

Generalised Parton Distributions from Lattice Feynman-Hellmann Techniques

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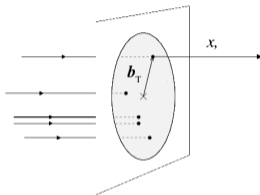
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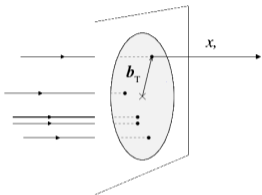
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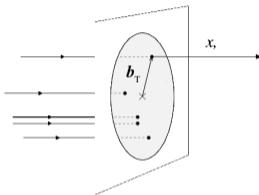
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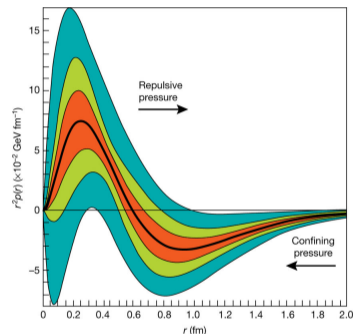
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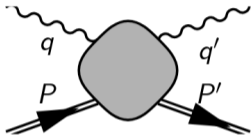
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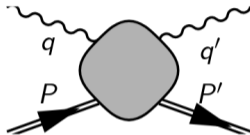
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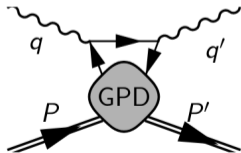


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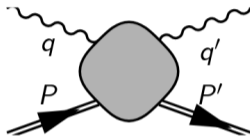


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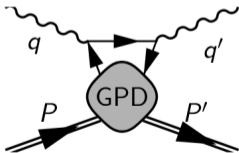


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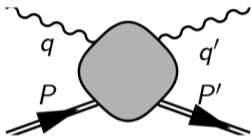


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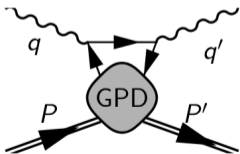
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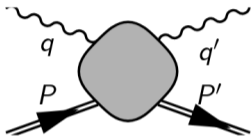
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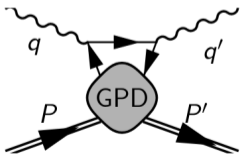
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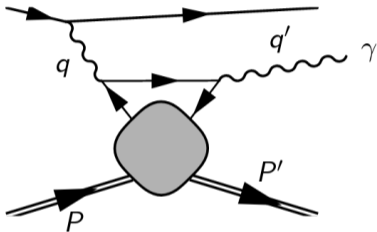
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$H^q(x, \xi, t) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} q(x)$, the regular **parton distribution function** (PDF).

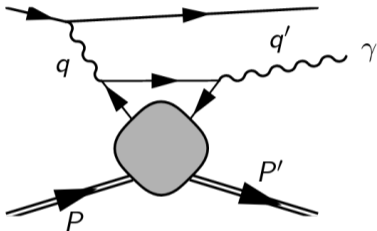
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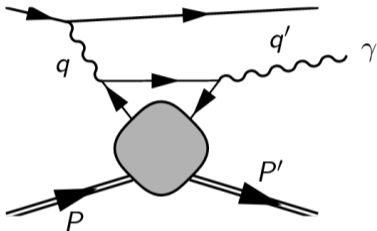


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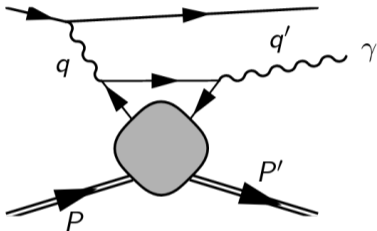
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Upshot: lattice QCD calculations of GPDs are of great interest.

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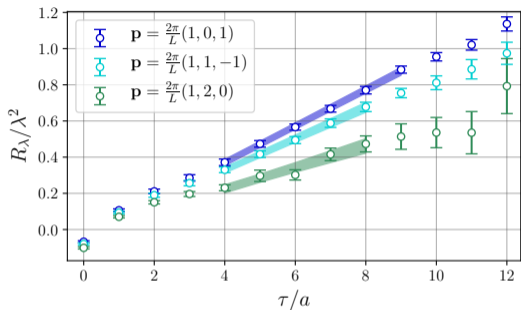
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- For this calculation, time extent same as usual 2-pt propagator.

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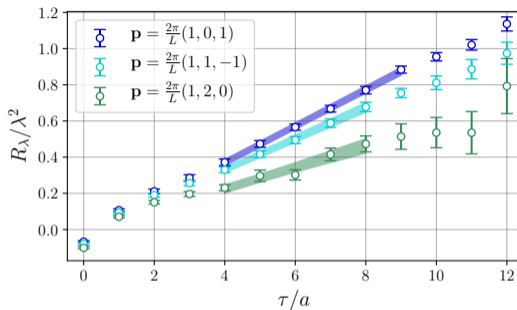


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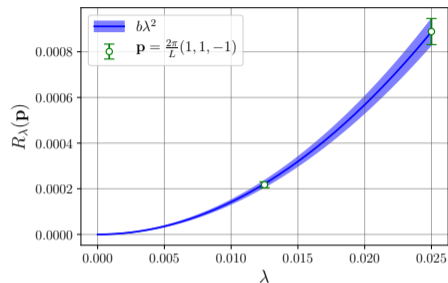
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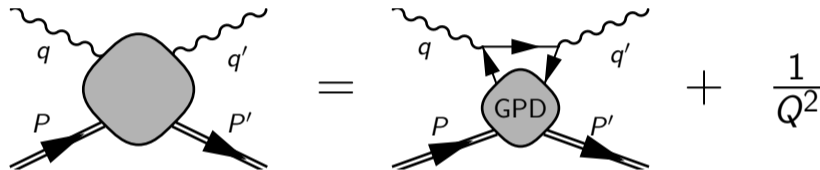
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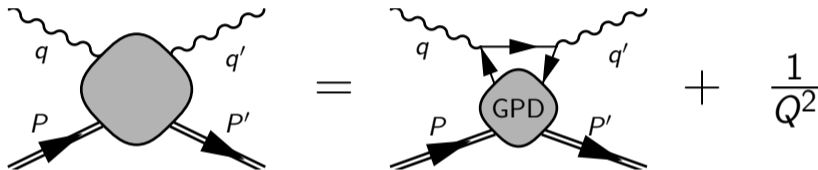
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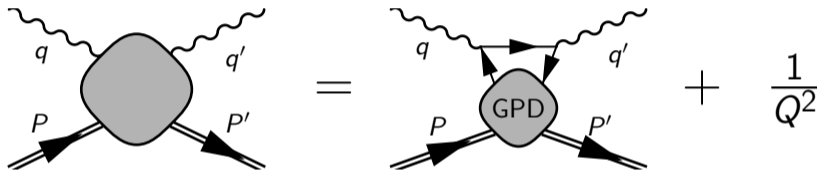


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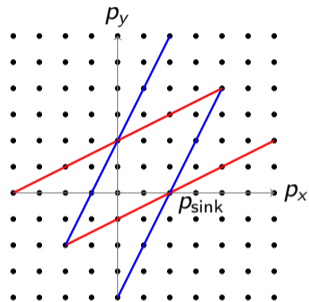
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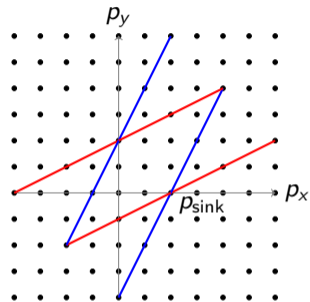
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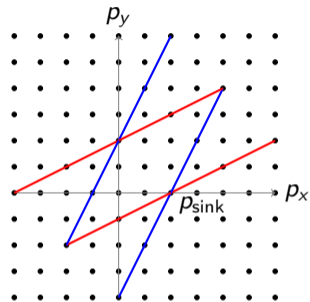
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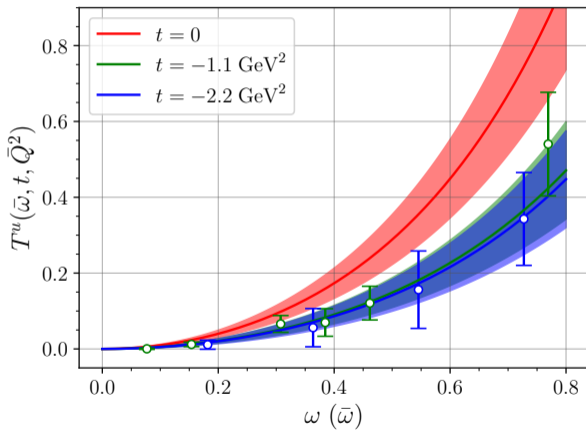


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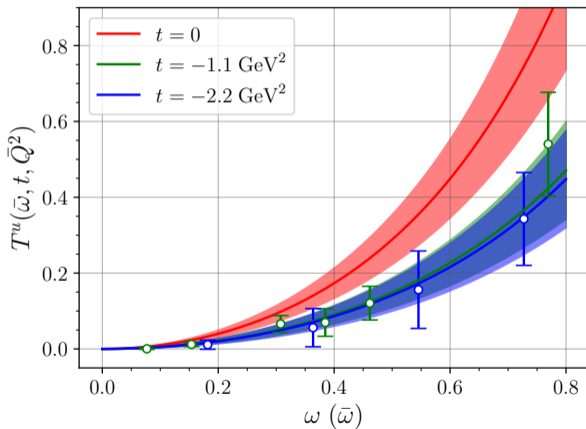
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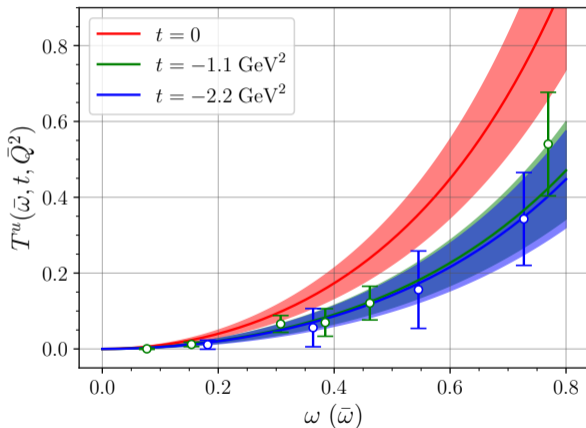


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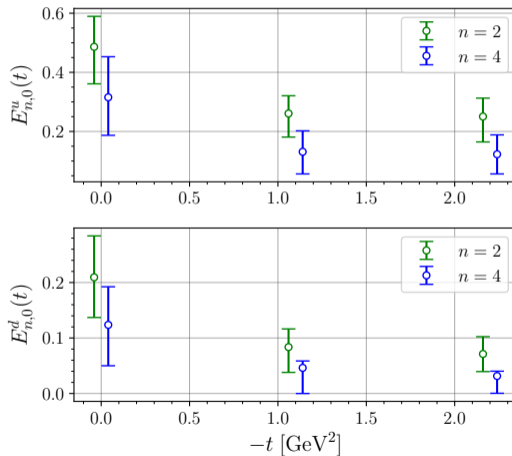
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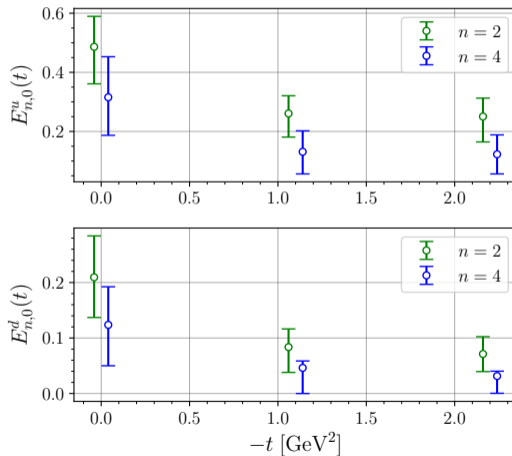


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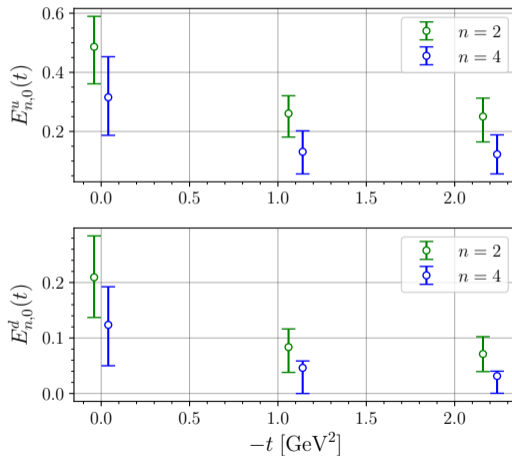
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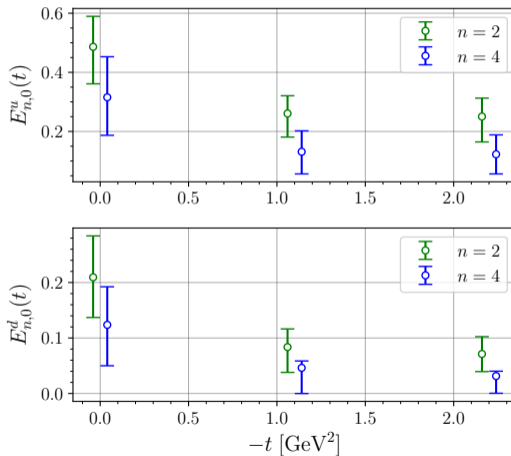
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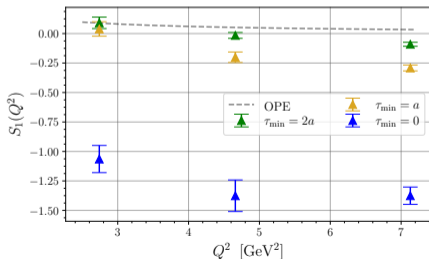
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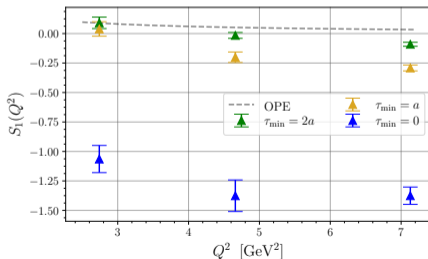
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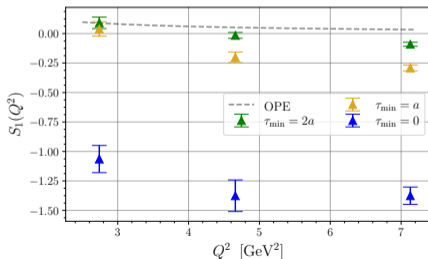
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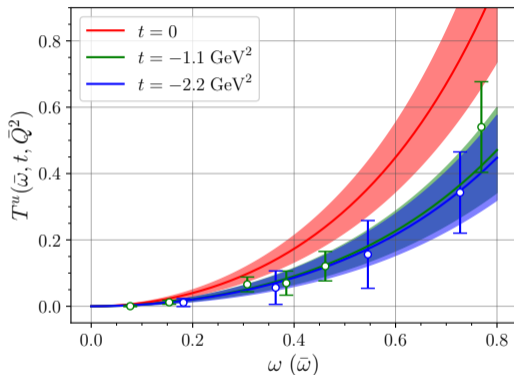
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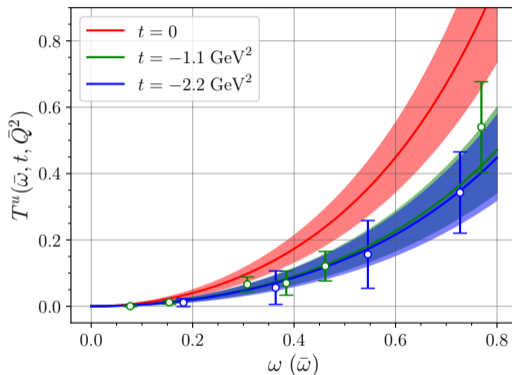
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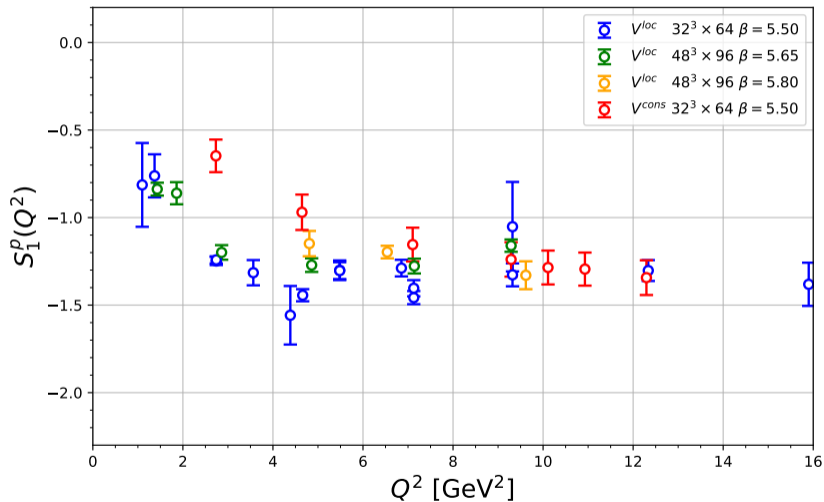
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