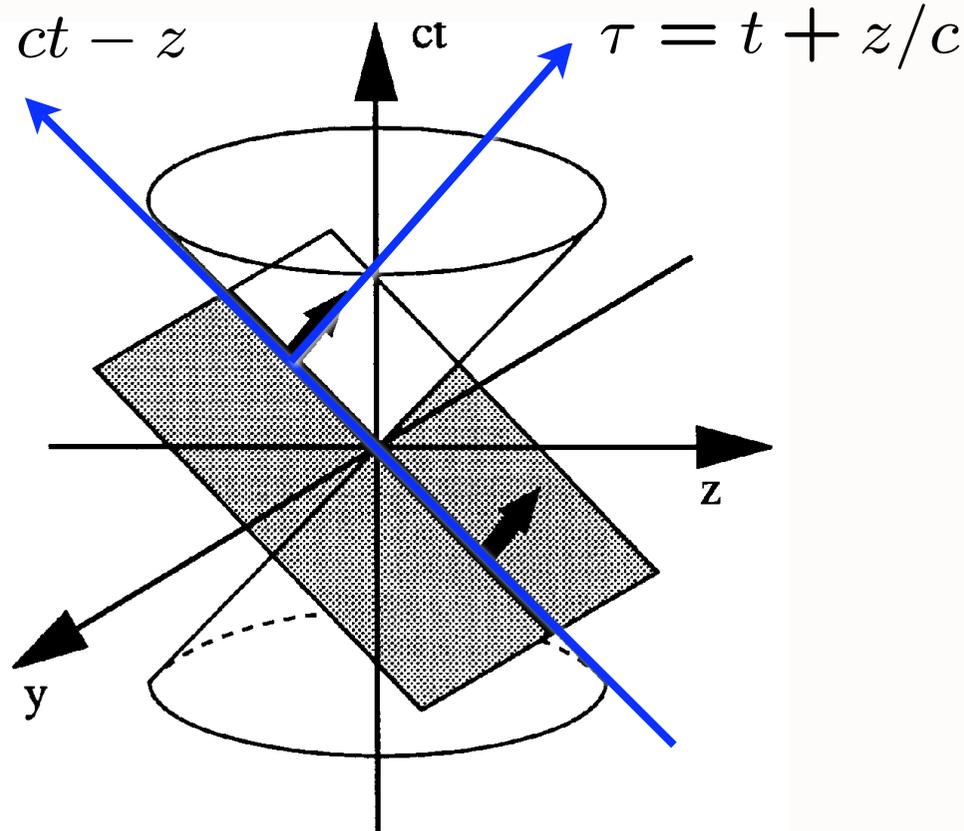
Dirac's Amazing Idea: The Front Form

**Evolve in
ordinary time**

**Evolve in
light-front time!**



$$\sigma = ct - z$$



$$\tau = t + z/c$$

Instant Form

Front Form

*Each element of
flash photograph
illuminated
at same LF time*

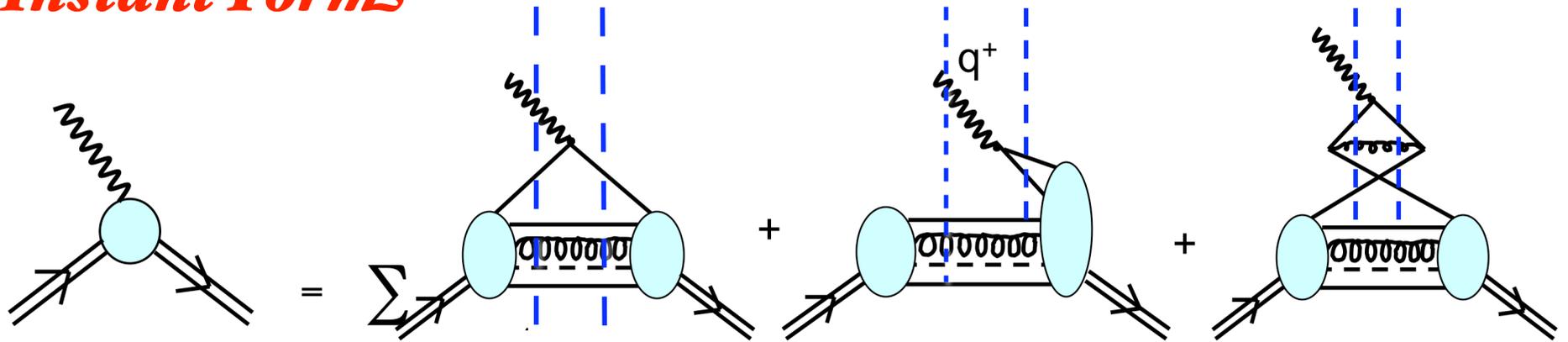
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Calculation of Form Factors in Equal-Time Theory

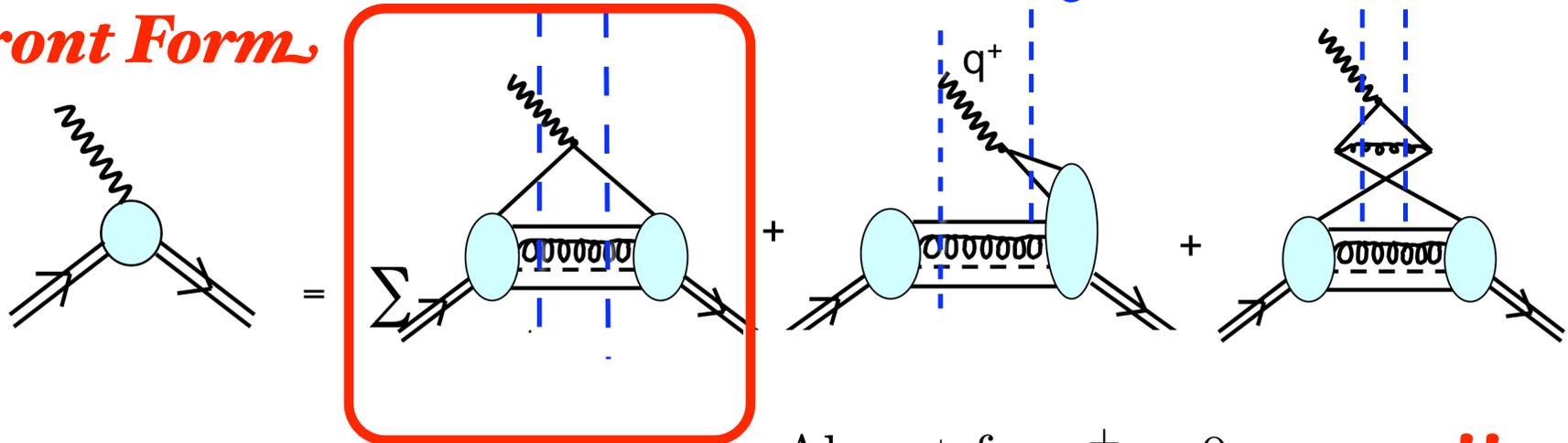
Instant Form



Need vacuum-induced currents

Calculation of Form Factors in Light-Front Theory

Front Form

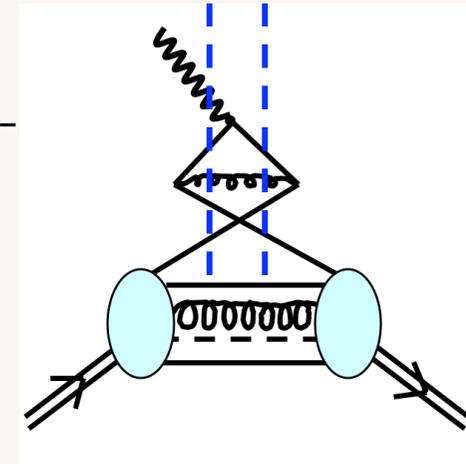


Absent for $q^+ = 0$ **zero !!**

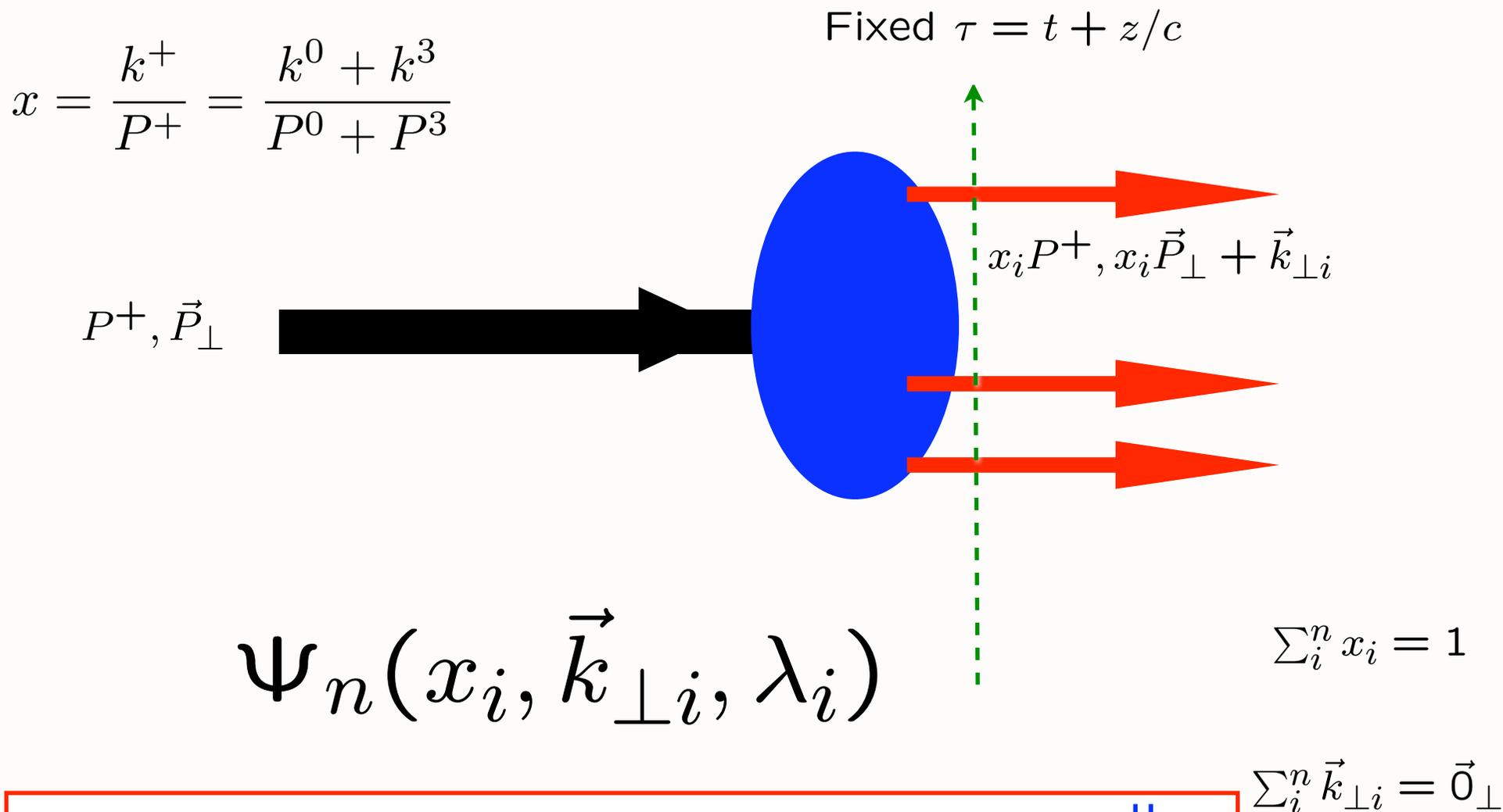
Calculation of Hadron Form Factors

Instant Form

- Current matrix elements of hadron include interactions with vacuum-induced currents arising from infinitely-complex vacuum
- Pair creation from vacuum occurs at any time before probe acts -- acausal
- Knowledge of hadron wavefunction insufficient to compute current matrix elements
- Requires dynamical boost of hadron wavefunction -- unknown except at weak binding
- Complex vacuum even for QED
- None of these complications occur for quantization at fixed LF time (front form)



Light-Front Wavefunctions: rigorous representation of composite systems in quantum field theory



Invariant under boosts! Independent of p^μ

Angular Momentum on the Light-Front

$$J^z = \sum_{i=1}^n s_i^z + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} l_j^z.$$

Conserved
LF Fock state by Fock State

$$l_j^z = -i \left(k_j^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j^2} - k_j^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j^1} \right)$$

n-1 orbital angular momenta

Nonzero Anomalous Moment --> Nonzero orbital angular momentum

$$\frac{F_2(q^2)}{2M} = \sum_a \int [dx][d^2\mathbf{k}_\perp] \sum_j e_j \frac{1}{2} \times$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{q^L} \psi_a^{\uparrow*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \psi_a^\downarrow(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) + \frac{1}{q^R} \psi_a^{\downarrow*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \psi_a^\uparrow(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \right]$$

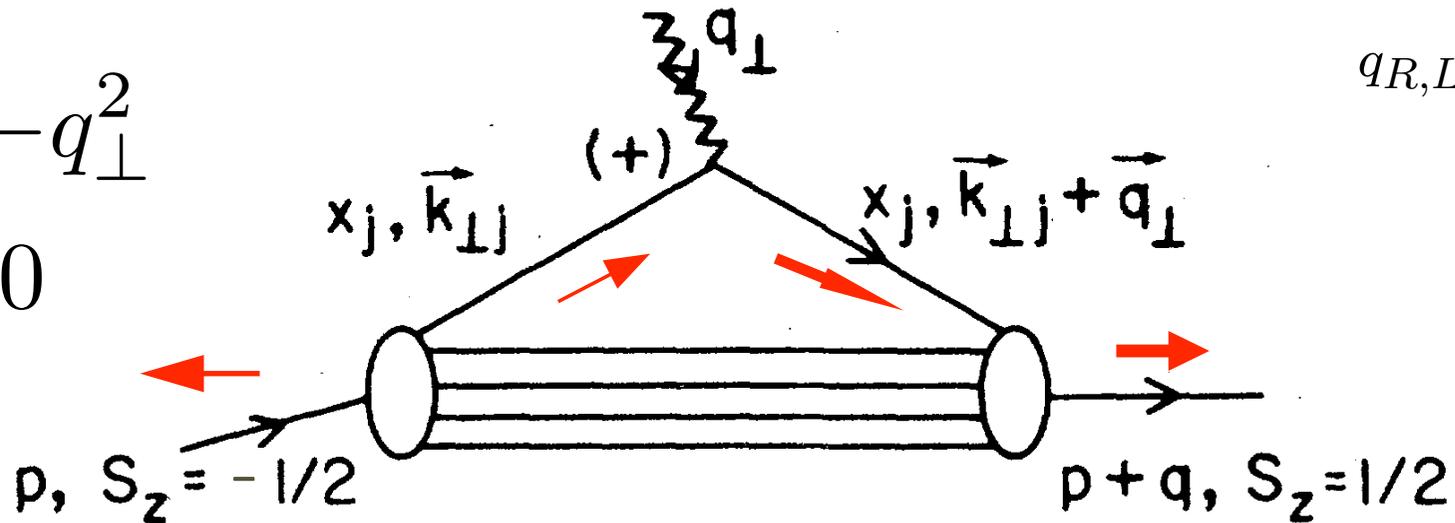
$$\mathbf{k}'_{\perp i} = \mathbf{k}_{\perp i} - x_i \mathbf{q}_\perp$$

$$\mathbf{k}'_{\perp j} = \mathbf{k}_{\perp j} + (1 - x_j) \mathbf{q}_\perp$$

$$q^2 = -q_\perp^2$$

$$q^+ = 0$$

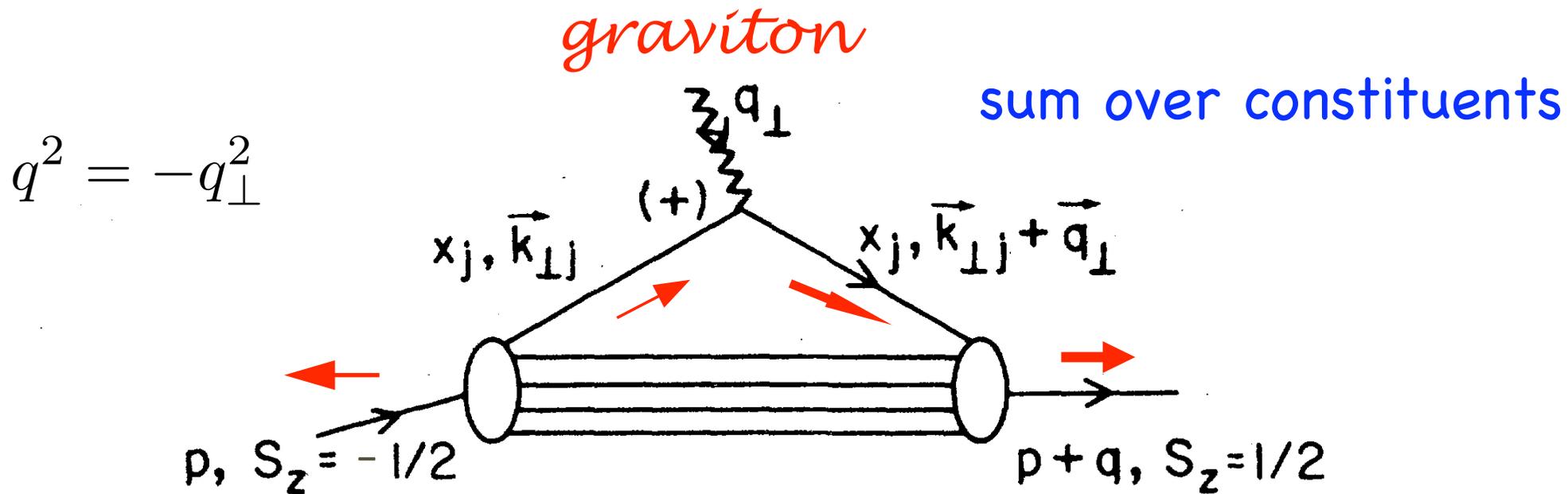
$$q_{R,L} = q^x \pm iq^y$$



Must have $\Delta l_z = \pm 1$ to have nonzero $F_2(q^2)$

Anomalous gravitomagnetic moment $B(0)$

Okun, Kobzarev, Teryaev: $B(0)$ Must vanish because of Equivalence Theorem



Hwang, Schmidt, sjb;
Holstein et al

$$B(0) = 0$$

Each Fock State

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$LF(3+1)$

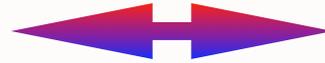
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$$\psi(x, \vec{b}_\perp)$$

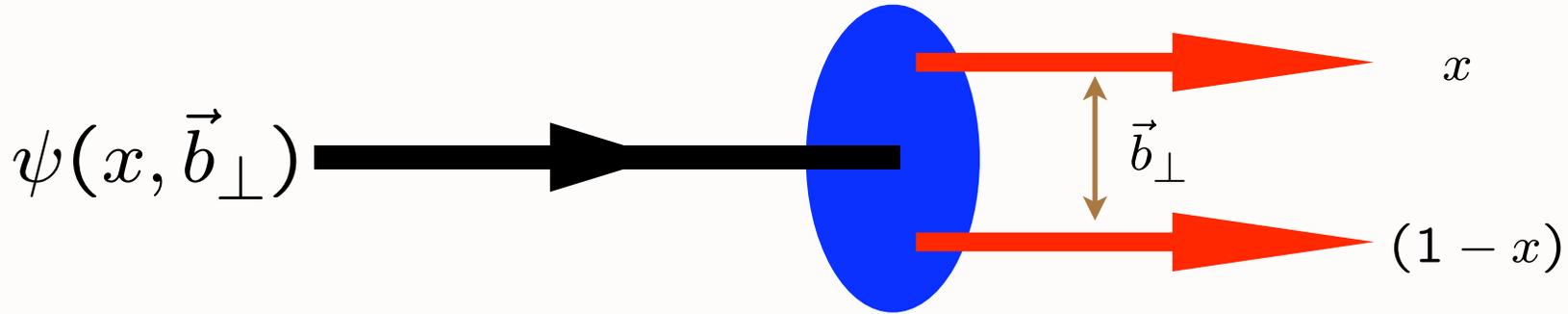


$$\phi(z)$$

$$\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)\vec{b}_\perp^2}$$



$$z$$



$$\psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}\zeta^{-1/2}\phi(\zeta)$$

*Holography: Unique mapping derived from equality of LF and AdS formula for current matrix elements: **em and gravitational!***

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Light-Front Holography: Map AdS/CFT to 3+1 LF Theory

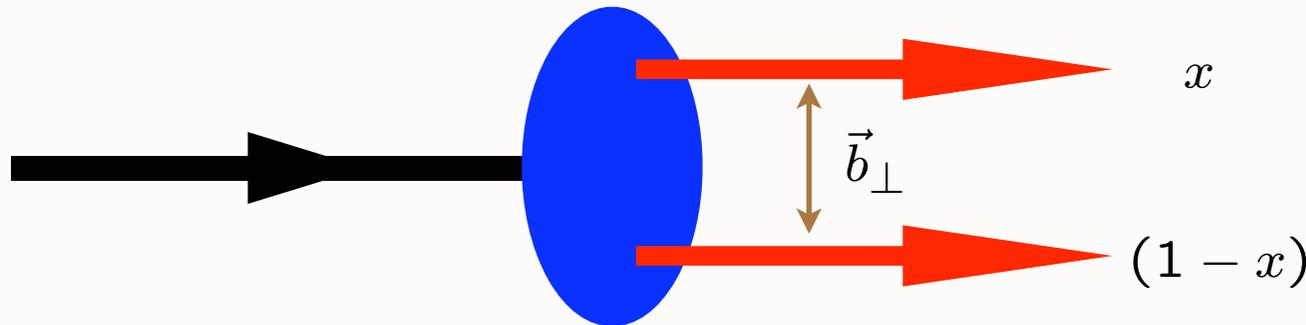
Relativistic LF radial equation

Frame Independent

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2.$$

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Effective conformal potential:

$$V(\zeta) = -\frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + \kappa^4 \zeta^2$$

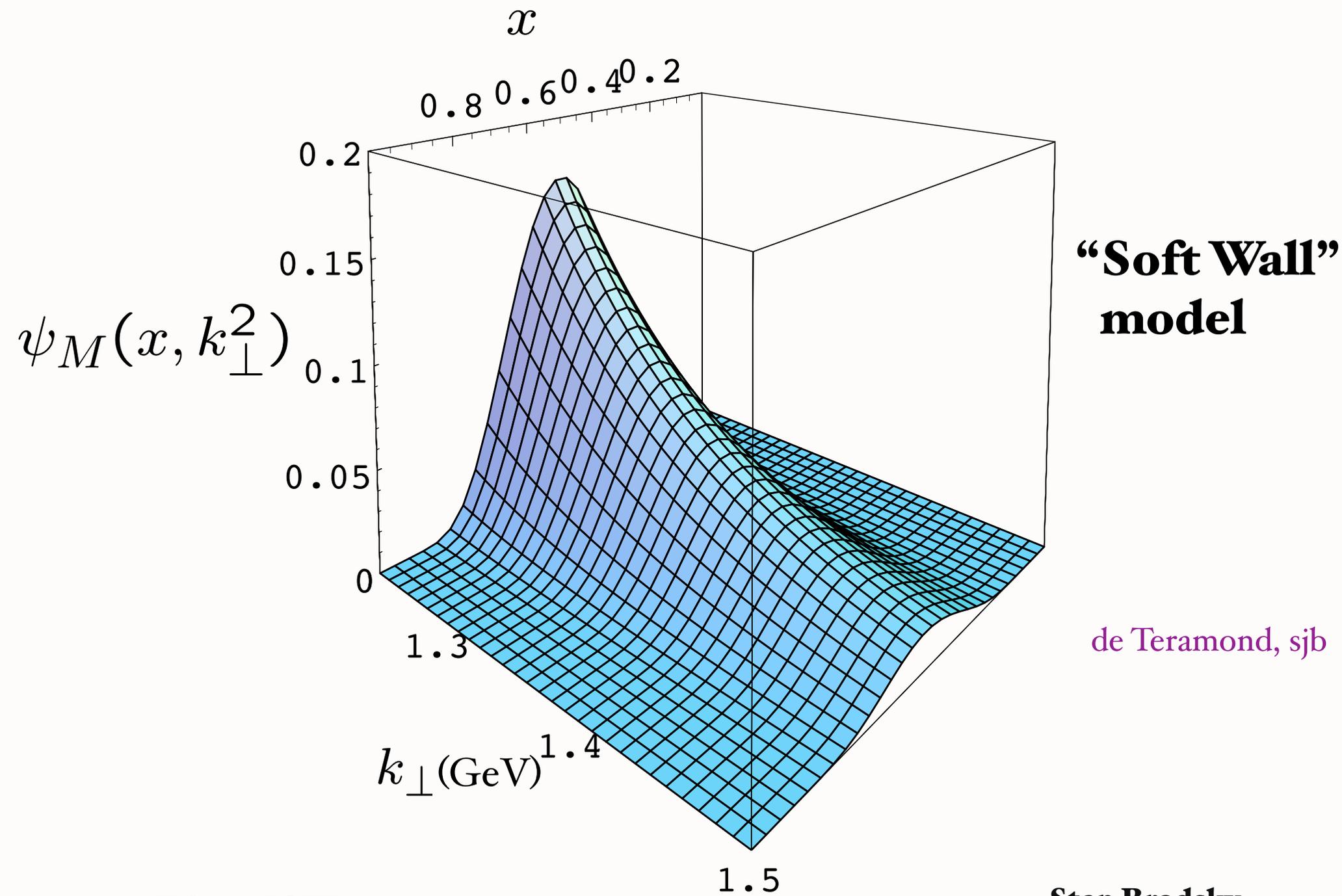
confining potential:

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Prediction from AdS/CFT: Meson LFWF



**“Soft Wall”
model**

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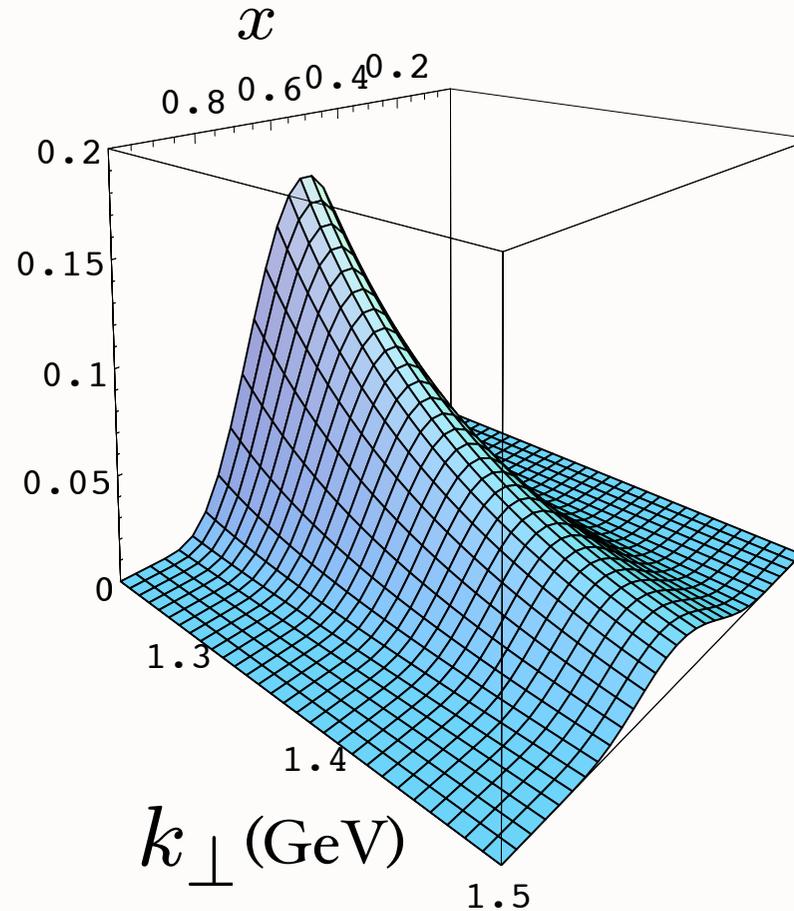
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**“Soft Wall”
model**

$$\kappa = 0.375 \text{ GeV}$$

massless quarks

$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$



$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

$$\phi_M(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

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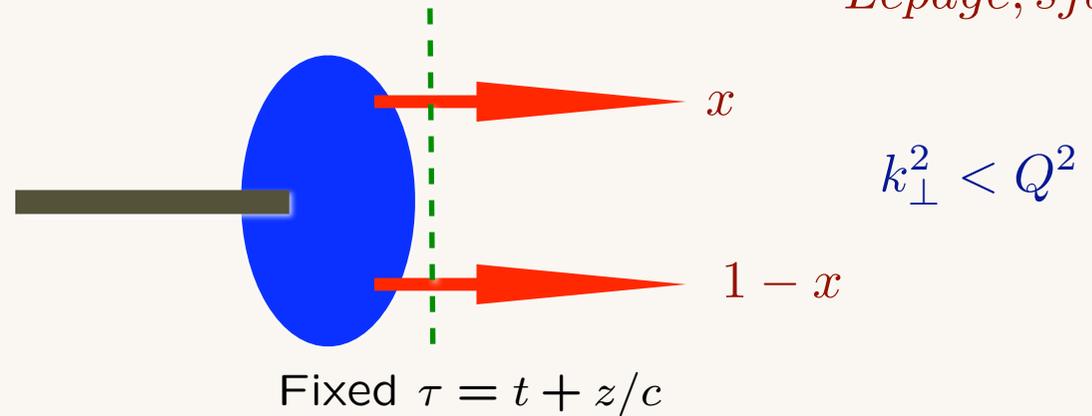
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Hadron Distribution Amplitudes

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$$\phi_H(x_i, Q)$$

$$\sum_i x_i = 1$$



- Fundamental gauge invariant non-perturbative input to hard exclusive processes, heavy hadron decays. Defined for mesons, baryons

Lepage, sjb

- Evolution Equations from PQCD, OPE, Conformal Invariance

Frishman, Lepage, Sachrajda, sjb

Peskin Braun

Efremov, Radyushkin Chernyak et al

- Compute from valence light-front wavefunction in light-cone gauge

$$\phi_M(x, Q) = \int^Q d^2 \vec{k} \psi_{q\bar{q}}(x, \vec{k}_\perp)$$

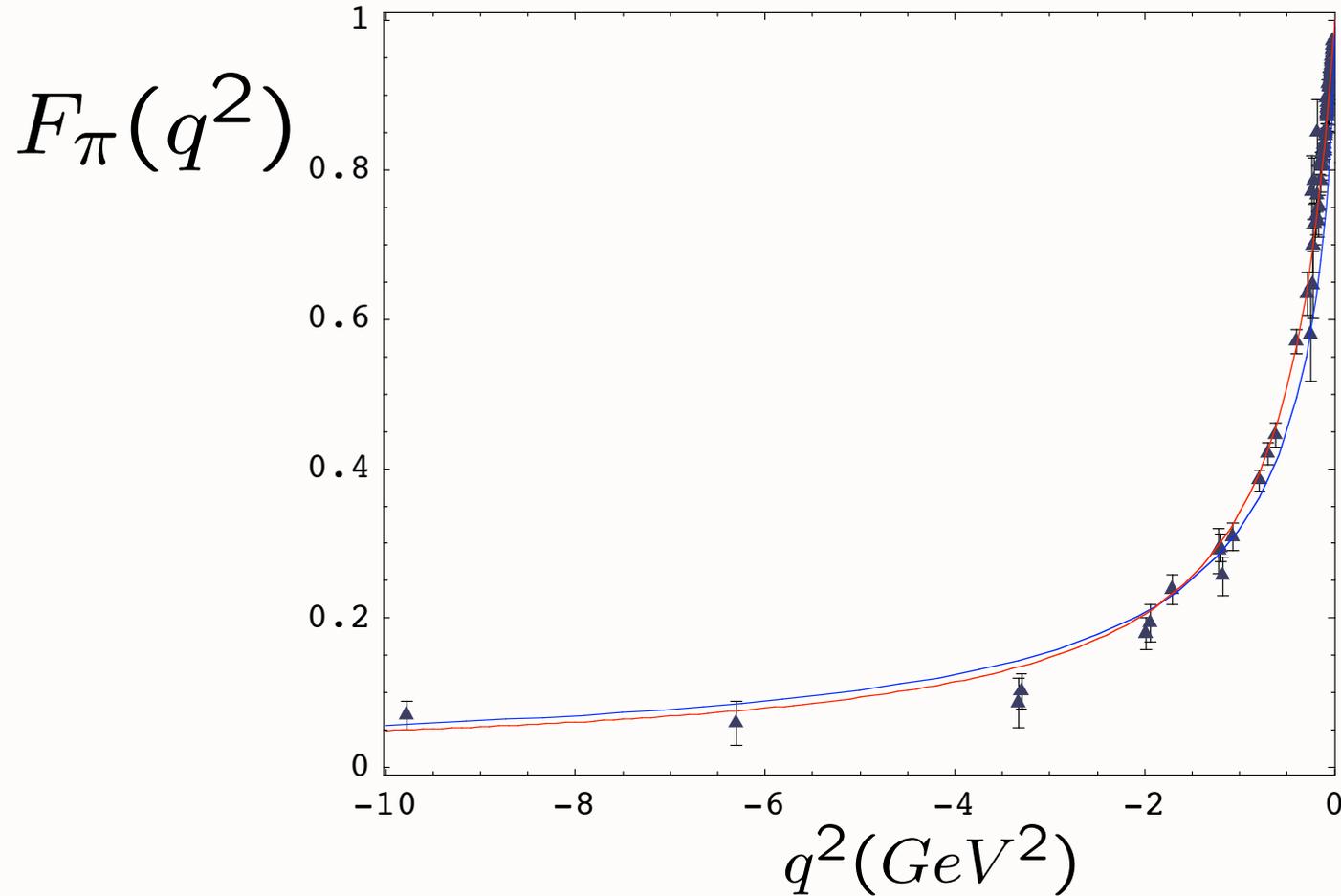
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Spacelike pion form factor from AdS/CFT



Data Compilation
Baldini, Kloe and Volmer

— Soft Wall: Harmonic Oscillator Confinement

— Hard Wall: Truncated Space Confinement

One parameter - set by pion decay constant

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See also: Radyushkin
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$$|p, S_z\rangle = \sum_{n=3} \Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n; \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$

sum over states with $n=3, 4, \dots$ constituents

The Light Front Fock State Wavefunctions

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

are boost invariant; they are independent of the hadron's energy and momentum P^μ .

The light-cone momentum fraction

$$x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{p^+} = \frac{k_i^0 + k_i^z}{P^0 + P^z}$$

are boost invariant.

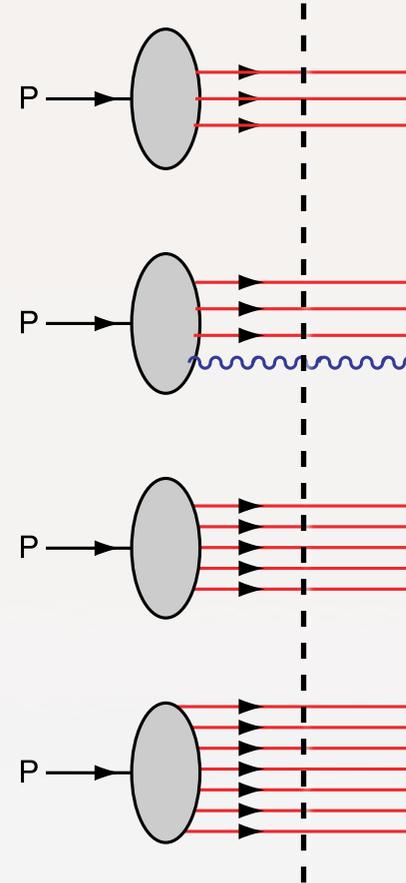
$$\sum_i^n k_i^+ = P^+, \quad \sum_i^n x_i = 1, \quad \sum_i^n \vec{k}_i^\perp = \vec{0}^\perp.$$

Intrinsic heavy quarks

$$\bar{u}(x) \neq \bar{d}(x)$$

Mueller: BFKL DYNAMICS

$$\bar{s}(x) \neq s(x)$$



Fixed LF time

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Light-Front QCD

Heisenberg Matrix Formulation

Physical gauge: $A^+ = 0$

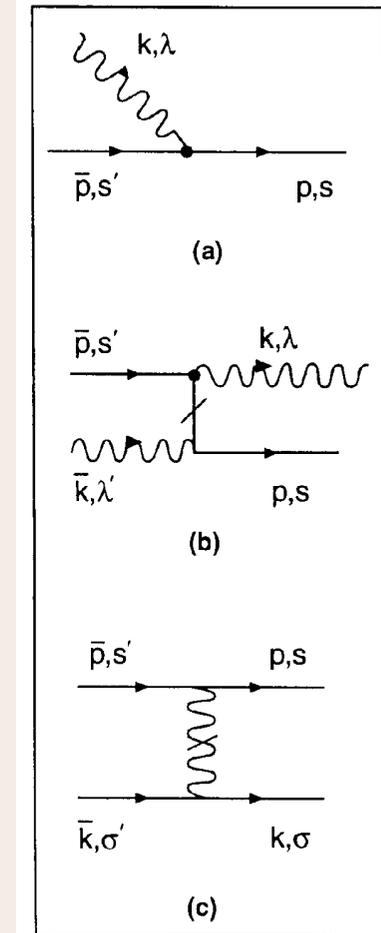
$$L^{QCD} \rightarrow H_{LF}^{QCD}$$

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} = \sum_i \left[\frac{m^2 + k_{\perp}^2}{x} \right]_i + H_{LF}^{int}$$

H_{LF}^{int} : Matrix in Fock Space

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

Eigenvalues and Eigensolutions give Hadron Spectrum and Light-Front wavefunctions



DLCQ: Periodic BC in x^- . Discrete k^+ ; frame-independent truncation

Light-Front QCD

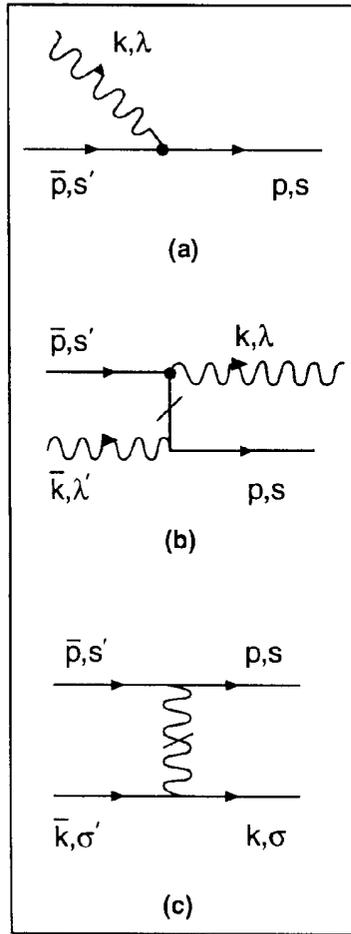
Heisenberg Matrix Formulation

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

DLCQ

Discretized Light-Cone Quantization

n	Sector	1 q \bar{q}	2 gg	3 q \bar{q} g	4 q \bar{q} q \bar{q}	5 ggg	6 q \bar{q} gg	7 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} g	8 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q}	9 gggg	10 q \bar{q} ggg	11 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} gg	12 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q} g	13 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q}
1	q \bar{q}				
2	gg			
3	q \bar{q} g							
4	q \bar{q} q \bar{q}	
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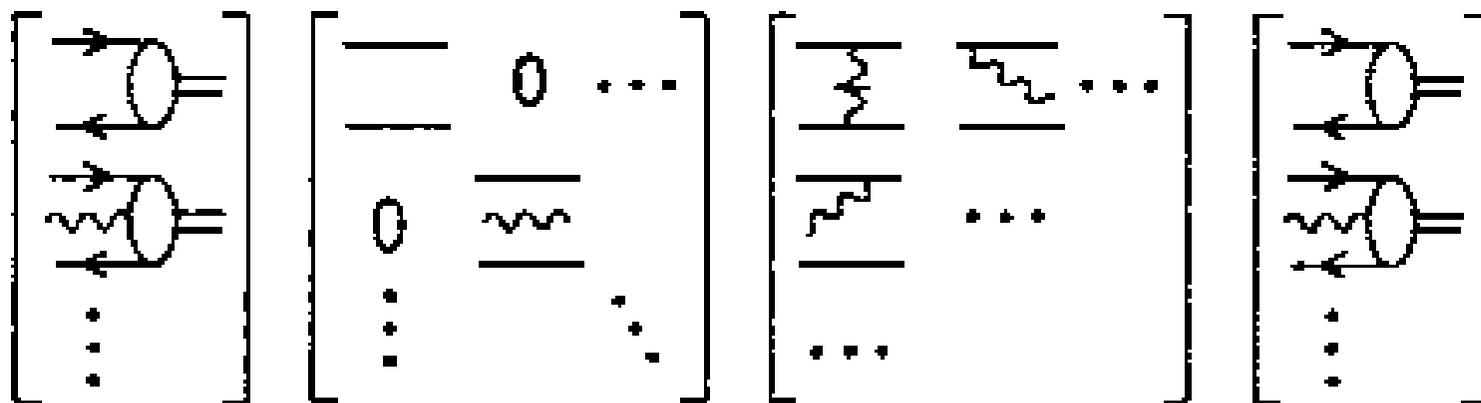
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H.C. Pauli & sjb

DLCQ: Frame-independent, No fermion doubling; Minkowski Space

LIGHT-FRONT SCHRÖDINGER EQUATION

$$\left(M_\pi^2 - \sum_i \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp i}^2 + m_i^2}{x_i} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{q\bar{q}/\pi} \\ \psi_{q\bar{q}g/\pi} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle q\bar{q} | V | q\bar{q} \rangle & \langle q\bar{q} | V | q\bar{q}g \rangle & \cdots \\ \langle q\bar{q}g | V | q\bar{q} \rangle & \langle q\bar{q}g | V | q\bar{q}g \rangle & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{q\bar{q}/\pi} \\ \psi_{q\bar{q}g/\pi} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A^+ = 0$$

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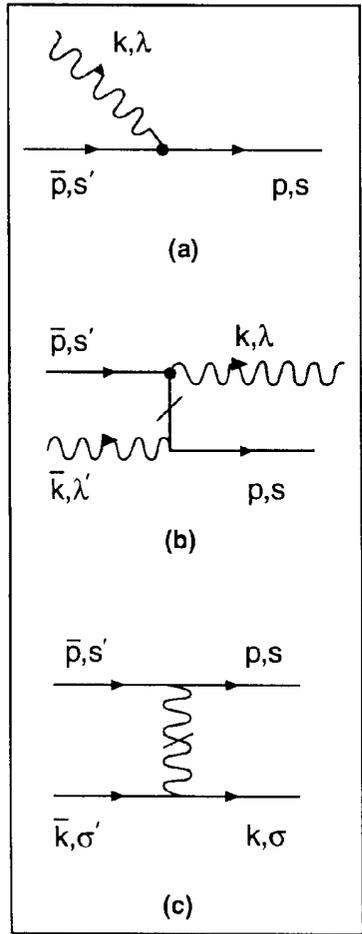
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*Use AdS/CFT orthonormal LFWFs
as a basis for diagonalizing
the QCD LF Hamiltonian*

- Good initial approximant
- Better than plane wave basis Pauli, Hornbostel, Hiller,
McCartor, sjb
- DLCQ discretization -- highly successful 1+1
- Use independent HO LFWFs, remove CM motion Vary, Harinandrath, Maris, sjb
- Similar to Shell Model calculations

Light-Front QCD Heisenberg Equation

$$H_{LC}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = M_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$



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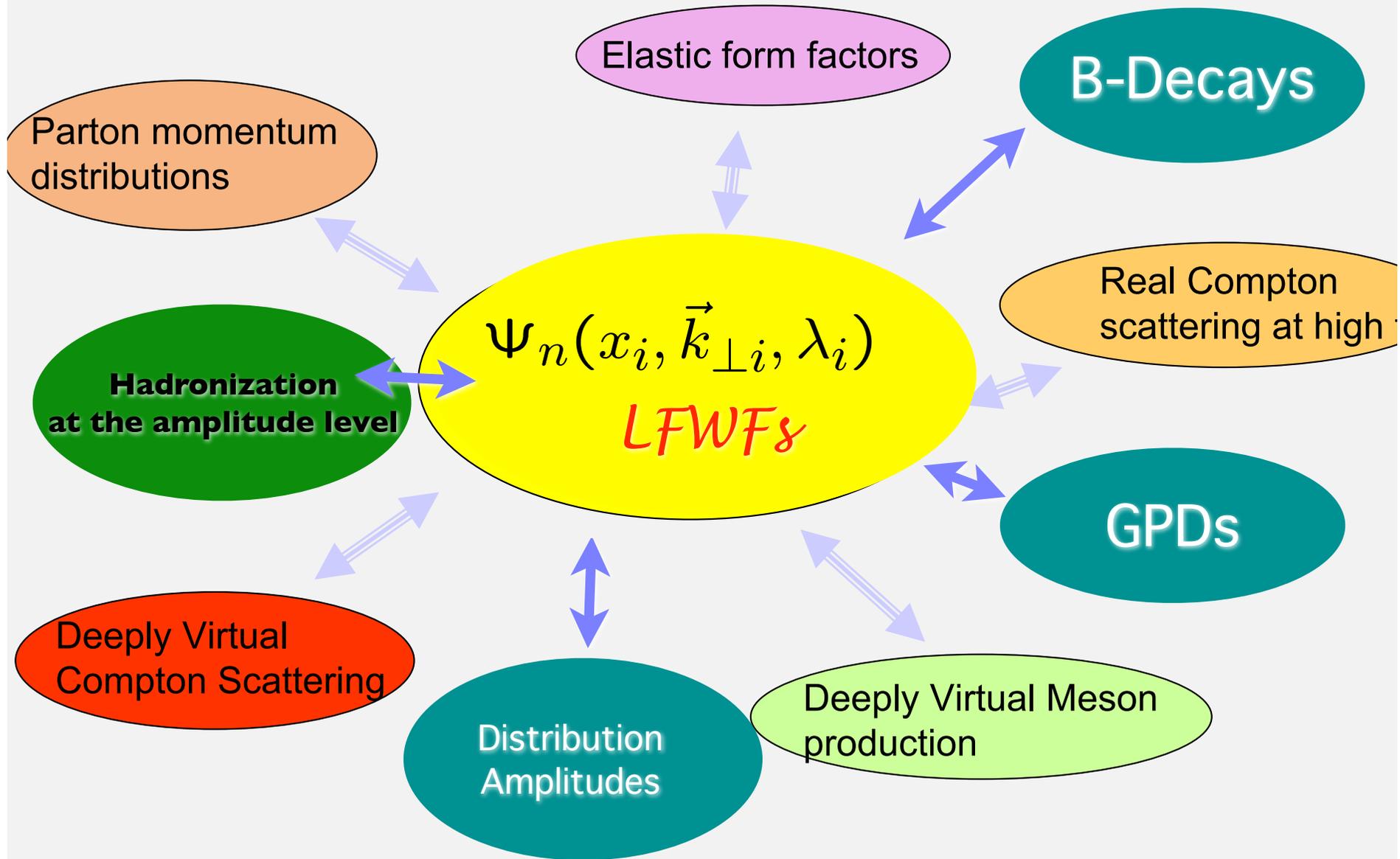
Use AdS/QCD basis functions

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A Unified Description of Hadron Structure



Hadron Dynamics at the Amplitude Level

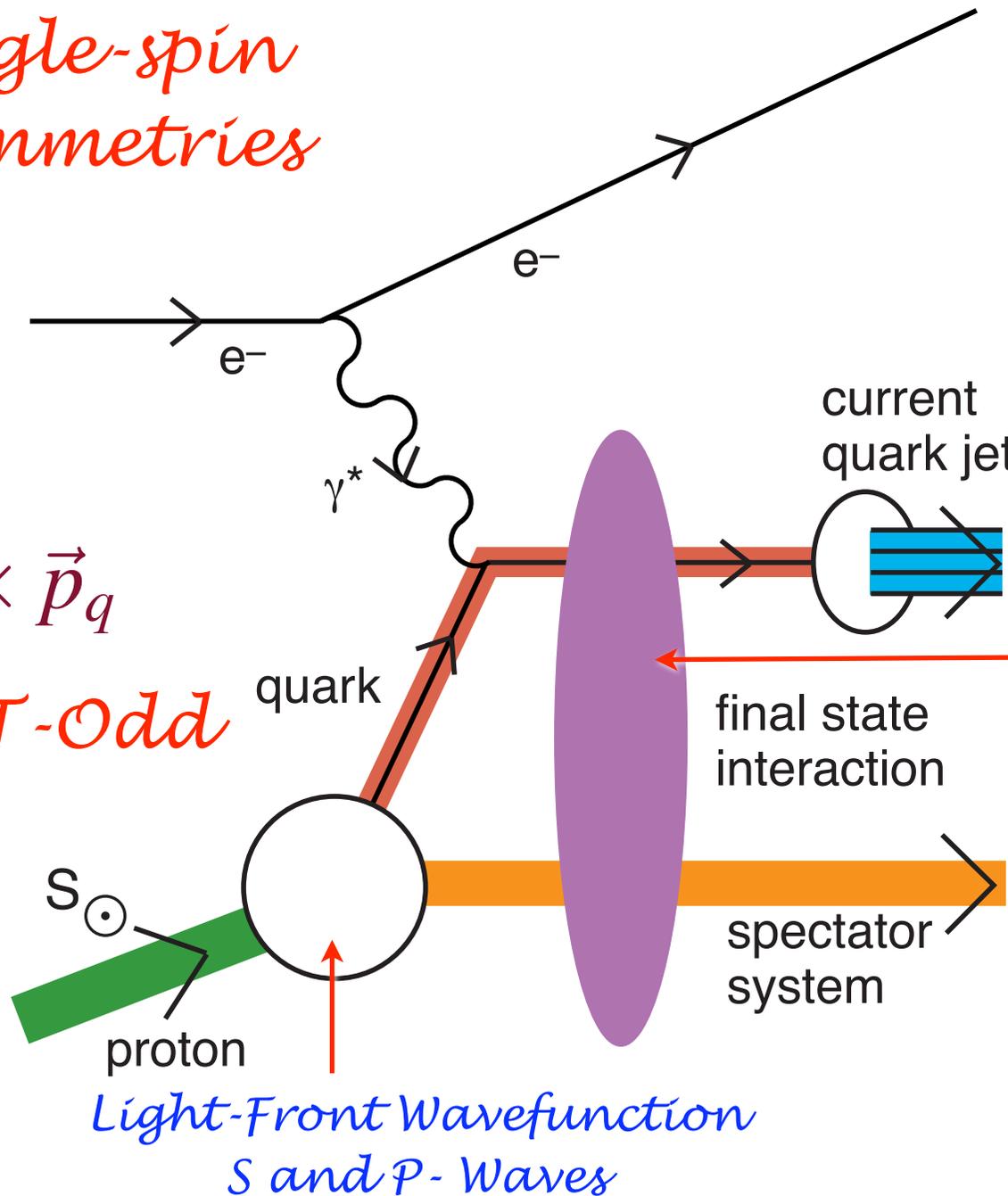
- LFWFS are the universal hadronic amplitudes which underlie structure functions, GPDs, exclusive processes, distribution amplitudes, direct subprocesses, hadronization.
- Relation of spin, momentum, and other distributions to physics of the hadron itself.
- Connections between observables, orbital angular momentum
- Role of FSI and ISIs--Sivers effect

Single-spin asymmetries

Leading-Twist Sivers Effect

$$i \vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{q} \times \vec{p}_q$$

Pseudo-T-Odd



QCD S- and P-Coulomb Phases

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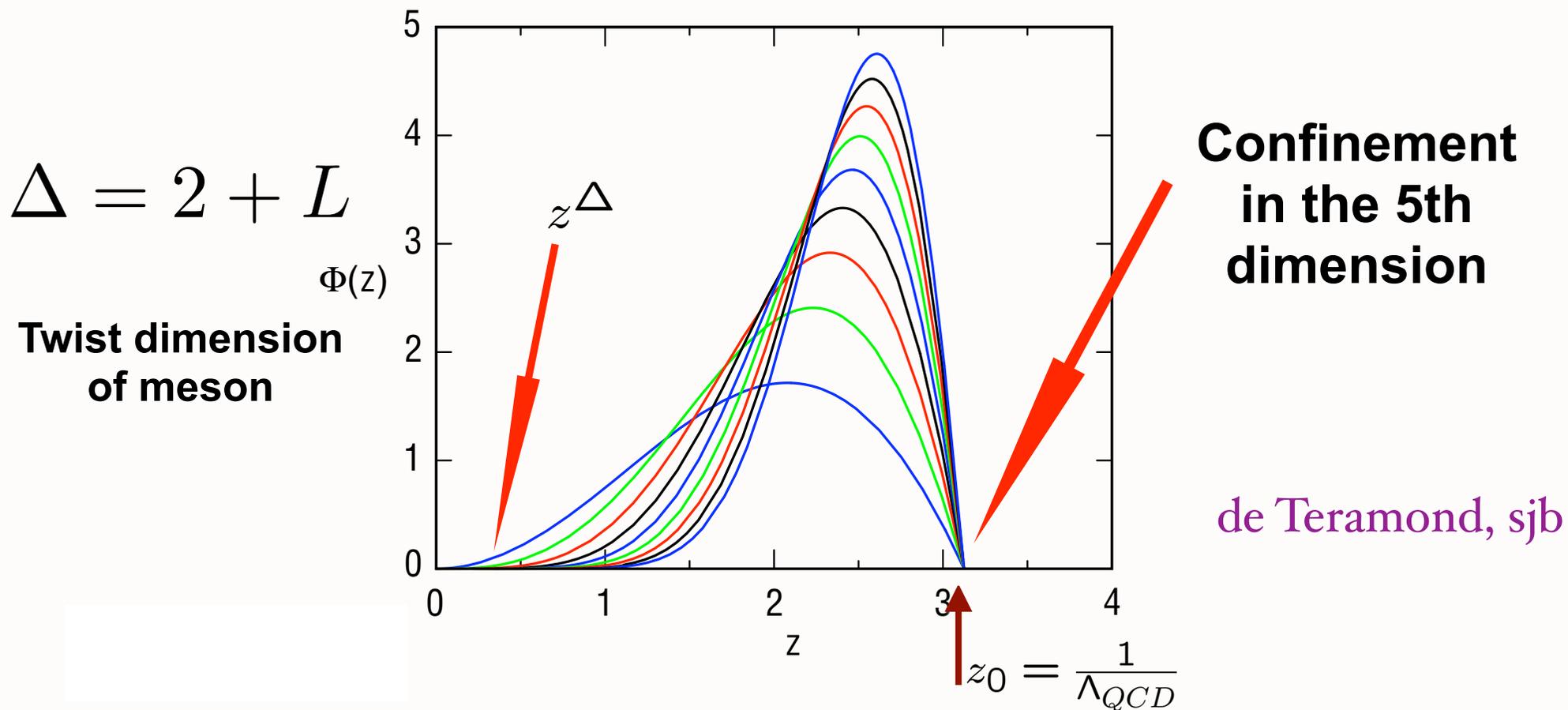
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- **Polchinski & Strassler:** AdS/CFT builds in conformal symmetry at short distances; counting rules for form factors and hard exclusive processes; non-perturbative derivation
- **Goal:** Use AdS/CFT to provide an approximate model of hadron structure with confinement at large distances, conformal behavior at short distances
- **de Teramond, sjb: AdS/QCD Holographic Model:** Initial “semi-classical” approximation to QCD. Predict light-quark hadron spectroscopy, form factors.
- **Karch, Katz, Son, Stephanov: Linear Confinement**
- Mapping of AdS amplitudes to 3+1 Light-Front equations, wavefunctions
- Use AdS/CFT wavefunctions as expansion basis for diagonalizing $H_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{LF}}$; variational methods

AdS/CFT

- Use mapping of conformal group $SO(4,2)$ to AdS_5
- Scale Transformations represented by wavefunction $\psi(z)$ in 5th dimension $x_\mu^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x_\mu^2 \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z$
- Match solutions at small z to conformal dimension of hadron wavefunction at short distances $\psi(z) \sim z^\Delta$ at $z \rightarrow 0$
- Hard wall model: Confinement at large distances and conformal symmetry in interior
- Truncated space simulates “bag” boundary conditions $0 < z < z_0 \quad \psi(z_0) = 0 \quad z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$

- Physical AdS modes $\Phi_P(x, z) \sim e^{-iP \cdot x} \Phi(z)$ are plane waves along the Poincaré coordinates with four-momentum P^μ and hadronic invariant mass states $P_\mu P^\mu = \mathcal{M}^2$.
- For small- z $\Phi(z) \sim z^\Delta$. The scaling dimension Δ of a normalizable string mode, is the same dimension of the interpolating operator \mathcal{O} which creates a hadron out of the vacuum: $\langle P | \mathcal{O} | 0 \rangle \neq 0$.



Identify hadron by its interpolating operator at $z \rightarrow 0$

Bosonic Solutions: Hard Wall Model

- Conformal metric: $ds^2 = g_{\ell m} dx^\ell dx^m$. $x^\ell = (x^\mu, z)$, $g_{\ell m} \rightarrow (R^2/z^2) \eta_{\ell m}$.

- Action for massive scalar modes on AdS_{d+1} :

$$S[\Phi] = \frac{1}{2} \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \frac{1}{2} \left[g^{\ell m} \partial_\ell \Phi \partial_m \Phi - \mu^2 \Phi^2 \right], \quad \sqrt{g} \rightarrow (R/z)^{d+1}.$$

- Equation of motion

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\ell} \left(\sqrt{g} g^{\ell m} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} \Phi \right) + \mu^2 \Phi = 0.$$

- Factor out dependence along x^μ -coordinates, $\Phi_P(x, z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} \Phi(z)$, $P_\mu P^\mu = \mathcal{M}^2$:

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - (d-1)z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - (\mu R)^2 \right] \Phi(z) = 0.$$

- Solution: $\Phi(z) \rightarrow z^\Delta$ as $z \rightarrow 0$,

$$\Phi(z) = C z^{d/2} J_{\Delta-d/2}(z\mathcal{M}) \quad \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \left(d + \sqrt{d^2 + 4\mu^2 R^2} \right).$$

$$\Delta = 2 + L \quad d = 4 \quad (\mu R)^2 = L^2 - 4$$

$$\text{Let } \Phi(z) = z^{3/2} \phi(z)$$

*AdS Schrodinger Equation for bound state
of two scalar constituents:*

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dz^2} + V(z) \right] \phi(z) = M^2 \phi(z)$$

$$V(z) = -\frac{1-4L^2}{4z^2}$$

**Interpret L
as orbital angular
momentum**

Derived from variation of Action in AdS₅

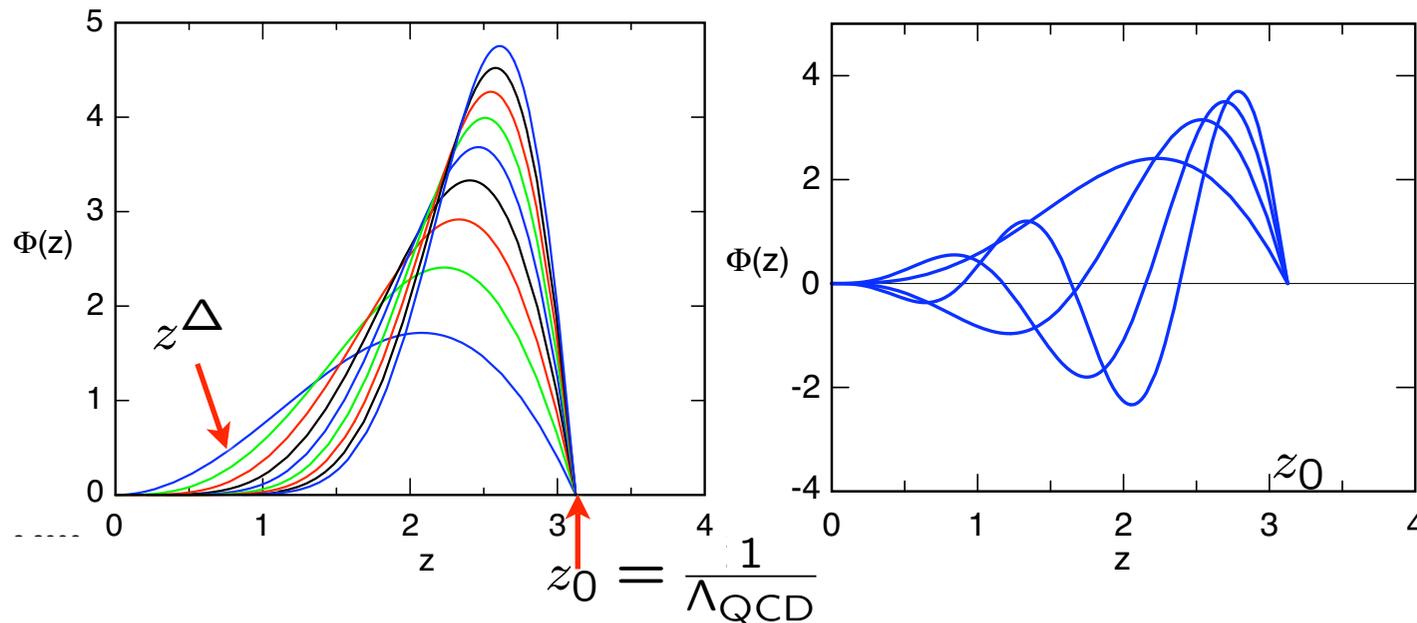
Hard wall model: truncated space

$$\phi(z = z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_c}) = 0.$$

Match fall-off at small z to conformal twist-dimension at short distances

twist

- Pseudoscalar mesons: $\mathcal{O}_{2+L} = \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 D_{\{\ell_1 \dots D_{\ell_m}\}} \psi$ ($\Phi_\mu = 0$ gauge). $\Delta = 2 + L$
- 4- d mass spectrum from boundary conditions on the normalizable string modes at $z = z_0$, $\Phi(x, z_0) = 0$, given by the zeros of Bessel functions $\beta_{\alpha,k}$: $\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k} = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}$
- Normalizable AdS modes $\Phi(z)$



$S = 0$ Meson orbital and radial AdS modes for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$ GeV.

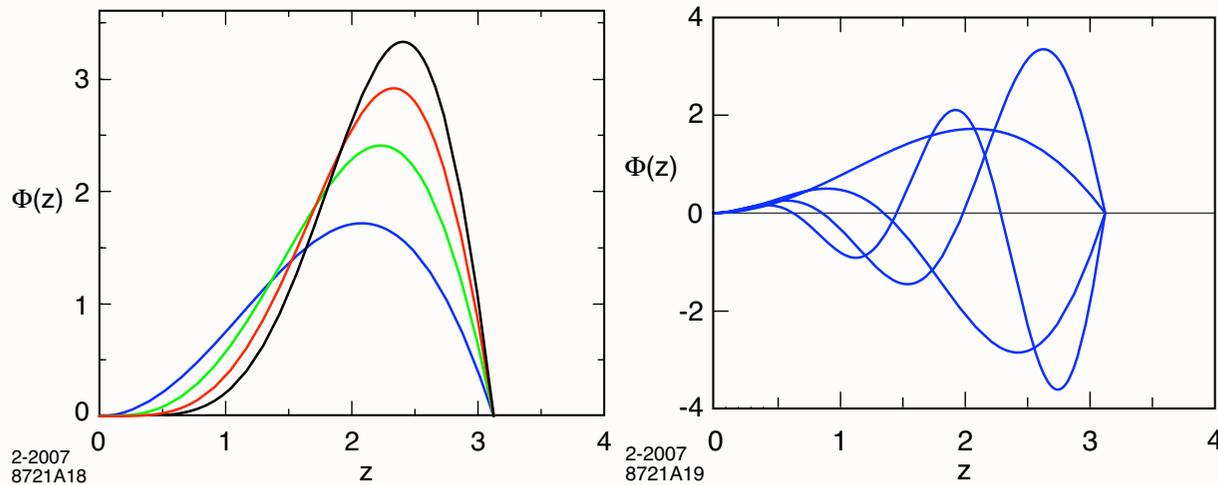


Fig: Orbital and radial AdS modes in the hard wall model for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$ GeV .

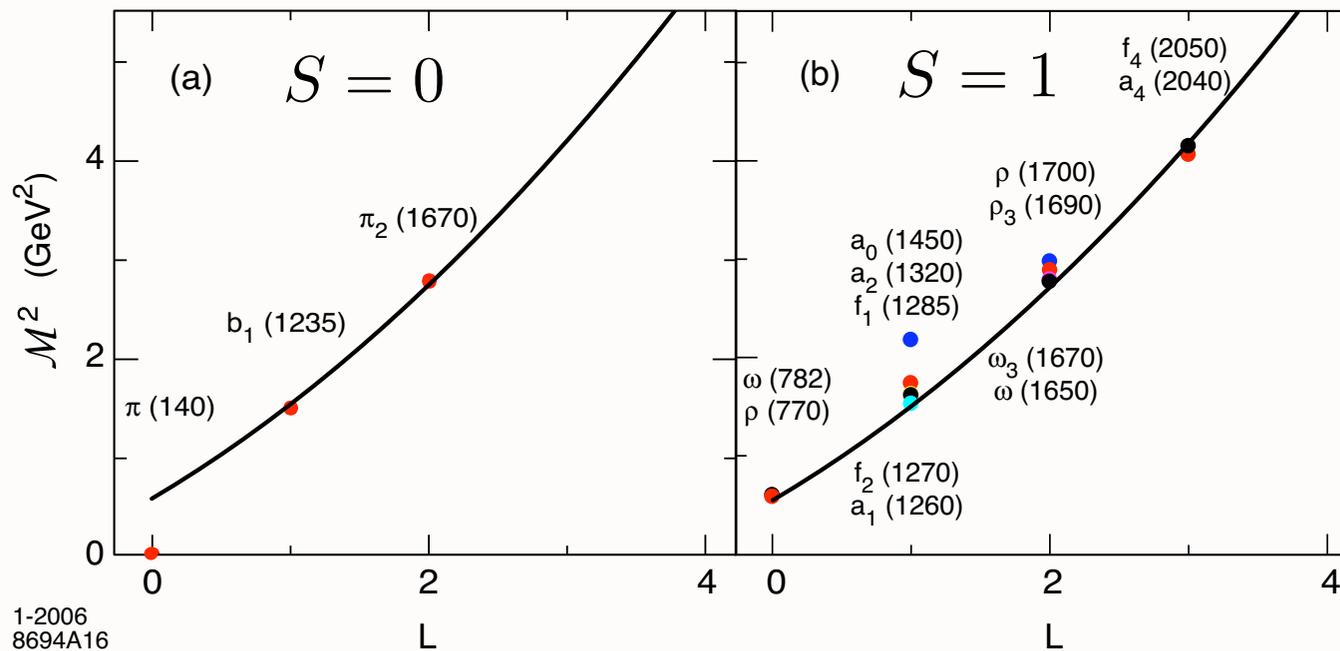


Fig: Light meson and vector meson orbital spectrum $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$ GeV

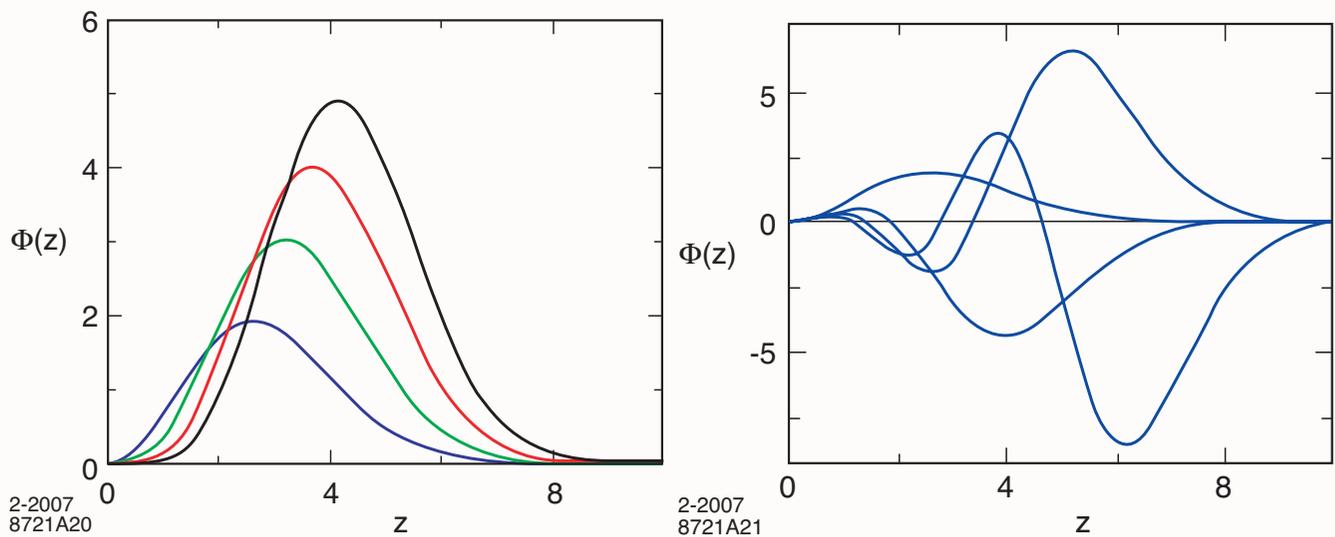
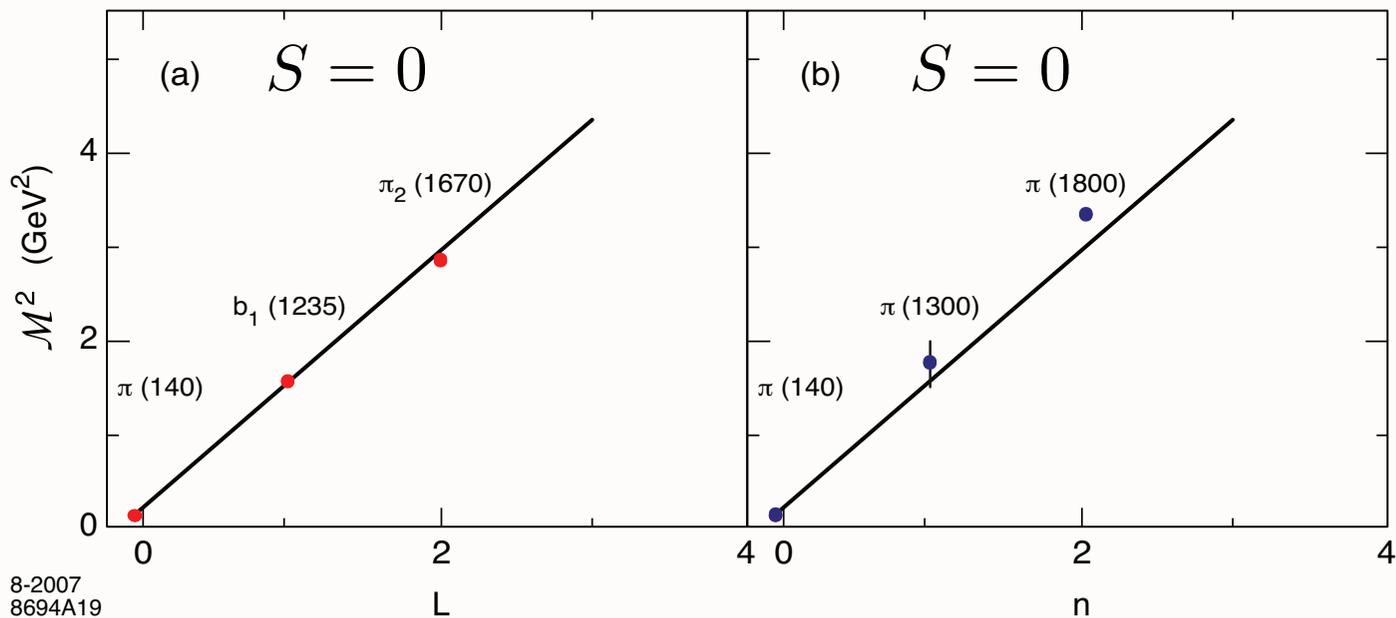


Fig: Orbital and radial AdS modes in the soft wall model for $\kappa = 0.6$ GeV .



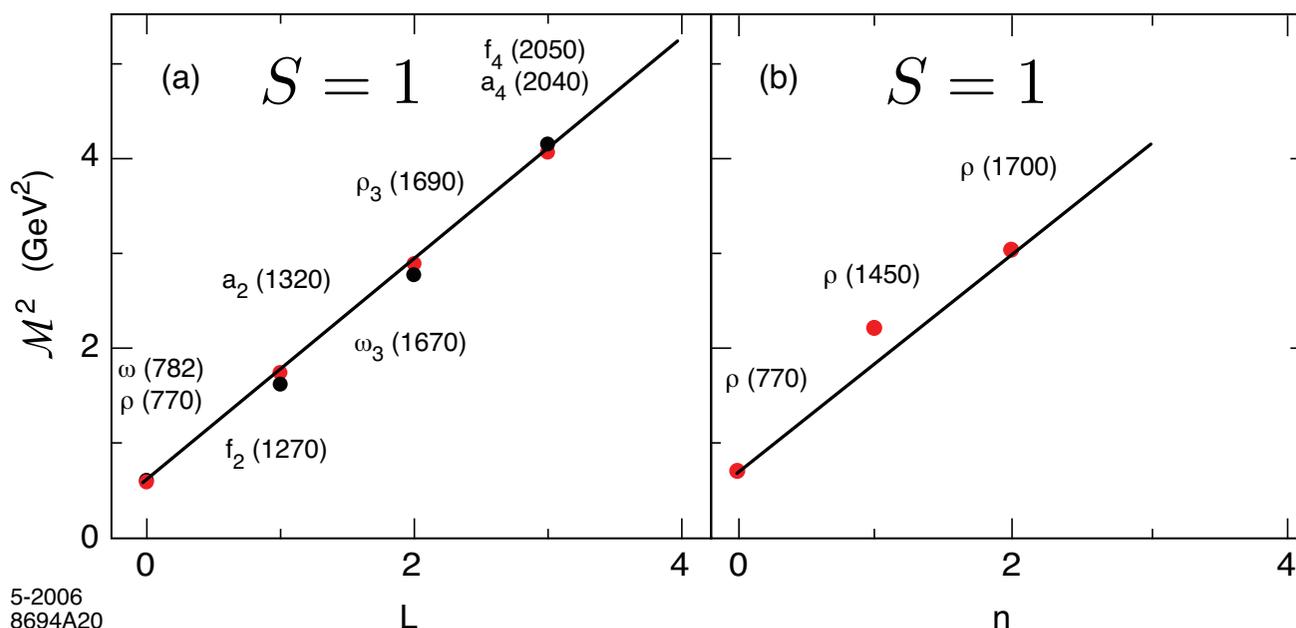
Light meson orbital (a) and radial (b) spectrum for $\kappa = 0.6$ GeV.

- Effective LF Schrödinger wave equation

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4z^2} + \kappa^4 z^2 + 2\kappa^2(L + S - 1) \right] \phi_S(z) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi_S(z)$$

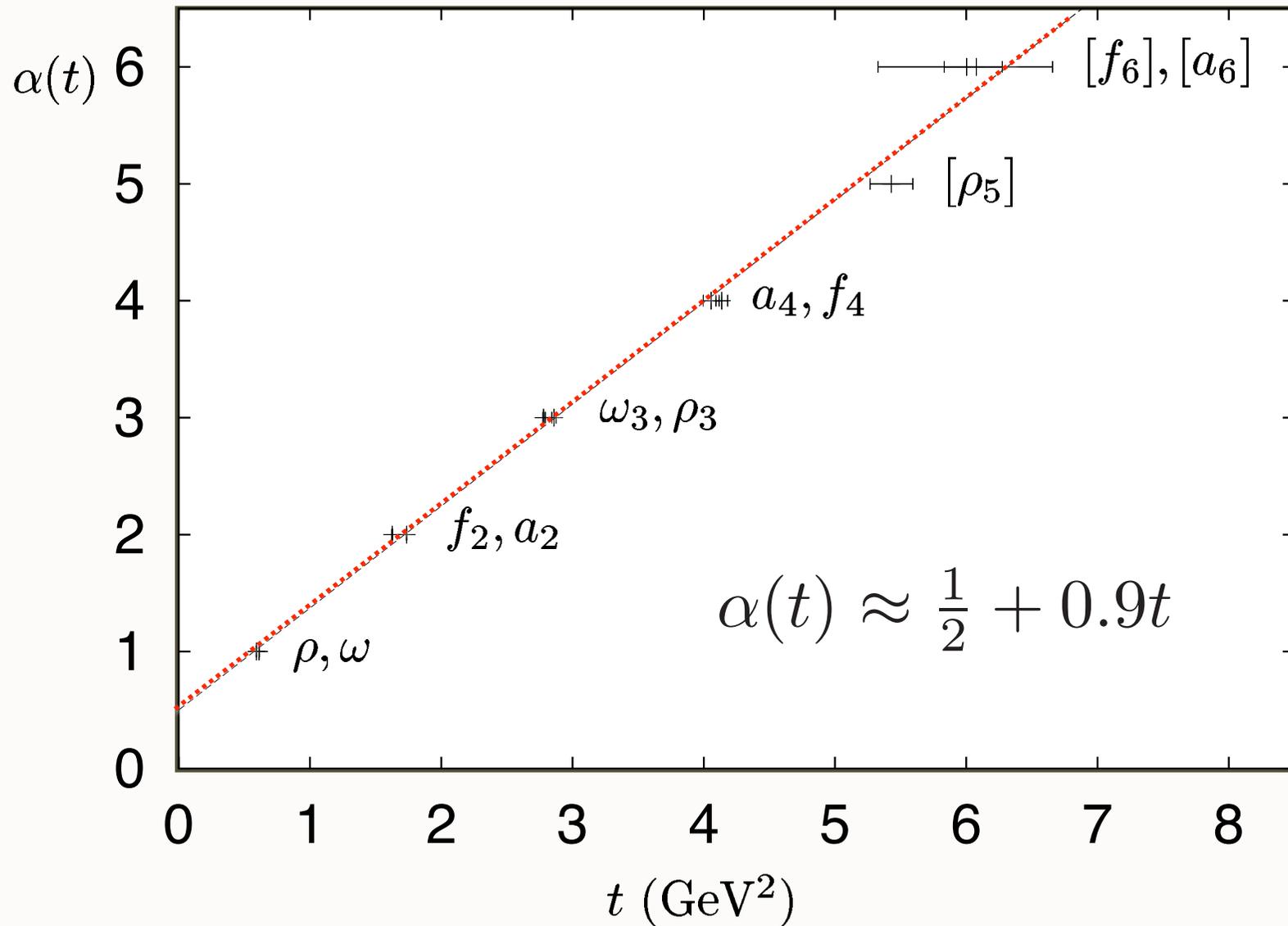
with eigenvalues $\mathcal{M}^2 = 2\kappa^2(2n + 2L + S)$. *Same slope in n and L*

- Compare with Nambu string result (rotating flux tube): $M_n^2(L) = 2\pi\sigma(n + L + 1/2)$.



Vector mesons orbital (a) and radial (b) spectrum for $\kappa = 0.54$ GeV.

- Glueballs in the bottom-up approach: (HW) Boschi-Filho, Braga and Carrion (2005); (SW) Colangelo, De Fazio, Jugeau and Nicotri(2007).



AdS/QCD Soft Wall Model -- Reproduces Linear Regge Trajectories

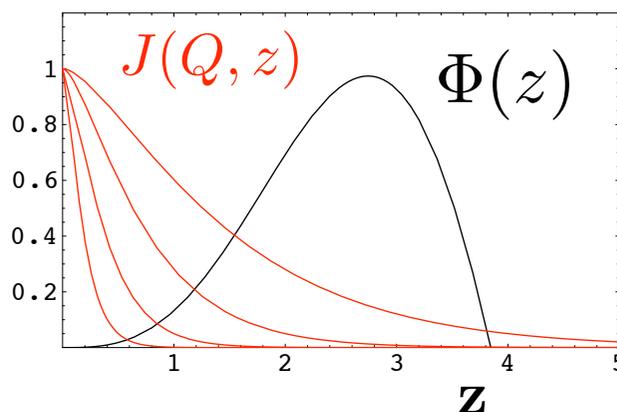
Hadron Form Factors from AdS/CFT

Propagation of external perturbation suppressed inside AdS.

$$J(Q, z) = zQK_1(zQ)$$

$$F(Q^2)_{I \rightarrow F} = \int \frac{dz}{z^3} \Phi_F(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_I(z)$$

High Q^2
from
small $z \sim 1/Q$



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Consider a specific AdS mode $\Phi^{(n)}$ dual to an n partonic Fock state $|n\rangle$. At small z , Φ scales as $\Phi^{(n)} \sim z^{\Delta_n}$. Thus:

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{Q^2} \right]^{\tau-1}, \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Dimensional Quark Counting Rule} \\ \text{General result from} \\ \text{AdS/CFT} \end{array}$$

where $\tau = \Delta_n - \sigma_n$, $\sigma_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i$. The twist is equal to the number of partons, $\tau = n$.

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Current Matrix Elements in AdS Space (HW)

- Hadronic matrix element for EM coupling with string mode $\Phi(x^\ell)$, $x^\ell = (x^\mu, z)$

$$ig_5 \int d^4x dz \sqrt{g} A^\ell(x, z) \Phi_{P'}^*(x, z) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\ell \Phi_P(x, z).$$

- Electromagnetic probe polarized along Minkowski coordinates ($Q^2 = -q^2 > 0$)

$$A(x, z)_\mu = \epsilon_\mu e^{-iQ \cdot x} J(Q, z), \quad A_z = 0.$$

- Propagation of external current inside AdS space described by the AdS wave equation

$$[z^2 \partial_z^2 - z \partial_z - z^2 Q^2] J(Q, z) = 0,$$

subject to boundary conditions $J(Q=0, z) = J(Q, z=0) = 1$.

- Solution

$$J(Q, z) = zQ K_1(zQ).$$

- Substitute hadronic modes $\Phi(x, z)$ in the AdS EM matrix element

$$\Phi_P(x, z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} \Phi(z), \quad \Phi(z) \rightarrow z^\Delta, \quad z \rightarrow 0.$$

- Propagation of external current inside AdS space described by the AdS wave equation

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - z (1 + 2\kappa^2 z^2) \partial_z - Q^2 z^2 \right] J_\kappa(Q, z) = 0.$$

- Solution bulk-to-boundary propagator

$$J_\kappa(Q, z) = \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) U\left(\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}, 0, \kappa^2 z^2\right),$$

where $U(a, b, c)$ is the confluent hypergeometric function

$$\Gamma(a)U(a, b, z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-zt} t^{a-1} (1+t)^{b-a-1} dt.$$

- Form factor in presence of the dilaton background $\varphi = \kappa^2 z^2$

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} \Phi(z) J_\kappa(Q, z) \Phi(z).$$

- For large $Q^2 \gg 4\kappa^2$

$$J_\kappa(Q, z) \rightarrow zQ K_1(zQ) = J(Q, z),$$

the external current decouples from the dilaton field.

Space and Time-Like Pion Form Factor

- Hadronic string modes $\Phi_\pi(z) \rightarrow z^2$ as $z \rightarrow 0$ (twist $\tau = 2$)

$$\Phi_\pi^{HW}(z) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\Lambda_{QCD}}{R^{3/2}J_1(\beta_{0,1})} z^2 J_0(z\beta_{0,1}\Lambda_{QCD}),$$

$$\Phi_\pi^{SW}(z) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\kappa}{R^{3/2}} z^2.$$

- F_π has analytical solution in the SW model $F_\pi(Q^2) = \frac{4\kappa^2}{4\kappa^2 + Q^2}$.

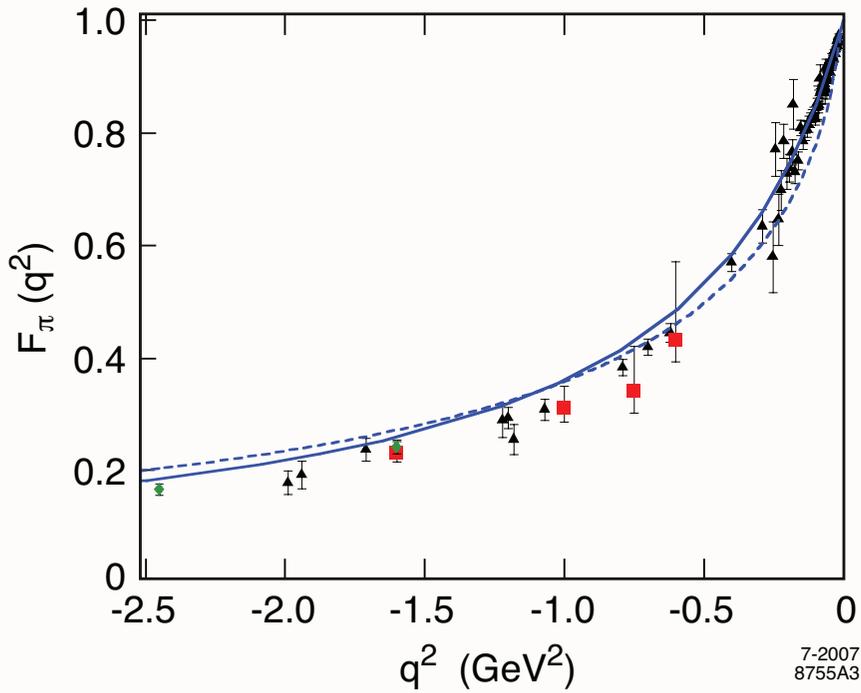


Fig: $F_\pi(q^2)$ for $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV and $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.22$ GeV. Continuous line: SW, dashed line: HW.

Note: Analytical Form of Hadronic Form Factor for Arbitrary Twist

- Form factor for a string mode with scaling dimension τ , Φ_τ in the SW model

$$F(Q^2) = \Gamma(\tau) \frac{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\tau + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}.$$

- For $\tau = N$, $\Gamma(N + z) = (N - 1 + z)(N - 2 + z) \dots (1 + z)\Gamma(1 + z)$.
- Form factor expressed as $N - 1$ product of poles

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}}, \quad N = 2,$$

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{2}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)\left(2 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}, \quad N = 3,$$

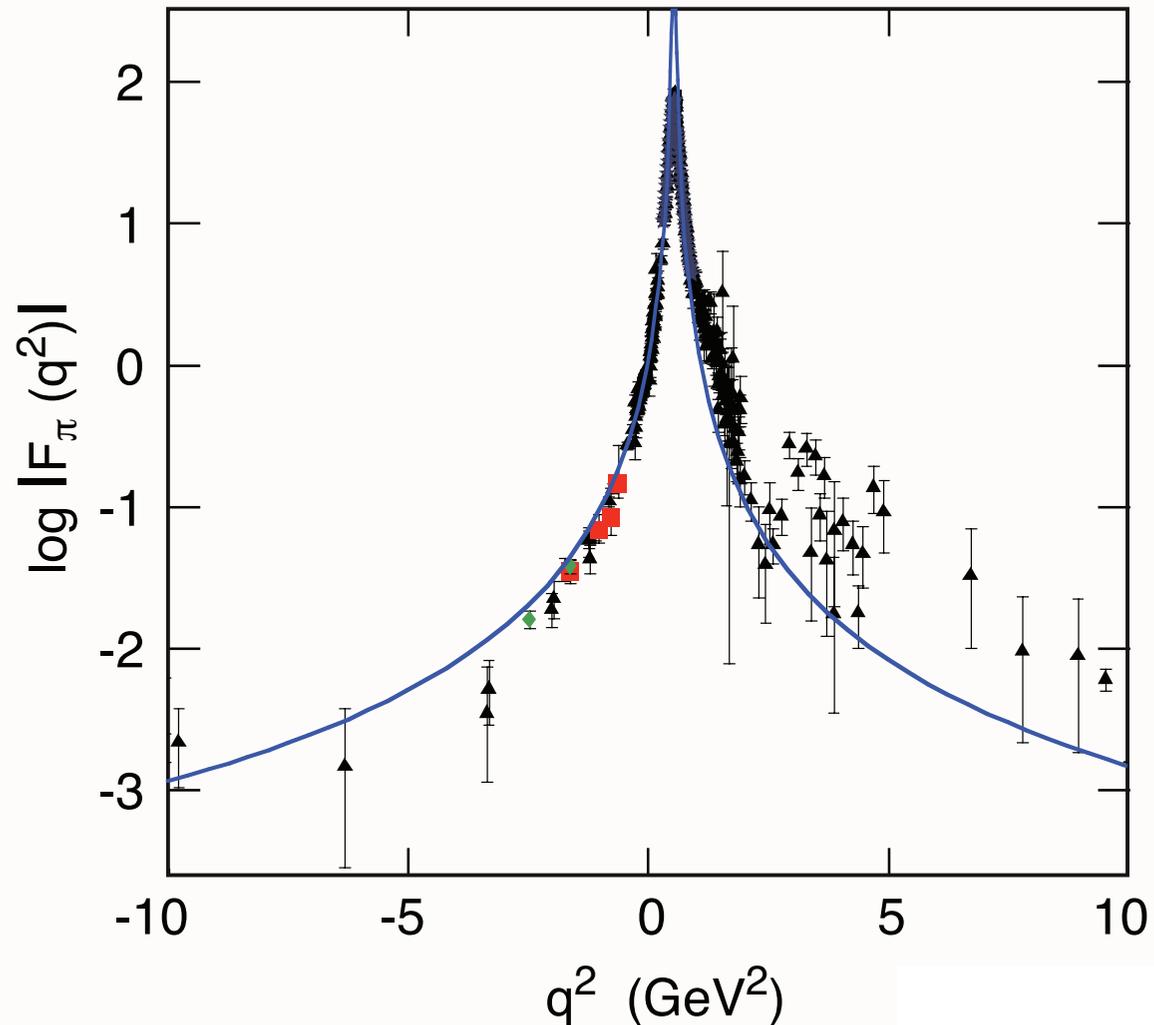
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$$F(Q^2) = \frac{(N - 1)!}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)\left(2 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) \dots \left(N - 1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}, \quad N.$$

- For large Q^2 :

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow (N - 1)! \left[\frac{4\kappa^2}{Q^2} \right]^{(N-1)}.$$

- Analytical continuation to time-like region $q^2 \rightarrow -q^2$ $M_\rho = 2\kappa = 750 \text{ MeV}$
- Strongly coupled semiclassical gauge/gravity limit hadrons have zero widths (stable).



Space and time-like pion form factor for $\kappa = 0.375 \text{ GeV}$ in the SW model.

- Vector Mesons: Hong, Yoon and Strassler (2004); Grigoryan and Radyushkin (2007).

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Light-Front Representation of Two-Body Meson Form Factor

- Drell-Yan-West form factor

$$F(q^2) = \sum_q e_q \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{P'}^*(x, \vec{k}_\perp - x\vec{q}_\perp) \psi_P(x, \vec{k}_\perp).$$

- Fourier transform to impact parameter space \vec{b}_\perp

$$\psi(x, \vec{k}_\perp) = \sqrt{4\pi} \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp e^{i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{k}_\perp} \tilde{\psi}(x, \vec{b}_\perp)$$

- Find ($b = |\vec{b}_\perp|$):

$$\begin{aligned} F(q^2) &= \int_0^1 dx \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp e^{ix\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} |\tilde{\psi}(x, b)|^2 \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^1 dx \int_0^\infty b db J_0(bqx) |\tilde{\psi}(x, b)|^2, \end{aligned}$$

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Holographic Mapping of AdS Modes to QCD LFWFs

- Integrate Soper formula over angles:

$$F(q^2) = 2\pi \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)}{x} \int \zeta d\zeta J_0 \left(\zeta q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) \tilde{\rho}(x, \zeta),$$

with $\tilde{\rho}(x, \zeta)$ QCD effective transverse charge density.

- Transversality variable

$$\zeta = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \mathbf{b}_{\perp j} \right|.$$

- Compare AdS and QCD expressions of FFs for arbitrary Q using identity:

$$\int_0^1 dx J_0 \left(\zeta Q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q),$$

the solution for $J(Q, \zeta) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q)$!

- Electromagnetic form-factor in AdS space:

$$F_{\pi^+}(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q^2, z) |\Phi_{\pi^+}(z)|^2,$$

where $J(Q^2, z) = zQK_1(zQ)$.

- Use integral representation for $J(Q^2, z)$

$$J(Q^2, z) = \int_0^1 dx J_0\left(\zeta Q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}}\right)$$

- Write the AdS electromagnetic form-factor as

$$F_{\pi^+}(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J_0\left(zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}}\right) |\Phi_{\pi^+}(z)|^2$$

- Compare with electromagnetic form-factor in light-front QCD for arbitrary Q

$$\left| \tilde{\psi}_{q\bar{q}/\pi}(x, \zeta) \right|^2 = \frac{R^3}{2\pi} x(1-x) \frac{|\Phi_\pi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4}$$

with $\zeta = z$, $0 \leq \zeta \leq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

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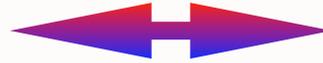
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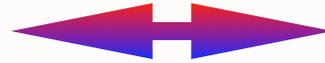
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$$\psi(x, \vec{b}_\perp)$$

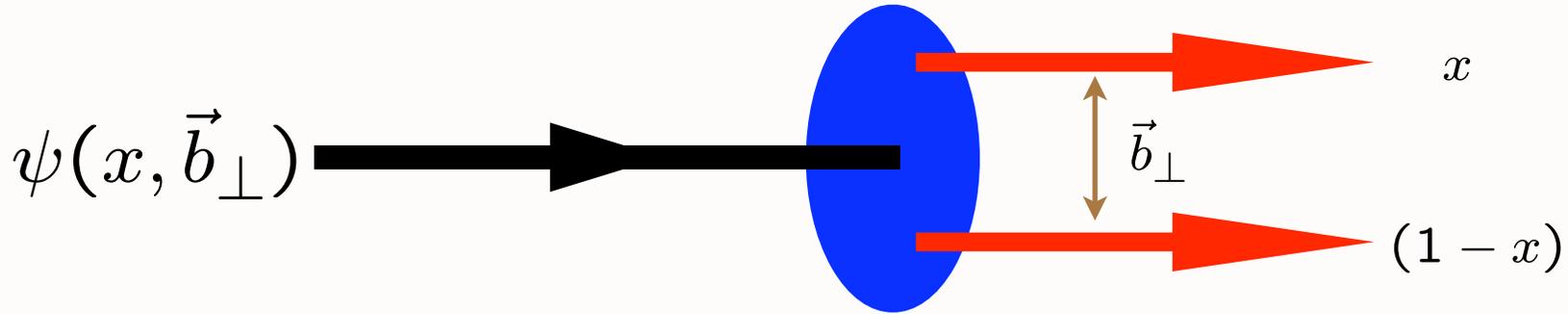


$$\phi(z)$$

$$\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)\vec{b}_\perp^2}$$



$$z$$



$$\psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}\zeta^{-1/2}\phi(\zeta)$$

Light-Front Holography: Unique mapping derived from equality of LF and AdS formula for current matrix elements

Gravitational Form Factor of Composite Hadrons

- Gravitational FF defined by matrix elements of the energy momentum tensor $\Theta^{++}(x)$

$$\langle P' | \Theta^{++}(0) | P \rangle = 2 (P^+)^2 A(Q^2)$$

- $\Theta^{\mu\nu}$ is computed for each constituent in the hadron from the QCD Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \bar{\psi} (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m) \psi - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu}$$

- Symmetric and gauge invariant $\Theta^{\mu\nu}$ from variation of $S_{\text{QCD}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}$ with respect to four-dim Minkowski metric $g_{\mu\nu}$, $\Theta^{\mu\nu}(x) = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S_{\text{QCD}}}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}(x)}$:

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} i(\gamma^\mu D^\nu + \gamma^\nu D^\mu) \psi - g^{\mu\nu} \bar{\psi} (i\mathcal{D} - m) \psi - G^{a\mu\lambda} G^{a\nu}_{\lambda} + \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu}$$

- Quark contribution in light front gauge ($A^+ = 0, g^{++} = 0$)

$$\Theta^{++}(x) = \frac{i}{2} \sum_f \bar{\psi}^f(x) \gamma^+ \overleftrightarrow{\partial}^+ \psi^f(x)$$

Gravitational Form Factor on the LF

$$A_{\mathbf{f}}(q^2) = \int_0^1 \textcircled{x} dx \int d^2 \vec{\eta}_\perp e^{i \vec{\eta}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} \tilde{\rho}_{\mathbf{f}}(x, \vec{\eta}_\perp),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\rho}_{\mathbf{f}}(x, \vec{\eta}_\perp) &= \int \frac{d^2 \vec{q}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-i \vec{\eta}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} \rho_{\mathbf{f}}(x, \vec{q}_\perp) \\ &= \sum_n \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \int dx_j d^2 \vec{b}_{\perp j} \delta\left(1 - x - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j\right) \\ &\quad \times \delta^{(2)}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j} - \vec{\eta}_\perp\right) \left| \tilde{\psi}_n(x_j, \vec{b}_{\perp j}) \right|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Extra factor of x
relative to charge
form factor

For each quark and

Integrate over angle

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\mathbf{f}}(q^2) &= 2\pi \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \int \zeta d\zeta J_0\left(\zeta q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}}\right) \tilde{\rho}_{\mathbf{f}}(x, \zeta) \\ \zeta &= \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \mathbf{b}_{\perp j} \right| \end{aligned}$$

Gravitational Form Factor in AdS space

- Hadronic gravitational form-factor in AdS space

$$A_\pi(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} H(Q^2, z) |\Phi_\pi(z)|^2,$$

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where $H(Q^2, z) = \frac{1}{2} Q^2 z^2 K_2(zQ)$

- Use integral representation for $H(Q^2, z)$

$$H(Q^2, z) = 2 \int_0^1 x dx J_0 \left(zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right)$$

- Write the AdS gravitational form-factor as

$$A_\pi(Q^2) = 2R^3 \int_0^1 x dx \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J_0 \left(zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) |\Phi_\pi(z)|^2$$

- Compare with gravitational form-factor in light-front QCD for arbitrary Q

$$\left| \tilde{\psi}_{q\bar{q}/\pi}(x, \zeta) \right|^2 = \frac{R^3}{2\pi} x(1-x) \frac{|\Phi_\pi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4},$$

Identical to LF Holography obtained from electromagnetic current

$$H(Q^2, z) = 2 \int_0^1 x dx J_0 \left(zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right).$$

$$A(Q^2) = 2 R^3 \int x dx \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J_0 \left(zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) |\Phi(z)|^2. \quad \text{AdS}$$

Compare with gravitational form factor from LF

$$A(Q^2) = 2\pi \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \int \zeta d\zeta J_0 \left(\zeta Q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) \tilde{\rho}(x, \zeta) \quad \text{LF}$$

Holography: identify AdS and LF density for all Q

$$\tilde{\rho}(x, \zeta) = 2 \frac{R^3}{2\pi} \frac{x}{1-x} \frac{|\Phi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4}.$$

with

$$\zeta \equiv z \quad \zeta = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \mathbf{b}_{\perp j} \right|$$

Holographic result for LFWF identical for electroweak and gravity couplings! Highly nontrivial consistency test

AdS/QCD can predict

- Momentum fractions for each quark flavor and the gluons

$$A_f(0) = \langle x_f \rangle, \quad \sum A_f(0) = A(0) = 1$$

- Orbital Angular Momentum^f for each quark flavor and the gluons

$$B_f(0) = \langle L_f^3 \rangle, \quad \sum_f B_f(0) = B(0) = 0$$

- Vanishing Anomalous Gravitomagnetic Moment

- Shape and Asymptotic Behavior of $A_f(Q^2), B_f(Q^2)$

Consider the AdS_5 metric:

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2).$$

ds^2 invariant if $x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu$, $z \rightarrow \lambda z$,

Maps scale transformations to scale changes of the the holographic coordinate z .

We define light-front coordinates $x^\pm = x^0 \pm x^3$.

$$\text{Then } \eta^{\mu\nu} dx_\mu dx_\nu = dx_0^2 - dx_3^2 - dx_\perp^2 = dx^+ dx^- - dx_\perp^2$$

and

$$ds^2 = -\frac{R^2}{z^2} (dx_\perp^2 + dz^2) \text{ for } x^+ = 0. \quad \textit{Light-Front AdS}_5 \textit{ Duality}$$

- ds^2 is invariant if $dx_\perp^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 dx_\perp^2$, and $z \rightarrow \lambda z$, at equal LF time.
- Maps scale transformations in transverse LF space to scale changes of the holographic coordinate z .
- Holographic connection of AdS_5 to the light-front.
- The effective wave equation in the two-dim transverse LF plane has the Casimir representation L^2 corresponding to the $SO(2)$ rotation group [The Casimir for $SO(N) \sim S^{N-1}$ is $L(L + N - 2)$].

Prediction from AdS/CFT: Meson LFWF

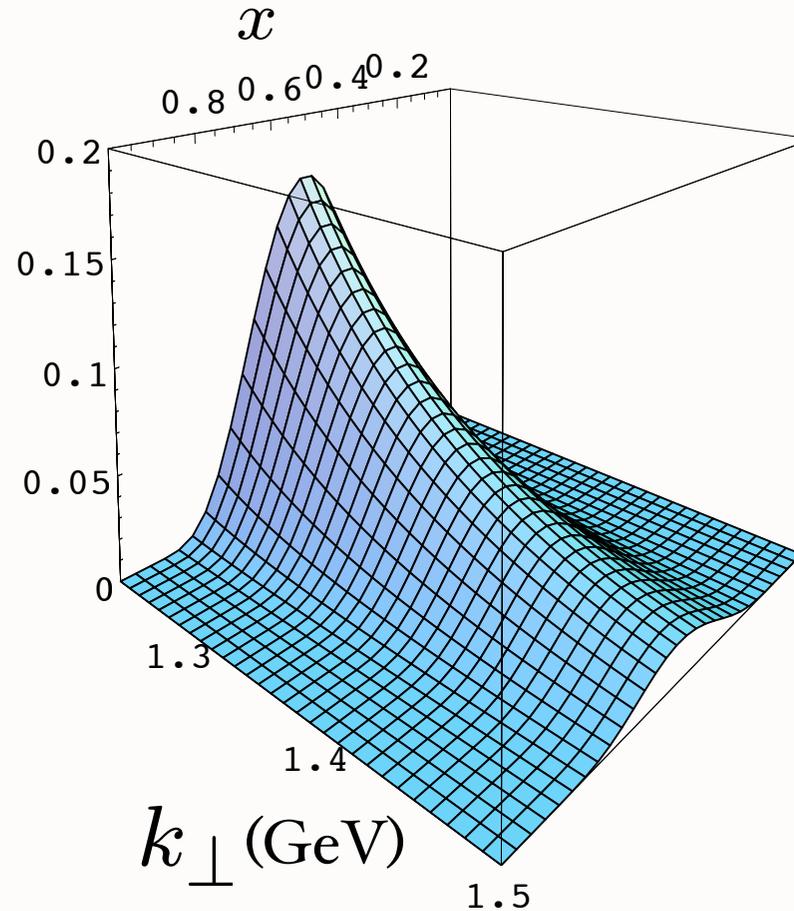
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**“Soft Wall”
model**

$$\kappa = 0.375 \text{ GeV}$$

massless quarks

$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$



$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}} \quad \phi_M(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

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Example: Pion LFWF

- Two parton LFWF bound state:

$$\tilde{\psi}_{\bar{q}q/\pi}^{HW}(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sqrt{x(1-x)}}{\sqrt{\pi} J_{1+L}(\beta_{L,k})} J_L\left(\sqrt{x(1-x)} |\mathbf{b}_\perp| \beta_{L,k} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}\right) \theta\left(\mathbf{b}_\perp^2 \leq \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-2}}{x(1-x)}\right),$$

$$\tilde{\psi}_{\bar{q}q/\pi}^{SW}(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = \kappa^{L+1} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} [x(1-x)]^{\frac{1}{2}+L} |\mathbf{b}_\perp|^L e^{-\frac{1}{2}\kappa^2 x(1-x)\mathbf{b}_\perp^2} L_n^L(\kappa^2 x(1-x)\mathbf{b}_\perp^2).$$

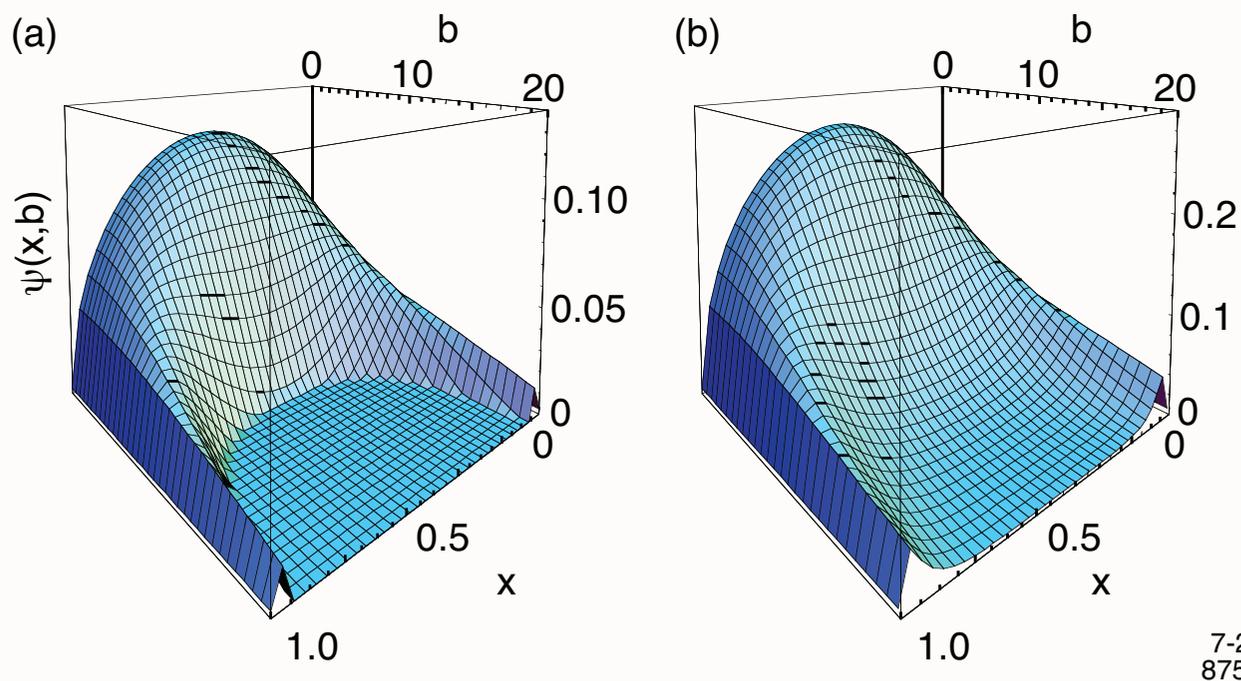


Fig: Ground state pion LFWF in impact space. (a) HW model $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.32$ GeV, (b) SW model $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV.

Example: Evaluation of QCD Matrix Elements

- Pion decay constant f_π defined by the matrix element of EW current J_W^+ :

$$\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_u \gamma^+ \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) \psi_d | \pi^- \rangle = i \frac{P^+ f_\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

with

$$|\pi^- \rangle = |d\bar{u} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_C}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{c=1}^{N_C} \left(b_{c d\downarrow}^\dagger d_{c u\uparrow}^\dagger - b_{c d\uparrow}^\dagger d_{c u\downarrow}^\dagger \right) |0 \rangle.$$

- Find light-front expression (Lepage and Brodsky '80):

$$f_\pi = 2\sqrt{N_C} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{\bar{q}q/\pi}(x, k_\perp).$$

- Using relation between AdS modes and QCD LFWF in the $\zeta \rightarrow 0$ limit

$$f_\pi = \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} R^{3/2} \lim_{\zeta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Phi(\zeta)}{\zeta^2}.$$

- Holographic result ($\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.22$ GeV and $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV from pion FF data): Exp: $f_\pi = 92.4$ MeV

$$f_\pi^{HW} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8J_1(\beta_{0,k})} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 91.7 \text{ MeV}, \quad f_\pi^{SW} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} \kappa = 81.2 \text{ MeV},$$

Second Moment of Pion Distribution Amplitude

$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 d\xi \xi^2 \phi(\xi)$$

$$\xi = 1 - 2x$$

$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 1/5 = 0.20 \quad \phi_{asympt} \propto x(1-x)$$

$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 1/4 = 0.25 \quad \phi_{AdS/QCD} \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

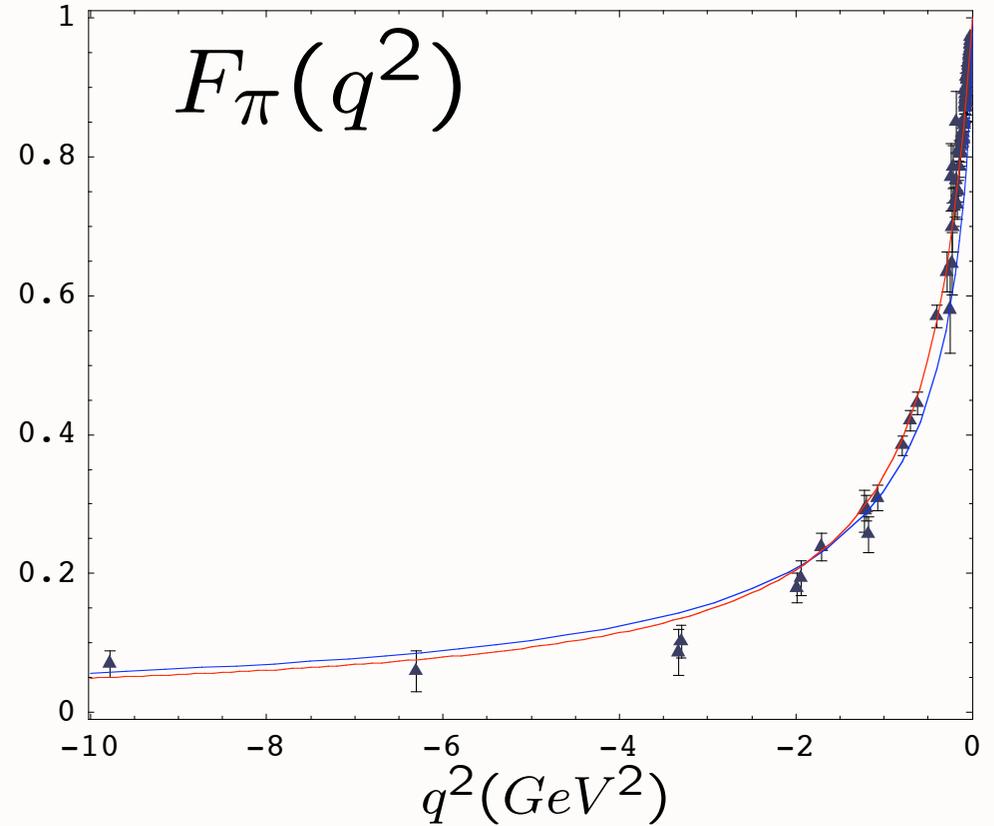
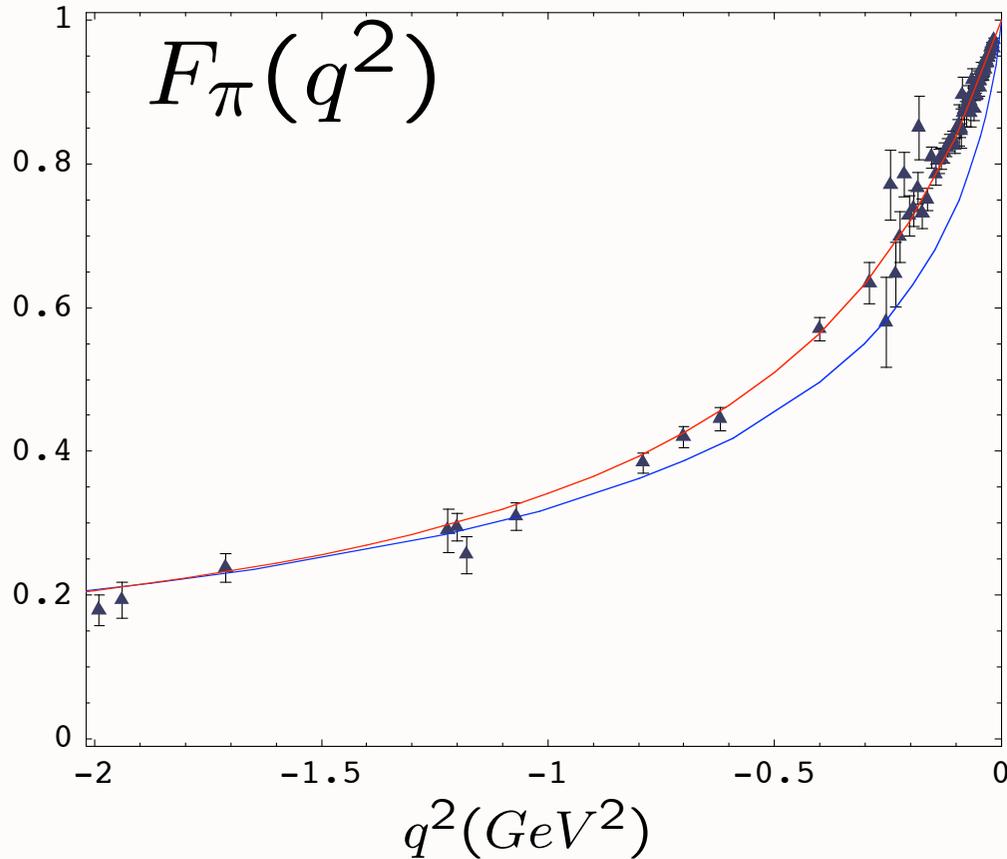
$$\text{Lattice (I)} \quad \langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 0.28 \pm 0.03$$

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$$\text{Lattice (II)} \quad \langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 0.269 \pm 0.039$$

Braun et al.

Spacelike pion form factor from AdS/CFT



Data Compilation from Baldini, Kloe and Volmer

- SW: Harmonic Oscillator Confinement
- HW: Truncated Space Confinement

One parameter - set by pion decay constant.

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Note: Contributions to Mesons Form Factors at Large Q in AdS/QCD

- Write form factor in terms of an effective partonic transverse density in impact space \mathbf{b}_\perp

$$F_\pi(q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \int db^2 \tilde{\rho}(x, b, Q),$$

with $\tilde{\rho}(x, b, Q) = \pi J_0 [b Q(1 - x)] |\tilde{\psi}(x, b)|^2$ and $b = |\mathbf{b}_\perp|$.

- Contribution from $\rho(x, b, Q)$ is shifted towards small $|\mathbf{b}_\perp|$ and large $x \rightarrow 1$ as Q increases.

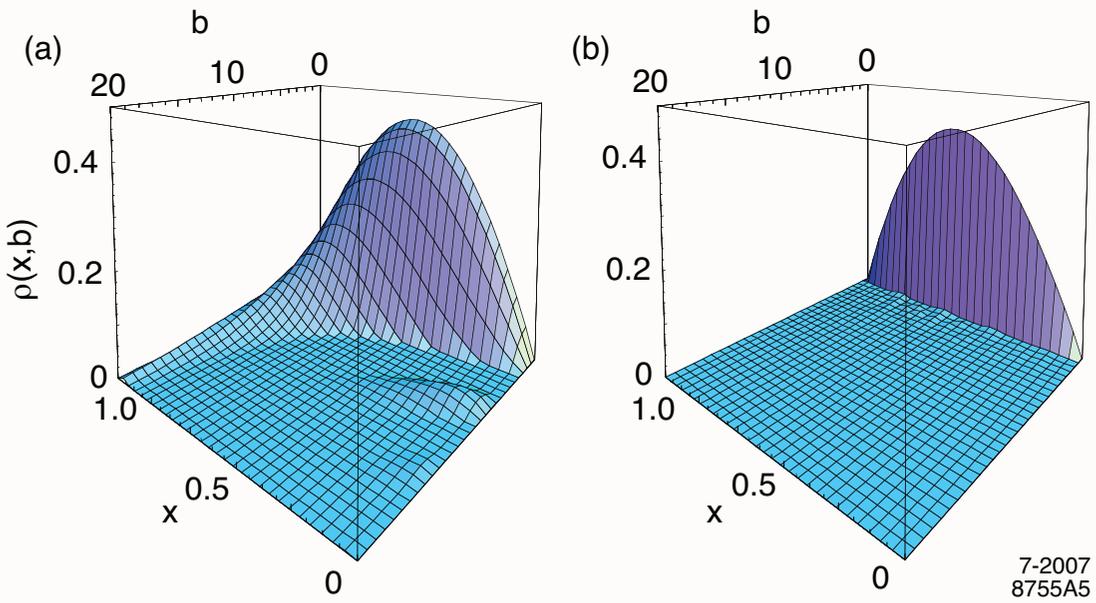


Fig: LF partonic density $\rho(x, b, Q)$: (a) $Q = 1$ GeV/c, (b) very large Q .

Holography: Map AdS/CFT to 3+1 LF Theory

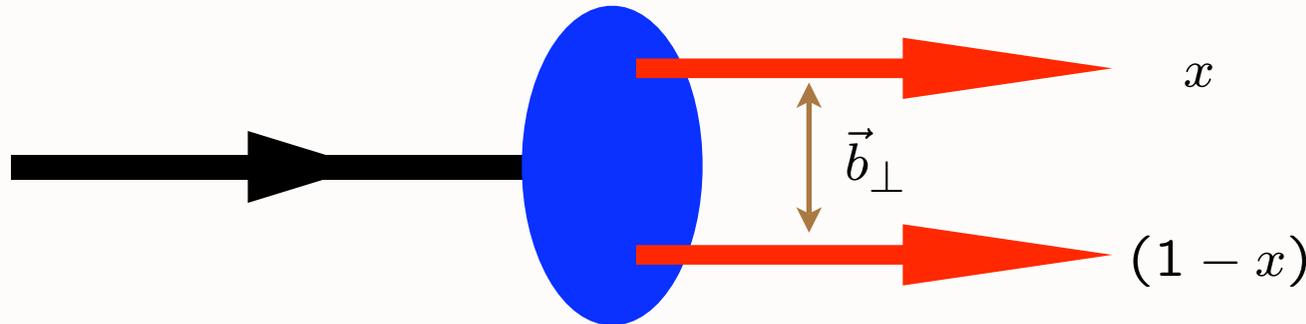
Relativistic LF radial equation

Frame Independent

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2.$$

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Effective conformal potential:

$$V(\zeta) = -\frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + \kappa^4 \zeta^2$$

confining potential:

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- Light-front Hamiltonian equation

$$H_{LF}|\phi\rangle = \mathcal{M}^2|\phi\rangle,$$

leads to effective LF Schrödinger wave equation (KKSS)

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + \kappa^4\zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L-1) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2\phi(\zeta)$$

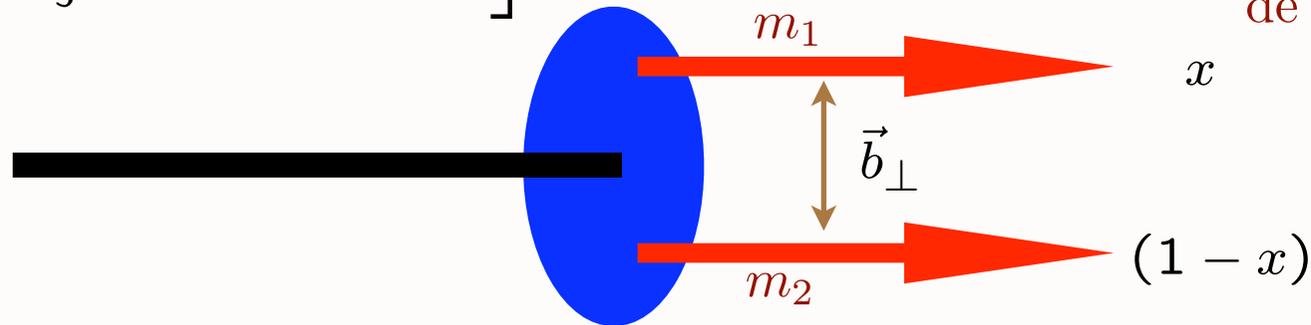
with eigenvalues $\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n + L)$ and eigenfunctions

$$\phi_L(\zeta) = \kappa^{1+L} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} \zeta^{1/2+L} e^{-\kappa^2\zeta^2/2} L_n^L(\kappa^2\zeta^2).$$

- Transverse oscillator in the LF plane with $SO(2)$ rotation subgroup has Casimir L^2 representing rotations for the transverse coordinates \mathbf{b}_\perp in the LF.
- SW model is a remarkable example of integrability to a non-conformal extension of AdS/CFT [Chim and Zamolodchikov (1992) - Potts Model.]

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

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$$\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)\vec{b}_\perp^2}$$

Holographic Variable

$$-\frac{d}{d\zeta^2} \equiv \frac{k_\perp^2}{x(1-x)}$$

LF Kinetic Energy in momentum space

Assume LFWF is a dynamical function of the quark-antiquark invariant mass squared

$$-\frac{d}{d\zeta^2} \rightarrow -\frac{d}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \equiv \frac{k_\perp^2 + m_1^2}{x} + \frac{k_\perp^2 + m_2^2}{1-x}$$

Result: Soft-Wall LFWF for massive constituents

$$\psi(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = \frac{4\pi c}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left(\frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{x(1-x)} + \frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \right)}$$

LF WF in impact space: soft-wall model with massive quarks

$$\psi(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = \frac{c\kappa}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{x(1-x)} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\kappa^2 x(1-x) \mathbf{b}_\perp^2 - \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left[\frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \right]}$$

$$z \rightarrow \zeta \rightarrow \chi$$

$$\chi^2 = b^2 x(1-x) + \frac{1}{\kappa^4} \left[\frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \right]$$

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$\psi_{J/\psi}(x, b)$

LFWF peaks at

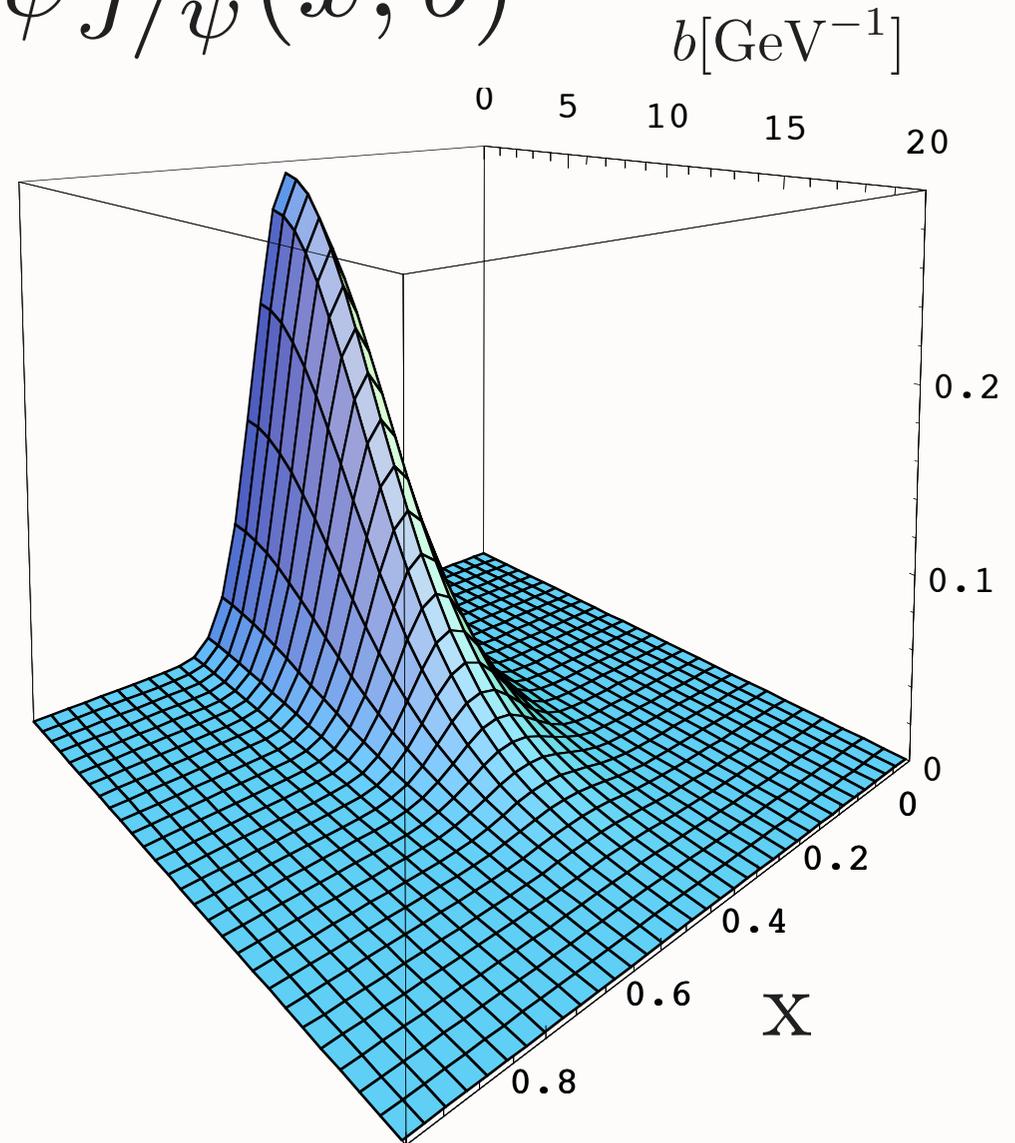
$$x_i = \frac{m_{\perp i}}{\sum_j^n m_{\perp j}}$$

where

$$m_{\perp i} = \sqrt{m^2 + k_{\perp}^2}$$

*minimum of LF
energy
denominator*

$$\kappa = 0.375 \text{ GeV}$$

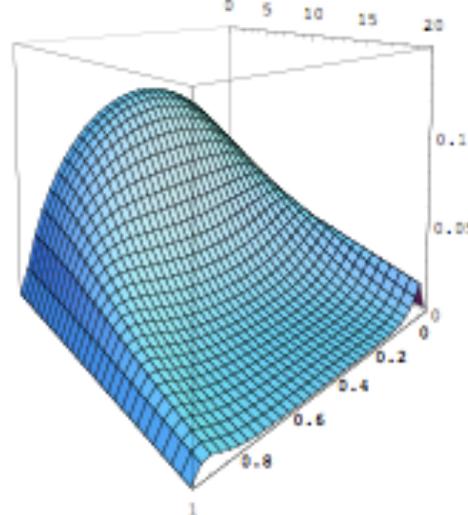
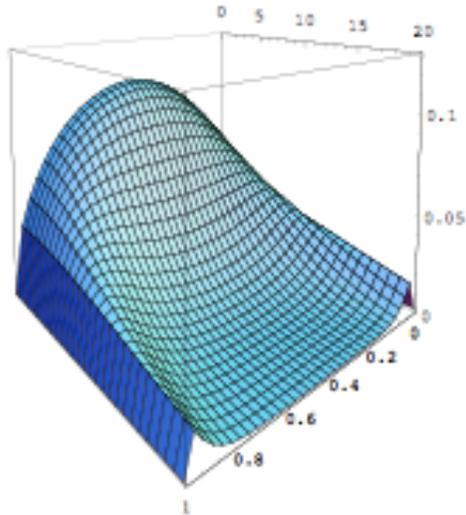


$$m_a = m_b = 1.25 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|\pi^+\rangle = |u\bar{d}\rangle$$

$$m_u = 2 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_d = 5 \text{ MeV}$$

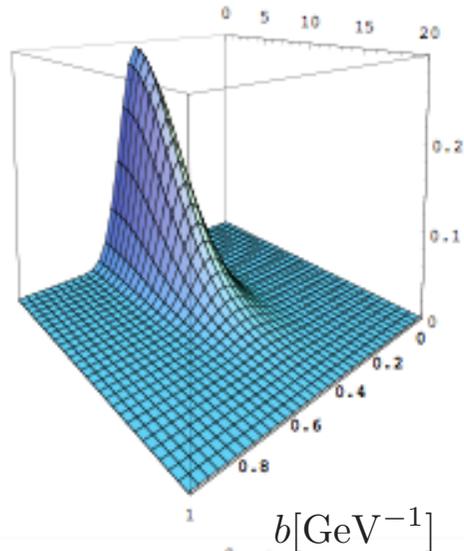
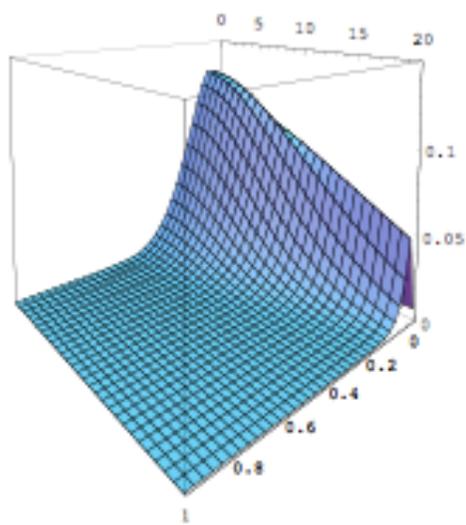


$$|K^+\rangle = |u\bar{s}\rangle$$

$$m_s = 95 \text{ MeV}$$

$$|D^+\rangle = |c\bar{d}\rangle$$

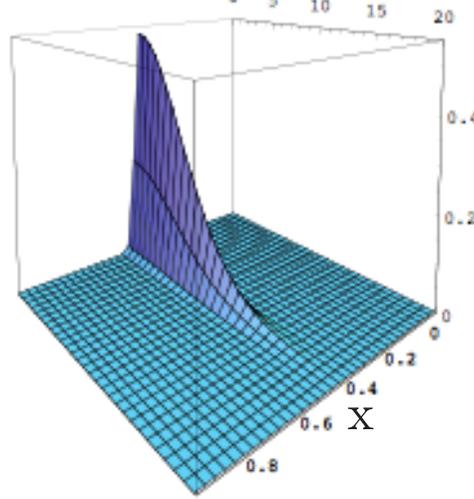
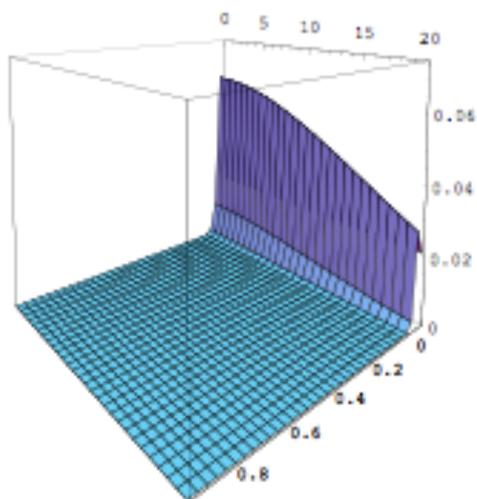
$$m_c = 1.25 \text{ GeV}$$



$$|\eta_c\rangle = |c\bar{c}\rangle$$

$$|B^+\rangle = |u\bar{b}\rangle$$

$$m_b = 4.2 \text{ GeV}$$

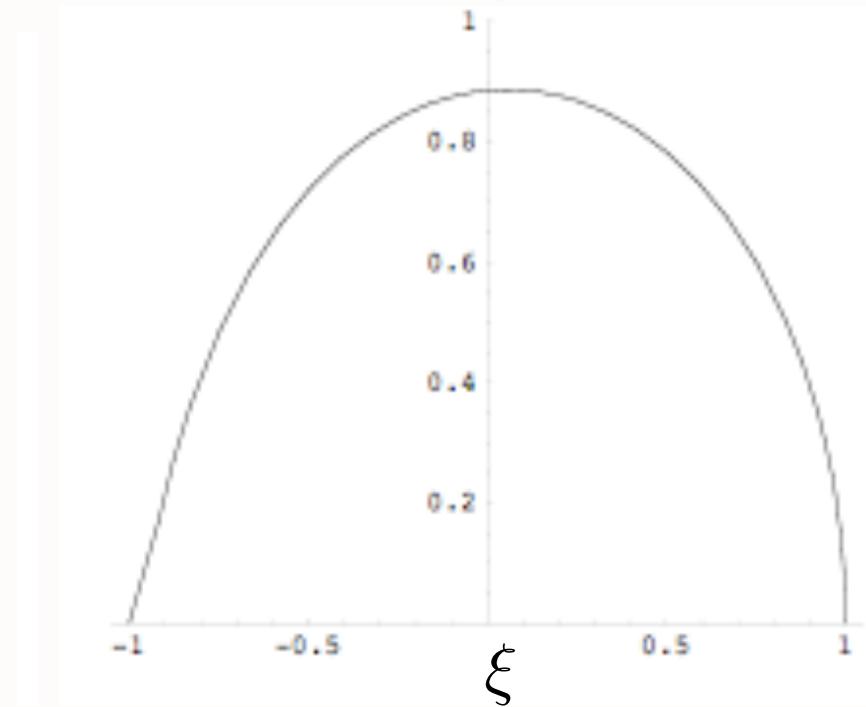


$$|\eta_b\rangle = |b\bar{b}\rangle$$

$$\kappa = 375 \text{ MeV}$$

First Moment of Kaon Distribution Amplitude

$$\langle \xi \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 d\xi \xi \phi(\xi)$$
$$\xi = 1 - 2x$$



$$\langle \xi \rangle_K = 0.04 \pm 0.02 \quad \kappa = 375 \text{ MeV}$$

Range from $m_s = 65 \pm 25 \text{ MeV}$ (PDG)

$$\langle \xi \rangle_K = 0.029 \pm 0.002$$

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$$\langle \xi \rangle_K = 0.0272 \pm 0.0005$$

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M	$\langle \xi \rangle_M$		$\langle \xi^2 \rangle_M$
π			0.25
K	0.04 ± 0.02^a		0.235 ± 0.005^a
D	0.71	<i>AdS/QCD</i>	0.54
η_c			0.02
B	0.96		0.91
η_b			0.002
π			0.28 ± 0.03^b
K	0.029 ± 0.002^b		0.27 ± 0.02^b
π		<i>Lattice</i>	0.269 ± 0.039^c
K	0.0272 ± 0.0005^c		0.260 ± 0.006^c

M. A. Donnellan *et al.*, “Lattice Results for Vector Meson Couplings and Parton Distribution Amplitudes,” arXiv:0710.0869 [hep-lat].

V. M. Braun *et al.*, “Moments of pseudoscalar meson distribution amplitudes from the lattice,” Phys. Rev. D **74**, 074501 (2006) [arXiv:hep-lat/0606012].

b: Lattice

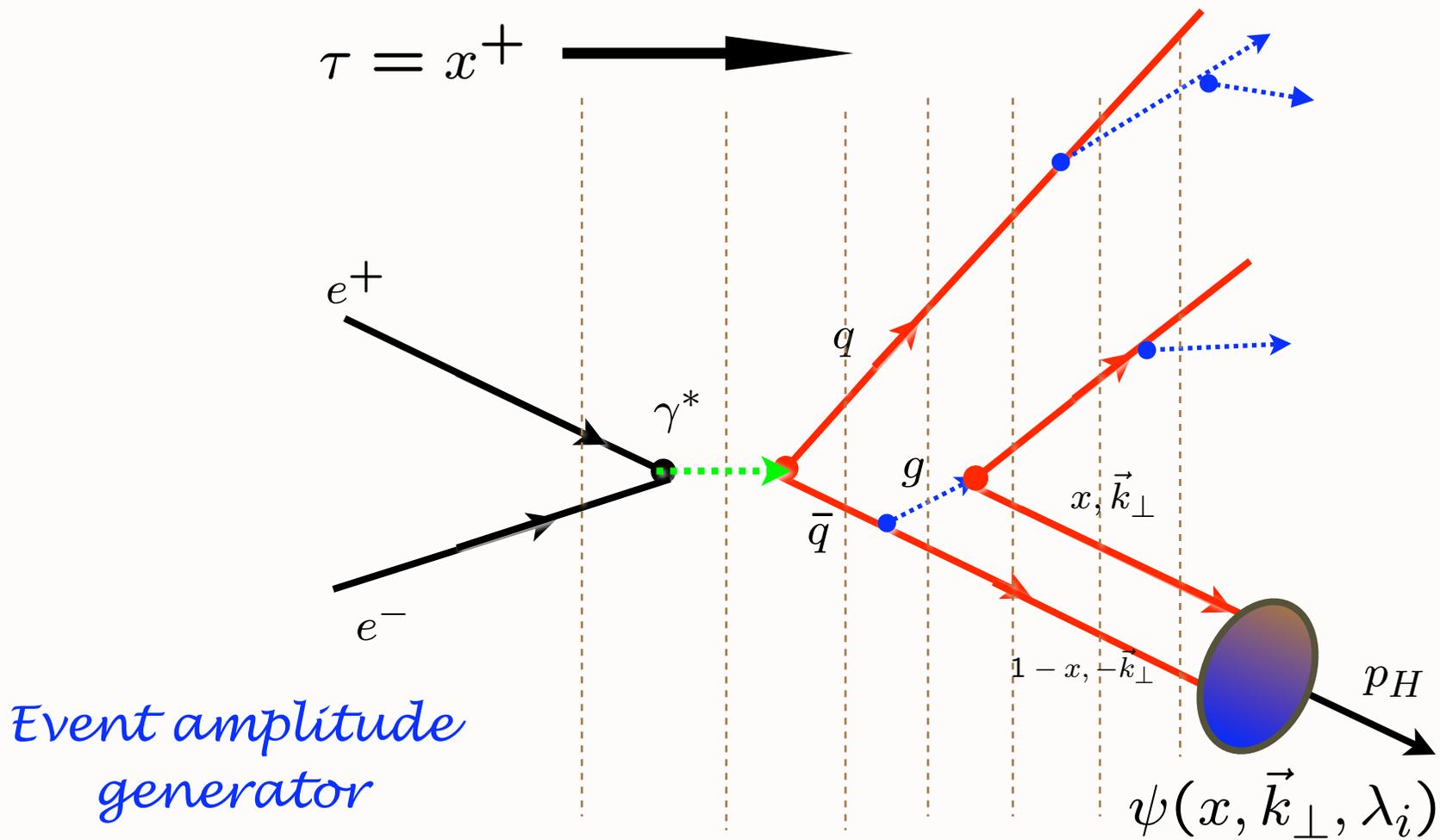
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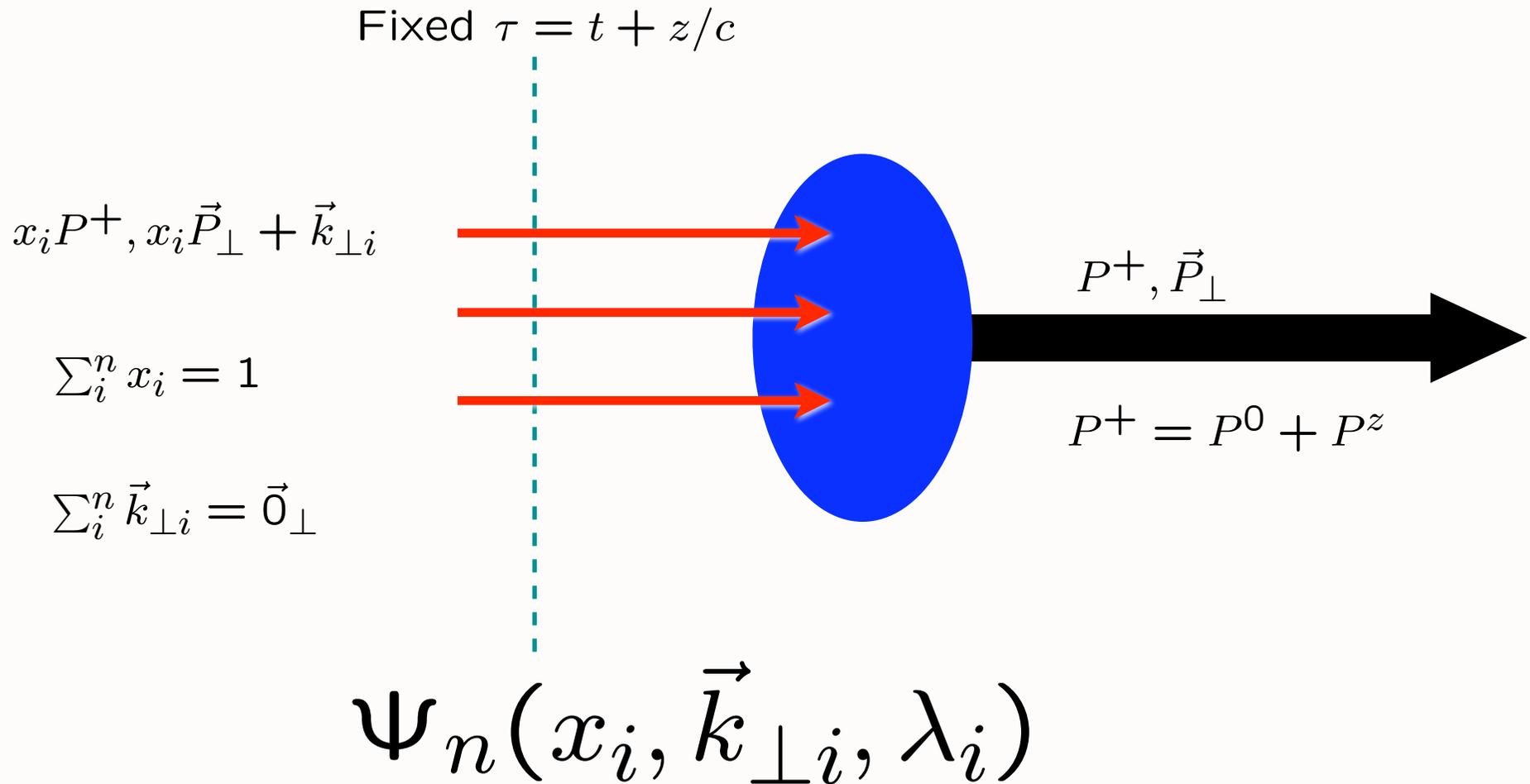
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Hadronization at the Amplitude Level



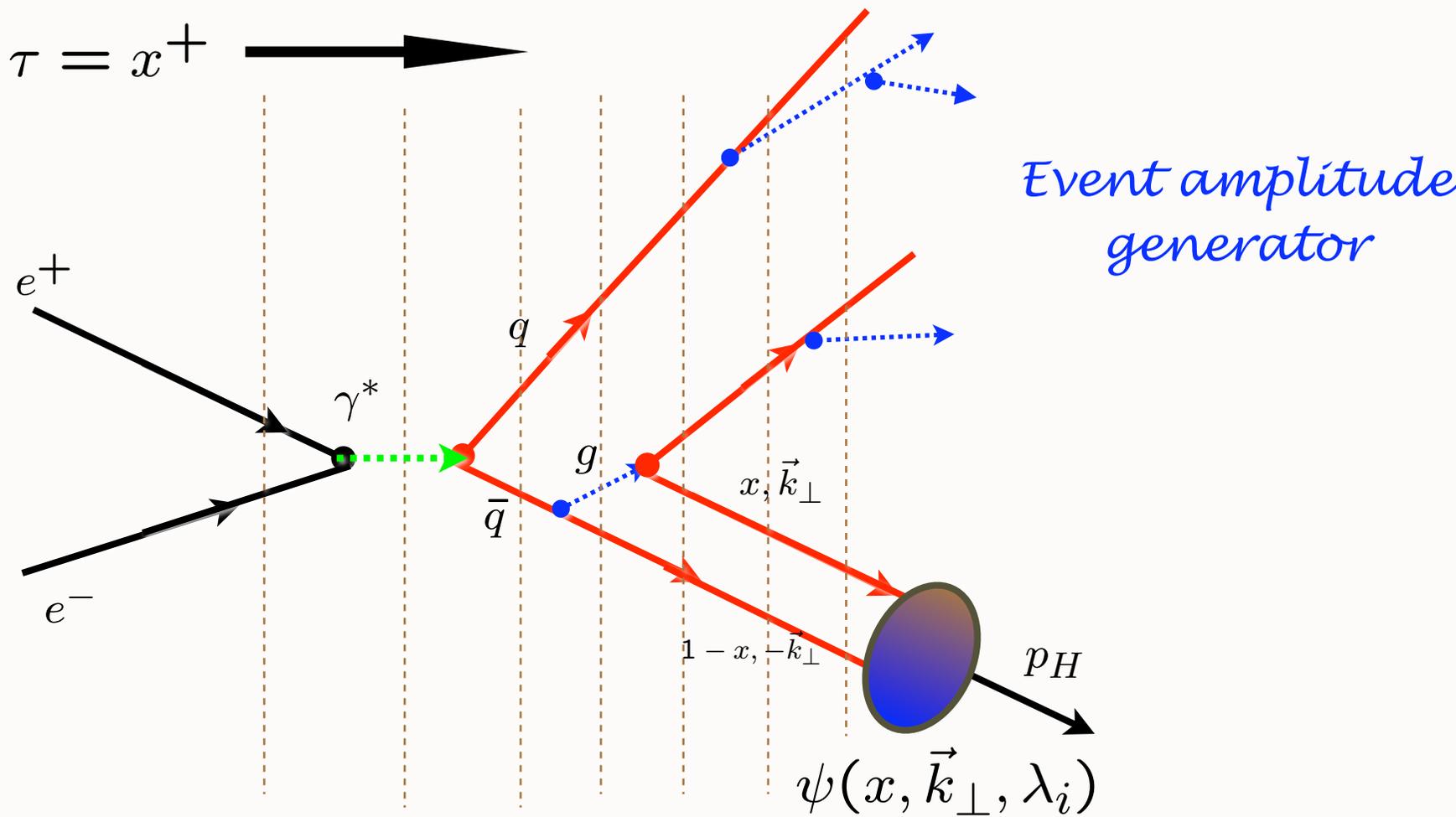
Construct helicity amplitude using Light-Front Perturbation theory; coalesce quarks via LFWFs

Light-Front Wavefunctions



Invariant under boosts! Independent of P^μ

Hadronization at the Amplitude Level

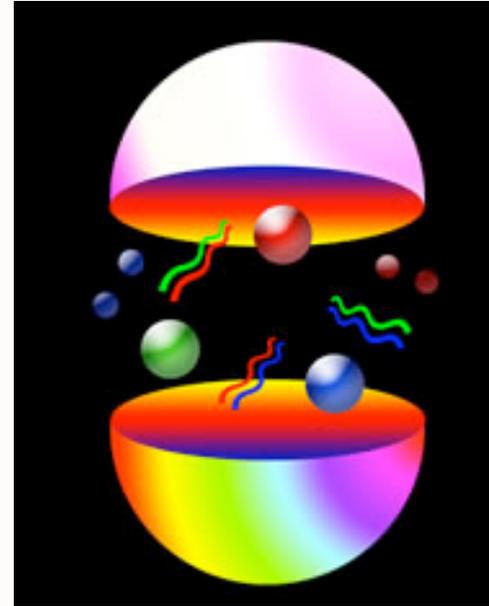


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Hard Wall
Confinement:

Capture if $\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2 > \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}$
 i.e.,
 $\mathcal{M}^2 = \frac{k_{\perp}^2}{x(1-x)} < \Lambda_{QCD}^2$

- Baryons Spectrum in "bottom-up" holographic QCD
GdT and Brodsky: hep-th/0409074, hep-th/0501022.

Baryons in AdS/CFT



- Action for massive fermionic modes on AdS_{d+1} :

$$S[\bar{\Psi}, \Psi] = \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \bar{\Psi}(x, z) \left(i\Gamma^\ell D_\ell - \mu \right) \Psi(x, z).$$

- Equation of motion: $(i\Gamma^\ell D_\ell - \mu) \Psi(x, z) = 0$

$$\left[i \left(z\eta^{\ell m} \Gamma_\ell \partial_m + \frac{d}{2} \Gamma_z \right) + \mu R \right] \Psi(x^\ell) = 0.$$

Baryons

Holographic Light-Front Integrable Form and Spectrum

- In the conformal limit fermionic spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ modes $\psi(\zeta)$ and spin- $\frac{3}{2}$ modes $\psi_\mu(\zeta)$ are **two-component spinor** solutions of the Dirac light-front equation

$$\alpha\Pi(\zeta)\psi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}\psi(\zeta),$$

where $H_{LF} = \alpha\Pi$ and the operator

$$\Pi_L(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{L + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 \right),$$

and its adjoint $\Pi_L^\dagger(\zeta)$ satisfy the commutation relations

$$\left[\Pi_L(\zeta), \Pi_L^\dagger(\zeta) \right] = \frac{2L + 1}{\zeta^2} \gamma_5.$$

- Supersymmetric QM between bosonic and fermionic modes in AdS?

- Note: in the Weyl representation ($i\alpha = \gamma_5\beta$)

$$i\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_5 = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Baryon: twist-dimension $3 + L$ ($\nu = L + 1$)

$$\mathcal{O}_{3+L} = \psi D_{\{\ell_1 \dots \ell_q\}} \psi D_{\ell_{q+1}} \dots D_{\ell_m} \psi, \quad L = \sum_{i=1}^m \ell_i.$$

- Solution to Dirac eigenvalue equation with UV matching boundary conditions

$$\psi(\zeta) = C \sqrt{\zeta} [J_{L+1}(\zeta \mathcal{M}) u_+ + J_{L+2}(\zeta \mathcal{M}) u_-].$$

Baryonic modes propagating in AdS space have two components: orbital L and $L + 1$.

- Hadronic mass spectrum determined from IR boundary conditions

$$\psi_{\pm}(\zeta = 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) = 0,$$

given by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu,k}^+ = \beta_{\nu,k} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\nu,k}^- = \beta_{\nu+1,k} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}},$$

with a scale independent mass ratio.

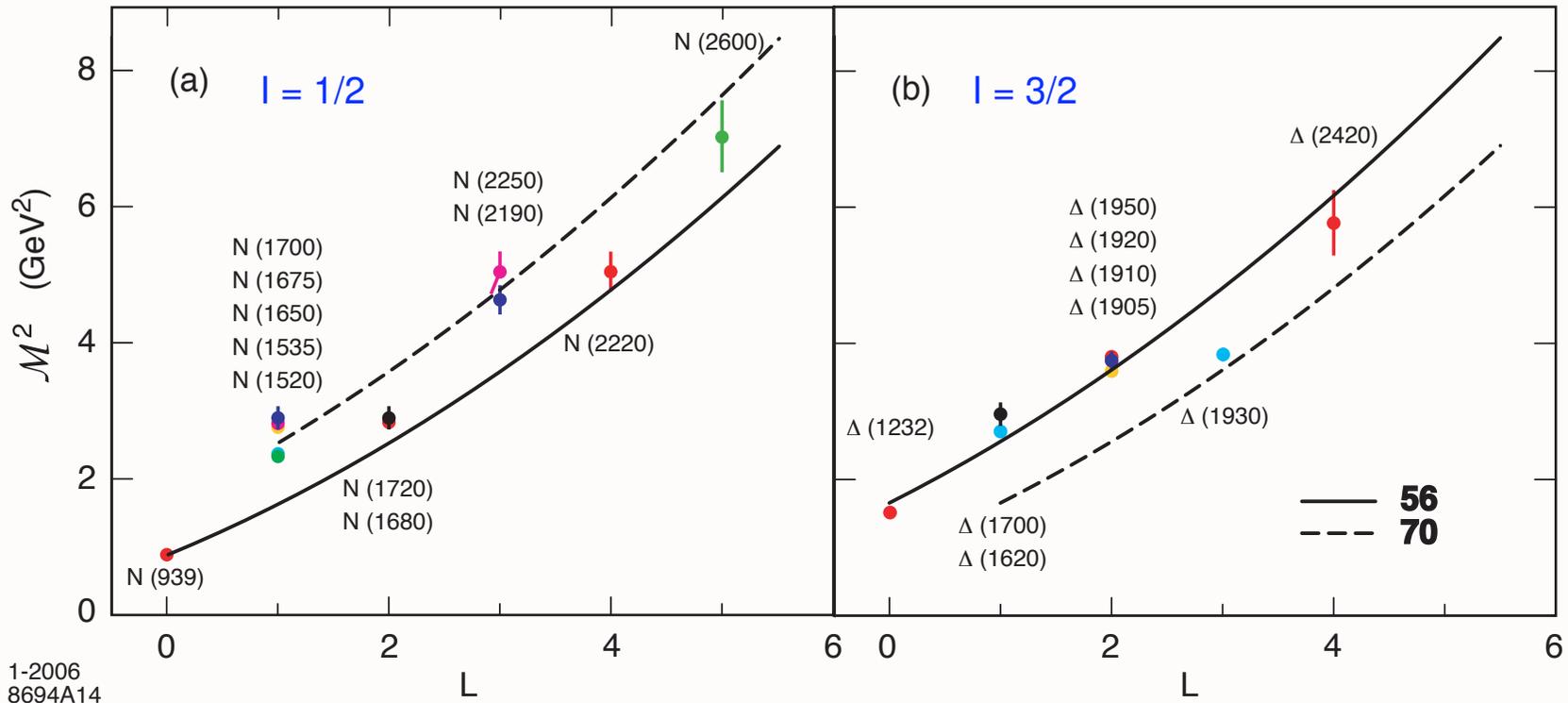


Fig: Light baryon orbital spectrum for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.25$ GeV in the HW model. The 56 trajectory corresponds to L even $P = +$ states, and the 70 to L odd $P = -$ states.

$SU(6)$	S	L	Baryon State
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1+}$ (939)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	0	$\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{3+}$ (1232)
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1-}$ (1535) $N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{3-}$ (1520)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	1	$N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1-}$ (1650) $N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{3-}$ (1700) $N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{5-}$ (1675)
	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\Delta_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1-}$ (1620) $\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{3-}$ (1700)
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	$N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{3+}$ (1720) $N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{5+}$ (1680)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	2	$\Delta_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1+}$ (1910) $\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{3+}$ (1920) $\Delta_{\frac{5}{2}}^{5+}$ (1905) $\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^{7+}$ (1950)
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{5-}$ $N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{7-}$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	3	$N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{3-}$ $N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{5-}$ $N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{7-}$ (2190) $N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{9-}$ (2250)
	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$\Delta_{\frac{5}{2}}^{5-}$ (1930) $\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^{7-}$
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	4	$N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{7+}$ $N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{9+}$ (2220)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	4	$\Delta_{\frac{5}{2}}^{5+}$ $\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^{7+}$ $\Delta_{\frac{9}{2}}^{9+}$ $\Delta_{\frac{11}{2}}^{11+}$ (2420)
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	5	$N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{9-}$ $N_{\frac{11}{2}}^{11-}$ (2600)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	5	$N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{7-}$ $N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{9-}$ $N_{\frac{11}{2}}^{11-}$ $N_{\frac{13}{2}}^{13-}$

Non-Conformal Extension of Algebraic Structure (Soft Wall Model)

- We write the Dirac equation

$$(\alpha\Pi(\zeta) - \mathcal{M})\psi(\zeta) = 0,$$

in terms of the matrix-valued operator Π

$$\Pi_\nu(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 - \kappa^2 \zeta \gamma_5 \right),$$

and its adjoint Π^\dagger , with commutation relations

$$\left[\Pi_\nu(\zeta), \Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta) \right] = \left(\frac{2\nu + 1}{\zeta^2} - 2\kappa^2 \right) \gamma_5.$$

- Solutions to the Dirac equation

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_+(\zeta) &\sim z^{\frac{1}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^\nu(\kappa^2 \zeta^2), \\ \psi_-(\zeta) &\sim z^{\frac{3}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^{\nu+1}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2). \end{aligned}$$

- Eigenvalues

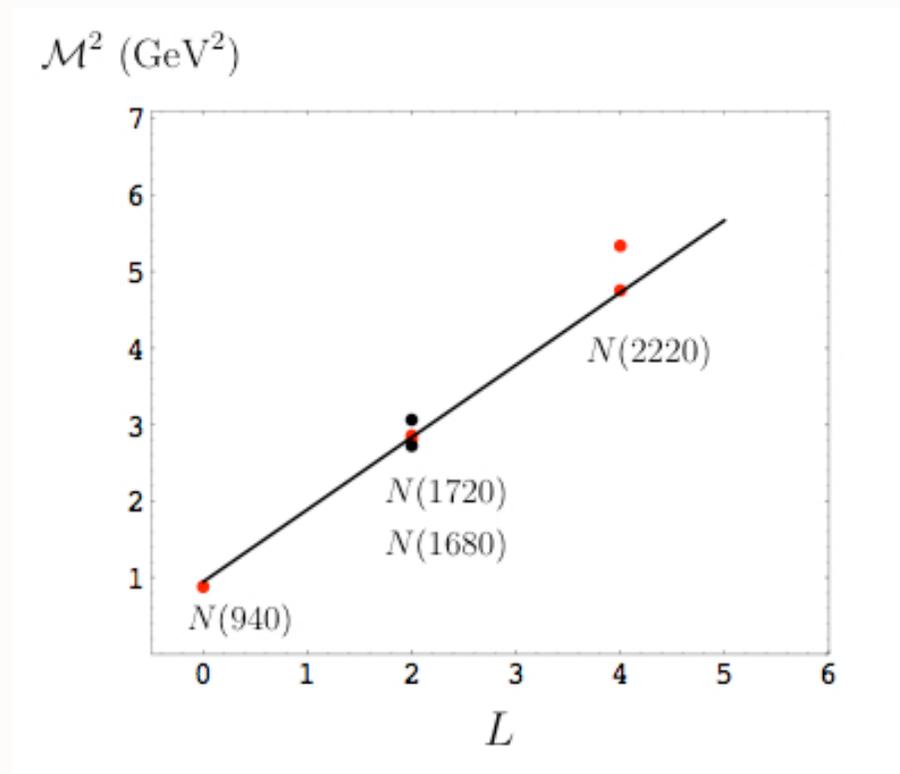
$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n + \nu + 1).$$

- Baryon: twist-dimension $3 + L$ ($\nu = L + 1$)

$$\mathcal{O}_{3+L} = \psi D_{\{\ell_1 \dots D_{\ell_q} \psi D_{\ell_{q+1}} \dots D_{\ell_m}\}} \psi, \quad L = \sum_{i=1}^m \ell_i.$$

- Define the zero point energy (identical as in the meson case) $\mathcal{M}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^2 - 4\kappa^2$:

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n + L + 1).$$



Proton Regge Trajectory $\kappa = 0.49\text{GeV}$

Space-Like Dirac Proton Form Factor

- Consider the spin non-flip form factors

$$F_+(Q^2) = g_+ \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

$$F_-(Q^2) = g_- \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2,$$

where the effective charges g_+ and g_- are determined from the spin-flavor structure of the theory.

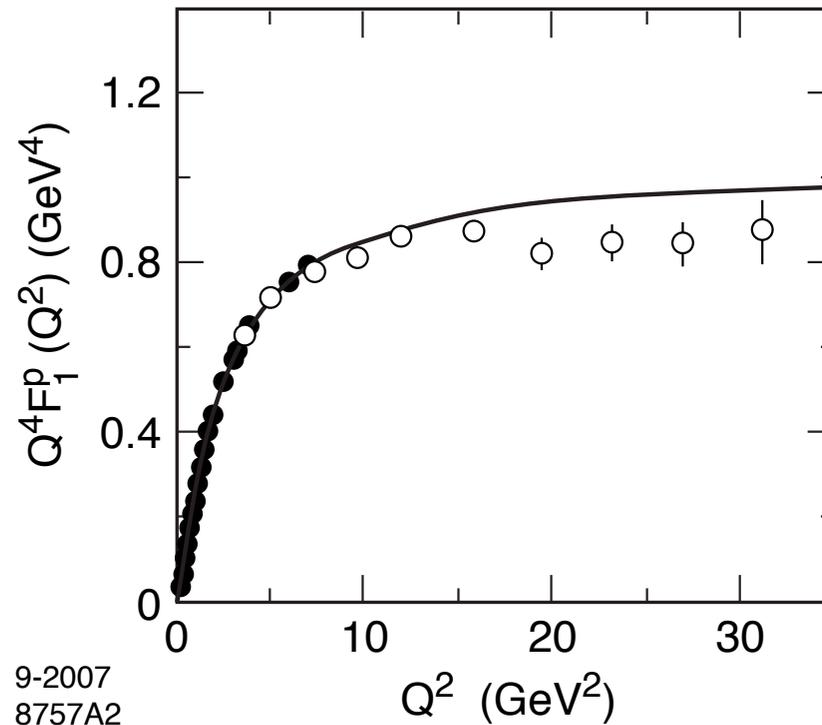
- Choose the struck quark to have $S^z = +1/2$. The two AdS solutions $\psi_+(\zeta)$ and $\psi_-(\zeta)$ correspond to nucleons with $J^z = +1/2$ and $-1/2$.
- For $SU(6)$ spin-flavor symmetry

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

$$F_1^n(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{3} \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) [|\psi_+(\zeta)|^2 - |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2],$$

where $F_1^p(0) = 1$, $F_1^n(0) = 0$.

- Scaling behavior for large Q^2 : $Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2) \rightarrow \text{constant}$ Proton $\tau = 3$

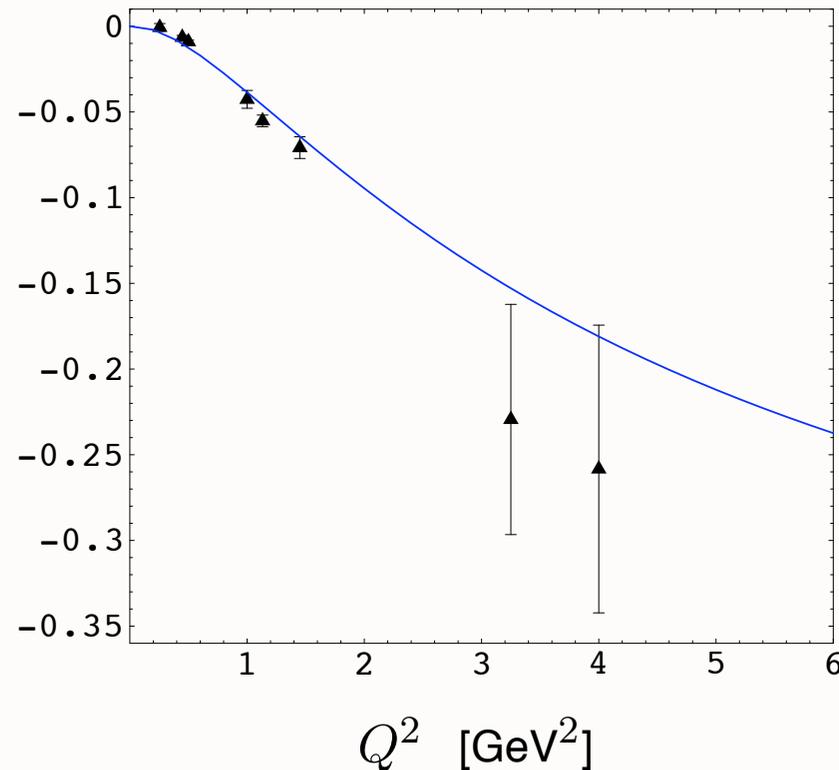


SW model predictions for $\kappa = 0.424$ GeV. Data analysis from: M. Diehl *et al.* Eur. Phys. J. C **39**, 1 (2005).

Dirac Neutron Form Factor (Valence Approximation)

Truncated Space Confinement

$$Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2) \text{ [GeV}^4\text{]}$$



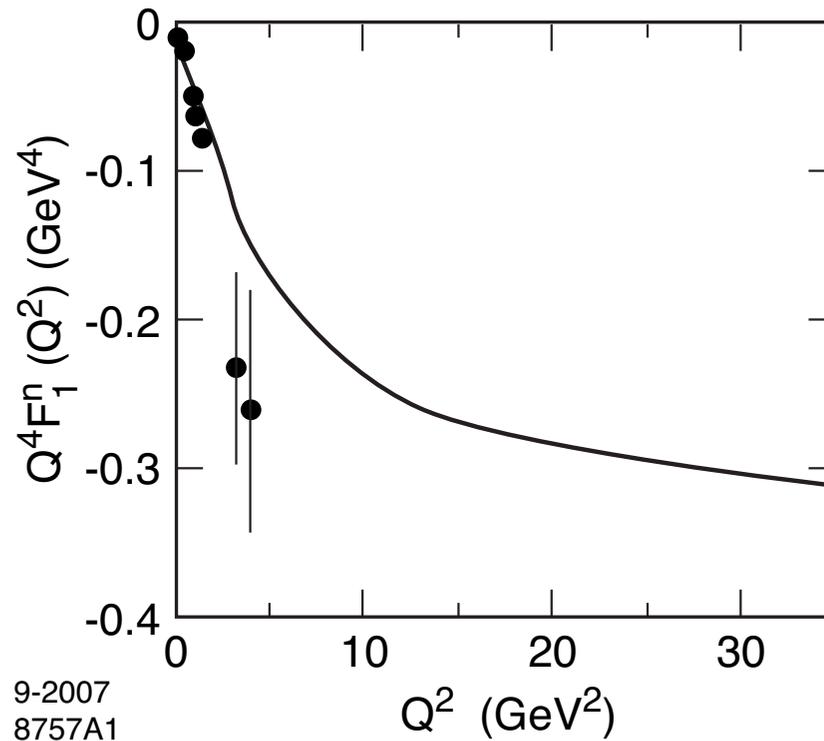
Prediction for $Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2)$ for $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.21$ GeV in the hard wall approximation. Data analysis from Diehl (2005).

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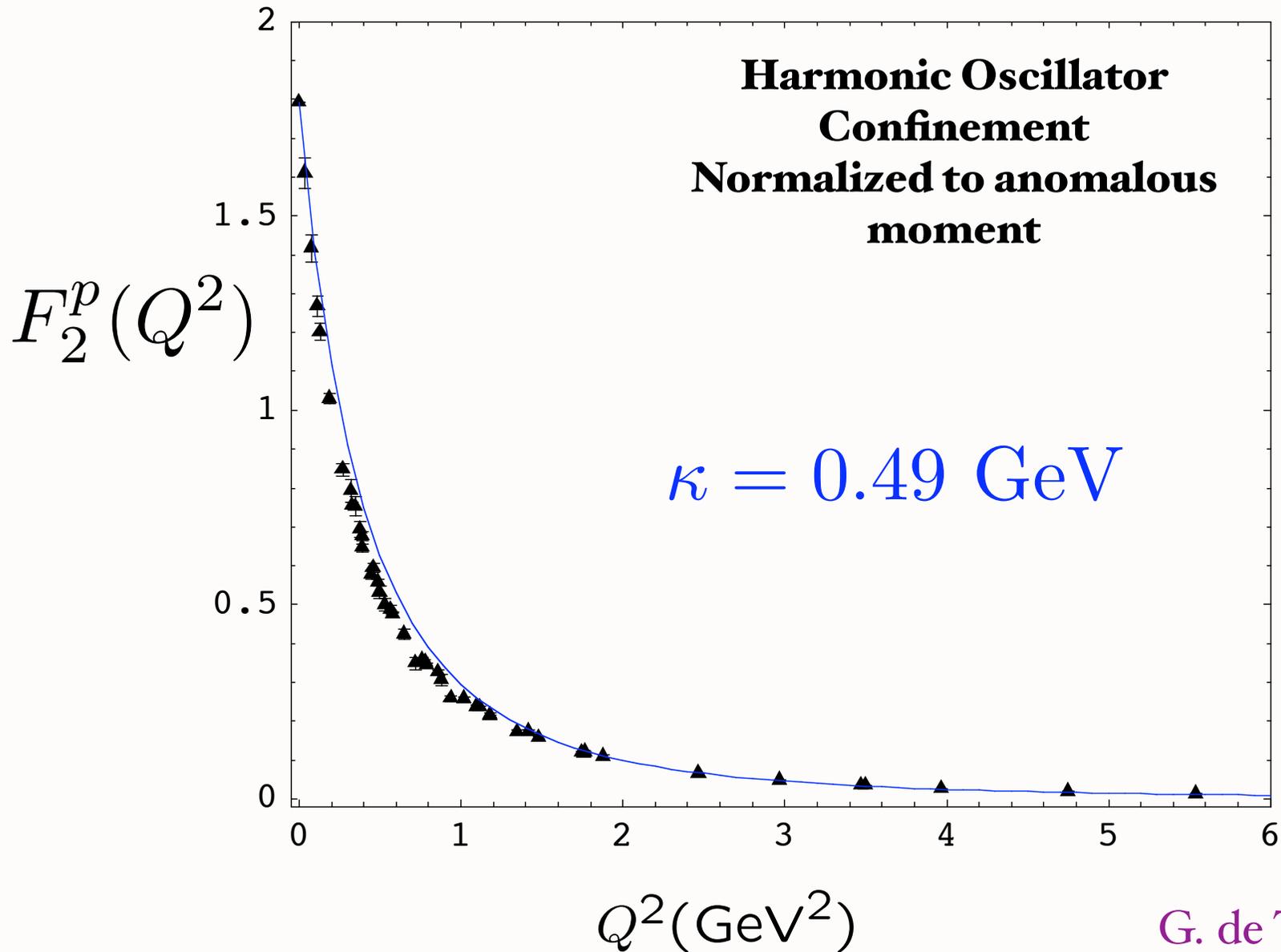


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Spacelike Pauli Form Factor

Preliminary

From overlap of $L = 1$ and $L = 0$ LFWFs



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AdS/CFT and Integrability

- L. Infeld, “On a new treatment of some eigenvalue problems”, Phys. Rev. 59, 737 (1941).
- Generate eigenvalues and eigenfunctions using Ladder Operators
- Apply to Covariant Light-Front Radial Dirac and Schrodinger Equations

Algebraic Structure , Integrability and Stability Conditions (HW Model)

- If $L^2 > 0$ the LF Hamiltonian, H_{LF}^L , can be written as a bilinear form

$$H_{LF}^L(\zeta) = \Pi_L^\dagger(\zeta)\Pi_L(\zeta)$$

in terms of the operator

$$\Pi_L(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{L + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \right),$$

and its adjoint

$$\Pi_L^\dagger(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{L + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \right),$$

with commutation relations

$$\left[\Pi_L(\zeta), \Pi_L^\dagger(\zeta) \right] = \frac{2L + 1}{\zeta^2}.$$

- For $L^2 \geq 0$ the Hamiltonian is positive definite

$$\langle \phi | H_{LF}^L | \phi \rangle = \int d\zeta |\Pi_L \phi(z)|^2 \geq 0$$

and thus $\mathcal{M}^2 \geq 0$.

Ladder Construction of Orbital States

- Orbital excitations constructed by the L -th application of the raising operator

$$a_L^\dagger = -i\Pi_L$$

on the ground state:

$$a_L^\dagger |L\rangle = c_L |L+1\rangle.$$

- In the light-front ζ -representation

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_L(\zeta) &= \langle \zeta | L \rangle = C_L \sqrt{\zeta} (-\zeta)^L \left(\frac{1}{\zeta} \frac{d}{d\zeta} \right)^L J_0(\zeta \mathcal{M}) \\ &= C_L \sqrt{\zeta} J_L(\zeta \mathcal{M}).\end{aligned}$$

- The solutions ϕ_L are solutions of the light-front equation ($L = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$)

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-L^2}{4\zeta^2} \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta),$$

- Mode spectrum from boundary conditions : $\phi(\zeta = 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) = 0$.

Non-Conformal Extension of Algebraic Integrability (SW Model)

- Soft-wall model [Karch, Katz, Son and Stephanov (2006)] retain conformal AdS metrics but introduce smooth cutoff which depends on the profile of a dilaton background field $\varphi(z)$.
- Consider the generator (short-distance Coulombic and long-distance linear potential)

$$\Pi_L(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{L + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} - \kappa^2 \zeta \right),$$

and its adjoint

$$\Pi_L^\dagger(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{L + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} + \kappa^2 \zeta \right),$$

with commutation relations

$$\left[\Pi_L(\zeta), \Pi_L^\dagger(\zeta) \right] = \frac{2L + 1}{\zeta^2} - 2\kappa^2.$$

- The LF Hamiltonian

$$H_{LF} = \Pi_L^\dagger \Pi_L + C$$

Integrable!

is positive definite $\langle \phi | H_{LF} | \phi \rangle \geq 0$ for $L^2 \geq 0$, and $C \geq -4\kappa^2$.

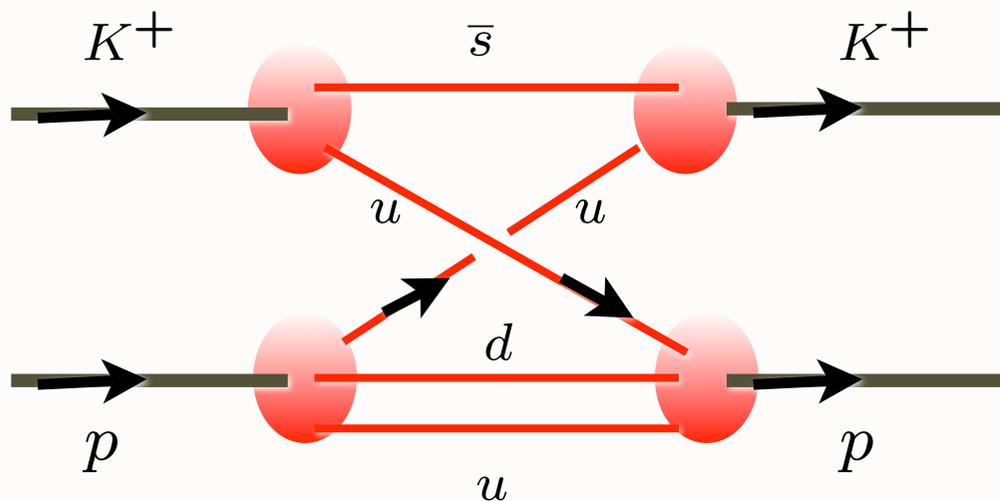
- Orbital and radial excited states are constructed from the ladder operators from the $L = 0$ state.

Holographic Connection between LF and AdS/CFT

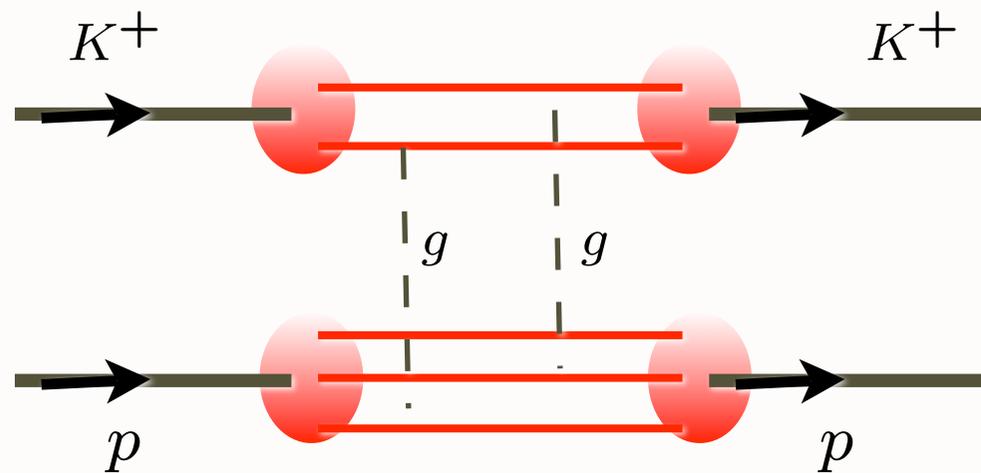
- Predictions for hadronic spectra, light-front wavefunctions, interactions
- Deduce meson and baryon wavefunctions, distribution amplitude, structure function from holographic constraint
- Identification of Orbital Angular Momentum Casimir for $SO(2)$: LF Rotations
- Extension to massive quarks

New Perspectives for QCD from AdS/CFT

- LFWFs: Fundamental frame-independent description of hadrons at amplitude level
- Holographic Model from AdS/CFT : Confinement at large distances and conformal behavior at short distances
- Model for LFWFs, meson and baryon spectra: many applications!
- New basis for diagonalizing Light-Front Hamiltonian
- Physics similar to MIT bag model, but covariant. No problem with support $0 < x < 1$.
- Quark Interchange dominant force at short distances



Quark Interchange
(Spin exchange in atom-atom scattering)



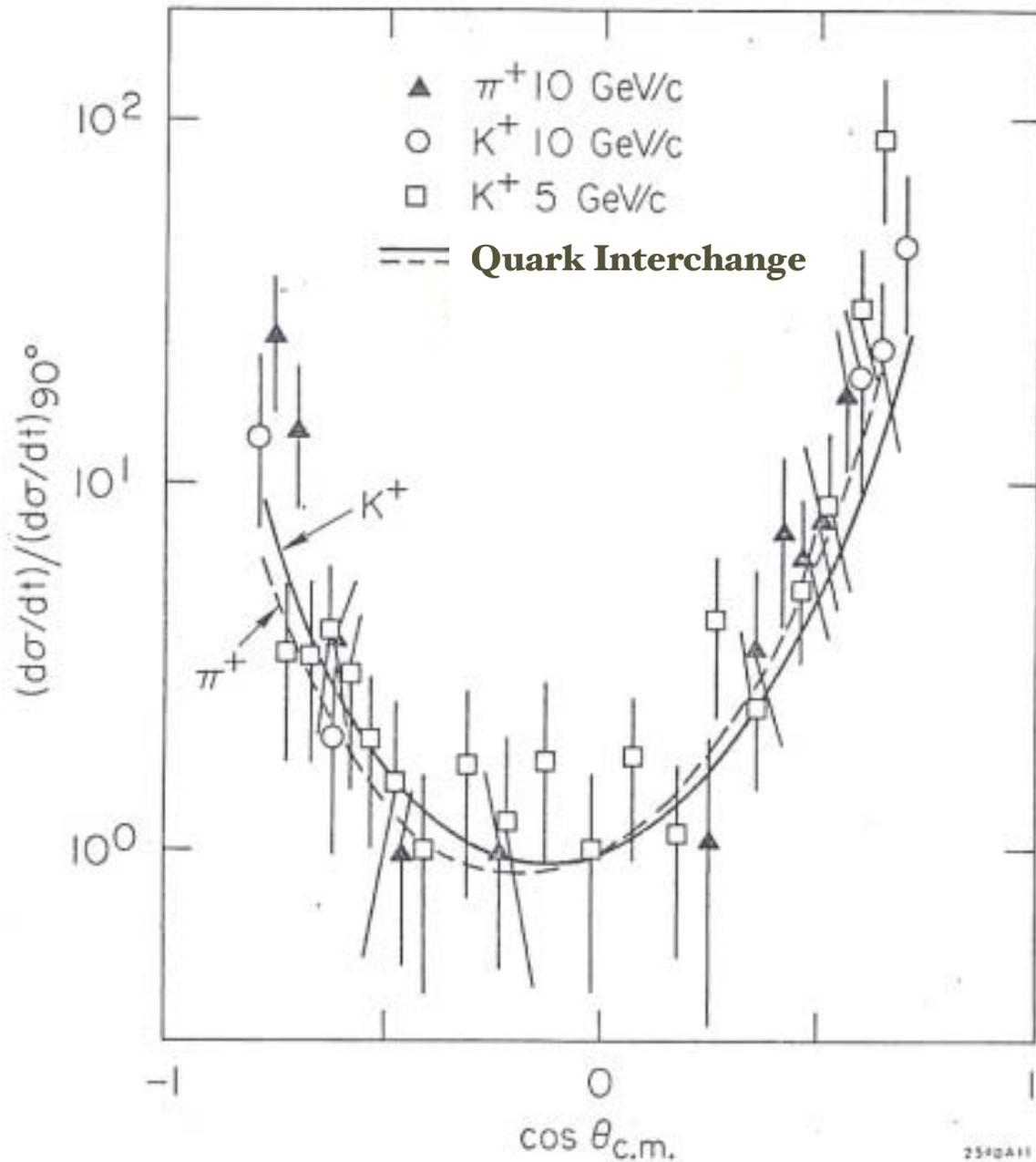
Gluon Exchange
(Van der Waal -- Landshoff)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{|M(s,t)|^2}{s^2}$$

$$M(t, u)_{\text{interchange}} \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$$

$$M(s, t)_{\text{gluonexchange}} \propto sF(t)$$

MIT Bag Model (de Tar), large \$N_c\$, ('t Hooft), AdS/CFT
all predict dominance of quark interchange:



AdS/CFT explains why quark interchange is dominant interaction at high momentum transfer in exclusive reactions

$$M(t, u)_{\text{interchange}} \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$$

Non-linear Regge behavior:

$$\alpha_R(t) \rightarrow -1$$

Why is quark-interchange dominant over gluon exchange?

Example: $M(K^+ p \rightarrow K^+ p) \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$

Exchange of common u quark

$$M_{QIM} = \int d^2k_{\perp} dx \psi_C^{\dagger} \psi_D^{\dagger} \Delta \psi_A \psi_B$$

Holographic model (Classical level):

Hadrons enter 5th dimension of AdS_5

Quarks travel freely within cavity as long as separation $z < z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$

LFWFs obey conformal symmetry producing quark counting rules.

Comparison of Exclusive Reactions at Large t

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Cross sections or upper limits are reported for twelve meson-baryon and two baryon-baryon reactions for an incident momentum of 9.9 GeV/c, near 90° c.m.: $\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\pi^\pm, p\rho^\pm, \pi^+\Delta^\pm, K^+\Sigma^\pm, (\Lambda^0/\Sigma^0)K^0$; $K^\pm p \rightarrow pK^\pm$; $p^\pm p \rightarrow pp^\pm$. By studying the flavor dependence of the different reactions, we have been able to isolate the quark-interchange mechanism as dominant over gluon exchange and quark-antiquark annihilation.

$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\pi^\pm,$$

$$K^\pm p \rightarrow pK^\pm,$$

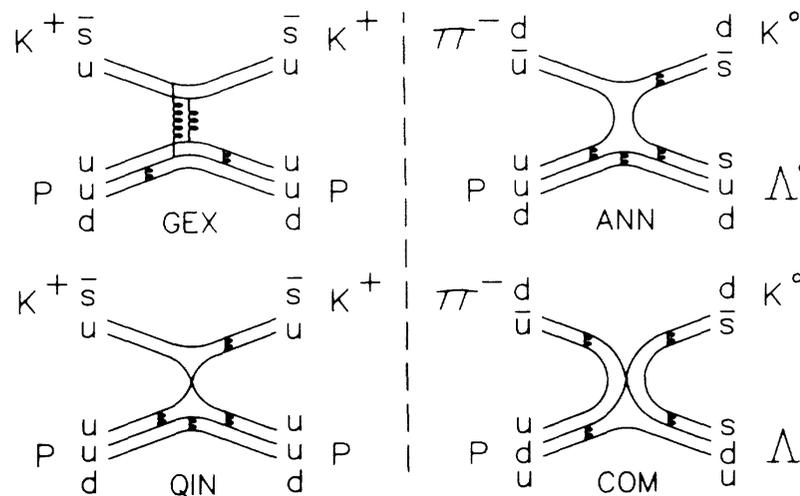
$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\rho^\pm,$$

$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow \pi^+\Delta^\pm,$$

$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow K^+\Sigma^\pm,$$

$$\pi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda^0 K^0, \Sigma^0 K^0,$$

$$p^\pm p \rightarrow pp^\pm.$$



New Perspectives on QCD Phenomena from AdS/CFT

- **AdS/CFT**: Duality between string theory in Anti-de Sitter Space and Conformal Field Theory
- New Way to Implement Conformal Symmetry
- Holographic Model: Conformal Symmetry at Short Distances, Confinement at large distances
- Remarkable predictions for hadronic spectra, wavefunctions, interactions
- AdS/CFT provides novel insights into the quark structure of hadrons

Light-Front Wavefunctions

Dirac's Front Form: Fixed $\tau = t + z/c$

$$\Psi(x, k_{\perp}) \quad x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{P^+}$$

Invariant under boosts. Independent of P^{μ}

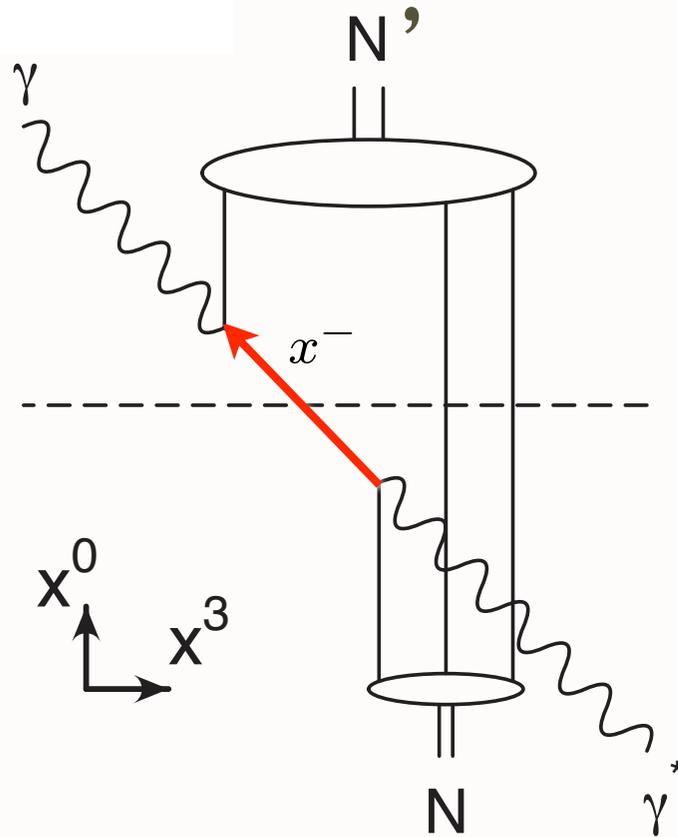
$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\psi\rangle = M^2 |\psi\rangle$$

*Remarkable new insights from AdS/CFT,
the duality between conformal field theory
and Anti-de Sitter Space*

Some Applications of Light-Front Wavefunctions

- Exact formulae for form factors, quark and gluon distributions; vanishing anomalous gravitational moment; edm connection to anm
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering, generalized parton distributions, angular momentum sum rules
- Exclusive weak decay amplitudes
- Single spin asymmetries: Role of ISI and FSI
- Factorization theorems, DGLAP, BFKL, ERBL Evolution
- Quark interchange amplitude
- Relation of spin, momentum, and other distributions to physics of the hadron itself.

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}x^- P^+$$



$$x^+ = \mathbf{x}_\perp = 0$$

The position of the struck quark differs by x^- in the two wave functions

**Measure x^- distribution from DVCS:
Take Fourier transform of skewness,
the longitudinal momentum transfer**

$$\xi = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$

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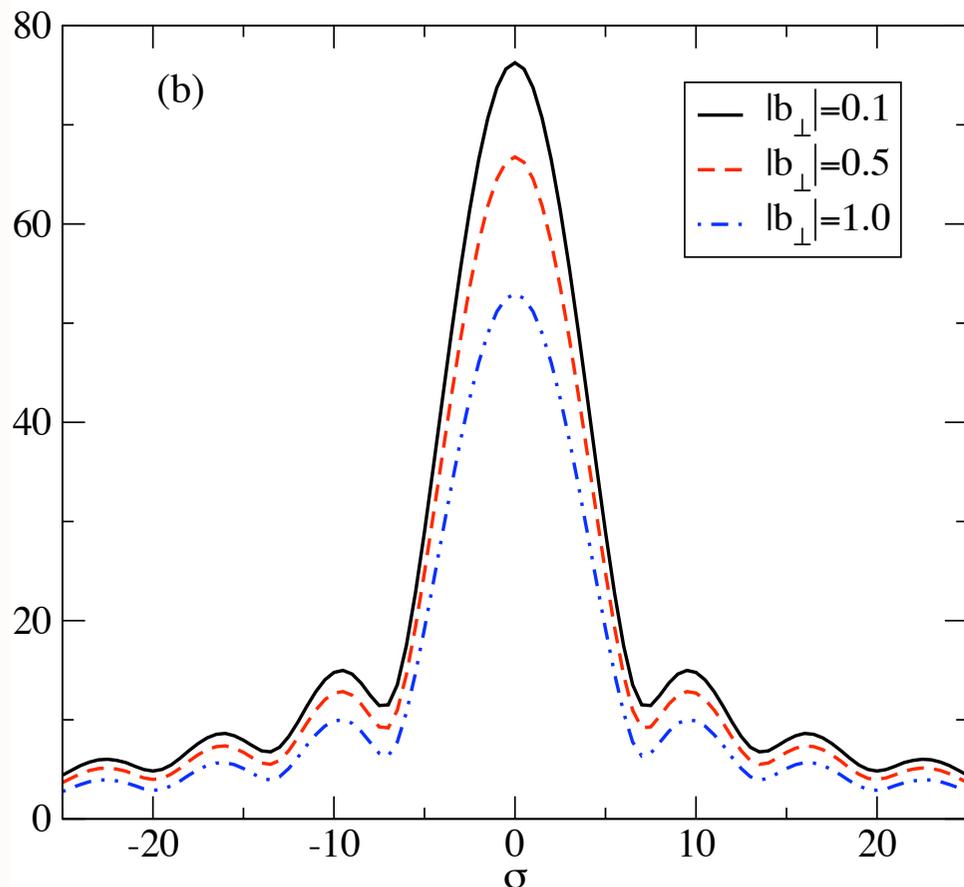
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Hadron Optics

$$A(\sigma, \vec{b}_\perp) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\xi e^{i\frac{1}{2}\xi\sigma} \tilde{A}(\xi, \vec{b}_\perp)$$

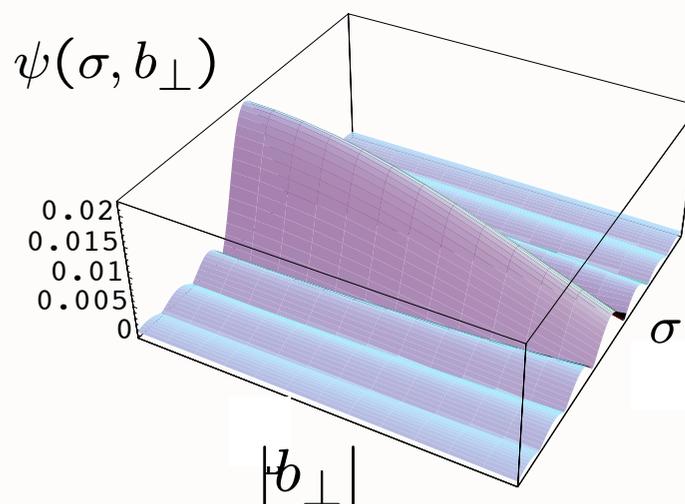
$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}x^-P^+ \quad \xi = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$



The Fourier Spectrum of the DVCS amplitude in σ space for different fixed values of $|b_\perp|$.
GeV units

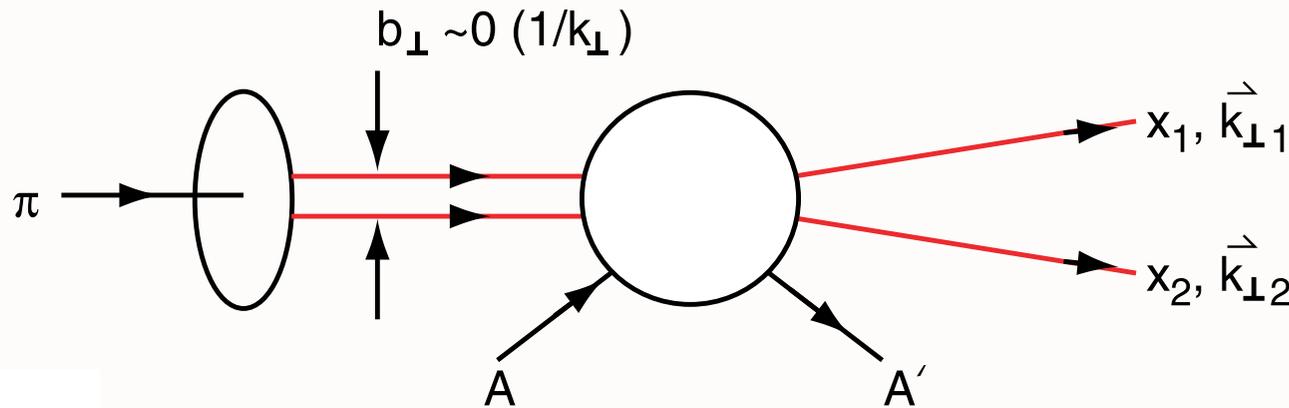
DVCS Amplitude using holographic QCD meson LFWF

$$\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$$



Diffractive Dissociation of Pion into Quark Jets

E791 Ashery et al.

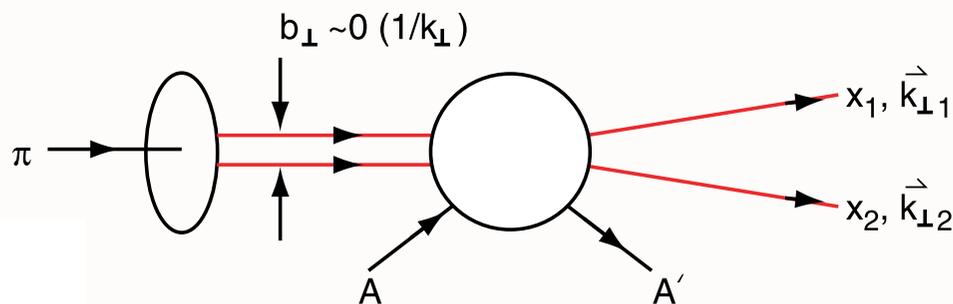


$$M \propto \frac{\partial^2}{\partial^2 k_{\perp}} \psi_{\pi}(x, k_{\perp})$$

Measure Light-Front Wavefunction of Pion

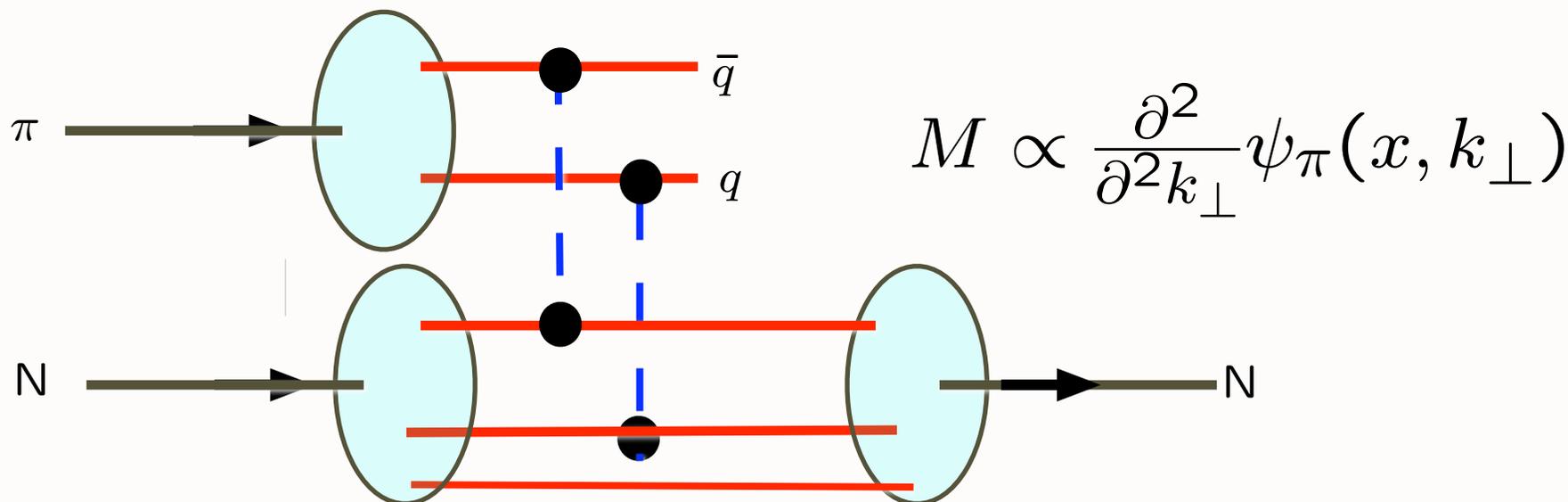
Minimal momentum transfer to nucleus
Nucleus left Intact!

E791 FNAL Diffractive DiJet



Gunion, Frankfurt, Mueller, Strikman, sjb
Frankfurt, Miller, Strikman

Two-gluon exchange measures the second derivative of the pion light-front wavefunction

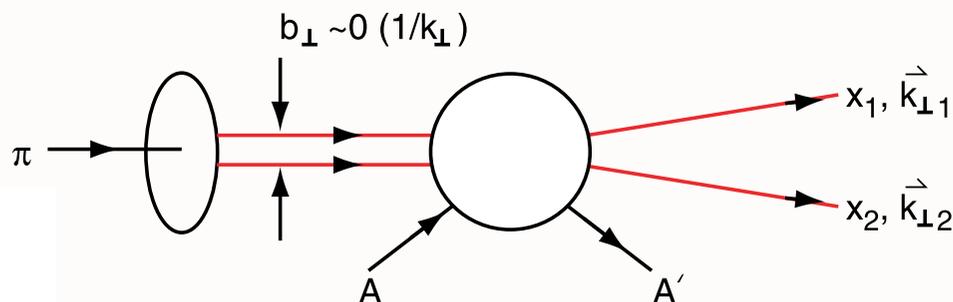


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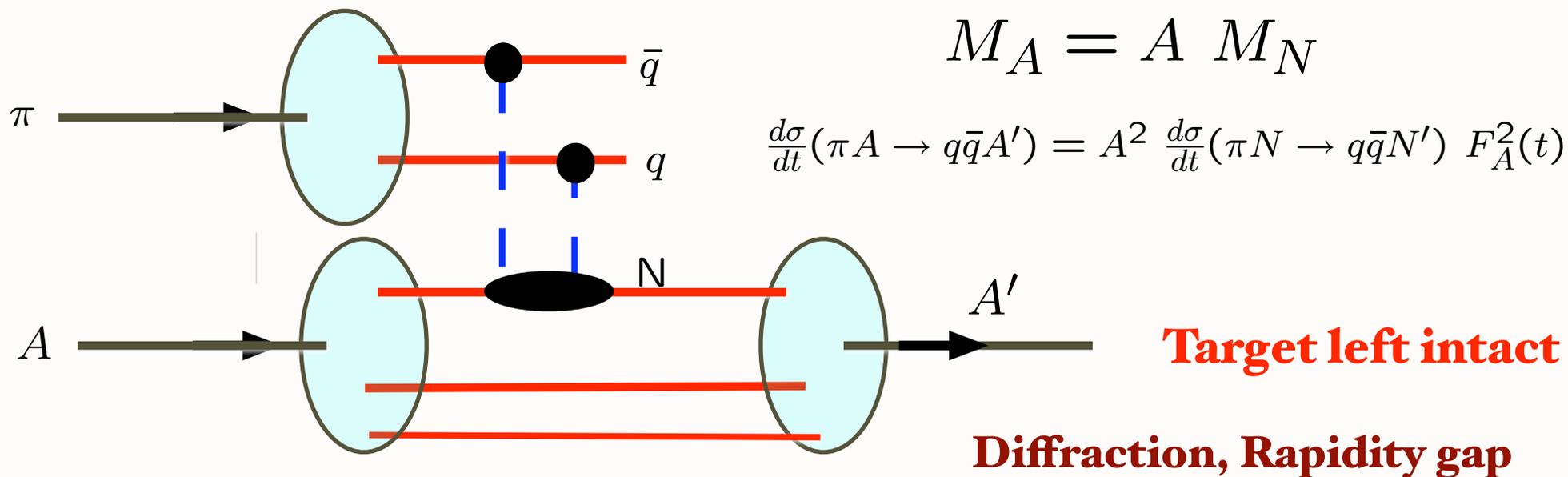
Key Ingredients in E791 Experiment



Brodsky Mueller
Frankfurt Miller Strikman

*Small color-dipole moment pion not absorbed;
interacts with each nucleon coherently*

QCD COLOR Transparency



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Color Transparency

Bertsch, Gunion, Goldhaber, sjb
A. H. Mueller, sjb

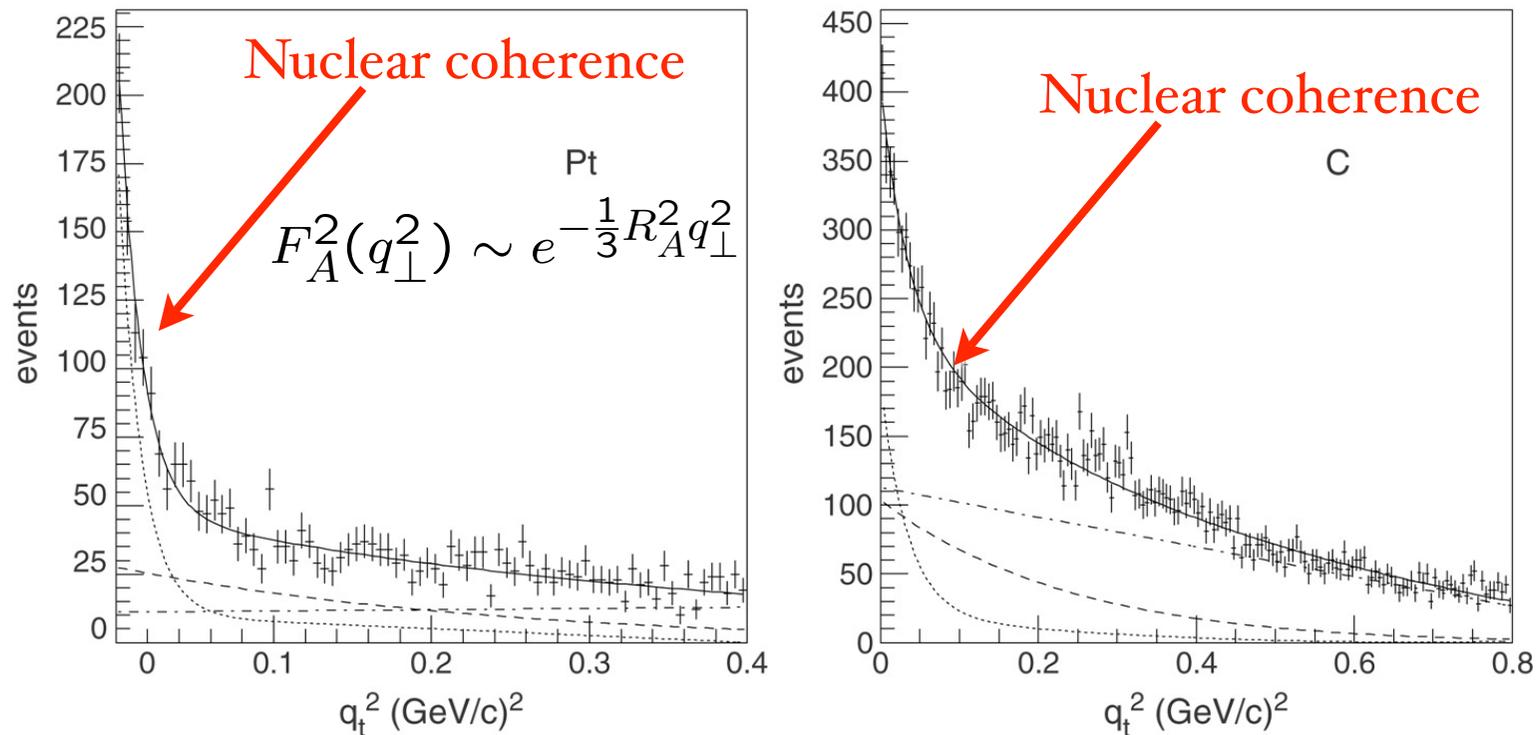
- Fundamental test of gauge theory in hadron physics
- Small color dipole moments interact weakly in nuclei
- Complete coherence at high energies
- Clear Demonstration of CT from Diffractive Di-Jets

- Fully coherent interactions between pion and nucleons.
- Emerging Di-Jets do not interact with nucleus.

$$M(A) = A \cdot M(N)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dq_t^2} \propto A^2 \quad q_t^2 \sim 0$$

$$\sigma \propto A^{4/3}$$



Measure pion LFWF in diffractive dijet production

Confirmation of color transparency

A-Dependence results: $\sigma \propto A^\alpha$

<u>k_t range (GeV/c)</u>	<u>α</u>	<u>α (CT)</u>
$1.25 < k_t < 1.5$	$1.64 +0.06 -0.12$	1.25
$1.5 < k_t < 2.0$	1.52 ± 0.12	1.45
$2.0 < k_t < 2.5$	1.55 ± 0.16	1.60

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α (Incoh.) = 0.70 ± 0.1

*Conventional Glauber Theory Ruled
Out!*

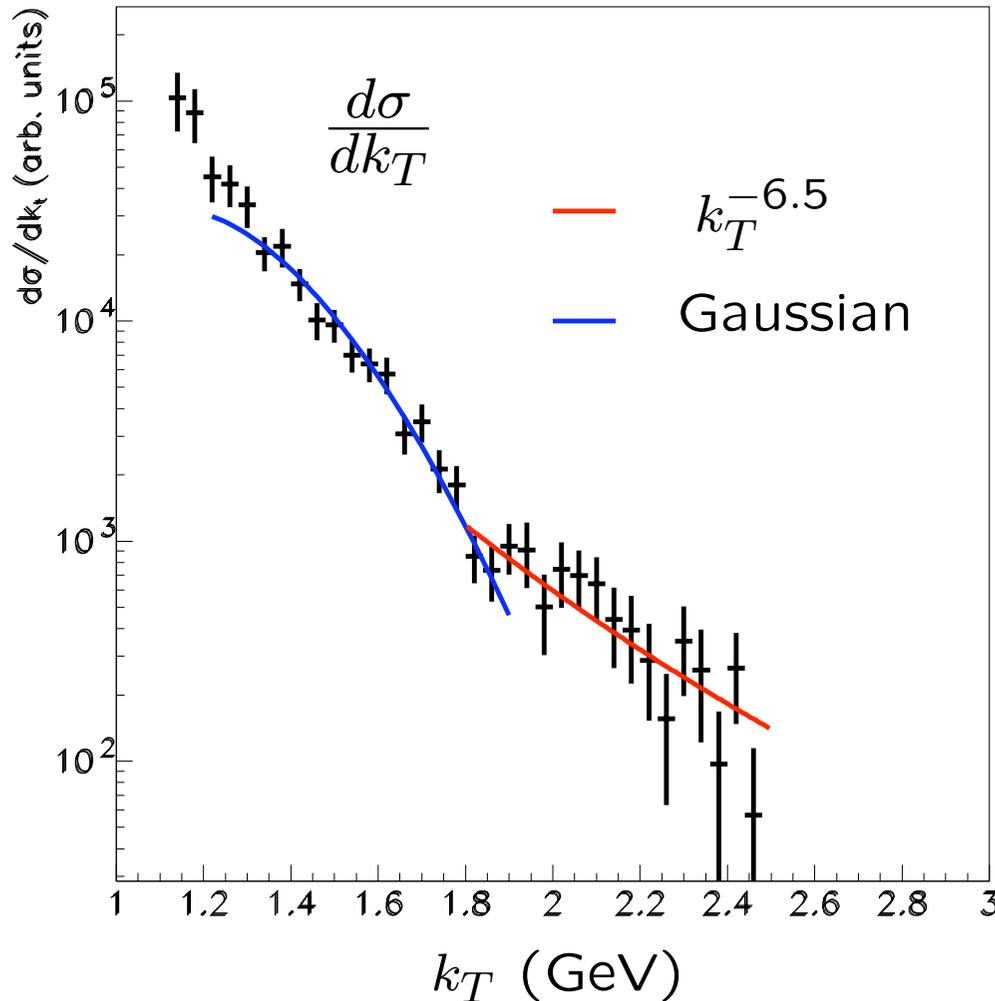
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E79I Diffractive Di-Jet transverse momentum distribution



Two Components

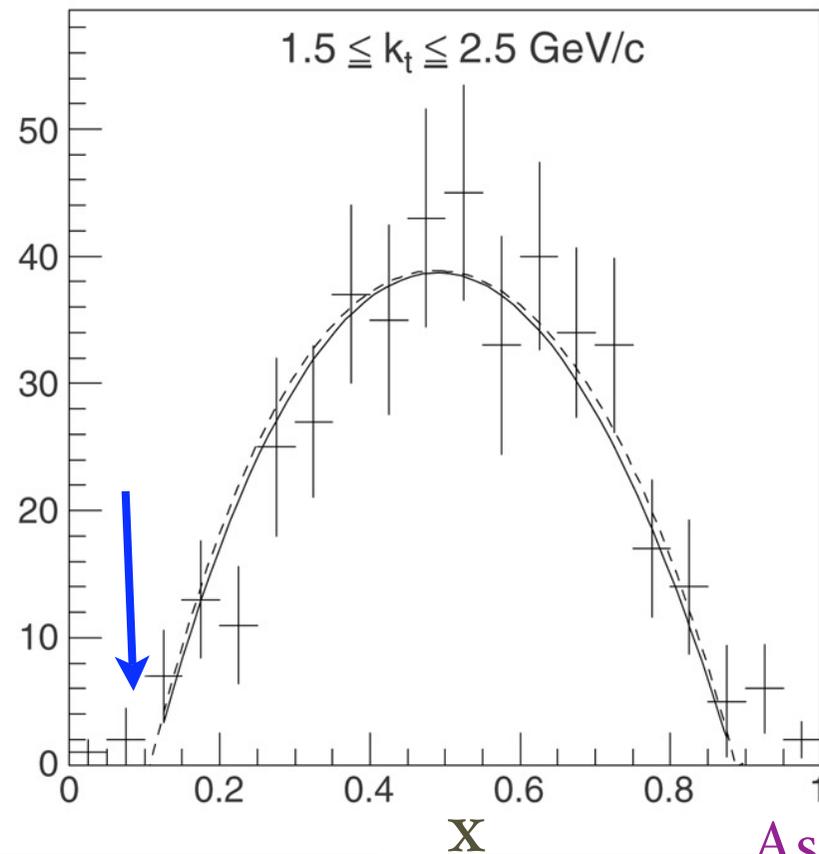
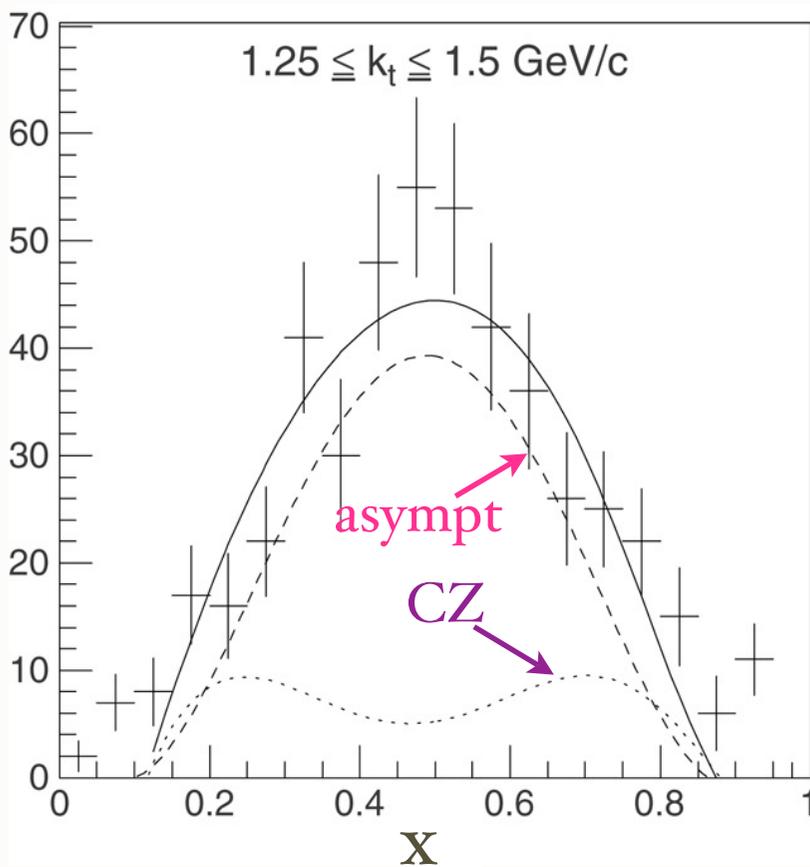
High Transverse momentum dependence consistent with PQCD, ERBL Evolution $k_T^{-6.5}$

Gaussian component similar to AdS/CFT H0 LFWF

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Narrowing of x distribution at higher jet transverse momentum

x : distribution of diffractive dijets from the platinum target for $1.25 \leq k_t \leq 1.5$ GeV/ c (left) and for $1.5 \leq k_t \leq 2.5$ GeV/ c (right). The solid line is a fit to a combination of the asymptotic and CZ distribution amplitudes. The dashed line shows the contribution from the asymptotic function and the dotted line that of the CZ function.

Possibly two components:

**Nonperturbative (AdS/CFT) and
Perturbative (ERBL)**

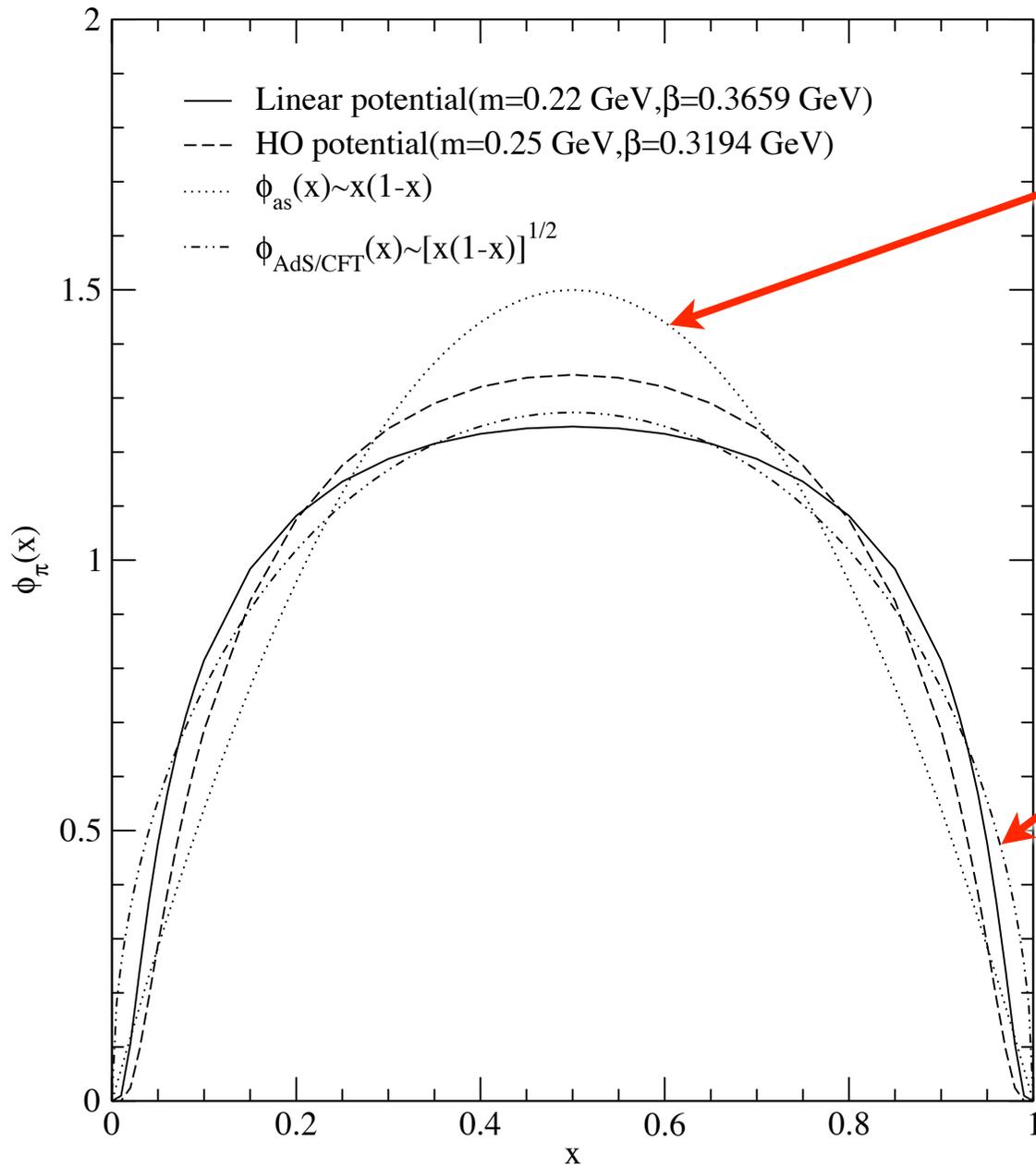
$$\phi(x) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

Evolution to asymptotic distribution

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$$\phi_{asympt} \sim x(1-x)$$

AdS/CFT:

$$\phi(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

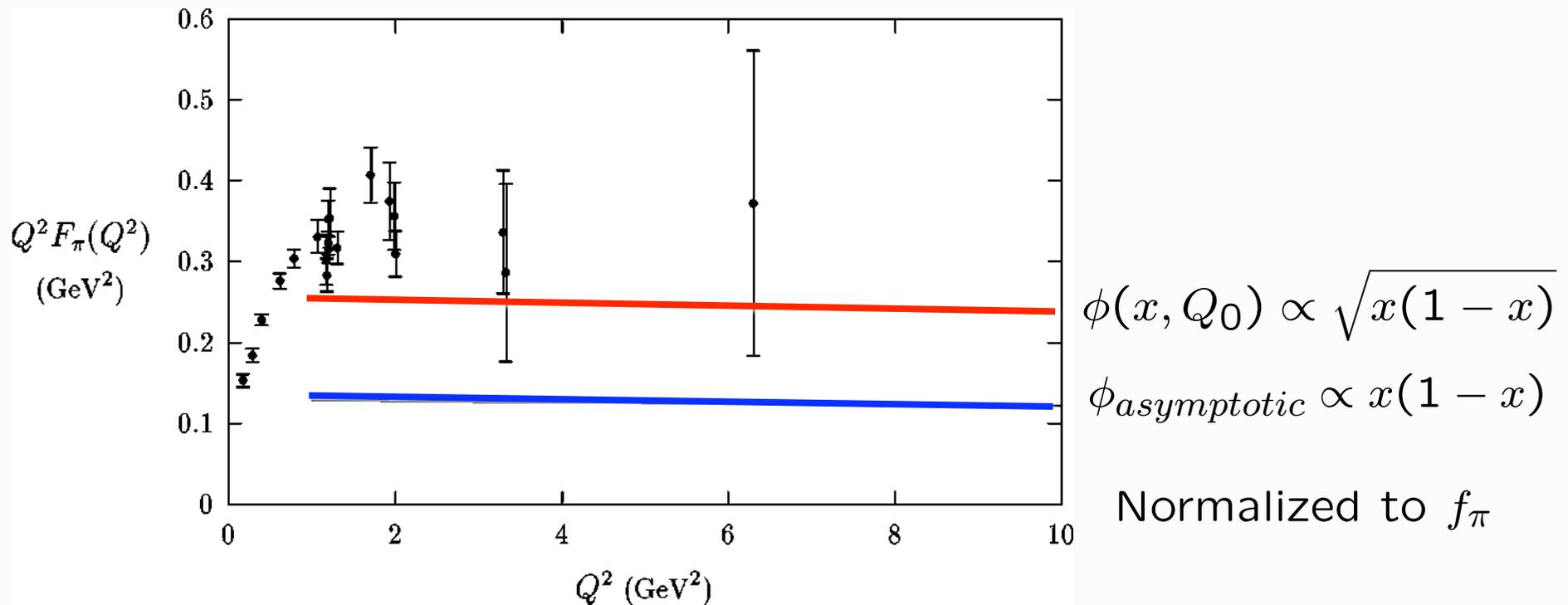
Increases PQCD leading twist prediction
 $F_\pi(Q^2)$ by factor 16/9

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$$F_{\pi}(Q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \phi_{\pi}(x) \int_0^1 dy \phi_{\pi}(y) \frac{16\pi C_F \alpha_V(Q_V)}{(1-x)(1-y)Q^2}$$



AdS/CFT:

Increases PQCD leading twist prediction for $F_{\pi}(Q^2)$ by factor 16/9

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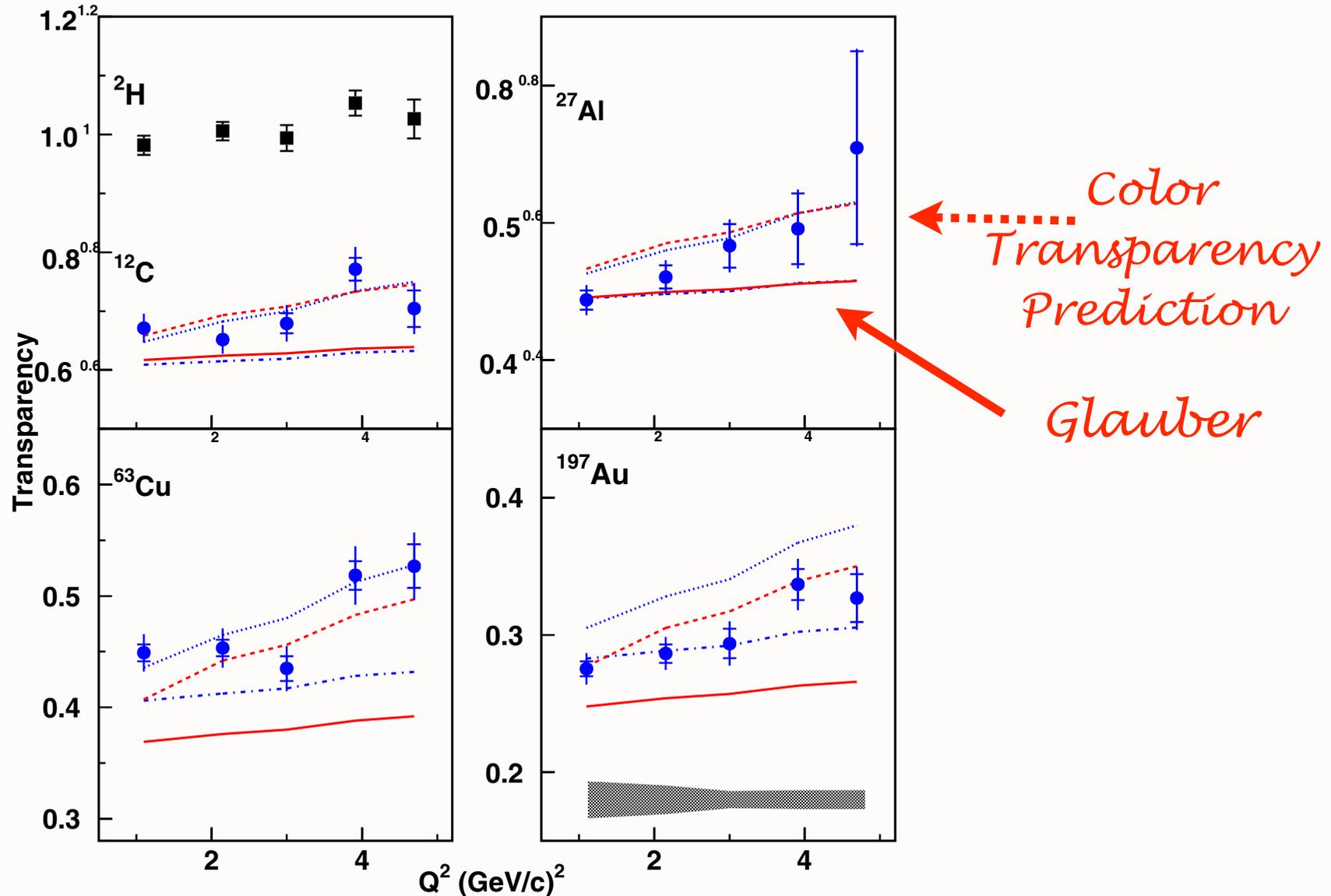
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Measurement of Nuclear Transparency for the $A(e, e' \pi^+)$ Reaction

$$eA \rightarrow e' \pi^+ X$$

B. Clasie, et al, Jlab

PRL 99, 242502 (2007)

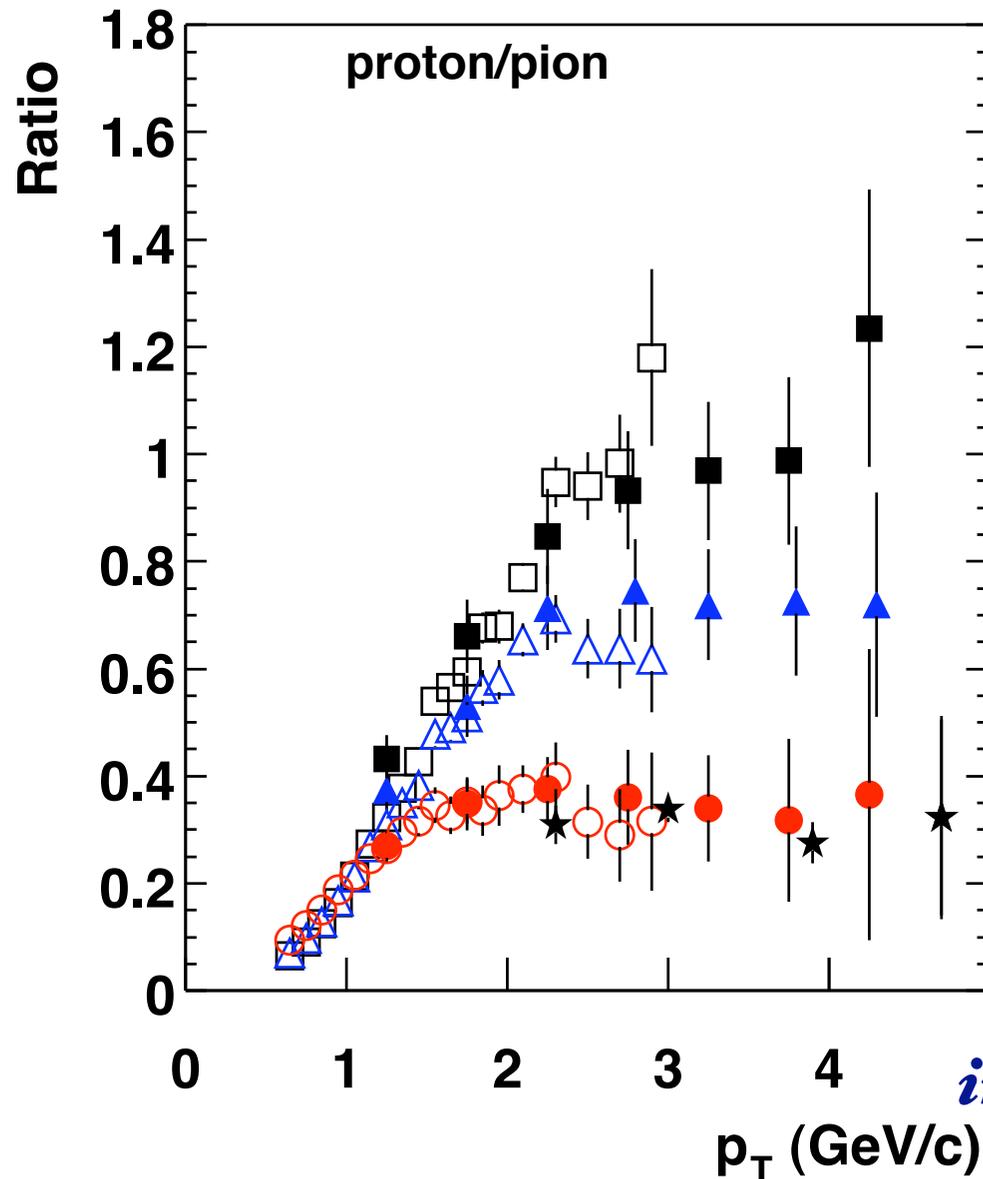


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Particle ratio changes with centrality!



← **Central**

- ■ Au+Au 0-10%
- △ ▲ Au+Au 20-30%
- ● Au+Au 60-92%
- ★ p+p, $\sqrt{s} = 53$ GeV, ISR
- e⁺e⁻, gluon jets, DELPHI
- e⁺e⁻, quark jets, DELPHI

← **Peripheral**

*Protons less absorbed
in nuclear collisions than pions!*

Open (filled) points are for π^\pm (π^0), respectively.

Baryon can be made directly within hard subprocess

**Coalescence
within hard
subprocess**

Bjorken
Blankenbecler, Gunion, sjb
Berger, sjb
Hoyer, et al: Semi-Exclusive

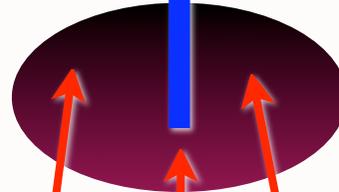
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$$uu \rightarrow p\bar{d}$$

$$\phi_p(x_1, x_2, x_3) \propto \Lambda_{QCD}^2$$

*Small color-singlet
Color Transparent
Minimal same-side energy*

u



d

u

gg

gg

*Collision can produce 3
collinear quarks*

$$\mathbf{n}_{\text{active}} = 6$$

$$qq \rightarrow B\bar{q}$$

$$\mathbf{n}_{\text{eff}} = 2\mathbf{n}_{\text{active}} - 4$$

$$\mathbf{n}_{\text{eff}} = 8$$

d

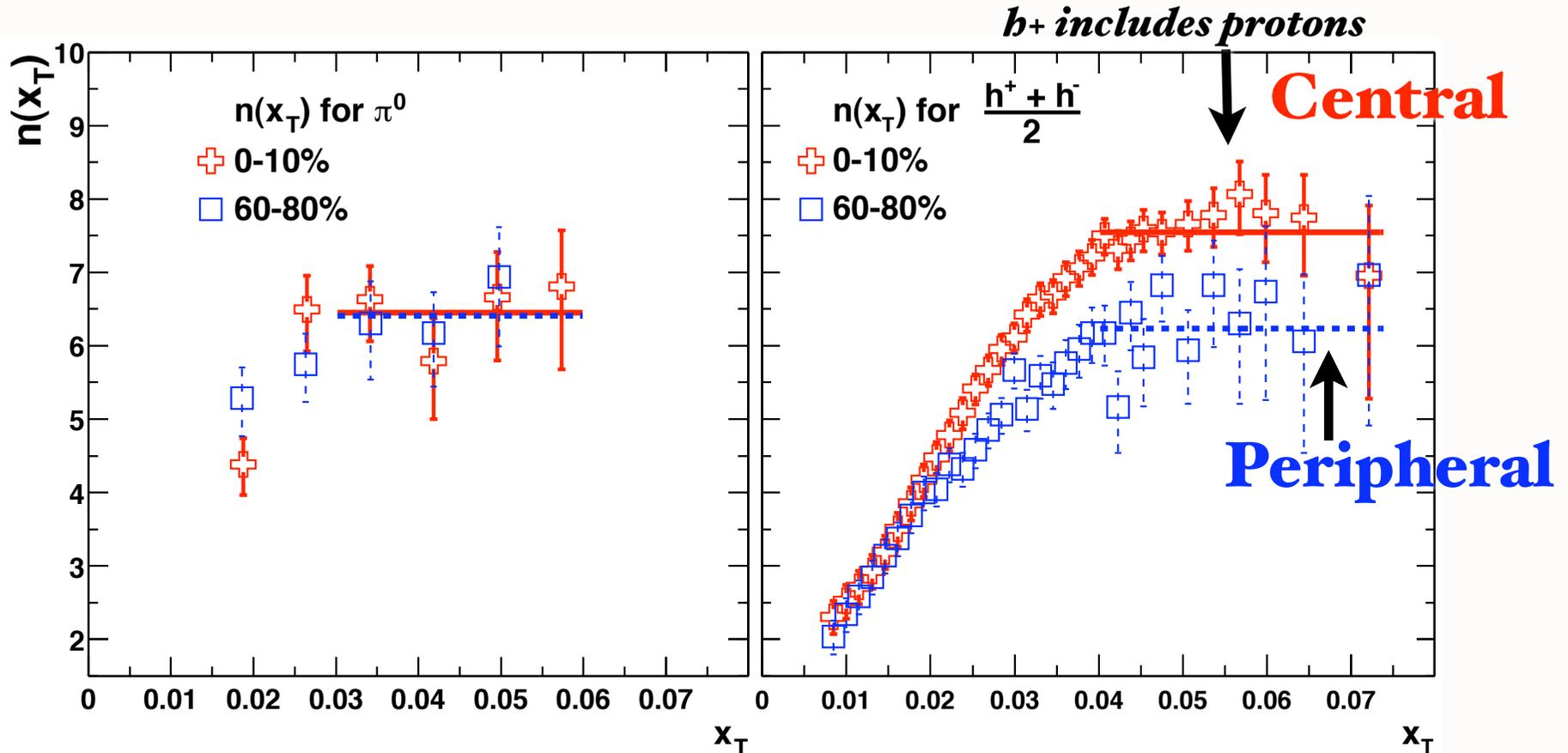
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Power-law exponent $n(x_T)$ for π^0 and h spectra in central and peripheral Au+Au collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$ and 200 GeV

S. S. Adler, *et al.*, PHENIX Collaboration, *Phys. Rev. C* **69**, 034910 (2004) [nucl-ex/0308006].



Proton production dominated by color-transparent direct high n_{eff} subprocesses

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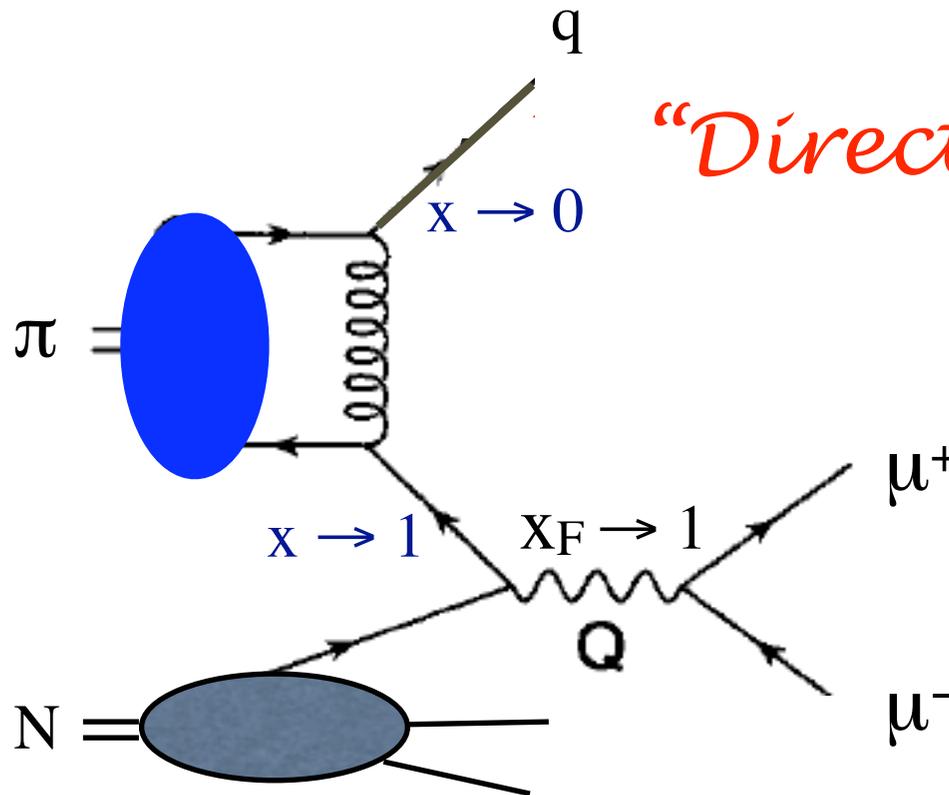
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$$\pi N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X \text{ at high } x_F$$

In the limit where $(1-x_F)Q^2$ is fixed as $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$

Entire pion wf
contributes to
hard process



“Direct” Subprocess

Virtual photon is
longitudinally
polarized

Berger and Brodsky, PRL 42 (1979) 940

$\pi^- N \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- X$ at 80 GeV/c

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto 1 + \lambda \cos^2\theta + \rho \sin 2\theta \cos\phi + \omega \sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi.$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dx_\pi d\cos\theta} \propto x_\pi \left[(1 - x_\pi)^2 (1 + \cos^2\theta) + \frac{4}{9} \frac{\langle k_T^2 \rangle}{M^2} \sin^2\theta \right]$$

$$\langle k_T^2 \rangle = 0.62 \pm 0.16 \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$$

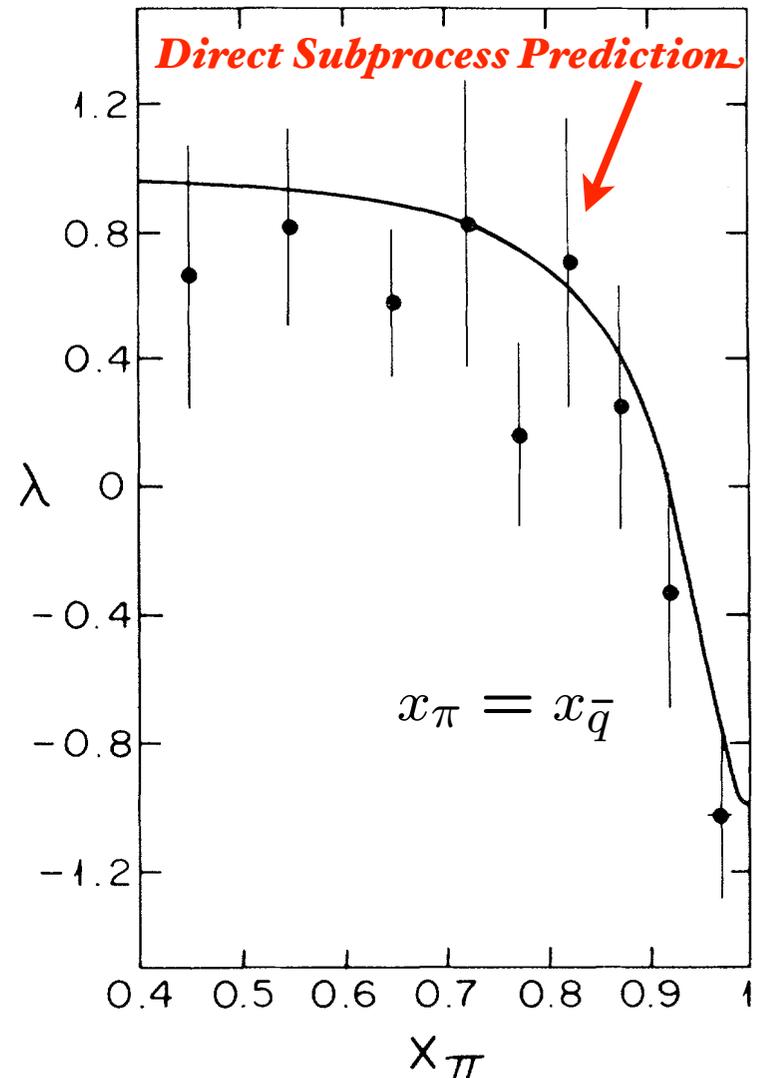
*Dramatic change in
angular distribution at
large x_F*

**Example of a higher-twist
direct subprocess**

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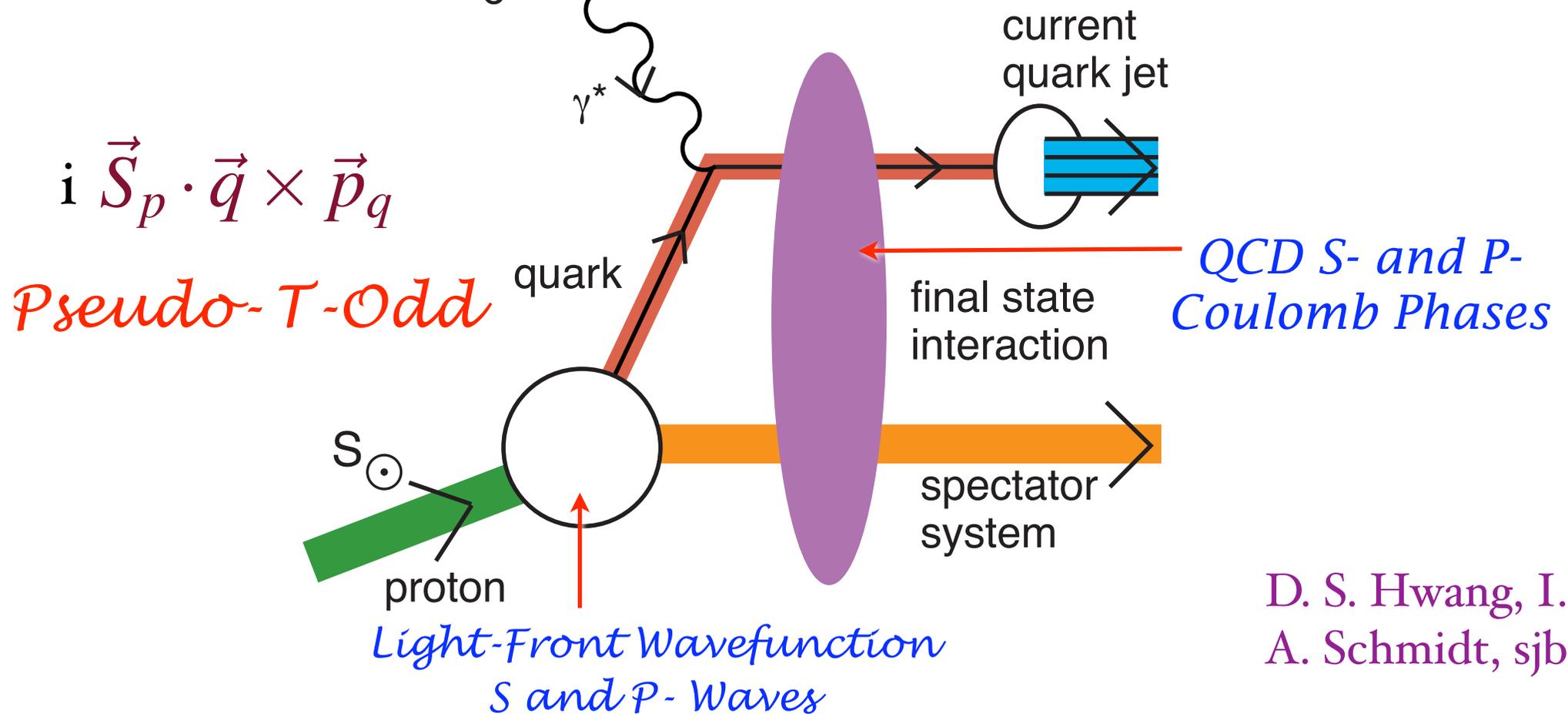
Phys.Rev.Lett.55:2649,1985

Hadron Dynamics at the Amplitude Level

- LFWFS are the universal hadronic amplitudes which underlie structure functions, GPDs, exclusive processes, distribution amplitudes, direct subprocesses, hadronization.
- Relation of spin, momentum, and other distributions to physics of the hadron itself.
- Connections between observables, orbital angular momentum
- Role of FSI and ISIs--Sivers effect

Single-spin asymmetries

Leading-Twist Sivers Effect



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Final-State Interactions Produce

T-Odd (Sivers Effect) $i \vec{S} \cdot \vec{p}_{jet} \times \vec{q}$

- Bjorken Scaling!
- Arises from Interference of Final-State Coulomb Phases in S and P waves
- Relate to the quark contribution to the target proton anomalous magnetic moment

Hwang, Schmidt. sjb;
Burkardt

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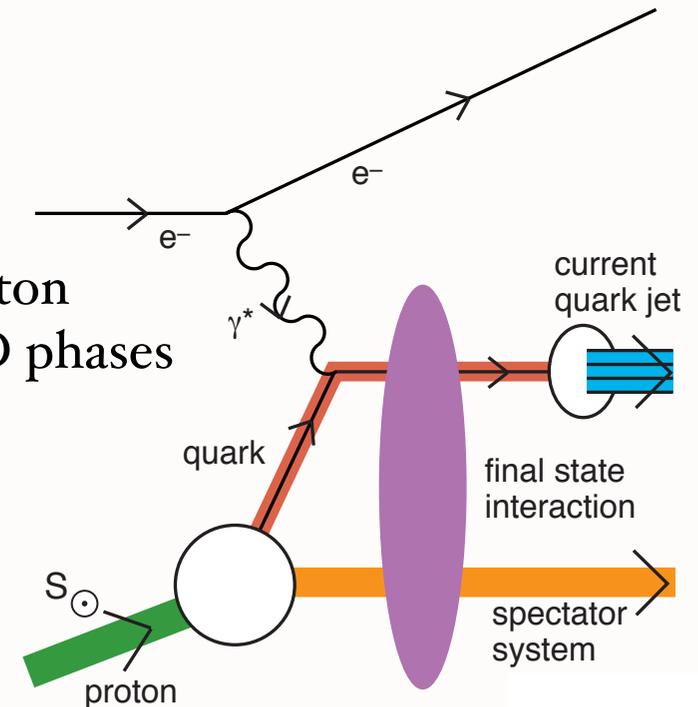
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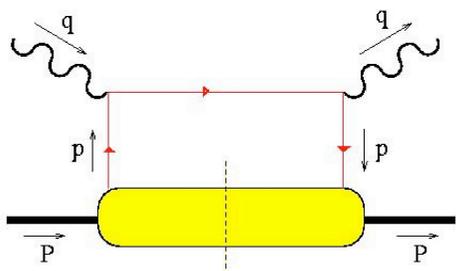
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Final-State Interactions Produce Pseudo-T-Odd (Sivers Effect)

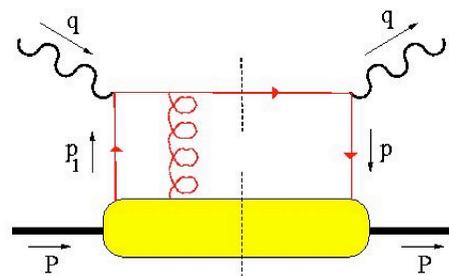
- Leading-Twist Bjorken Scaling!
- Requires nonzero orbital angular momentum of quark!
- Arises from the interference of Final-State QCD Coulomb phases in S- and P- waves; Wilson line effect; gauge independent
- Unexpected QCD Effect -- thought to be zero!
- Relate to the quark contribution to the target proton anomalous magnetic moment and final-state QCD phases
- QCD Coulomb phase at soft scale
- Measure in jet trigger or leading hadron
- Sum of Sivers Functions for all quarks and gluons vanishes. (Zero gravito-anomalous magnetic moment: $B(o) = 0$)

$$i \vec{S} \cdot \vec{p}_{jet} \times \vec{q}$$





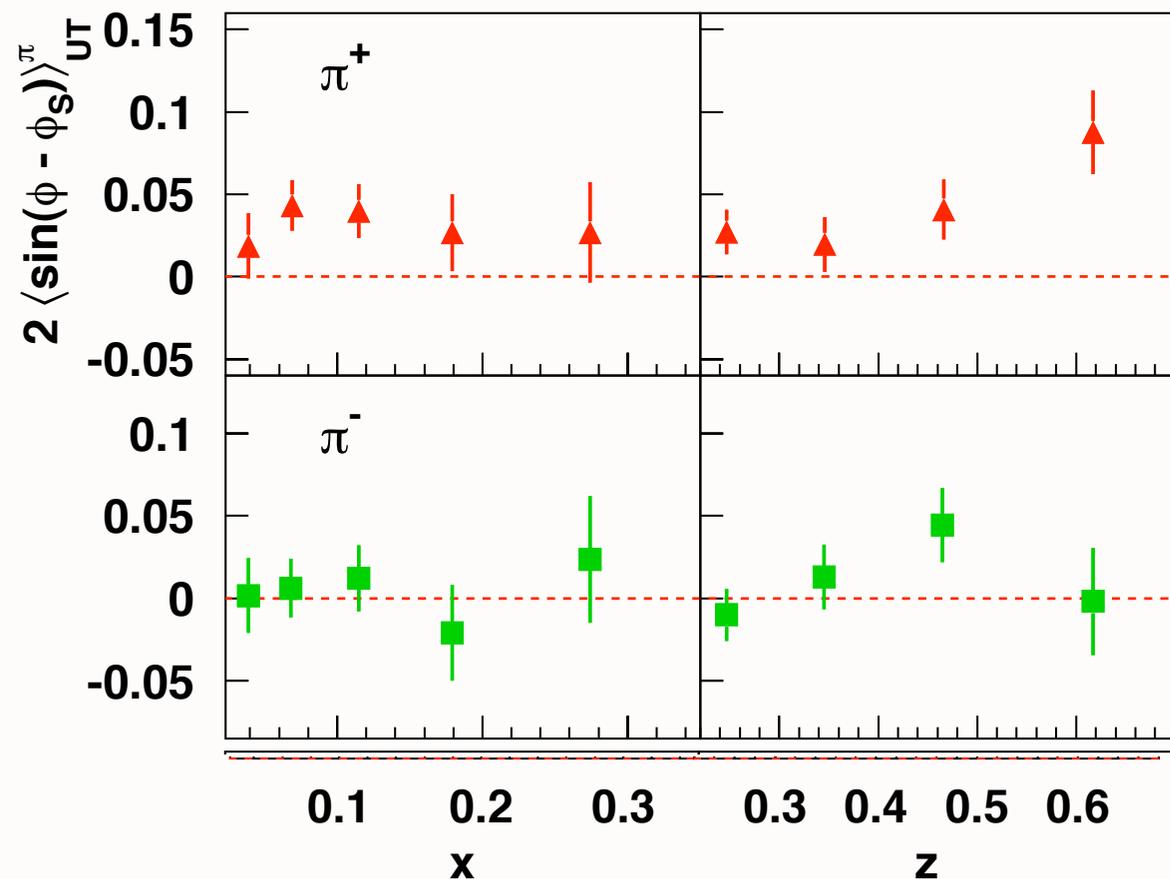
can interfere with



and produce a T-odd effect!
(also need $L_z \neq 0$)

HERMES coll., A. Airapetian et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 94 (2005) 012002.

Sivers asymmetry from HERMES



- First evidence for non-zero Sivers function!
- \Rightarrow presence of non-zero **quark orbital angular momentum!**
- **Positive** for π^+ ...
Consistent with zero for π^- ...

Gamberg: Hermes data compatible with BHS model

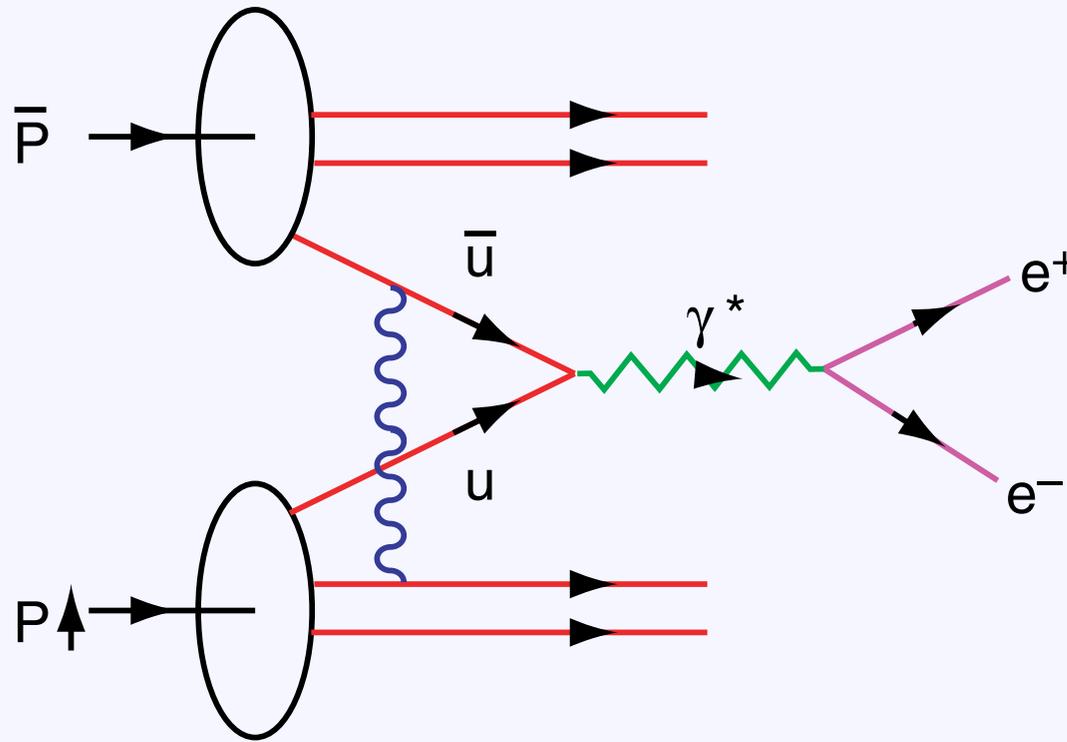
Schmidt, Lu: Hermes charge pattern follow quark contributions to anomalous moment

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Predict Opposite Sign SSA in DY !



Collins;
Hwang, Schmidt.
sjb

Single Spin Asymmetry In the Drell Yan Process

$$\vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{p} \times \vec{q}_{\gamma^*}$$

Quarks Interact in the Initial State

Interference of Coulomb Phases for S and P states

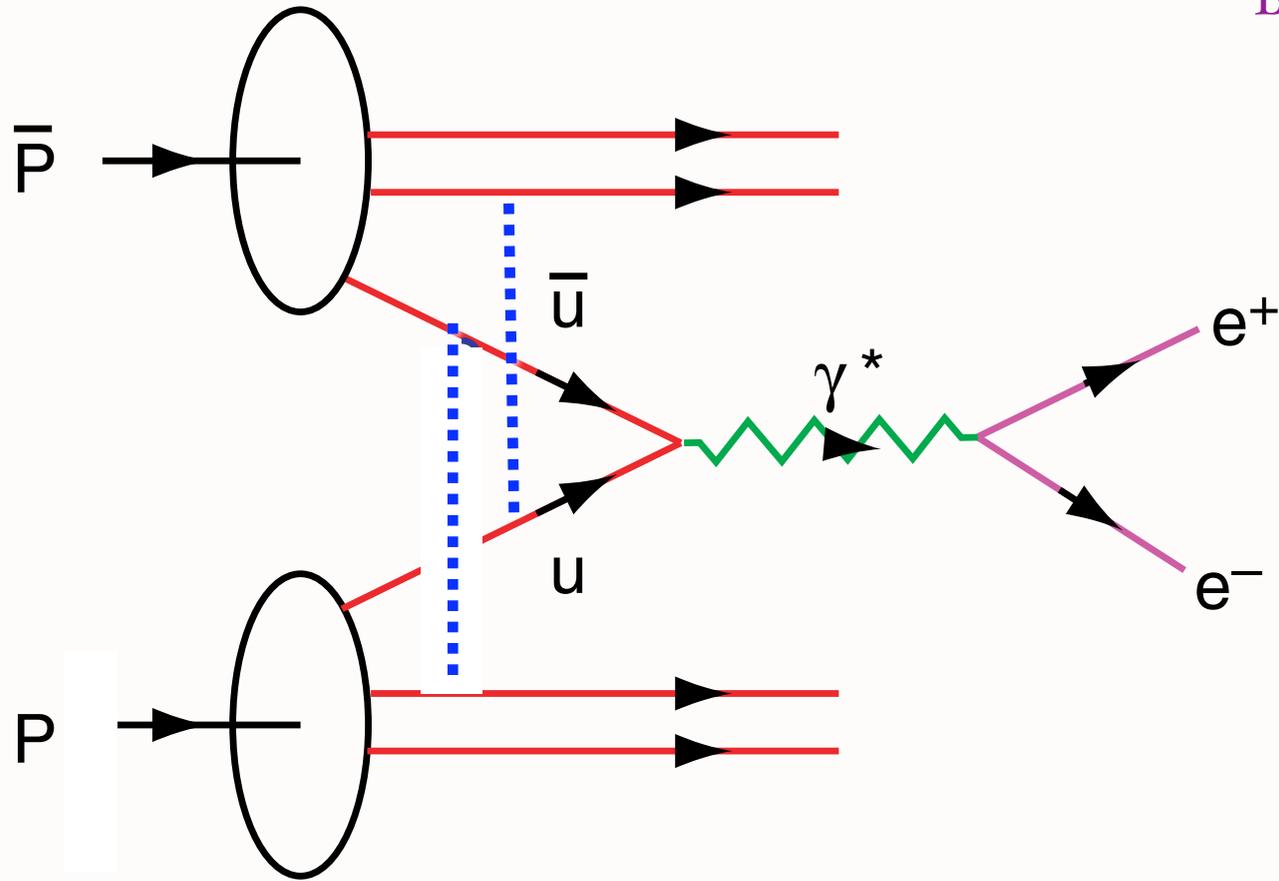
Produce Single Spin Asymmetry [Siver's Effect] Proportional
to the Proton Anomalous Moment and α_s .

Opposite Sign to DIS! No Factorization

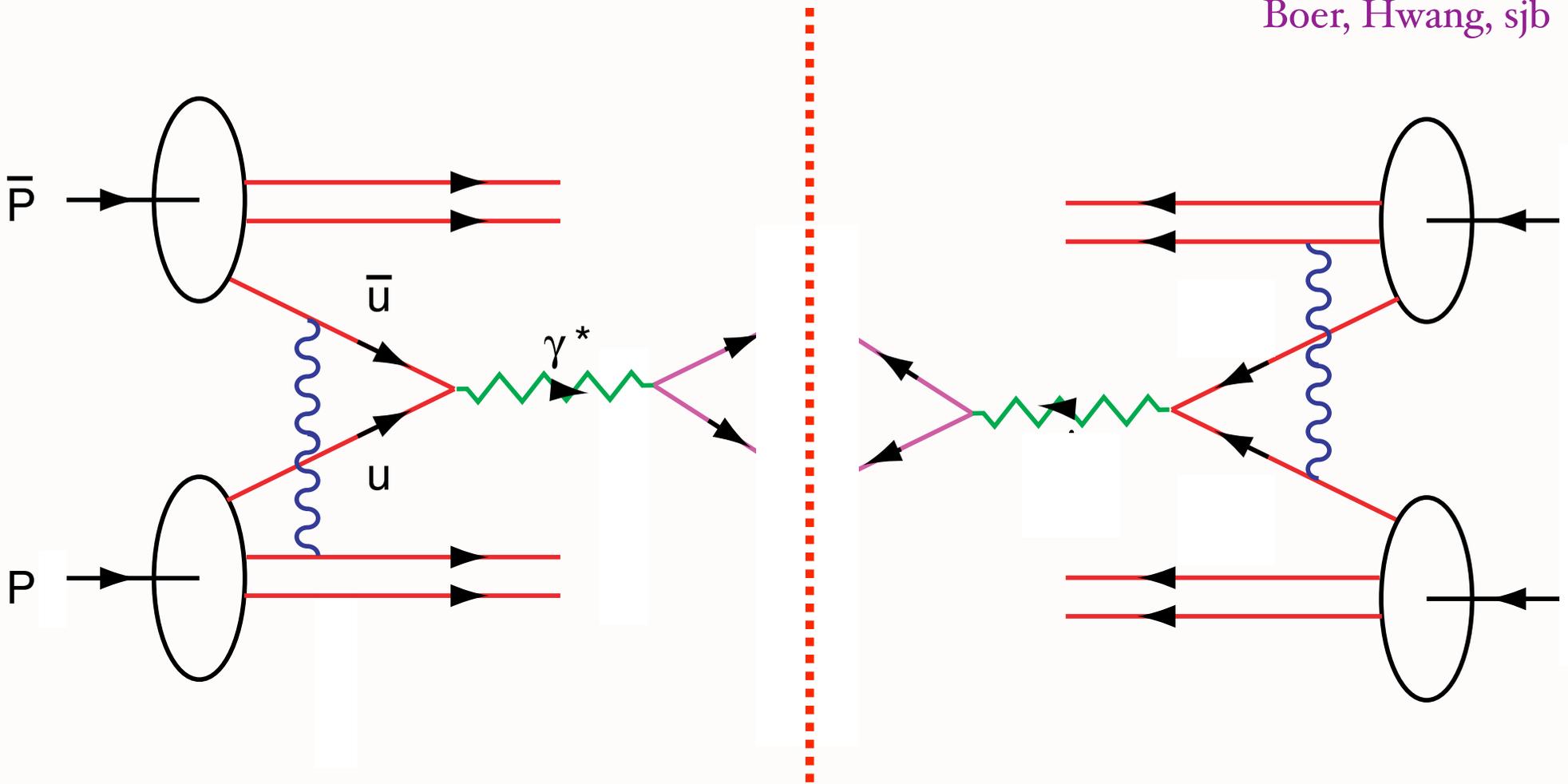
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$DY \cos 2\phi$ correlation at leading twist from double ISI

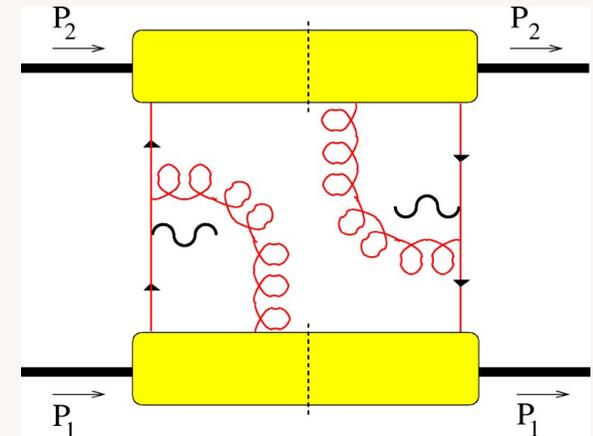


$DY \cos 2\phi$ correlation at leading twist from double ISI

Anomalous effect from Double ISI in Massive Lepton Production

Boer, Hwang, sjb

$\cos 2\phi$ correlation



- Leading Twist, valence quark dominated
- Violates Lam-Tung Relation!
- Not obtained from standard PQCD subprocess analysis
- Normalized to the square of the single spin asymmetry in semi-inclusive DIS
- No polarization required
- Challenge to standard picture of PQCD Factorization

Double Initial-State Interactions

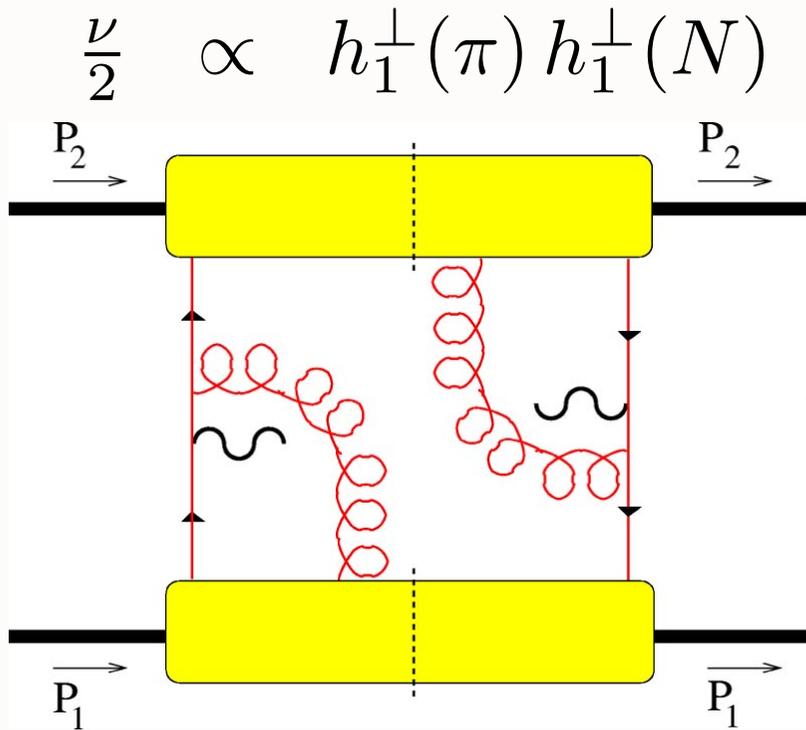
generate anomalous $\cos 2\phi$

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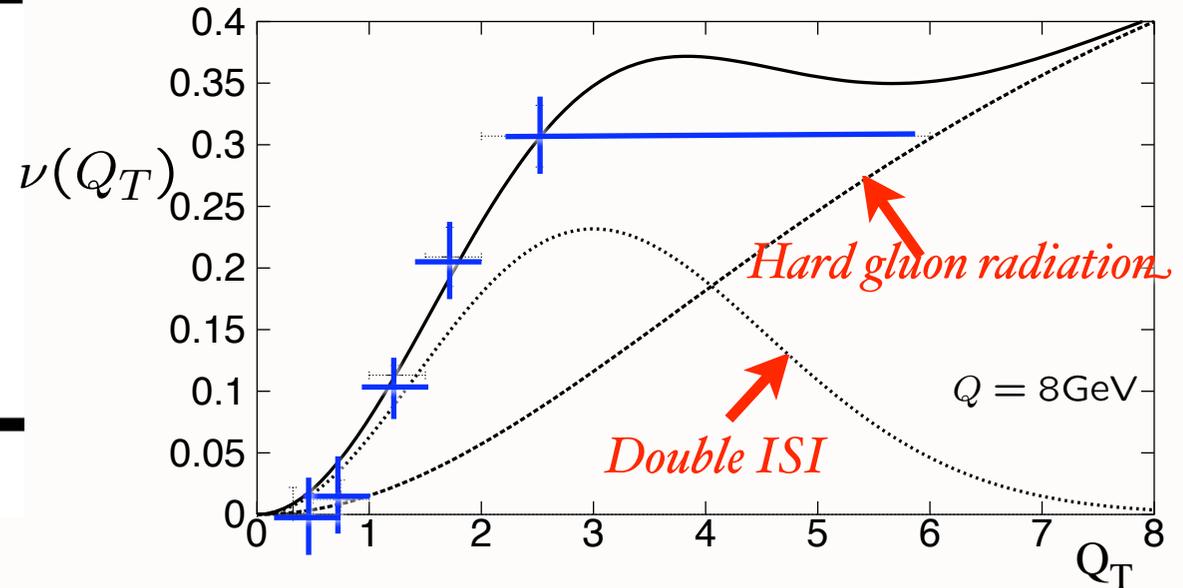
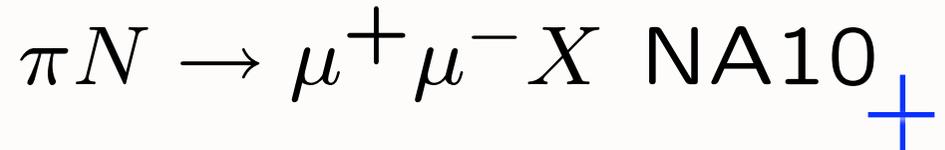
Drell-Yan planar correlations

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto \left(1 + \lambda \cos^2 \theta + \mu \sin 2\theta \cos \phi + \frac{\nu}{2} \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi \right)$$

PQCD Factorization (Lam Tung): $1 - \lambda - 2\nu = 0$



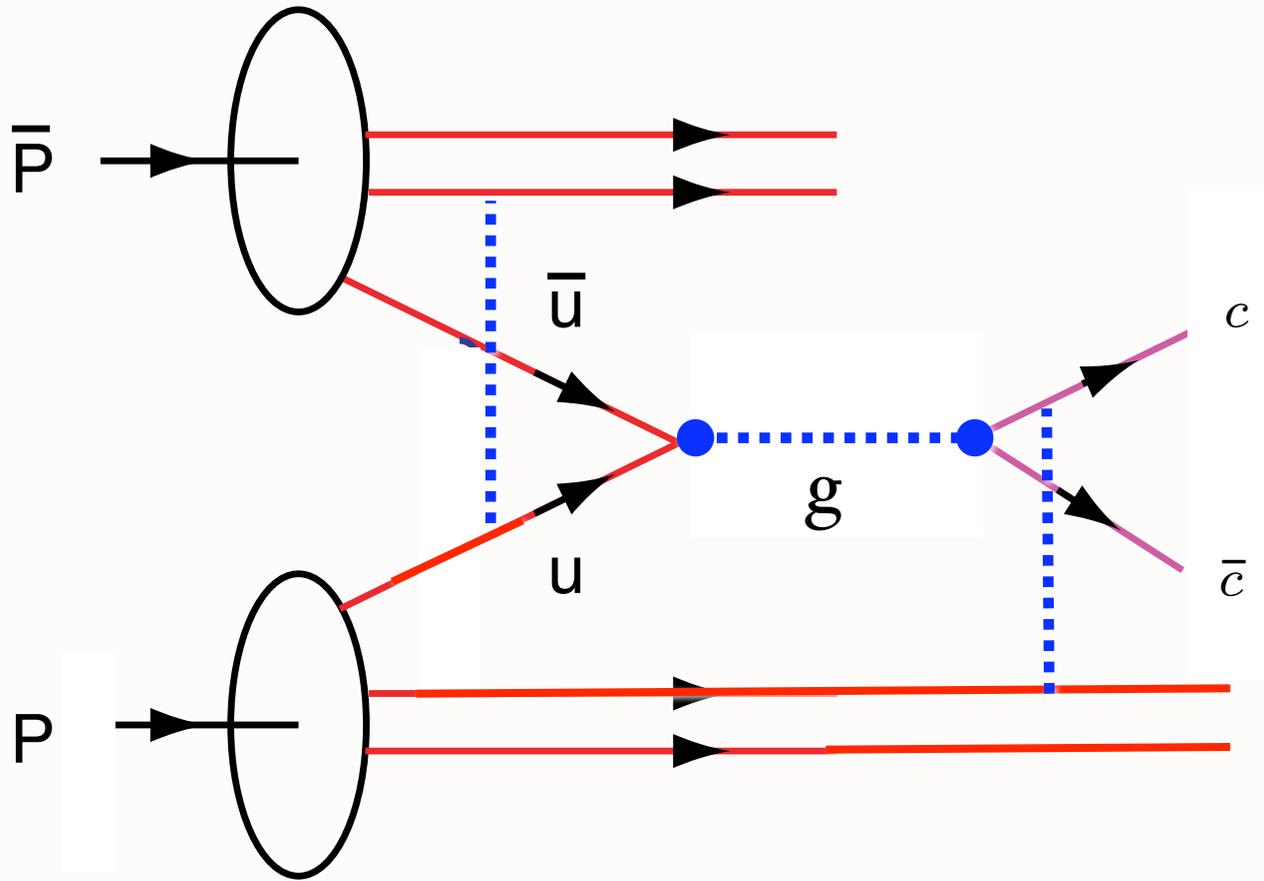
Violates Lam-Tung relation!



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Model: Boer,
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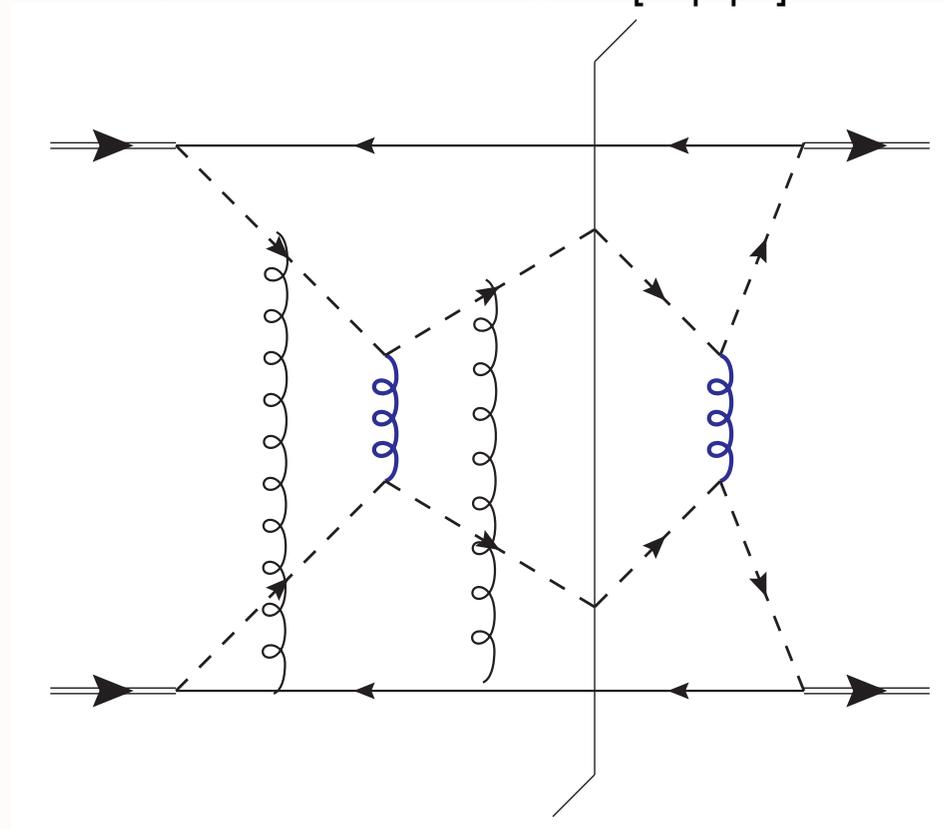


Problem for factorization when both ISI and FSI occur

Factorization is violated in production of high-transverse-momentum particles in hadron-hadron collisions

John Collins, [Jian-Wei Qiu](#) . ANL-HEP-PR-07-25, May 2007.

e-Print: [arXiv:0705.2141](#) [hep-ph]



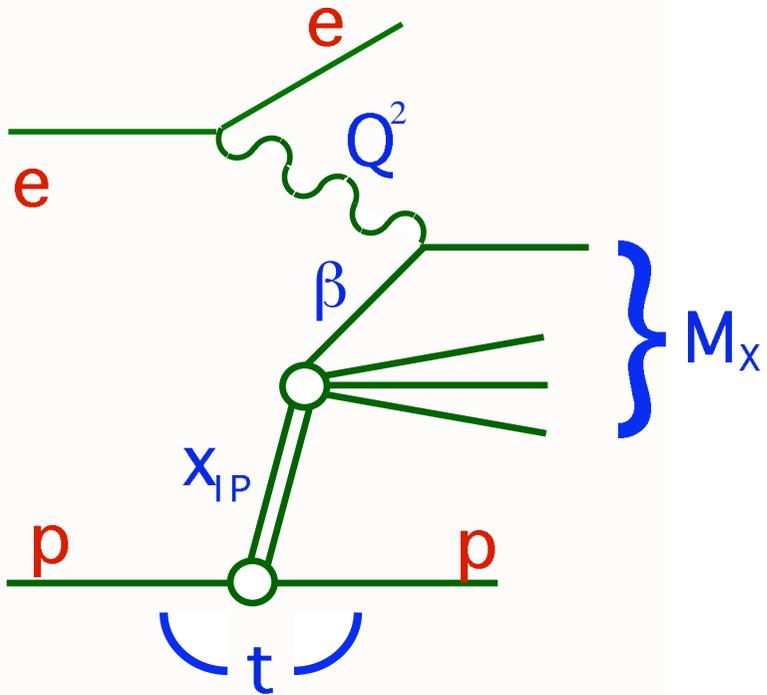
The exchange of two extra gluons, as in this graph, will tend to give non-factorization in unpolarized cross sections.

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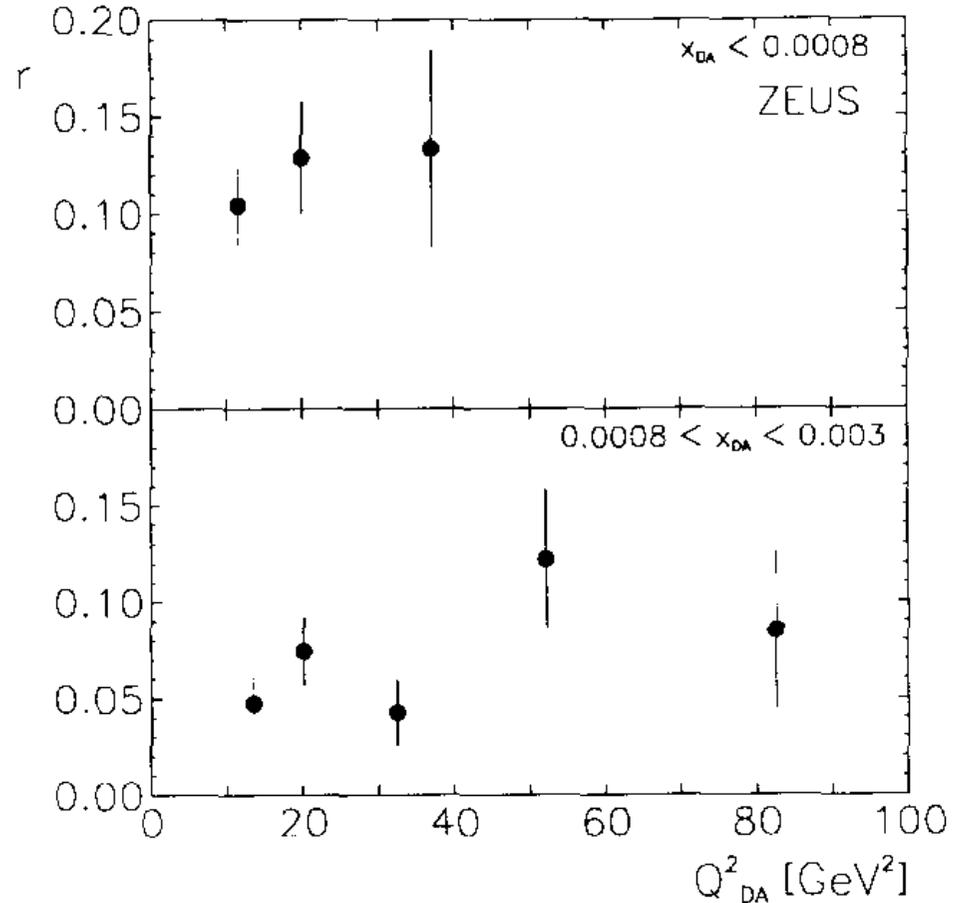
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Remarkable observation at HERA



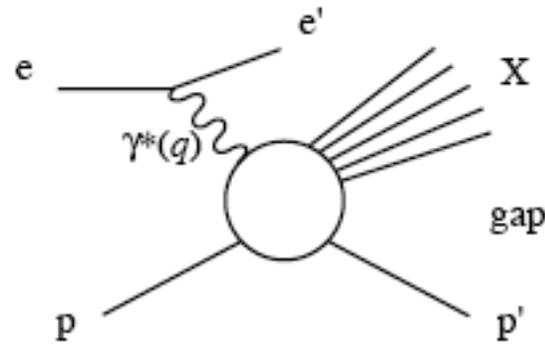
*10% to 15%
of DIS events
are
diffractive!*



Fraction r of events with a large rapidity gap, $\eta_{\max} < 1.5$, as a function of Q^2_{DA} for two ranges of x_{DA} . No acceptance corrections have been applied.

M. Derrick et al. [ZEUS Collaboration], Phys. Lett. B 315, 481 (1993).

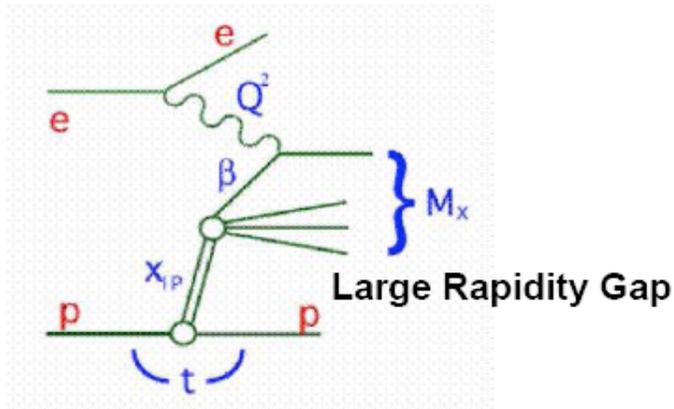
DDIS



- In a large fraction ($\sim 10\text{--}15\%$) of DIS events, the proton escapes intact, keeping a large fraction of its initial momentum
- This leaves a large *rapidity gap* between the proton and the produced particles
- The t -channel exchange must be *color singlet* \rightarrow a *pomeron*??

Diffractive Deep Inelastic Lepton-Proton Scattering

Diffraction Structure Function F_2^D



Diffraction inclusive cross section

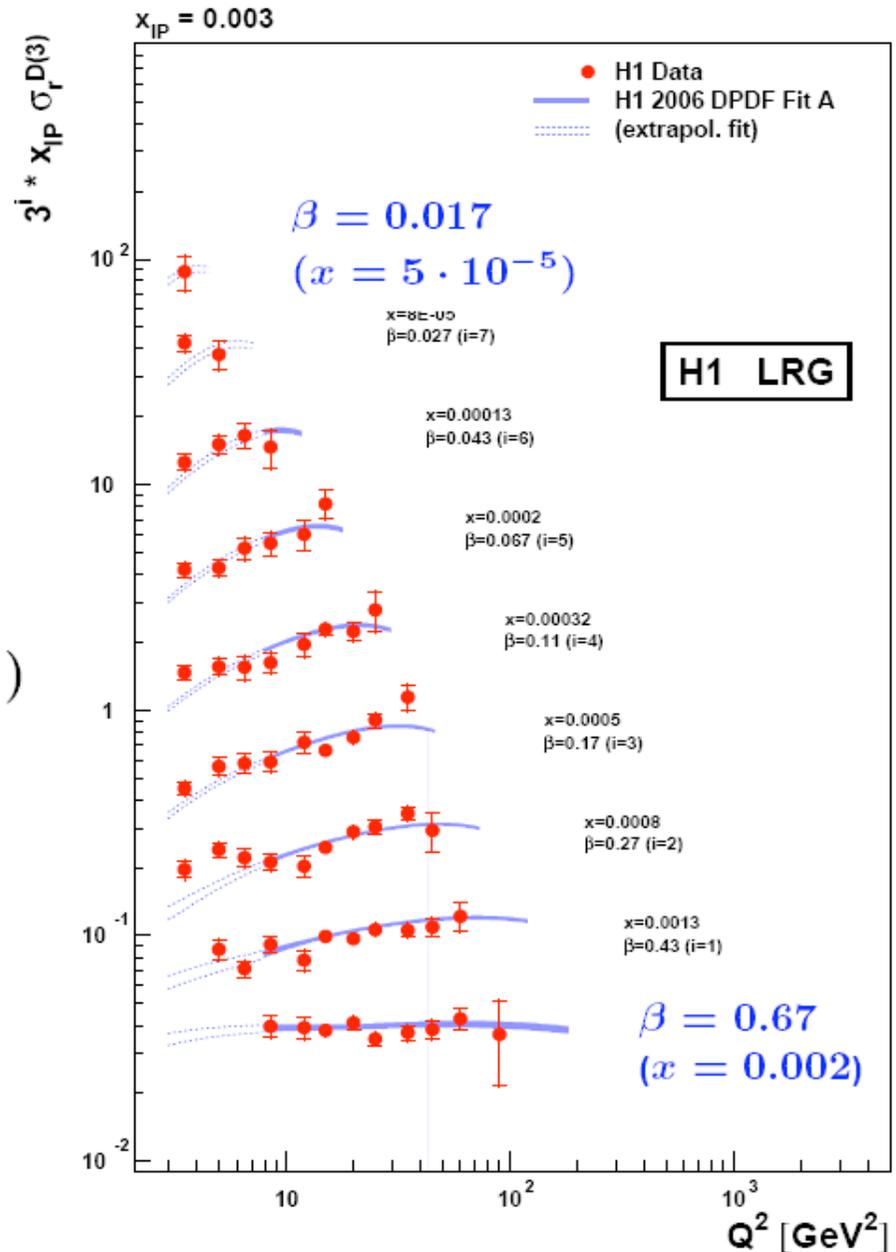
$$\frac{d^3 \sigma_{NC}^{diff}}{dx_{\mathbb{P}} d\beta dQ^2} \propto \frac{2\pi\alpha^2}{xQ^4} F_2^{D(3)}(x_{\mathbb{P}}, \beta, Q^2)$$

$$F_2^D(x_{\mathbb{P}}, \beta, Q^2) = f(x_{\mathbb{P}}) \cdot F_2^{\mathbb{P}}(\beta, Q^2)$$

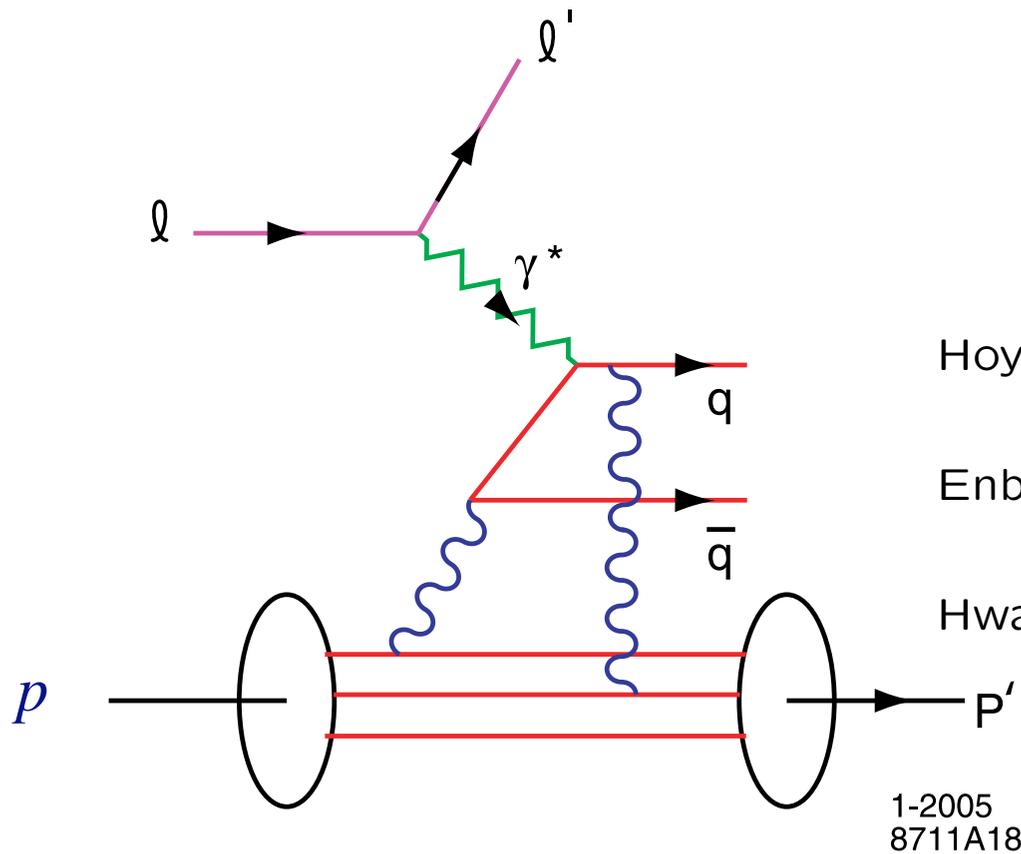
extract DPDF and $xg(x)$ from scaling violation

Large kinematic domain $3 < Q^2 < 1600 \text{ GeV}^2$

Precise measurements sys 5%, stat 5–20 %



Final-State Interaction Produces Diffractive DIS



Quark Rescattering

Hoyer, Marchal, Peigne, Sannino, SJB (BHM)

Enberg, Hoyer, Ingelman, SJB

Hwang, Schmidt, SJB

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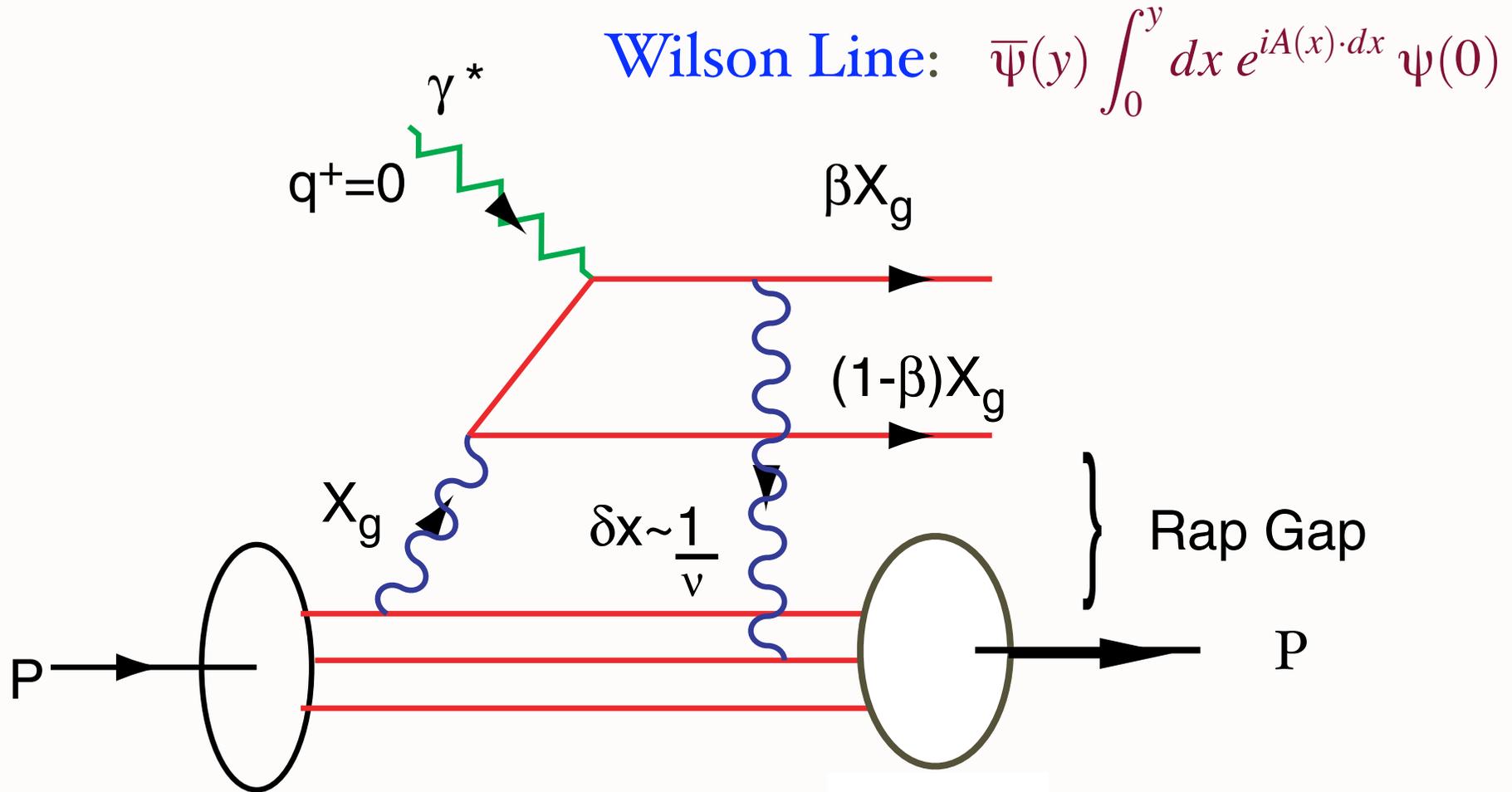
Low-Nussinov model of Pomeron

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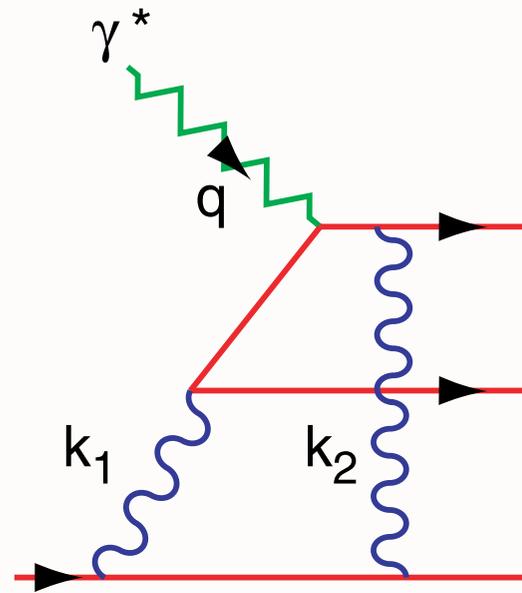
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QCD Mechanism for Rapidity Gaps

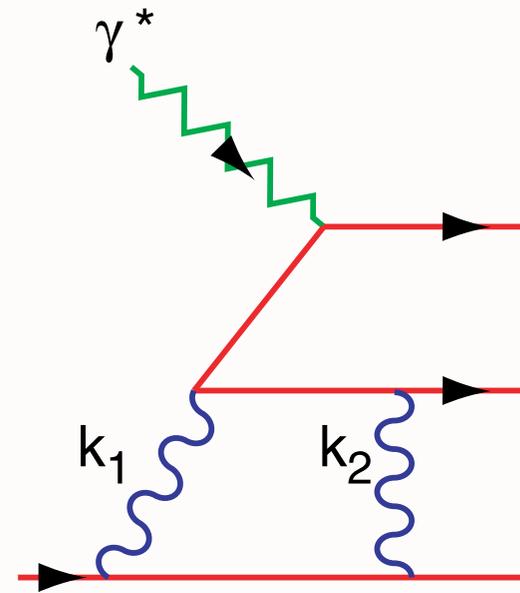


Reproduces lab-frame color dipole approach

Final State Interactions in QCD

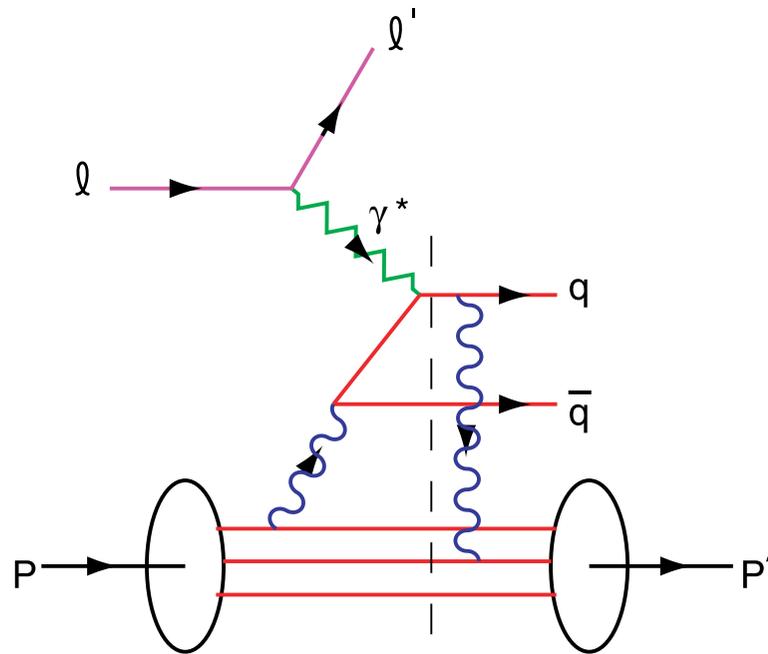


Feynman Gauge



Light-Cone Gauge

Result is Gauge Independent



Integration over on-shell domain produces phase i

Need Imaginary Phase to Generate Pomeron

Need Imaginary Phase to Generate
T-Odd Single-Spin Asymmetry

Physics of FSI not in Wavefunction of Target

Physics of Rescattering

- Sivers Asymmetry and Diffractive DIS: New Insights into Final State Interactions in QCD
- Origin of Hard Pomeron
- Structure Functions not Probability Distributions!
- T-odd SSAs, Shadowing, Antishadowing
- Diffractive dijets/ trijets, doubly diffractive Higgs
- Novel Effects: Color Transparency, Color Opaqueness, Intrinsic Charm, Odderon

Physics of Rescattering

- Diffractive DIS
- Non-Unitary Correction to DIS: Structure functions are not probability distributions
- Nuclear Shadowing, Antishadowing- Not in Target WF
- Single Spin Asymmetries -- opposite sign in DY and DIS
- $DY \cos 2\phi$ distribution at leading twist from double ISI-- not given by PQCD factorization -- breakdown of factorization!
- Wilson Line Effects not 1 even in LCG
- Must correct hard subprocesses for initial and final-state soft gluon attachments
- Corrections to Handbag Approximation in DVCS!

Hoyer, Marchal, Peigne, Sannino, sjb

“Dangling Gluons”

Bodwin, Lepage, sjb

Hoyer, Marchal, Peigne, Sannino, sjb

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- Single Spin Asymmetries -- opposite sign in DY and DIS
- $DY \cos 2\phi$ correlation at leading twist from double ISI-- not given by standard PQCD factorization
- Wilson Line Effects persist even in LCG
- Must correct hard subprocesses for initial and final-state soft gluon attachments -- Ji gauge link, Kovchegov gauge

Light-Front QCD Phenomenology

- Hidden color, Intrinsic glue, sea, Color Transparency
- Near Conformal Behavior of LFWFs at Short Distances; PQCD constraints
- Vanishing anomalous gravitomagnetic moment
- Relation between edm and anomalous magnetic moment
- Cluster Decomposition Theorem for relativistic systems
- OPE: DGLAP, ERBL evolution; invariant mass scheme

$$|p, S_z\rangle = \sum_{n=3} \Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n; \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$

sum over states with $n=3, 4, \dots$ constituents

The Light Front Fock State Wavefunctions

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

are boost invariant; they are independent of the hadron's energy and momentum P^μ .

The light-cone momentum fraction

$$x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{p^+} = \frac{k_i^0 + k_i^z}{P^0 + P^z}$$

are boost invariant.

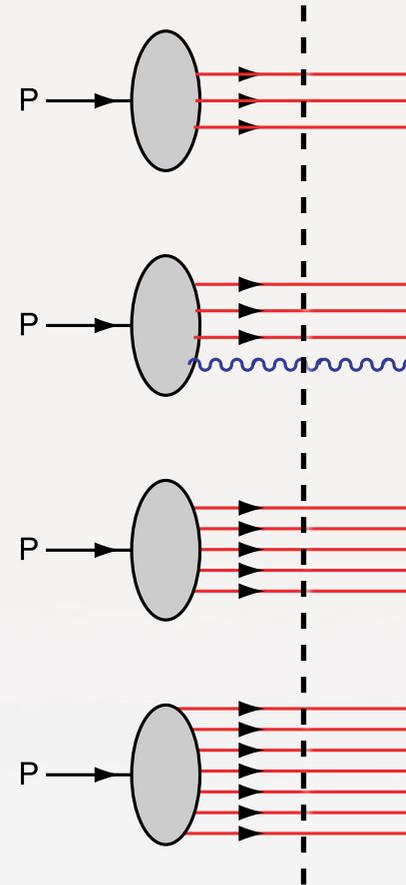
$$\sum_i^n k_i^+ = P^+, \quad \sum_i^n x_i = 1, \quad \sum_i^n \vec{k}_i^\perp = \vec{0}^\perp.$$

Intrinsic heavy quarks

$$\bar{u}(x) \neq \bar{d}(x)$$

Mueller: BFKL DYNAMICS

$$\bar{s}(x) \neq s(x)$$



Fixed LF time

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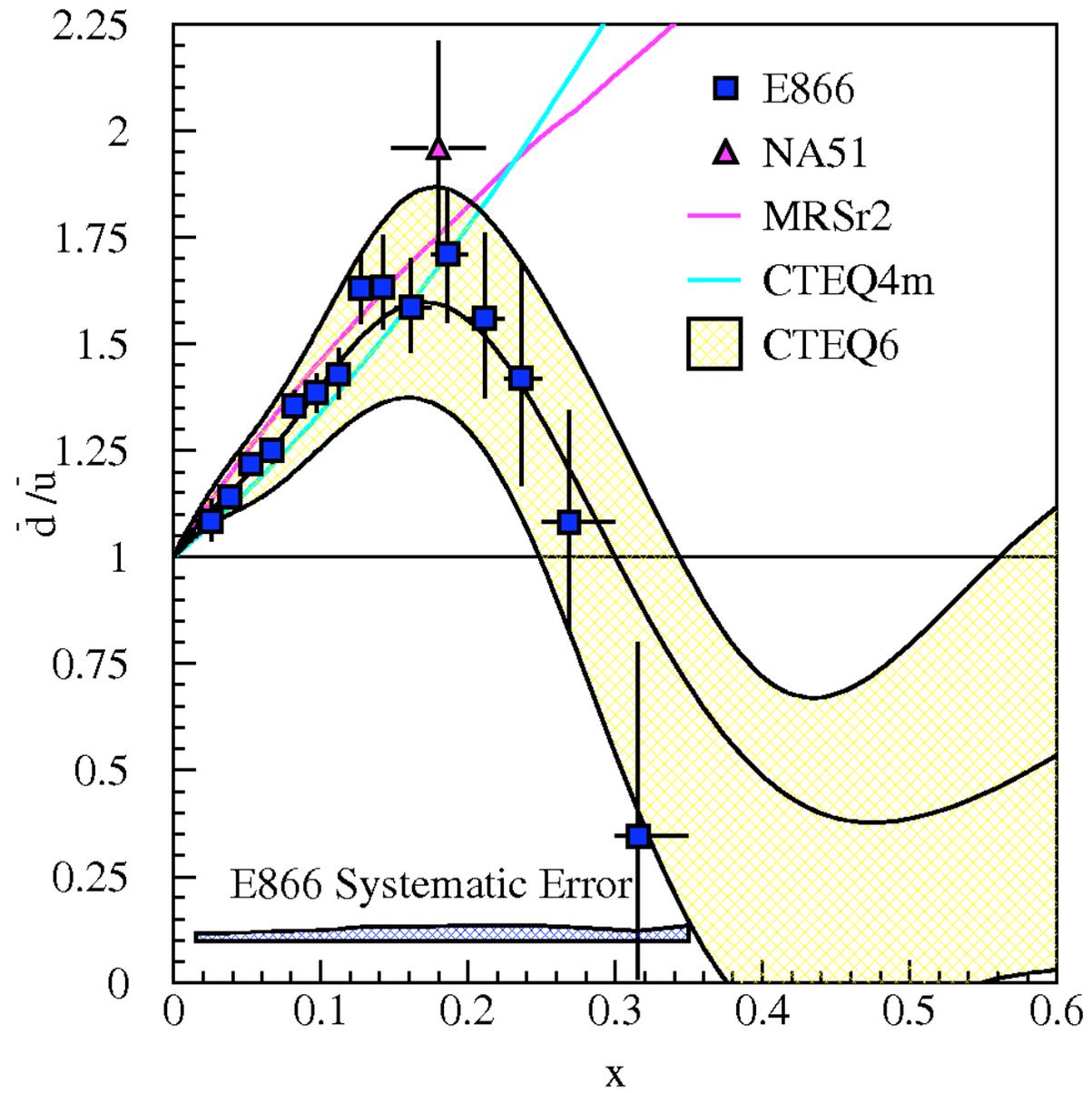
Light Antiquark Flavor Asymmetry

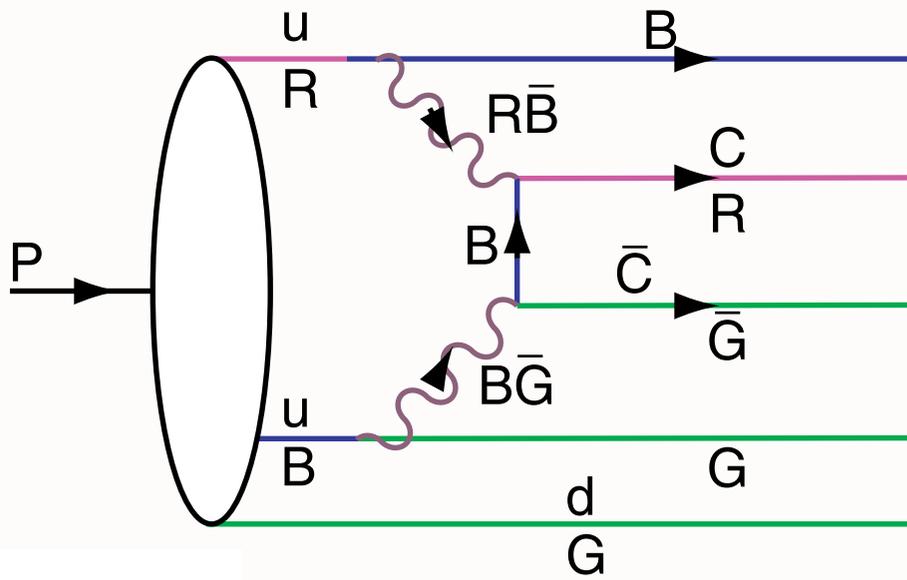
- Naïve Assumption from gluon splitting:

$$\bar{d}(x) = \bar{u}(x)$$

- E866/NuSea (Drell-Yan)

$\bar{d}(x)/\bar{u}(x)$ for $0.015 \leq x \leq 0.35$





$|uudc\bar{c}\rangle$ Fluctuation in Proton

QCD: Probability $\sim \frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{M_Q^2}$

$|e^+e^-\ell^+\ell^-\rangle$ Fluctuation in Positronium

QED: Probability $\sim \frac{(m_e\alpha)^4}{M_\ell^4}$

OPE derivation - M.Polyakov et al.

$$\langle p | \frac{G_{\mu\nu}^3}{m_Q^2} | p \rangle \text{ vs. } \langle p | \frac{F_{\mu\nu}^4}{m_\ell^4} | p \rangle$$

$c\bar{c}$ in Color Octet

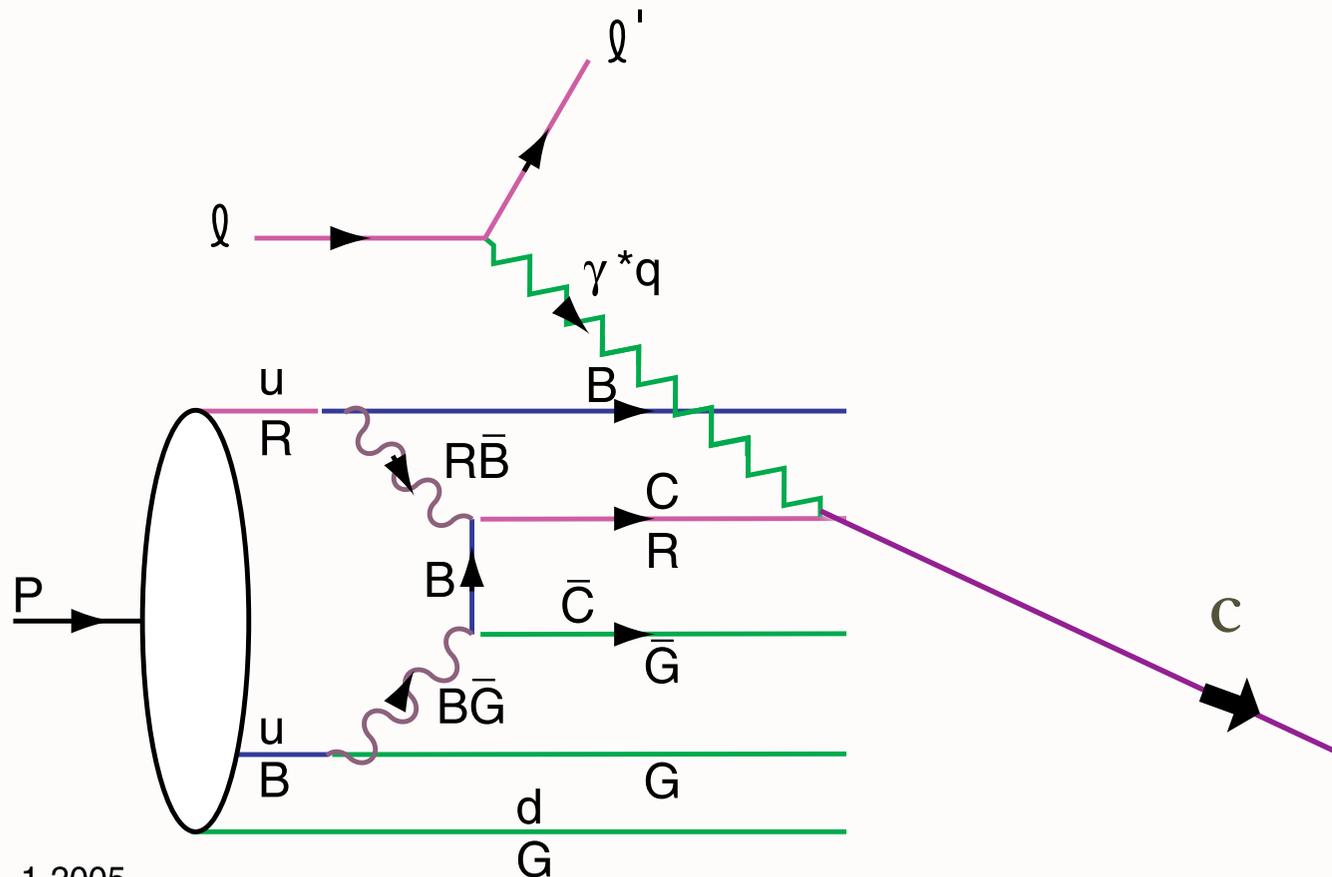
Distribution peaks at equal rapidity (velocity)
Therefore heavy particles carry the largest momentum fractions

$$\hat{x}_i = \frac{m_{\perp i}}{\sum_j^n m_{\perp j}}$$

High x charm!

Hoyer, Peterson, Sakai, sjb

Measure $c(x)$ in Deep Inelastic Lepton-Proton Scattering



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Hoyer, Peterson, SJB

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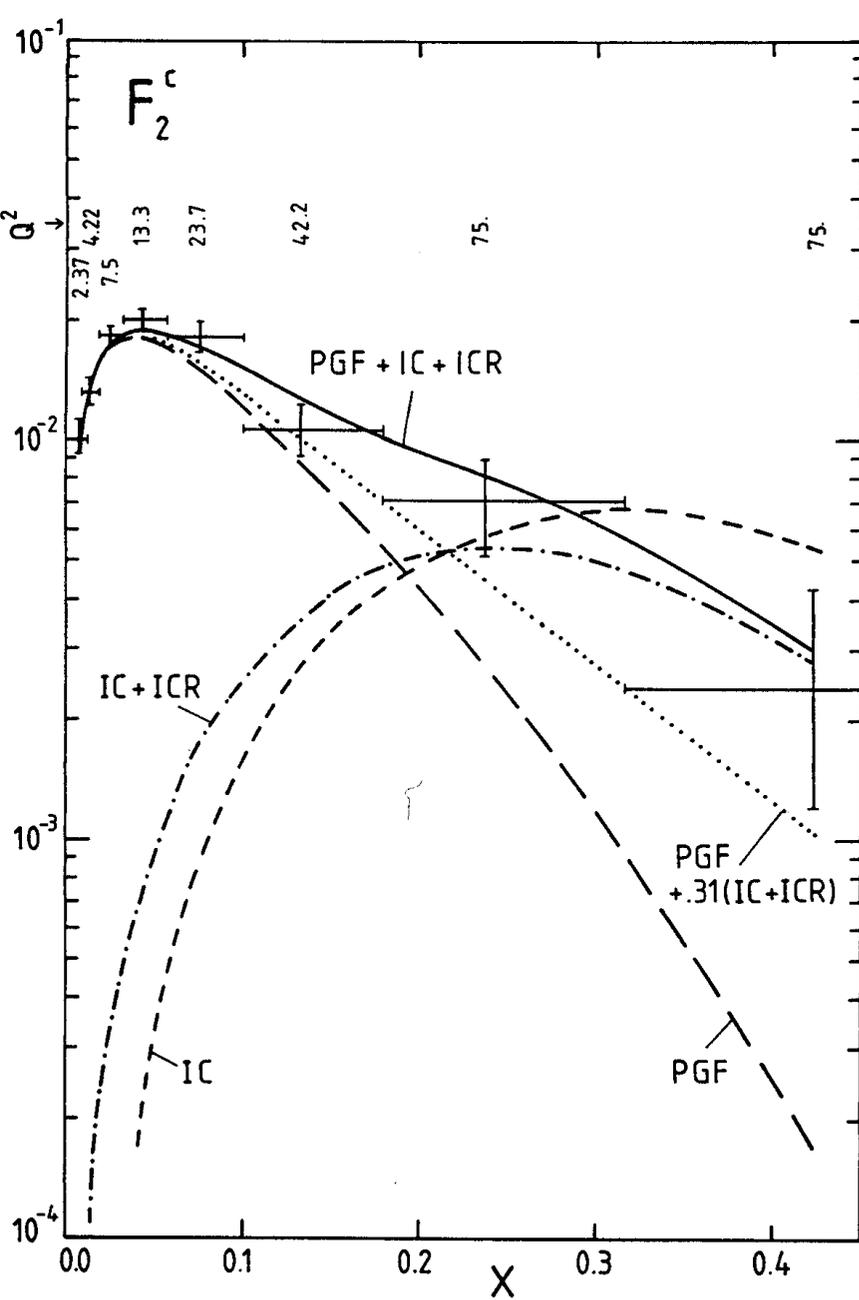
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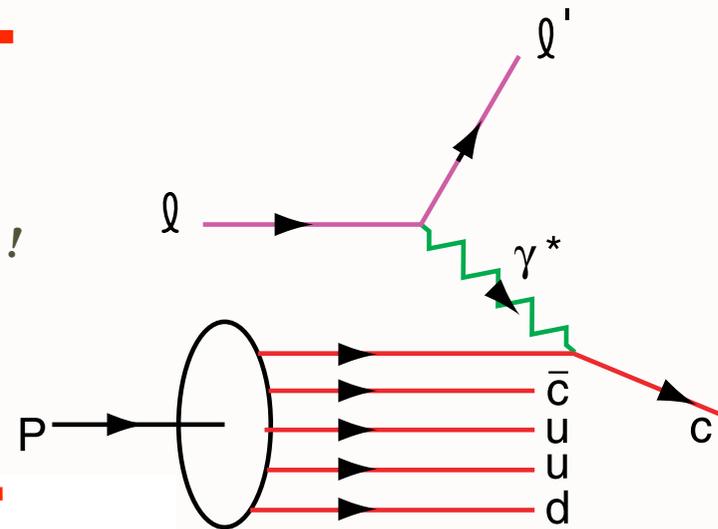
Measurement of Charm Structure Function

J. J. Aubert et al. [European Muon Collaboration], "Production Of Charmed Particles In 250-GeV Mu+ - Iron Interactions," Nucl. Phys. B 213, 31 (1983).

First Evidence for Intrinsic Charm



factor of 30!



DGLAP / Photon-Gluon Fusion: factor of 30 too small

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- EMC data: $c(x, Q^2) > 30 \times \text{DGLAP}$
 $Q^2 = 75 \text{ GeV}^2, x = 0.42$
- High x_F $pp \rightarrow J/\psi X$
- High x_F $pp \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi X$
- High x_F $pp \rightarrow \Lambda_c X$
- High x_F $pp \rightarrow \Lambda_b X$
- High x_F $pp \rightarrow \Xi(ccd) X$ (SELEX)

Novel Heavy Flavor Physics

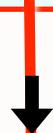
- LFWFS -- remarkable model from AdS/CFT
- AdS/CFT: Hadron Spectra and Dynamics, Counting Rules
- Intrinsic Charm and Bottom: rigorous prediction of QCD
- B decays: Many Novel QCD Effects
- Exclusive Channels: QCD at Amplitude Level
- Test B-analyses in other hard exclusive reactions, such as two-photon reactions
- Initial and Final State QCD Interactions -- Breakdown of QCD Factorization in Heavy Quark Hadroproduction!
- Renormalization scale not arbitrary

*Quark and Gluon condensates
reside within hadrons, not vacuum*

Shrock, sjb

- **Bound-State Dyson-Schwinger Equations**
- **LF vacuum trivial up to $k^+ = 0$ zero modes**
- **Analogous to finite size superconductor**
- **Implications for cosmological constant --
reduction by 55 orders of magnitude!**

String Theory



AdS/CFT

Mapping of Poincare' and Conformal $SO(4,2)$ symmetries of 3+1 space to AdS5 space

Goal: First Approximant to QCD

Counting rules for Hard Exclusive Scattering
Regge Trajectories
QCD at the Amplitude Level



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Conformal behavior at short distances + Confinement at large distance

Semi-Classical QCD / Wave Equations



Holography

Boost Invariant 3+1 Light-Front Wave Equations

$J=0, 1, 1/2, 3/2$ plus L

Integrable!



Hadron Spectra, Wavefunctions, Dynamics

New Perspectives on QCD Phenomena from AdS/CFT

- **AdS/CFT**: Duality between string theory in Anti-de Sitter Space and Conformal Field Theory
- New Way to Implement Conformal Symmetry
- Holographic Model: Conformal Symmetry at Short Distances, Confinement at large distances
- Remarkable predictions for hadronic spectra, wavefunctions, interactions
- AdS/CFT provides novel insights into the quark structure of hadrons

Outlook

- Only one scale Λ_{QCD} determines hadronic spectrum (slightly different for mesons and baryons).
- Ratio of Nucleon to Delta trajectories determined by zeroes of Bessel functions.
- String modes dual to baryons extrapolate to three fermion fields at zero separation in the AdS boundary.
- Only dimension 3, $\frac{9}{2}$ and 4 states $\bar{q}q$, qqq , and gg appear in the duality at the classical level!
- Non-zero orbital angular momentum and higher Fock-states require introduction of quantum fluctuations.
- Simple description of space and time-like structure of hadronic form factors.
- Dominance of quark-interchange in hard exclusive processes emerges naturally from the classical duality of the holographic model. Modified by gluonic quantum fluctuations.
- Covariant version of the bag model with confinement and conformal symmetry.

Light-Front Holography and AdS/QCD Correspondence.

[Stanley J. Brodsky](#), [Guy F. de Teramond](#) . SLAC-PUB-13220, Apr 2008. 14pp.
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Invited talk at International School of Subnuclear Physics: 45th Course: Searching for the "Totally Unexpected" in the LHC Era, Erice, Sicily, Italy, 29 Aug - 7 Sep 2007.

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[Stanley J. Brodsky](#), [Guy F. de Teramond](#) . SLAC-PUB-12804, Sep 2007. 29pp. [Temporary entry](#)
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[Stanley J. Brodsky](#) ([SLAC](#)) , [Guy F. de Teramond](#) ([Costa Rica U.](#) & [SLAC](#)) . SLAC-PUB-12554, SLAC-PUB-12544, Jul 2007. 20pp.

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S. J. Brodsky and G. F. de Teramond
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3. **“Hadronic spectra and light-front wavefunctions in holographic QCD”**
S. J. Brodsky and G. F. de Teramond
Phys. Rev. Lett. **96**, 201601 (2006) [arXiv:hep-ph/0602252]
4. **“Advances in light-front quantization and new perspectives for QCD from AdS/CFT”**
S. J. Brodsky and G. F. de Teramond
Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. **161**, 34 (2006)
Invited talk at Workshop on Light-Cone QCD and Nonperturbative Hadron Physics 2005 (LC 2005), Cairns, Queensland, Australia, 7-15 Jul 2005
5. **“Hadron spectroscopy and wavefunctions in QCD and the AdS/CFT correspondence”**
S. J. Brodsky and G. F. de Teramond
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6. **“Applications of AdS/CFT duality to QCD”**
S. J. Brodsky and G. F. de Teramond
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G. F. de Teramond and S. J. Brodsky
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Presented at 1st Workshop on Quark-Hadron Duality and the Transition to pQCD, Frascati, Rome, Italy, 6-8 Jun 2005
8. **“The hadronic spectrum of a holographic dual of QCD”**
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Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0209211.
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Brower, Polchinski, Strassler and Tan, hep-th/0603115.
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Hong, Yoon and Strassler, hep-th/0409118.
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Da Rold and Pomarol, hep-ph/0501218, hep-ph/0510268.

- Gluonium spectrum (top-bottom):

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