



Emergence of Pion and Proton parton distributions

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- Quarks and gluons not *isolated* in nature.
- → Formation of colorless bound states: "<u>Hadrons</u>"
- I-fm scale size of hadrons?

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Emergence of hadron masses (EHM) from QCD dynamics (Dynamical Chiral Symmetry Breaking) **Dynamical masses Schwinger** Ge/ M(k) [GeV] DCSB 0.100 0.3 mg(k). masses Bottom 0.2Charm 0.010 Strange M₀(k) Jp/Down 0.1 Chiral limit 0.001 0.0 2 3 k [GeV] 3 0 2 $S_f^{-1}(p) = Z_f^{-1}(p^2)(i\gamma \cdot p + \mathbf{M_f(p^2)})$ k / GeV Gluon and guark running masses

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Confinement and the EHM are tightly connected with QCD's running coupling.



Why bother about pions?

Pions and kaons emerge as (pseudo)-Goldstone bosons of <u>DCSB</u>.





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(quasiparticles)

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- **CSM** results produce:
 - EHM-induced dilated distributions
 - Soft end-point behavior

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$$\left\{ \zeta^2 \frac{d}{d\zeta^2} \int_0^1 dy \delta(y-x) \ - \ \frac{\alpha(\zeta^2)}{4\pi} \int_x^1 \ \frac{dy}{y} \left(\begin{array}{cc} P_{qq}^{\rm NS} \left(\frac{x}{y}\right) & 0\\ 0 & \mathbf{P}^{\rm S} \left(\frac{\mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{y}}\right) \end{array} \right) \right\} \left(\begin{array}{c} H_{\pi}^{\rm NS,+}(y,t;\zeta) \\ \mathbf{H}_{\pi}^{\rm S}(y,t;\zeta) \end{array} \right) \ = \ 0$$

DGLAP leading-order evolution equations



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Reconstruction after evolving a CSM PDF

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Moments from global fits can be also compared to the estimated from recursion !

[99] C. Alexandrou et al.,	PRD104(2021)054504
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Lattice moments verifying the recurrence relation too.



Pion PDF: from CSM (DSEs) to the experiment

Symmetry-preserving DSE computation of the valence-quark PDF:

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Momentum conservation!

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- The EHM is argued to be intimately connected to a PI effective charge which enters a conformal regime, below a given momentum scale, where gluons acquiring a dynamical mass decouple from interaction.
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To be continued...



Backslides

QCD effective charge



defines the screening mass and an associated wavelength, such that larger gluon modes decouple.

Then, we identify: $\zeta_H := m_G(1 \pm 0.1)$

Modern continuum & lattice QCD analysis in the gauge sector delivers an analogue "Gell-Mann-Low" running charge, from which one obtains a process-independent, parameter-free prediction for the low-momentum saturation

- No landau pole
- Below a given mass scale, the interaction become scaleindependent and QCD practically conformal again (as in the lagrangian).



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Proton PDF: from CSM (DSEs) to the experiment

An analogous symmetry-preserving DSE computation of the valence-quark PDFs within a proton, based on diquark-quark approach: [L. Chang et al., Phys.Lett.B, arXiv:2201.07870]

And analogous evolution approach:

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Producing an isovector distribution in fair agreement with lattice results [H-W. Lin et al., arXiv:2011.14791]



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