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Light Front Wave Functions of Vector Mesons From CSMs

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Outline

- From Bethe-Salpeter WFs to Light-Front WFs: Formalism
- LF-LFWFs of light and heavy pseudoscalar mesons.
- LF-LFWFs of light and heavy vector mesons.
- Diffractive vector meson electroproduction.
- Vector meson TMDs.

BSE approach

● An alternative way to calculate the LFWFs.

"...t Hooft did not use the light-cone formalism and which nowadays might be called standard. Instead, he started from covariant equations... The light-cone Schrodinger equation was then obtained by projecting the Bethe-Salpeter equation onto hyper-surfaces of equal light-cone time."

(T. Heinzl arXiv:hep-th/0008096)

$$\int \frac{dk^-}{2\pi} \Psi_{\text{BS}}(k; p) = \frac{u^{(1)}(x_1, k_\perp)}{\sqrt{x_1}} \frac{u^{(2)}(x_2, -k_\perp)}{\sqrt{x_2}} \psi(x_\perp, k_\perp)$$

(G. Lepage and S. Brodsky, PRD 1980)

$$\psi(x, \mathbf{p}; s_1, s_2) = \frac{1}{2P^+} \int \frac{dp^-}{2\pi} \bar{u}(xP^+, \mathbf{p}; s_1) \gamma^+ \Phi(p) \gamma^+ v((1-x)P^+, -\mathbf{p}; s_2).$$

(H. Liu and D. Soper, PRD1993)

(W. de Paula, E. Ydrefors, J.H. Alvarenga Nogueira, T. Frederico, and G. Salme, PRD2021)

$$\langle 0 | \bar{d}_+(0) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 u_+(\xi^-, \xi_\perp) | \pi^+(P) \rangle = i\sqrt{6} P^+ \psi_0(\xi^-, \xi_\perp),$$

$$\langle 0 | \bar{d}_+(0) \sigma^{+i} \gamma_5 u_+(\xi^-, \xi_\perp) | \pi^+(P) \rangle = -i\sqrt{6} P^+ \partial^i \psi_1(\xi^-, \xi_\perp). \quad (\text{M. Burkardt, X. Ji, F. Yuan, PLB 2002})$$

$$2P^+ \Psi_{\uparrow\downarrow}(k^+, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = \int \frac{dk^-}{2\pi} \text{Tr} [\gamma^+ \gamma_5 \chi(k, P)],$$

(C. Mezrag, H. Moutarde and J. Rodríguez-Quintero, Few-Body Syst 2016)

$$ik^i 2P^+ \Psi_{\uparrow\uparrow}(k^+, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = \int \frac{dk^-}{2\pi} \text{Tr} [\sigma^{+i} \gamma_5 \chi(k, P)].$$

All equivalent.

BSE approach

From BS WF to LF WF

Covariant Bethe-Salpeter wave function in the instant form

$$\phi_i(x, \vec{k}_T) \sim \int dk^- dk^+ \delta(xP^+ - k^+) \text{Tr}[\Gamma_i \chi(k, P)]$$

LFWF

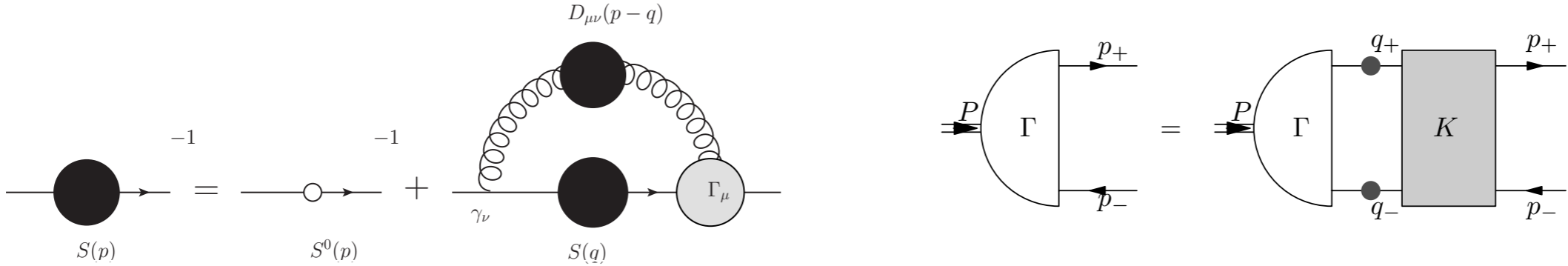
Project onto the light front null plane $\xi^+ = 0$

set $k^+ = xP^+$

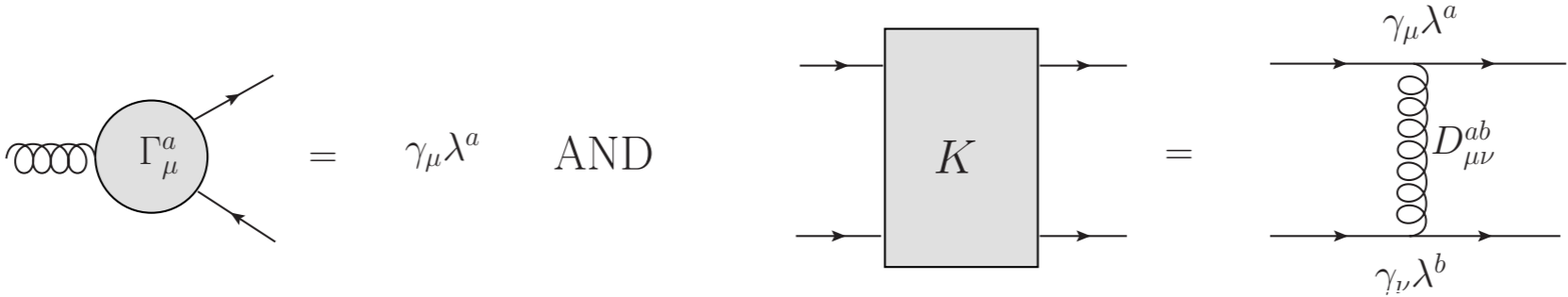
spin configurations

Bethe-Salpeter WFs

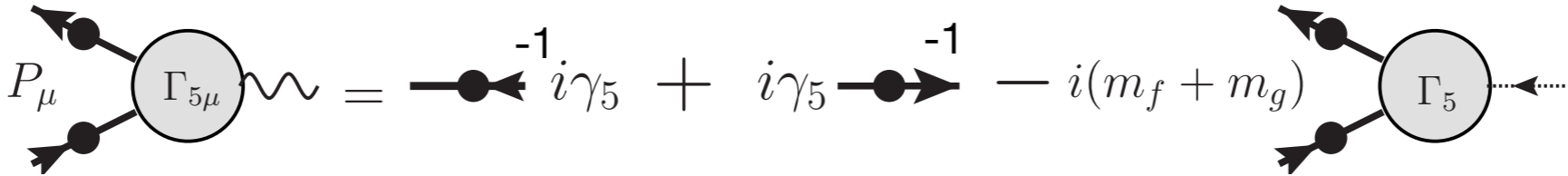
The BS wave function can be solved by aligning the quark DSE and meson BSE.



The simplest (and widely used) truncation is the Rainbow-Ladder (RL) truncation



The RL truncation preserves QCD's explicit chiral symmetry by respecting the axial vector WTI, and thereby place a firm ground for its dynamical breaking.



Pion and kaon: (P. Maris and C. D. Roberts, PRC1997)

ρ and ϕ : (P. Maris and P. C. Tandy, PRC1999)

Heavy mesons (M. Black, A Krassnigg, et al)

Pseudo-scalar LF-LFWFs

BS WFs

$$\chi_M(k; P) = \gamma_5 \left[iE(k; P) + \not{P}F(k; P) + (k \cdot P)\not{k}G(k; P) + i[\not{k}, \not{P}]H(k; P) \right].$$

$$\mathcal{F}(k; P) \equiv \mathcal{F}(k^2, P^2, k \cdot P)$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \boxed{E, F, G, H}$$

LF-LFWFs

$$|M\rangle = \sum_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2} \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}_T}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{dx}{2\sqrt{x\bar{x}}} \frac{\delta_{ij}}{\sqrt{3}} \Phi_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) b_{f, \lambda_1, i}^\dagger(x, \mathbf{k}_T) d_{h, \lambda_2, j}^\dagger(\bar{x}, \bar{\mathbf{k}}_T) |0\rangle.$$

$$\Phi_{\uparrow, \downarrow}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) = \boxed{\psi_0(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2)}, \quad \Phi_{\downarrow, \uparrow}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) = -\psi_0(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2),$$

$$\Phi_{\uparrow, \uparrow}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) = k_T^- \boxed{\psi_1(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2)}, \quad \Phi_{\downarrow, \downarrow}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) = k_T^+ \psi_1(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2),$$

(X. Ji, J.-P. Ma, F. Yuan, EPJC2004)

4 Lorentz scalar functions

$$\phi_i(x, \vec{k}_T) \sim \int dk^- dk^+ \delta(xP^+ - k^+) \text{Tr}[\Gamma_i \chi(k, P)]$$

$$\Gamma_i \sim \gamma^+ \gamma_5, \sigma^{+i} \gamma_5$$

2 independent scalar functions

Pion (at different masses)

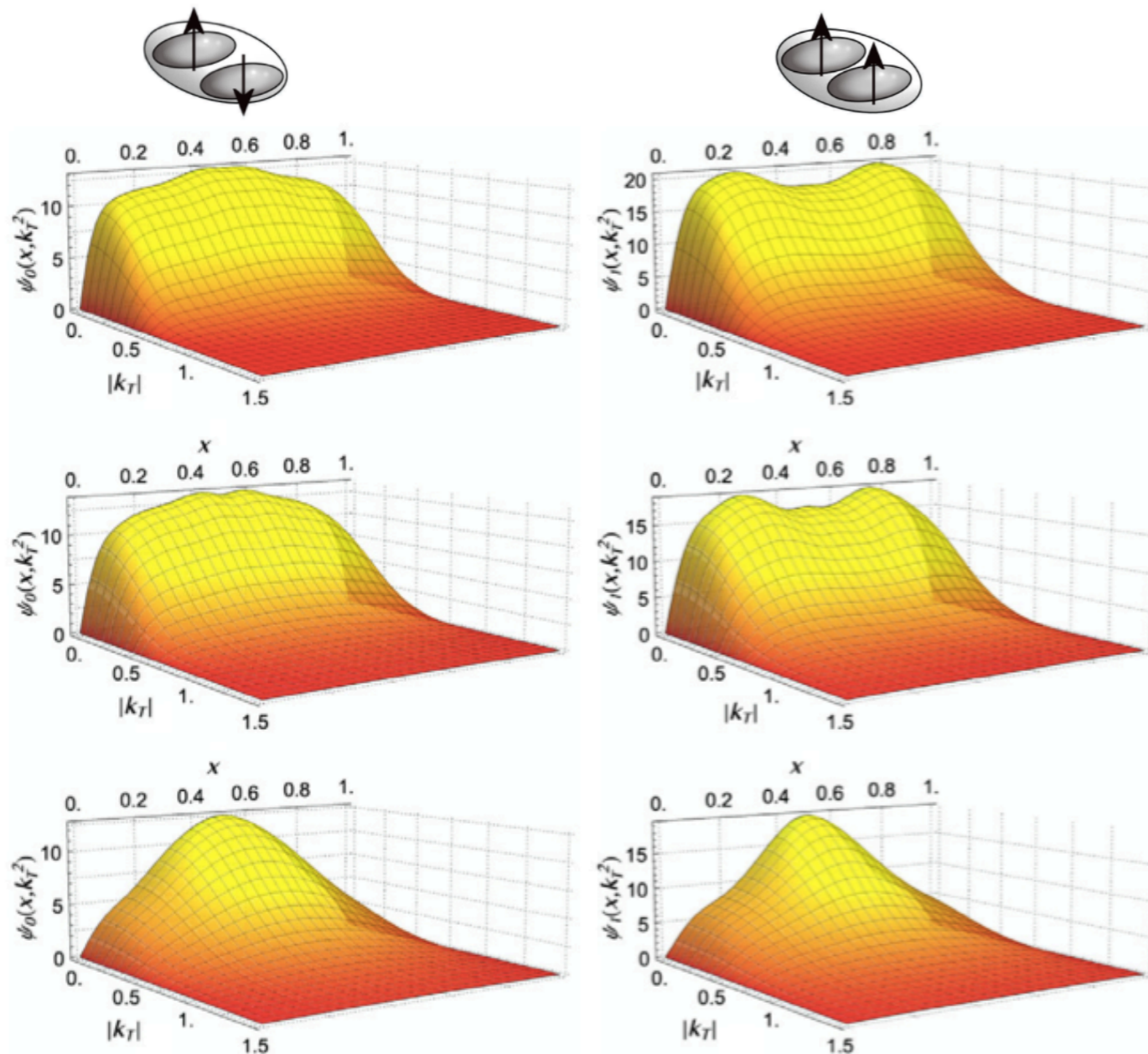


FIG. 1. The $\psi_0(x, k_T^2)$ and $\psi_1(x, k_T^2)$ of pion at $m_\pi = 130$ (top row), 310 (middle row), and 690 MeV (bottom row).

(C. S., M. Li, X. Chen, W. Jia, PRD2021)

Lattice&LaMET formalism: X. Ji and Y. Liu, PRD2022

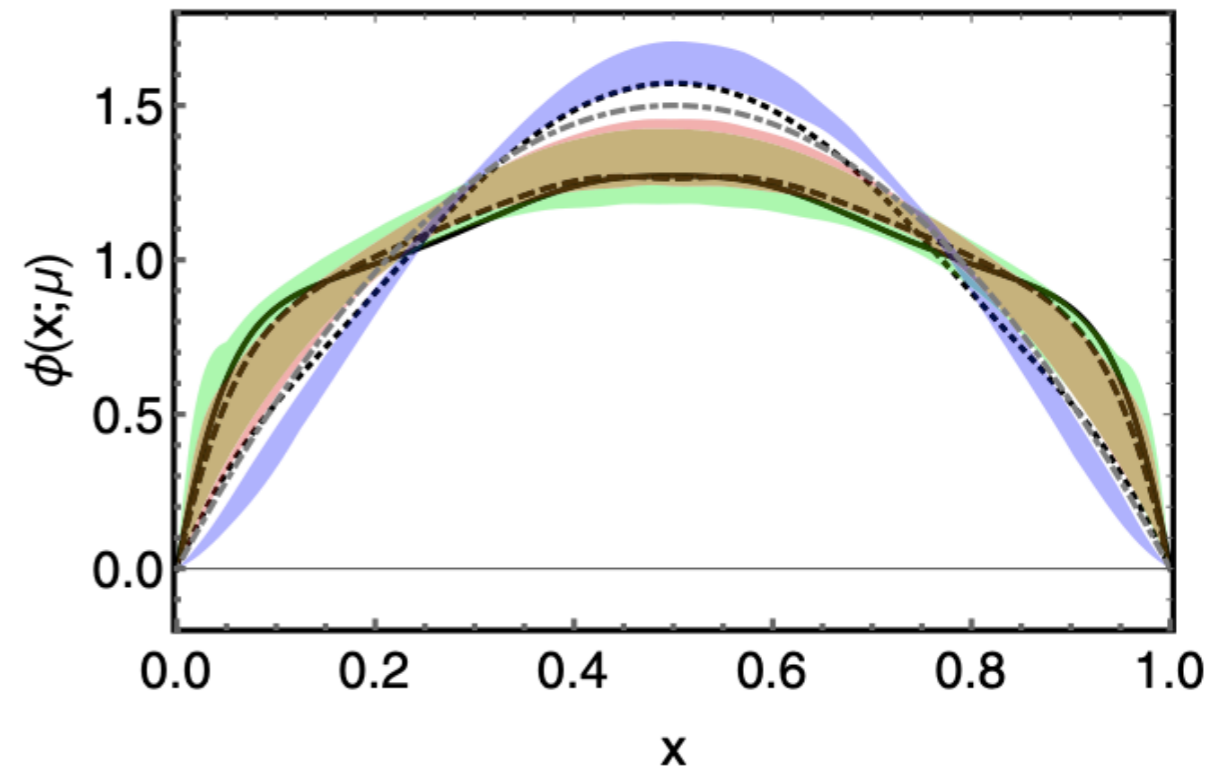


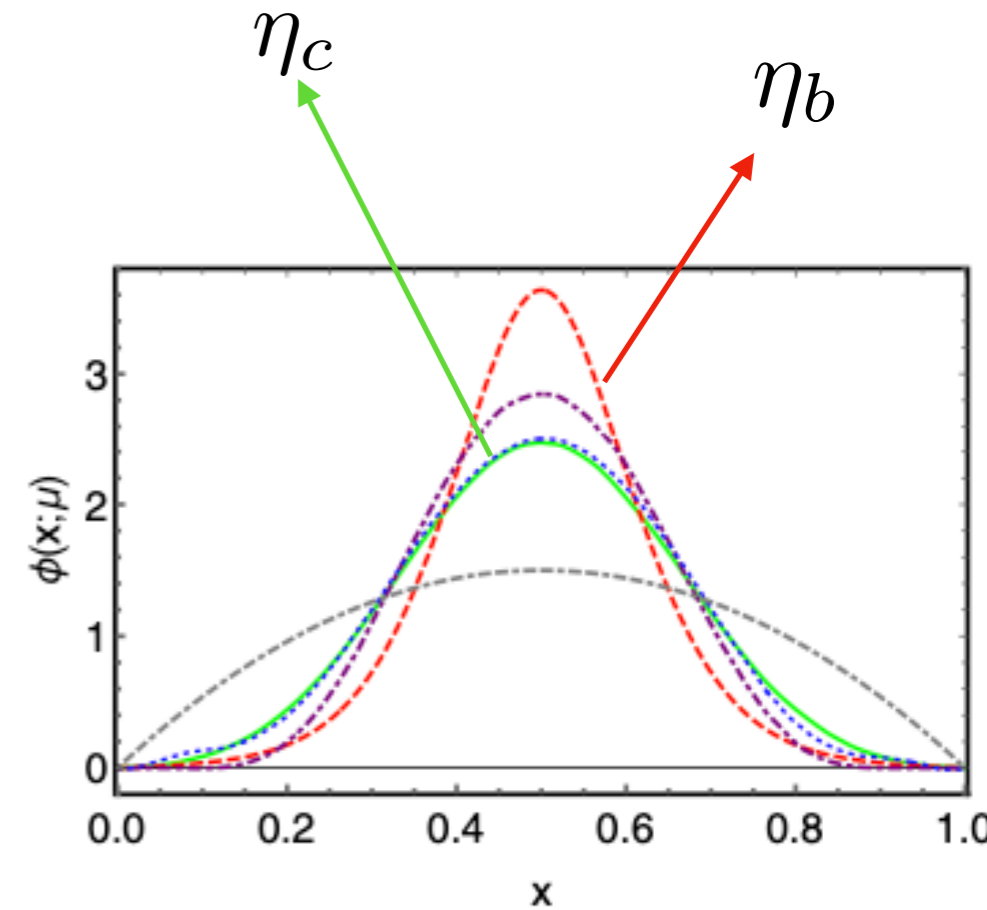
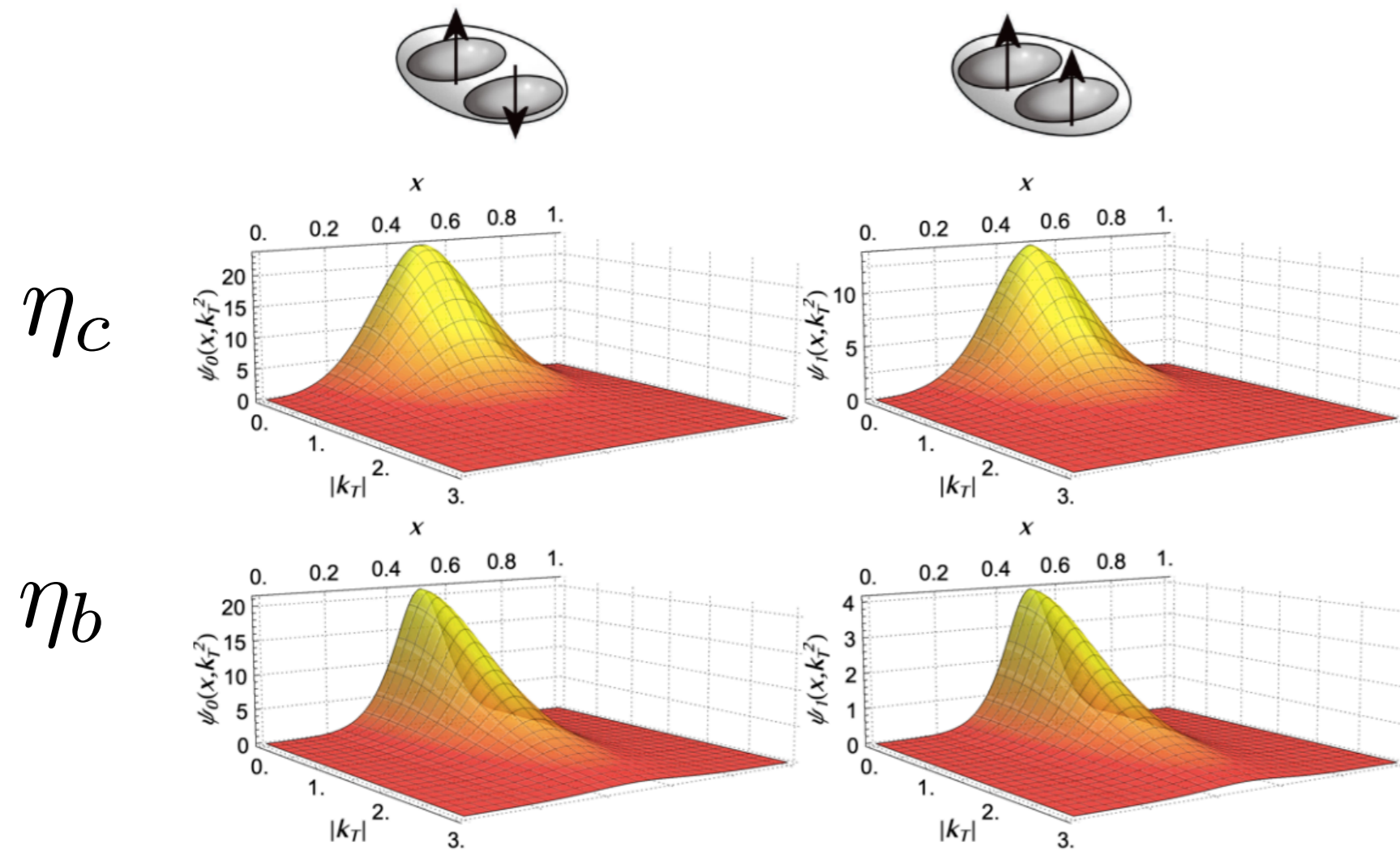
FIG. 3. The PDA of the pion at masses of $m_\pi = 130$ (solid), 310 (dashed), and 690 MeV (dotted). The colored bands are results from lattice QCD [22] at the same masses of $m_\pi = 130$ (red), 310 (green), and 690 MeV (blue).

(M. Ding, et al, PLB2016)

(R. Zhang, et al, PRD2020)

- Prediction: LF-LFWFs evolve slowly from pion mass of 130 MeV to 310 MeV, but significantly different at 690 MeV (ss pion)

eta_c and eta_b LF-LFWFs



(C. S., M. Li, X. Chen, W. Jia, PRD2021)

- Narrowly distributed in x in heavy pseudoscalar mesons.
- Evolution of LF-LFWF with current quark mass (EHM & Higgs mechanism).

Normalization

Normalization of LFWFs.

In general, all LFWFs (including higher Fock states) should normalize to 1.

Condition 1:
$$\sum_{n, \lambda_i} \int \prod_i dx_i \frac{d^2 k_{\perp i}}{16\pi^3} |\psi_{n/\pi}(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)|^2 = 1 .$$
 ✓

In practice, two normalization conditions were usually employed.

Condition 1':
$$1 = \|\psi_2\|^2 = \|\psi_{2\uparrow\downarrow}\|^2 + \|\psi_{2\uparrow\uparrow}\|^2 + \|\psi_{2\downarrow\uparrow}\|^2 + \|\psi_{2\downarrow\downarrow}\|^2$$
 ?

Condition 2:
$$\int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 k_{\perp}}{16\pi^3} \psi_{2\uparrow\downarrow}(x, \mathbf{k}_{\perp}) = \frac{f_{\pi}}{2\sqrt{3}}$$
 ✓

"While Condition 1' enforces a constituent picture, Condition 2 is exact and holds beyond a constituent picture."
(T. Heinzl arXiv:hep-th/0008096)

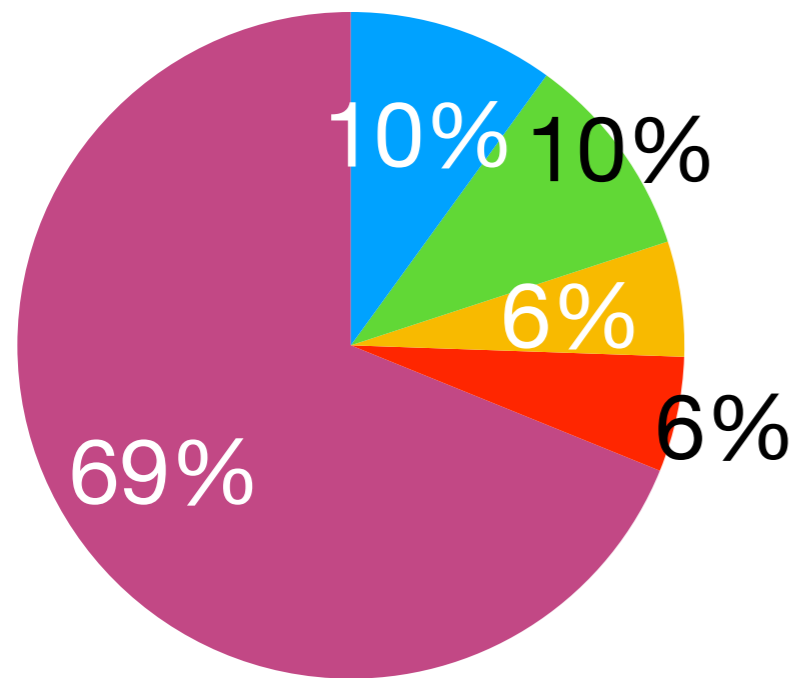
Canonical normalization of BS wave functions

$$G_4(p, q; P) = \sum_i \frac{\chi_i(p, P_i) \bar{\chi}_i(q, -P_i)}{P^2 - P_i^2} + R(p, q; P) \longleftrightarrow \text{Condition 1}$$

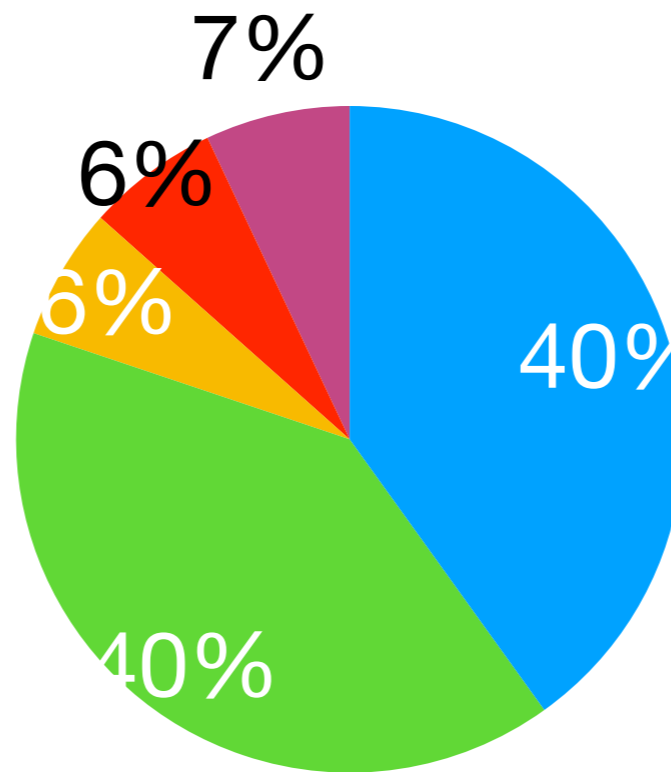
$$f_{\pi} P_{\mu} = \int_q^{\Lambda} \text{Tr}[\gamma_5 \gamma_{\mu} \chi(q; P)] \longleftrightarrow \text{Condition 2}$$

Leading Fock state contribution to total normalization

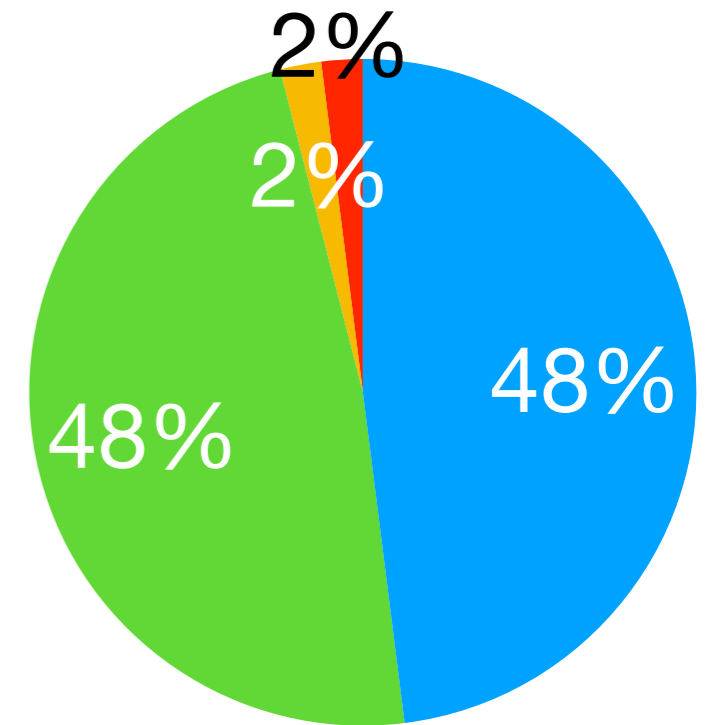
pion



η_c



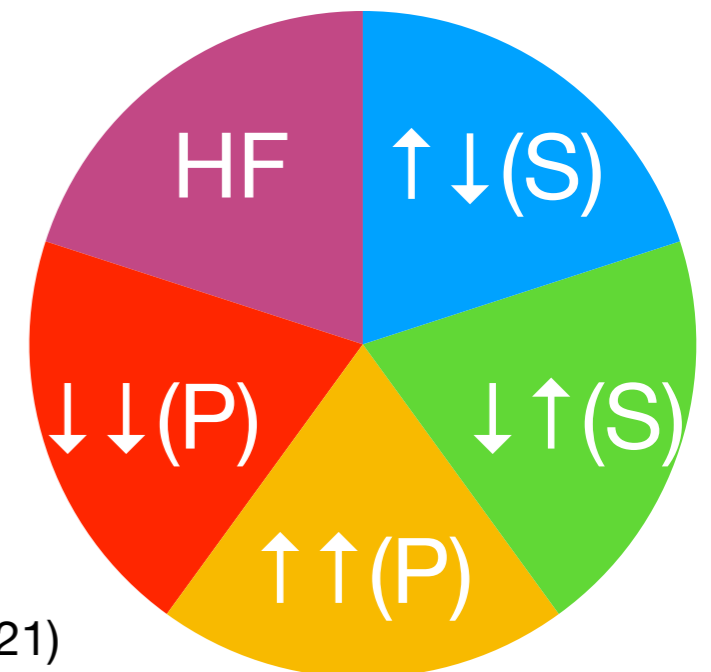
η_b



(C. S., M. Li, X. Chen, W. Jia, PRD2021)

HF=Higher Fock states

- Indication of higher Fock-states contribution in pion.
- Higher Fock-states are significantly suppressed in heavy mesons.



(W. de Paula, E. Ydrefors, J. H. Alvarenga Nogueira, T. Frederico, and G. Salme, PRD2021)

Vector meson LF-LFWFs

BS WFs

$$\chi_\mu^M(k, P) = \sum_{i=1}^8 T_\mu^i(k, P) F^i(k^2, k \cdot P, P^2)$$

$$A_1 = k_\mu - \frac{P_\mu P \cdot k}{P^2}, \quad A_2 = \gamma_\mu - \frac{P_\mu \not{P}}{P^2},$$

$$B_1 = I_4, \quad B_2 = \not{P}, \quad B_3 = \not{k}, \quad B_4 = [\not{k}, \not{P}],$$

$$T_\mu^1 = iA_1 \cdot B_1, \quad T_\mu^2 = A_1 \cdot B_2(k \cdot P),$$

$$T_\mu^3 = A_1 \cdot B_3, \quad T_\mu^4 = -iA_1 \cdot B_4,$$

$$T_\mu^5 = A_2 \cdot B_1, \quad T_\mu^6 = -iA_2 \cdot B_2,$$

$$T_\mu^7 = -i[A_2, B_3](k \cdot P), \quad T_\mu^8 = \{A_2, B_4\}.$$

LF-LFWFs

$$|M\rangle^\Lambda = \sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_T}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{dx}{2\sqrt{x\bar{x}}} \frac{\delta_{ij}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Phi_{\lambda, \lambda'}^\Lambda(x, \mathbf{k}_T) b_{f, \lambda, i}^\dagger(x, \mathbf{k}_T) d_{f, \lambda', j}^\dagger(\bar{x}, \bar{\mathbf{k}}_T) |0\rangle.$$

$$\Phi_{\pm, \mp}^0 = \psi_{(1)}^0, \quad \Phi_{\pm, \pm}^0 = \pm k_T^{(\mp)} \psi_{(2)}^0,$$

$$\Phi_{\pm, \pm}^{\pm 1} = \psi_{(1)}^1, \quad \Phi_{\pm, \mp}^{\pm 1} = \pm k_T^{(\pm)} \psi_{(2)}^1,$$

$$\Phi_{\mp, \pm}^{\pm 1} = \pm k_T^{(\pm)} \psi_{(3)}^1, \quad \Phi_{\mp, \mp}^{\pm 1} = (k_T^{(\pm)})^2 \psi_{(4)}^1$$

8 Lorentz scalar functions

$$\Phi_{\lambda, \lambda'}^\Lambda(x, \vec{k}_T) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \int \frac{dk^- dk^+}{2\pi} \delta(xP^+ - k^+) \text{Tr} [\Gamma_{\lambda, \lambda'} \gamma^+ \chi^M(k, P) \cdot \epsilon_\Lambda(P)].$$

$$\Gamma = I \pm \gamma_5, \quad \mp(\gamma^1 \pm i\gamma^2)$$

6 independent scalar functions, reduce to 5 for Charge parity eigenstate

Vector meson LF-LFWFs

$$\Lambda = \lambda + \lambda' + L_z$$

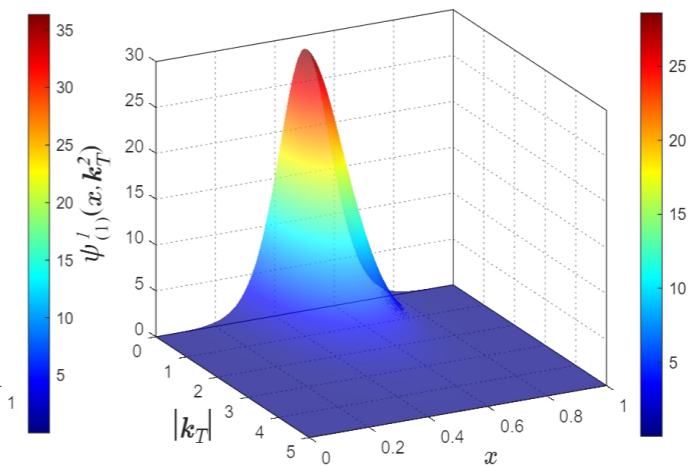
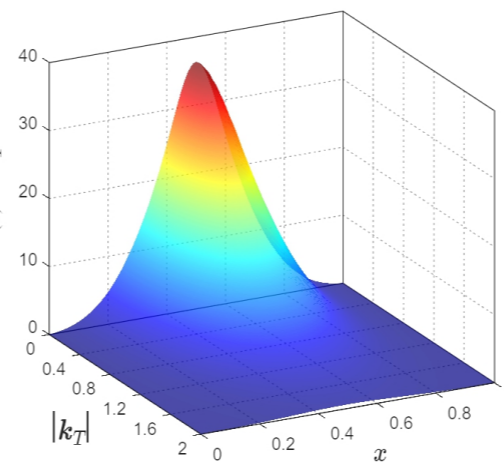
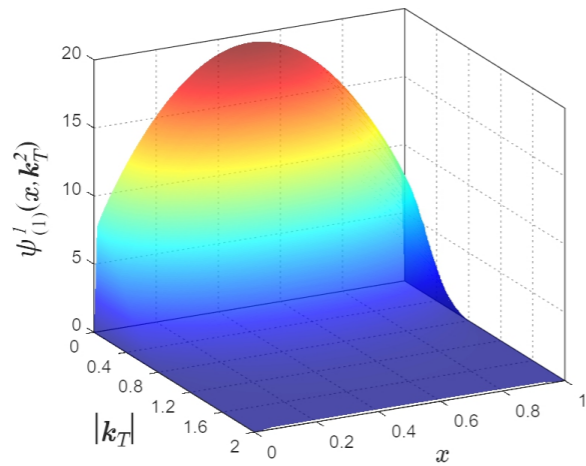
$|\Lambda|=1$

Rho

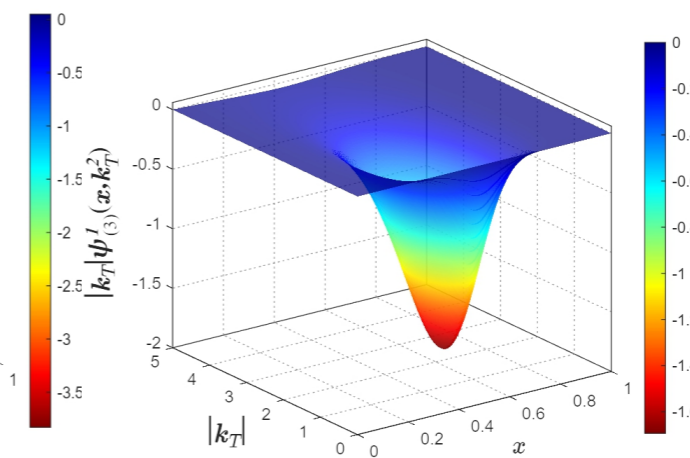
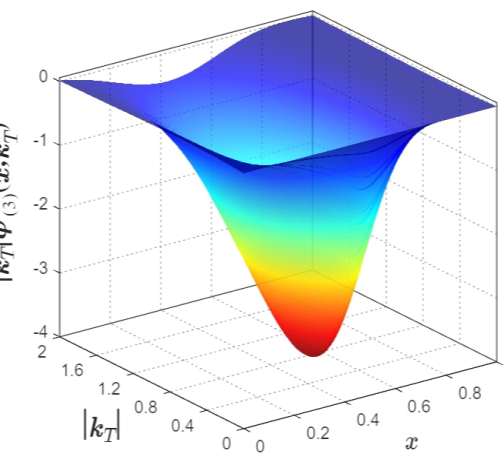
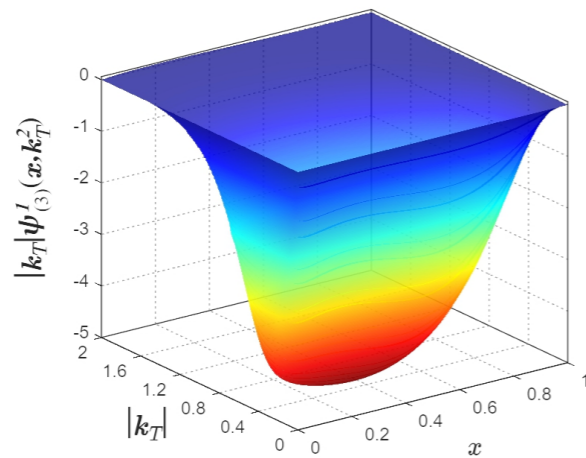
J/psi

Upsilon

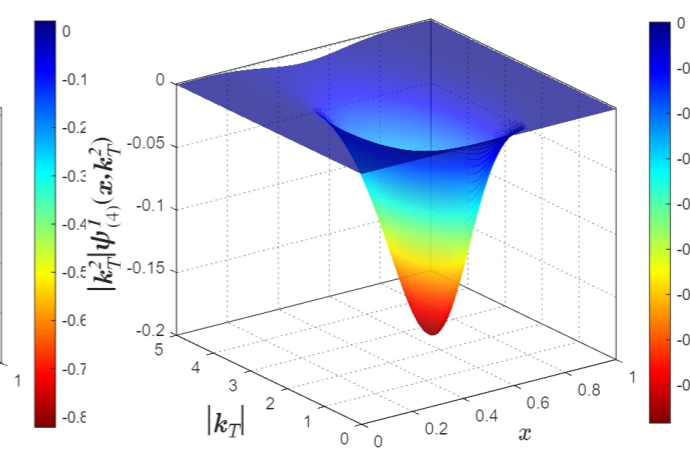
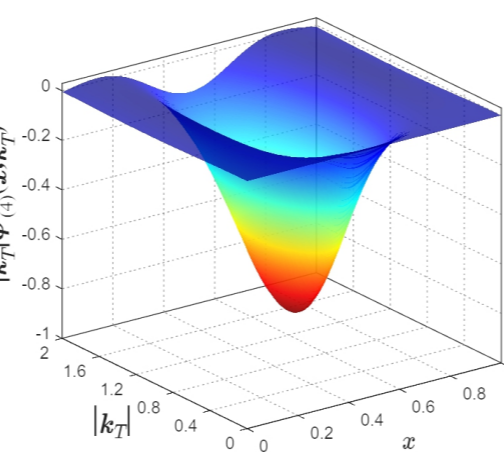
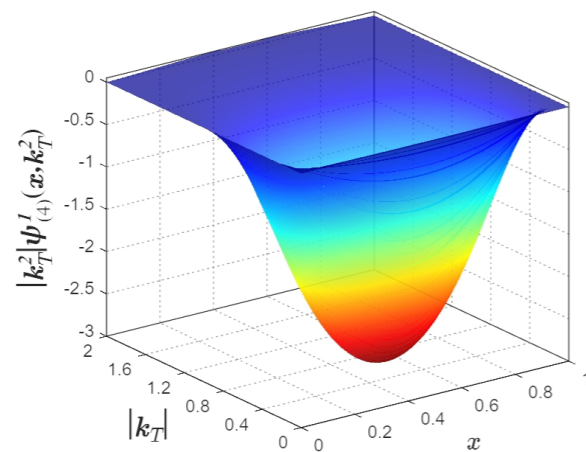
$|\Lambda_z|=0$



$|\Lambda_z|=1$



$|\Lambda_z|=2$



Vector meson LF-LFWFs

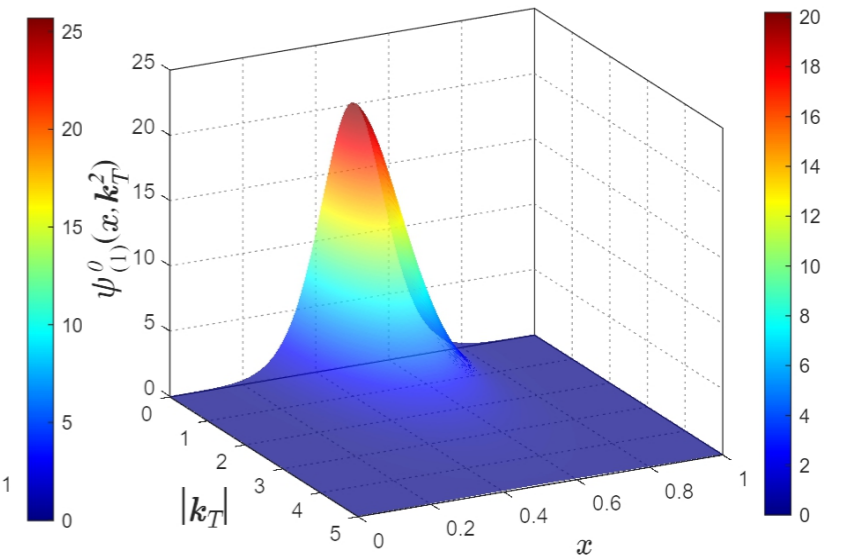
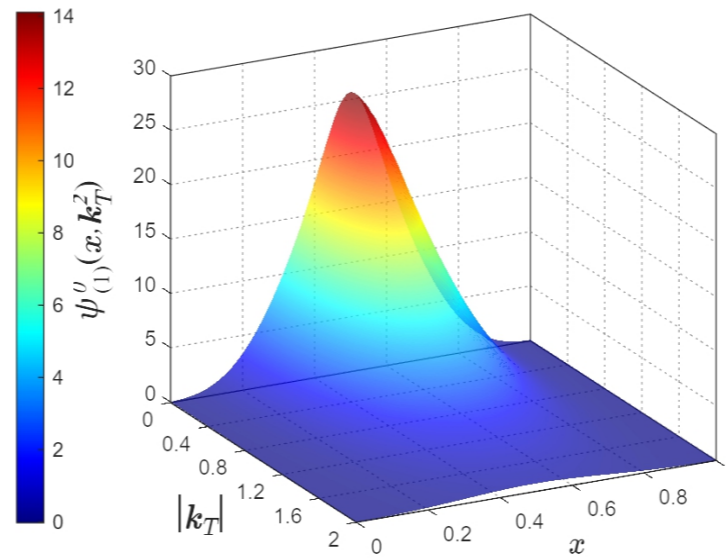
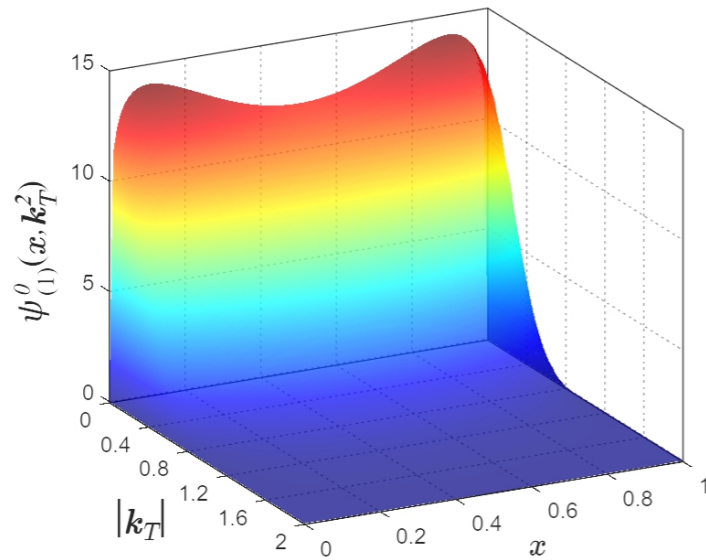
$\Lambda=0$

Rho

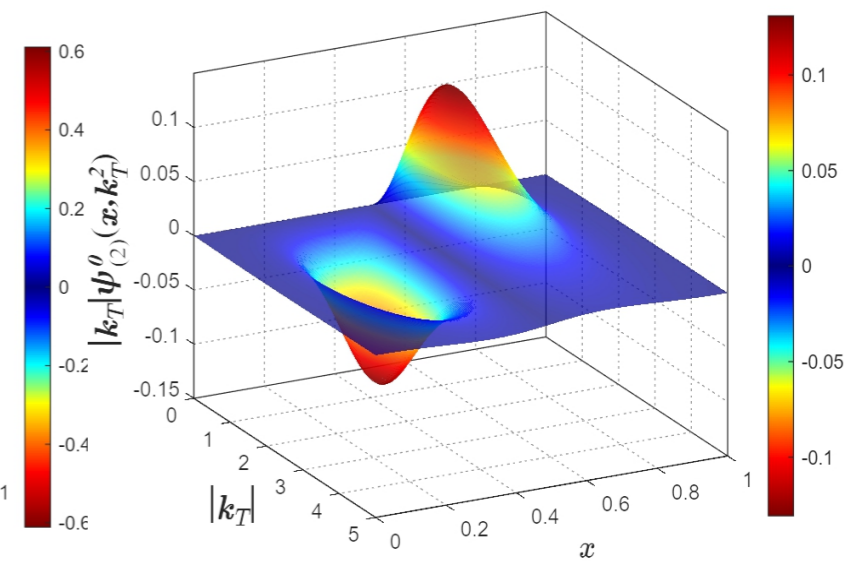
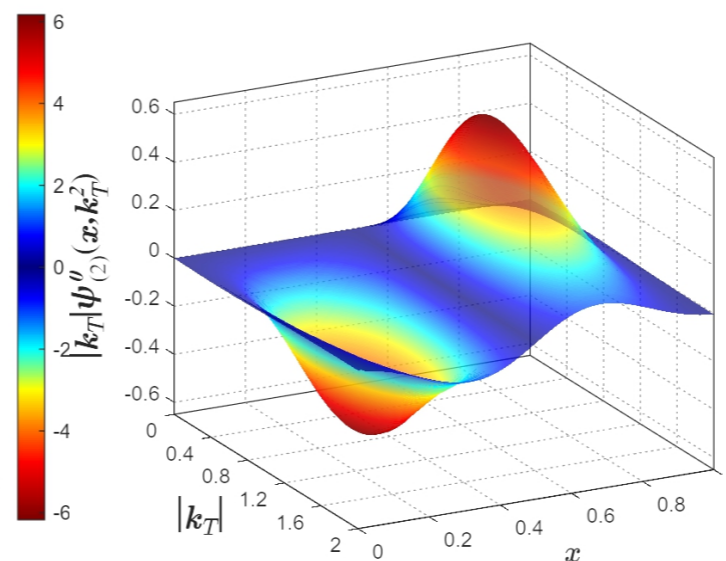
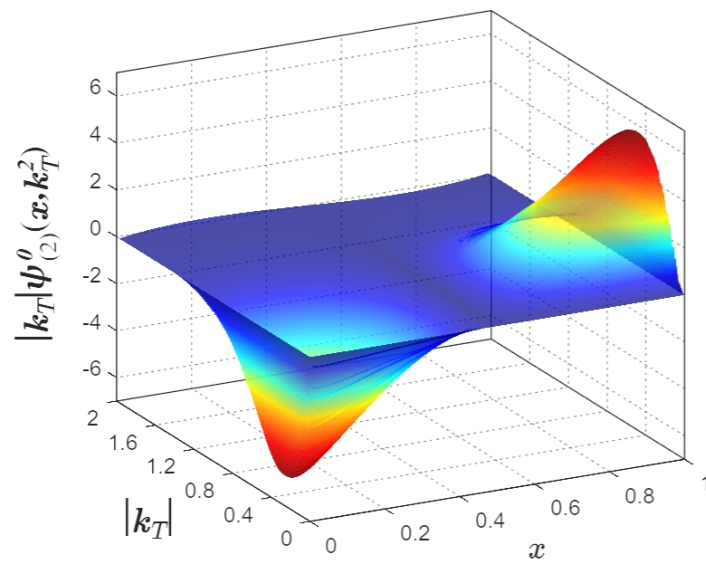
J/psi

Upsilon

$|\mathbf{Lz}|=0$

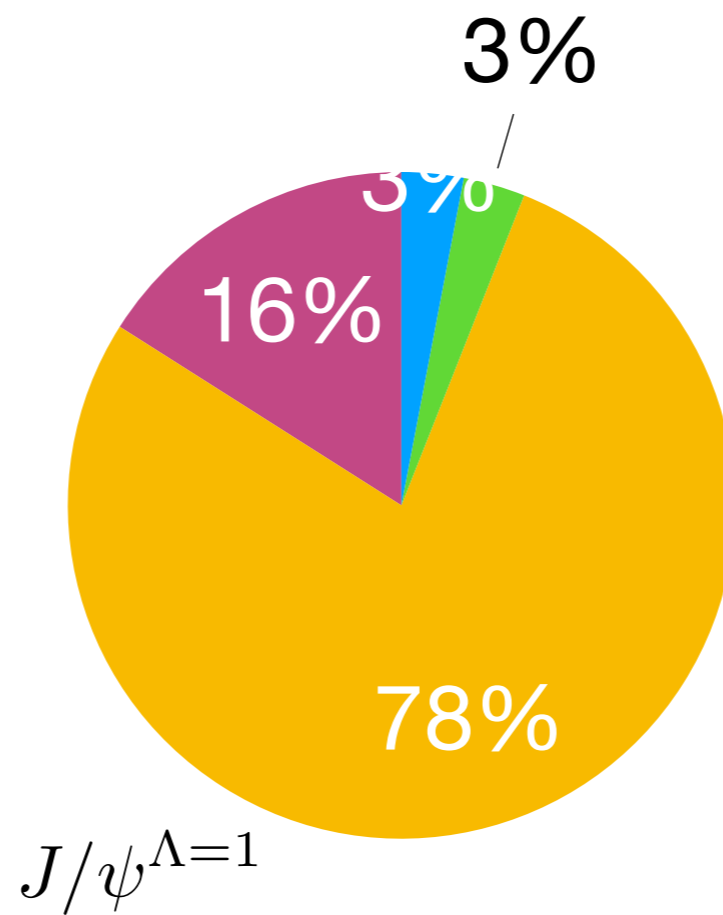
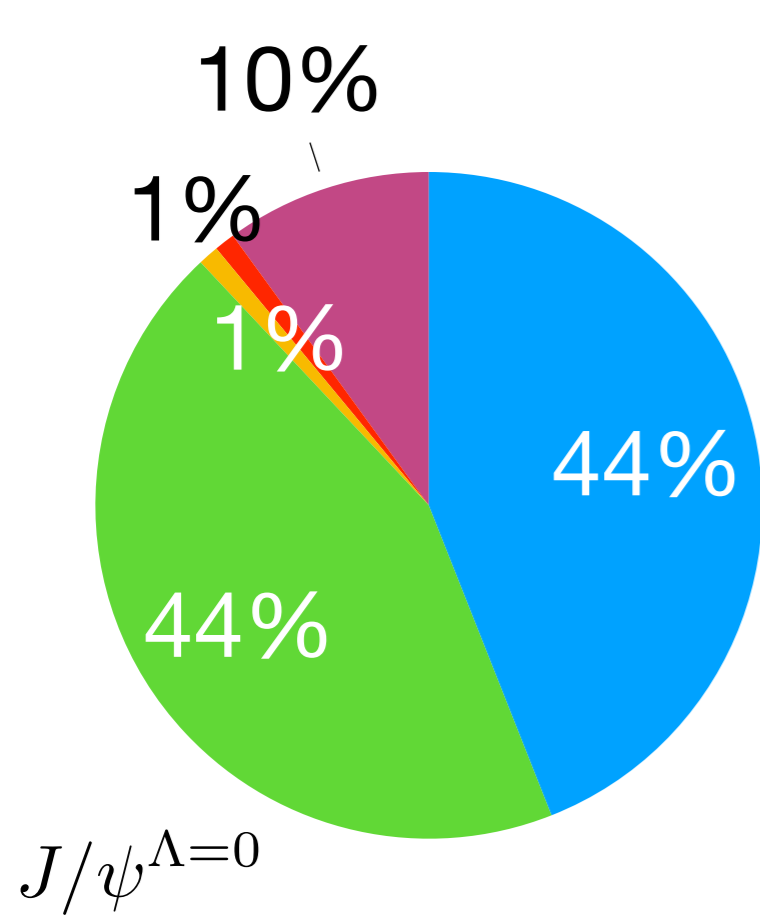
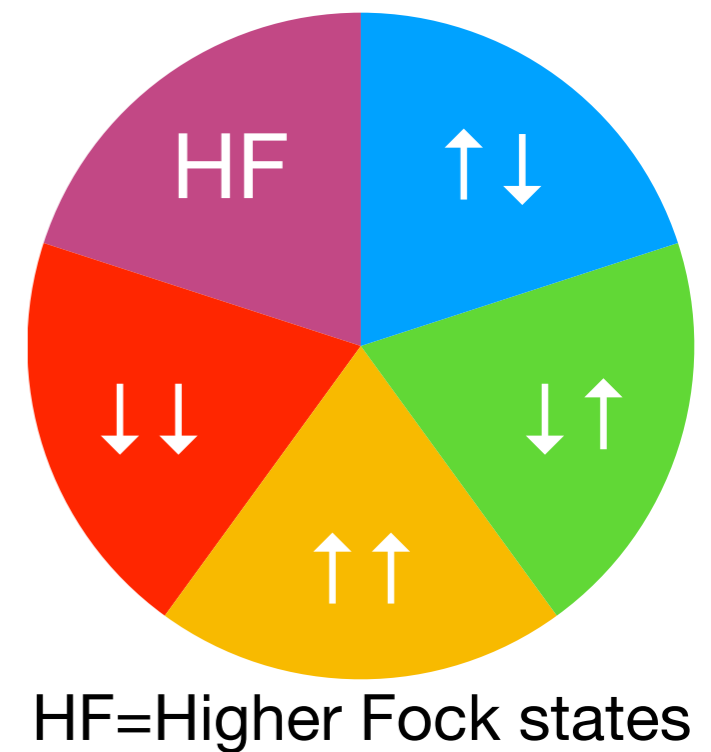
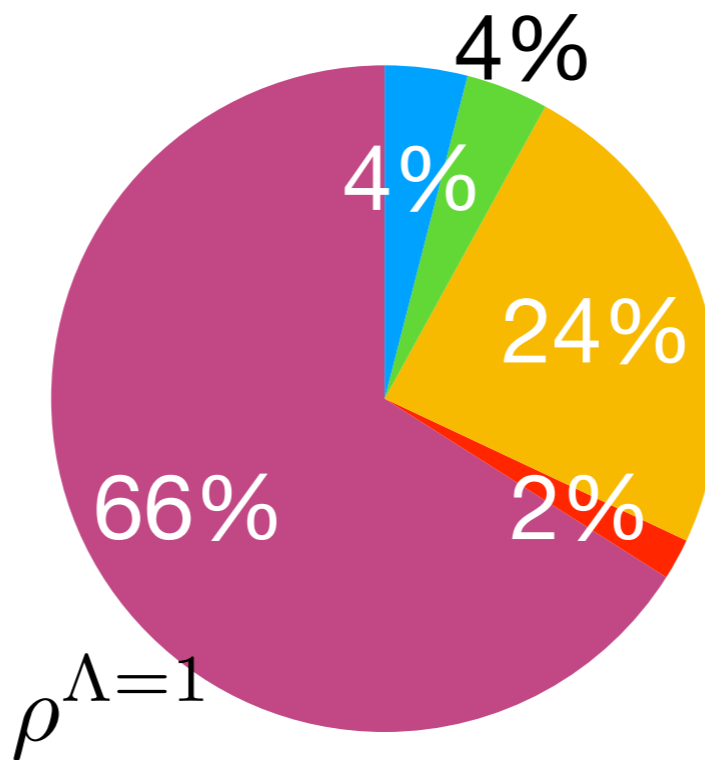
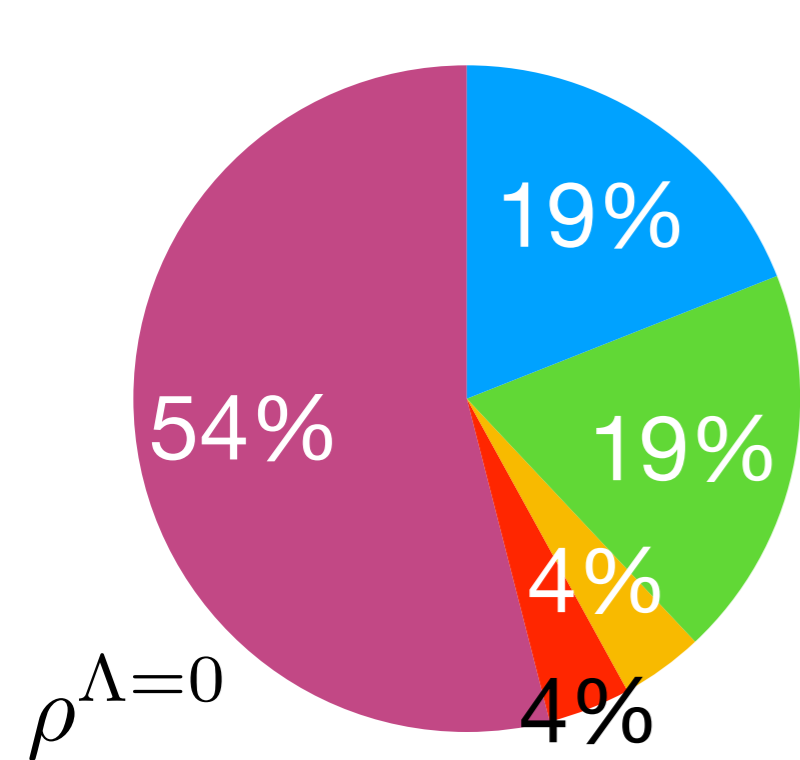


$|\mathbf{Lz}|=1$



- All LF-LFWFs are nonvanishing.
- Evolution of LF-LFWF with current quark mass (EHM & Higgs).

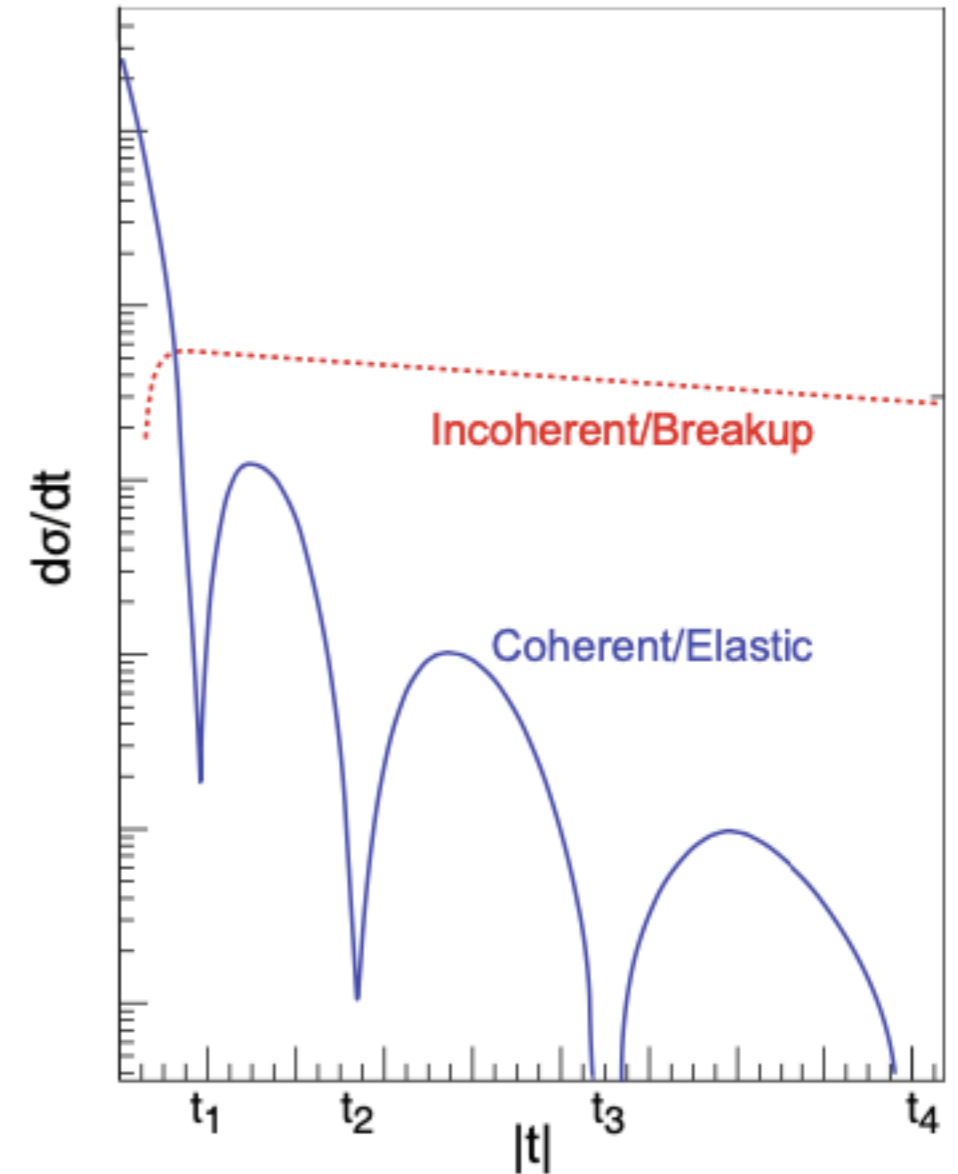
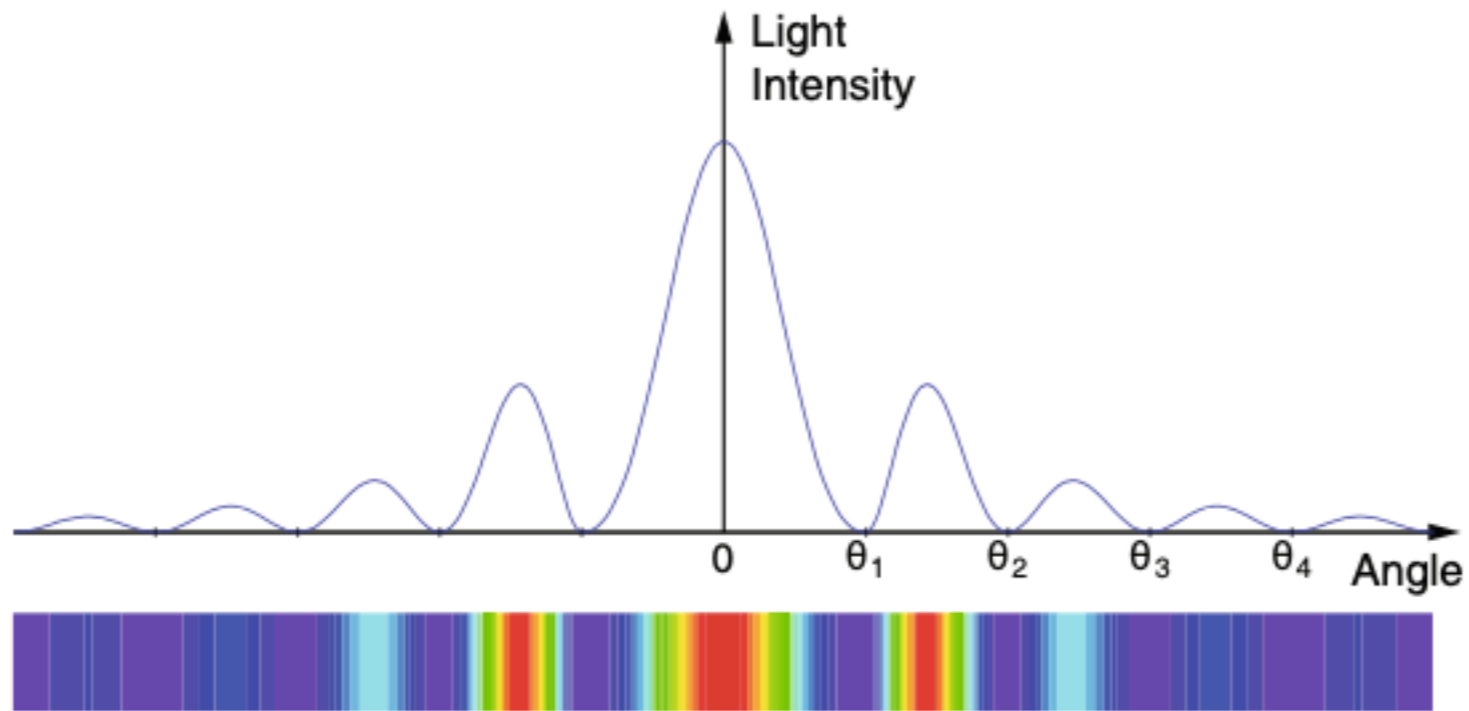
Leading Fock state contribution to total normalization



- s-wave component generally dominates.
- Heavy mesons dominated by LF-LFWFs.

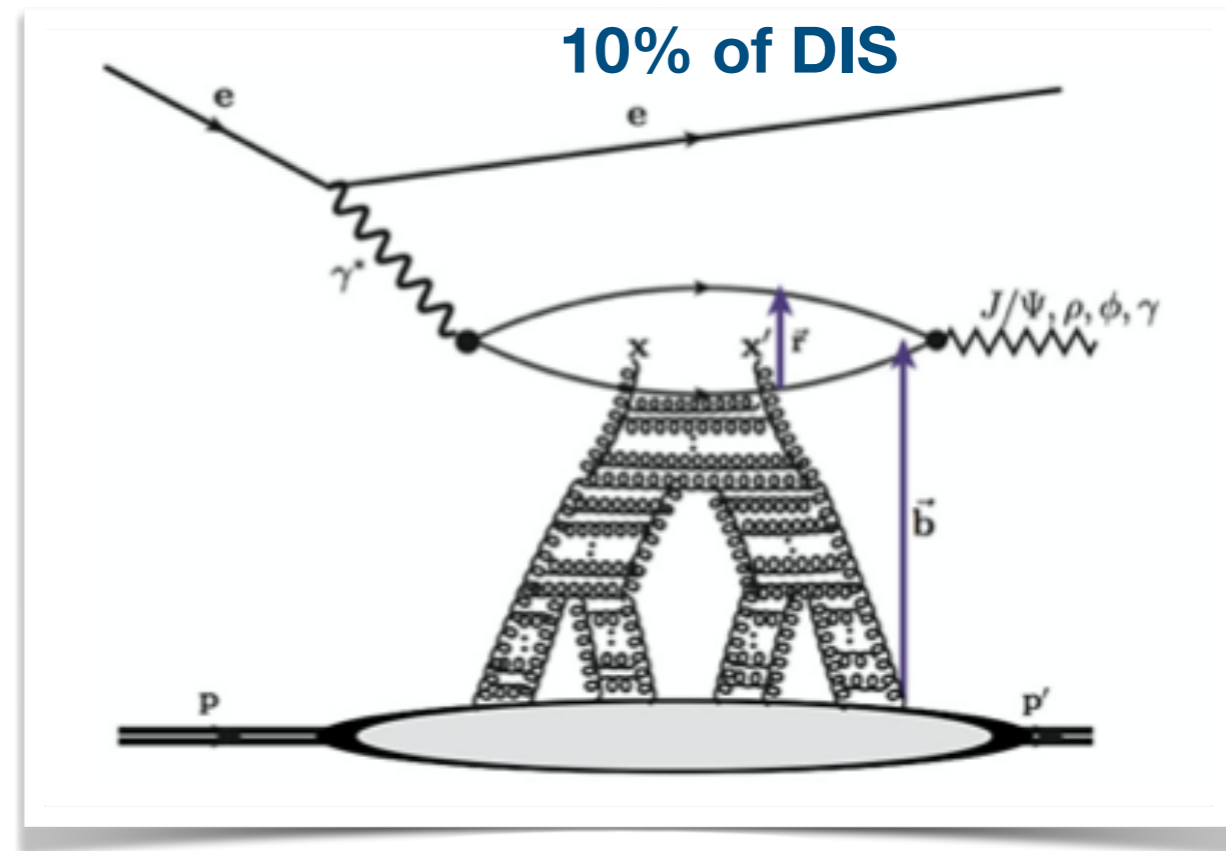
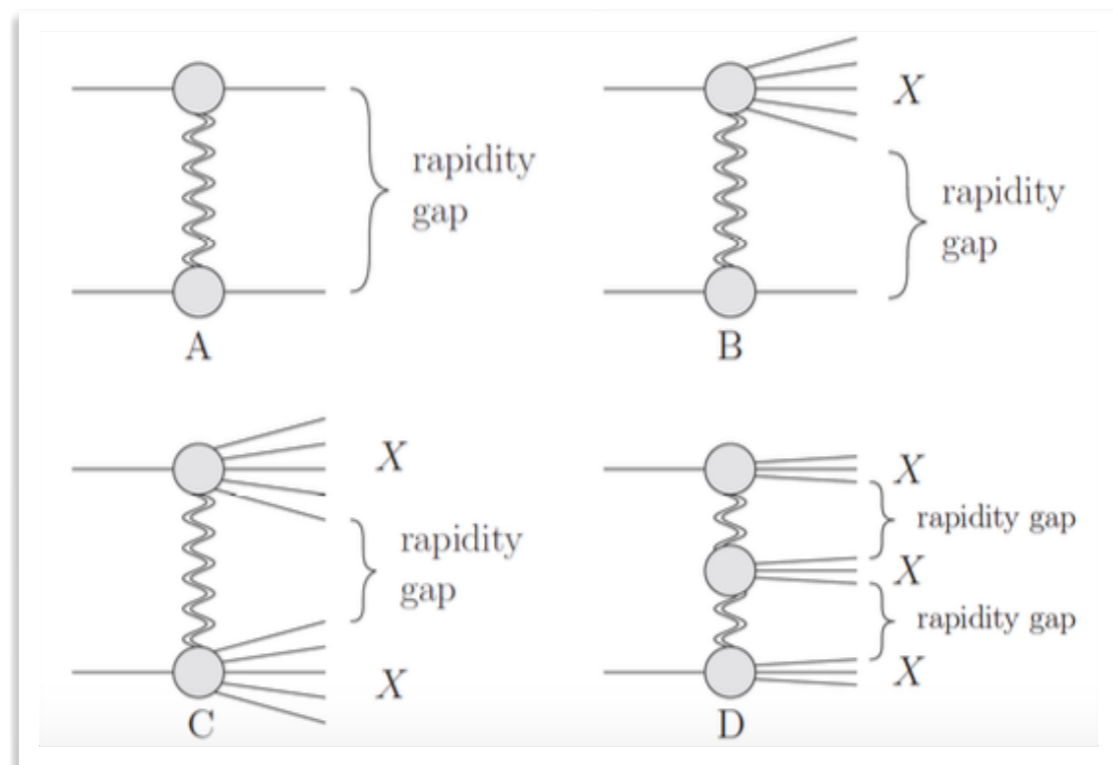
Application I: Diffractive vector meson production

Diffraction



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Diffractive vector mesons production



Colorless exchange

Color Dipole Picture of diffractive VM production

$$\sigma \sim \phi_{\gamma^*}^{q\bar{q}} \otimes \sigma_{q\bar{q},N} \otimes \phi_V^{q\bar{q}}$$

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q},N} \sim g^2(x)$$

Sensitive to small x gluons!

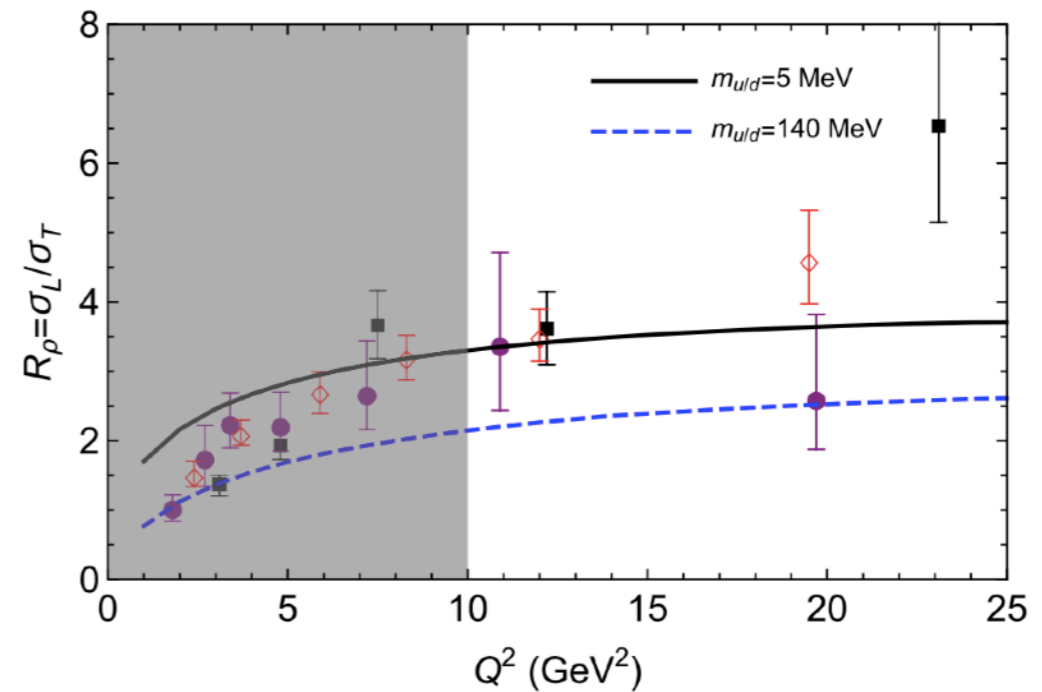
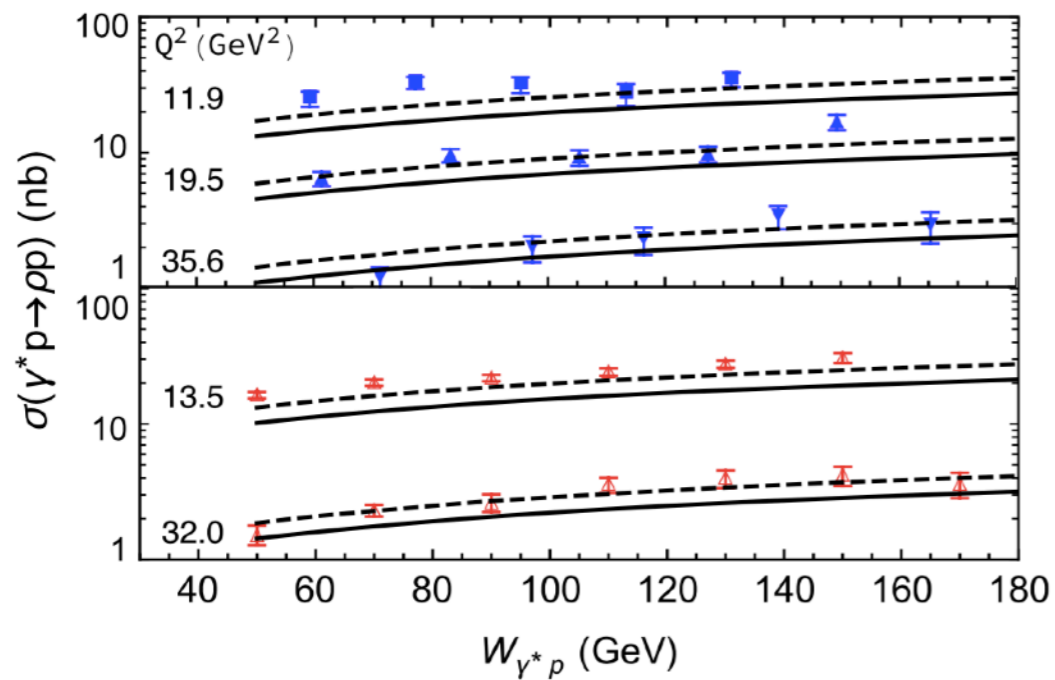
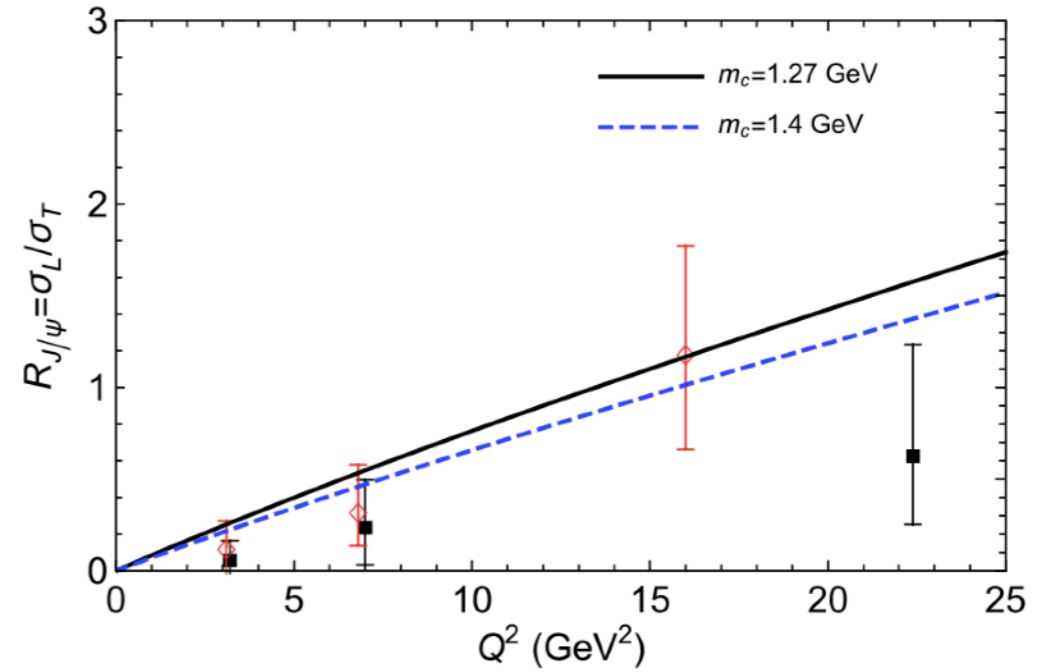
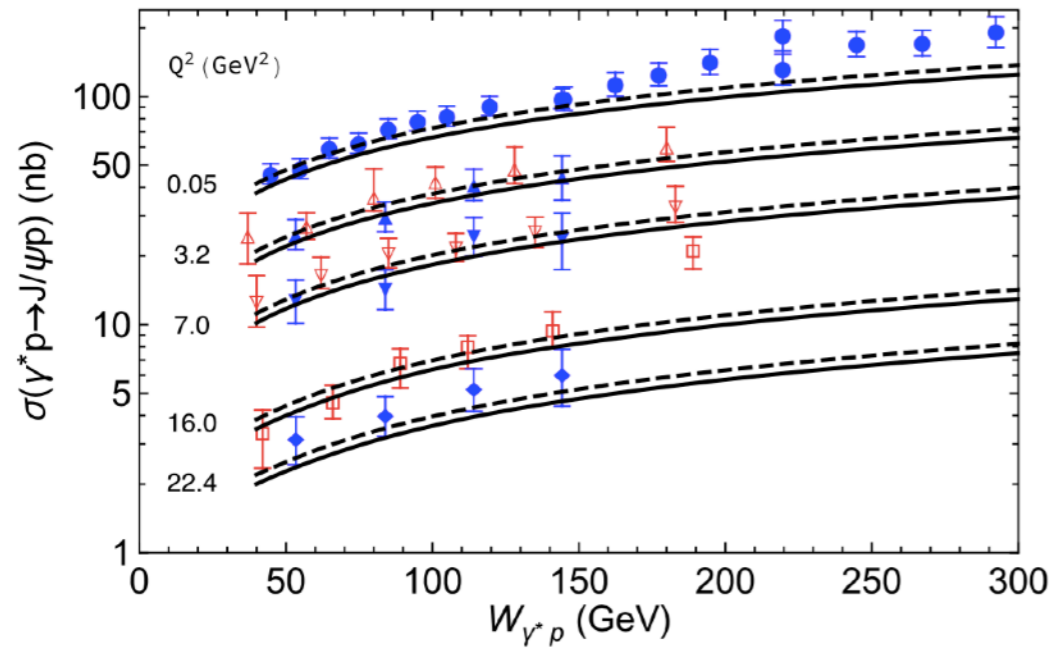
$\phi_{\gamma^*}^{q\bar{q}}$ light-cone perturbation

$\sigma_{q\bar{q},N}$ b -dependent CGC model (saturation).

(A. H. Rezaeian and I. Schmidt, PRD2013)

$\phi_V^{q\bar{q}}$ DS-BSEs LF-LFWFs

Calculation & HERA data



(C.S., Ya-Ping Xie, Ming Li, Xurong Chen and Hong-Shi Zong, PRD(L)2021)

- No new parameters introduced.
- Rho and J/psi production agrees well with HERA data in a reasonable kinematical range.

Application II: vector meson TMDs

$$\Theta_{\beta\alpha}^{(\Lambda)\vec{S}}(x, \vec{k}_T) = \int \frac{dz^- d^2\vec{z}_T}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i(xP^+ z^- - \vec{k}_T \cdot \vec{z}_T)}_{\vec{S}} \langle P, \Lambda | \bar{\psi}_\alpha(0) \psi_\beta(z^-, \vec{z}_T) | P, \Lambda \rangle_{\vec{S}}.$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}_D \left[\gamma^+ \Theta^{(\Lambda)s}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) \right] = f_1(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) + S_{LL} f_{1LL}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) + \frac{\mathbf{S}_{LT} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T}{m_V} f_{1LT}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) + \frac{\mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{S}_{TT} \cdot \mathbf{k}_T}{m_V^2} f_{1TT}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2),$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}_D \left[\gamma^+ \gamma_5 \Theta^{(\Lambda)s}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) \right] = \Lambda \left[S_L g_{1L}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) + \frac{\mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{S}_T}{m_V} g_{1T}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) \right],$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}_D \left[-i\sigma^{+i} \gamma_5 \Theta^{(\Lambda)s}(x, \mathbf{k}_T) \right] = \Lambda \left[S_T^i h_1(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) + S_L \frac{k_T^i}{m_V} h_{1L}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) + \frac{1}{2m_V^2} \left(2k_T^i \mathbf{k}_T \cdot \mathbf{S}_T - S_T^i \mathbf{k}_T^2 \right) h_{1T}^\perp(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) \right].$$

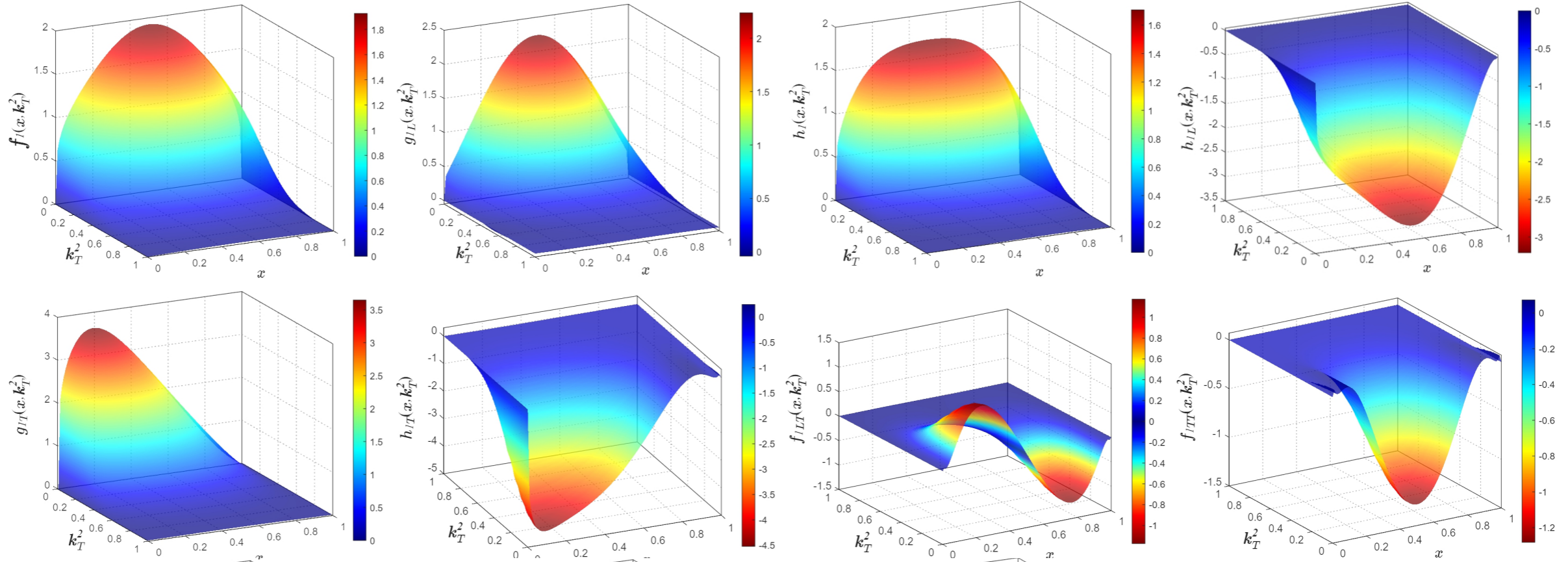
TMD overlap representation (Helicity basis)

$$M^{(\Lambda)\vec{S}}(x, \vec{k}_T) = \left[\Theta_{\beta\alpha}^{(\Lambda)\vec{S}}(x, \vec{k}_T) \gamma^+ \right]^T$$

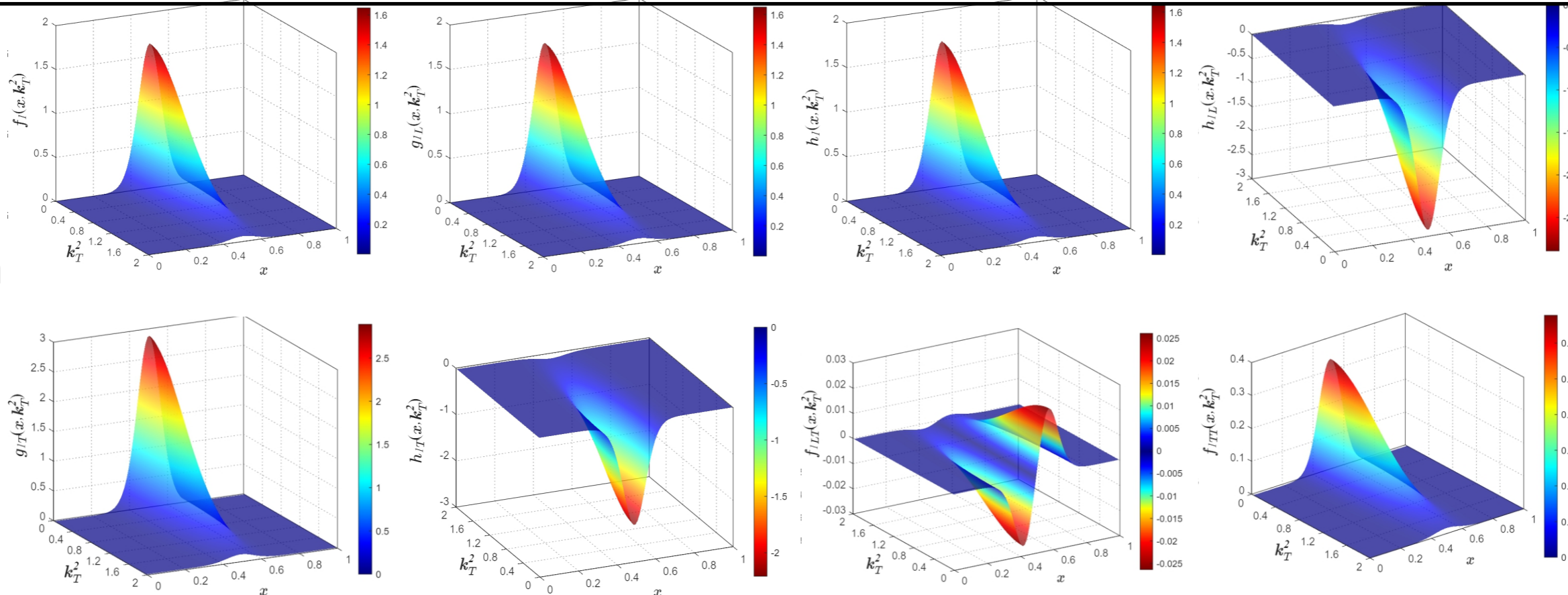
(S. Kaur, et al, JHEP2021)

Rho & Upsilon TMDs

Rho



Upsilon



- TMDs in relativistic and nonrelativistic limits.

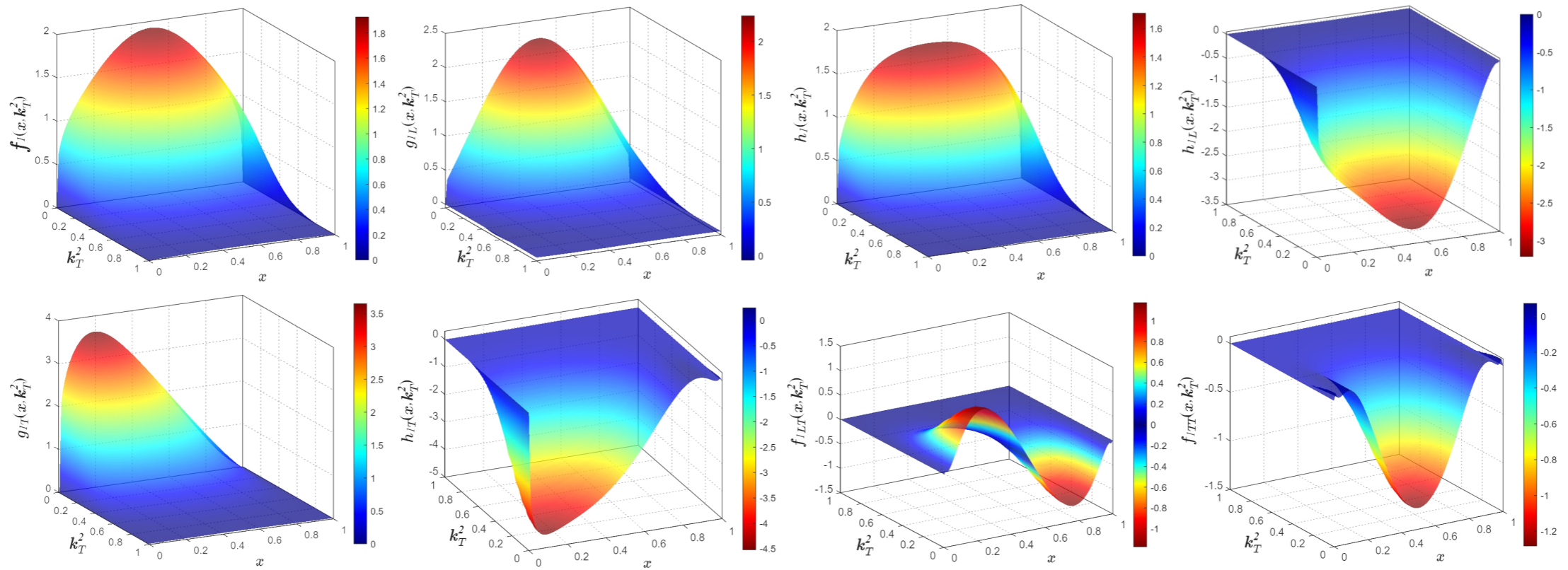


FIG. 5. The ρ TMDs from the full BSE-based LF-LFWFs.

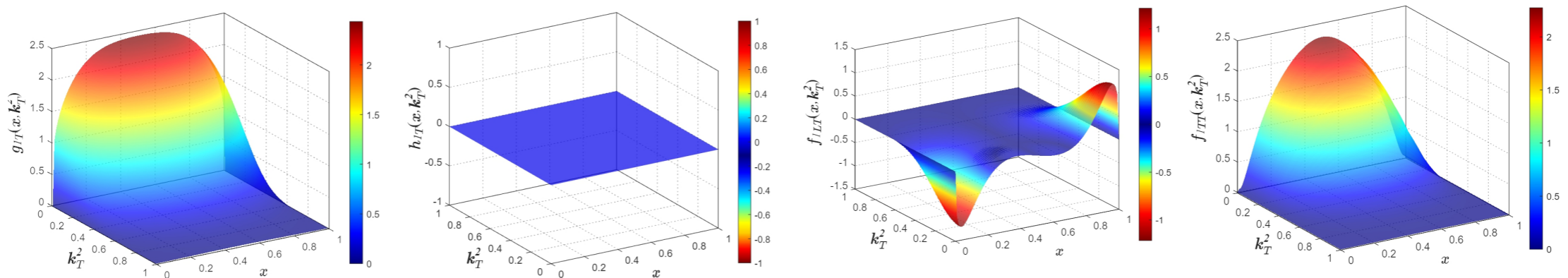


FIG. 6. The ρ TMDs obtained by setting $\phi_{|l_r|=1}^{\Lambda=0} = \phi_{|l_r|=2}^{\Lambda=1} = 0$ in the full BSE-based LF-LFWFs.

(Y. Ninomiya, et al, PRC2017) (S. Kaur, et al, JHEP2021)

- BSE-based TMDs agree with NJL and/or holographic model if higher OAM are set to zero.
- High OAM LF-LFWFs have sizable effect in determining certain polarized TMDs.

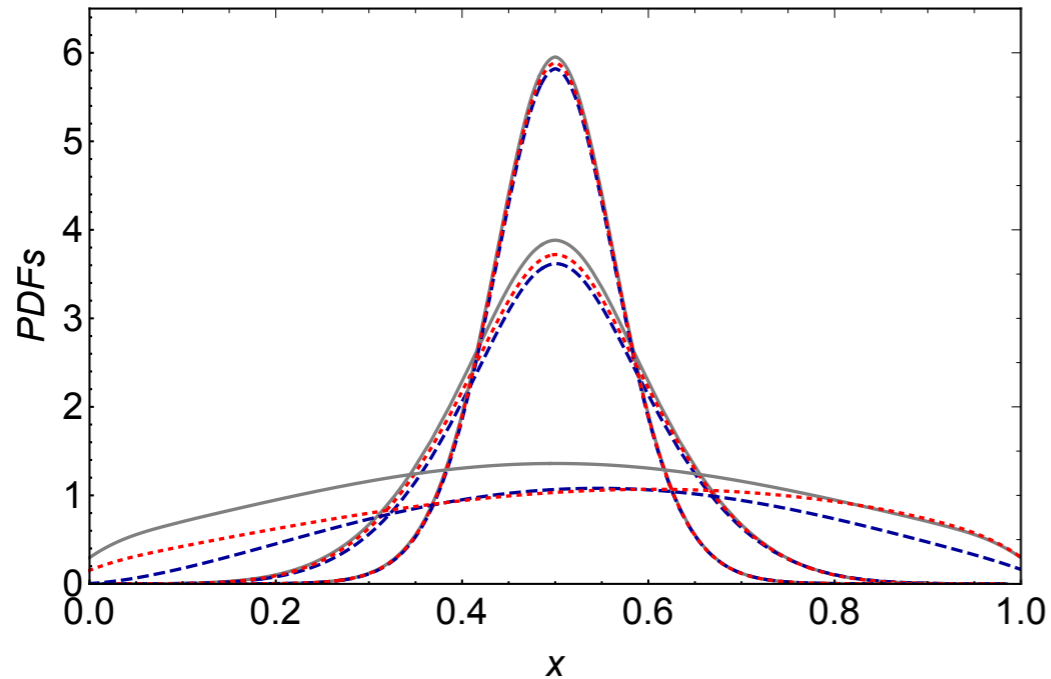


FIG. 7. The $f_1(x)$ (gray solid), $g_{1L}(x)$ (red dotted) and $h_1(x)$ (blue dashed) of vector mesons at hadron scale. At $x = 0.5$, from top to bottom, the three sets of curves correspond to Υ , J/ψ and ρ respectively.

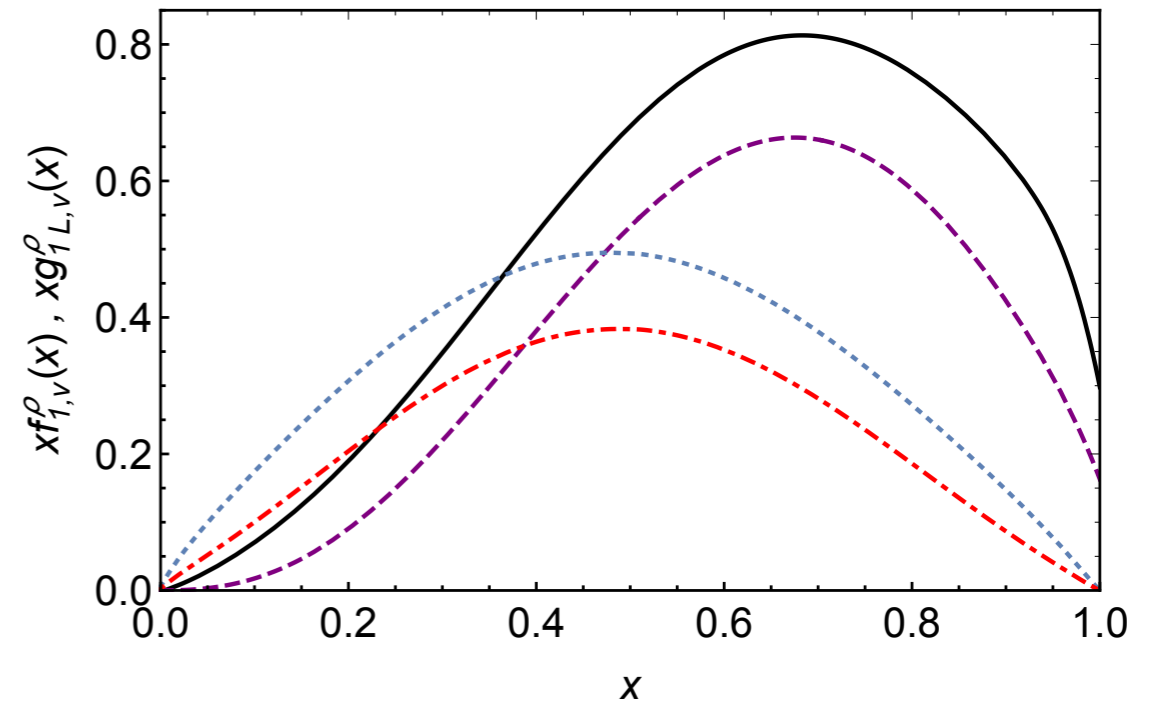


FIG. 8. The $xf_{1,v}^\rho(x)$ at hadronic scale (black solid) and evolved scale of 2.4 GeV (blue dotted), and $xg_{1L,v}^\rho(x)$ at hadronic scale (purple dashed) and evolved scale of 2.4 GeV (red dot-dashed).

$$\textbf{Moments: } a_n = \langle x^{n-1} \rangle_{f_{1,v}} \quad r_n = \langle x^{n-1} \rangle_{g_{1L,v}}$$

lattice (C. Best et al, PRD1997):

$$a_2 = 0.334(21), a_3 = 0.174(47), a_4 = 0.066(39)$$

$$r_1 = 0.57(32), r_2 = 0.212(17), r_3 = 0.077(34)$$

Herein (C.S. et al, arXiv:2205.02757):

$$a_2 = 0.316, a_3 = 0.155, a_4 = 0.091$$

$$r_1 = 0.66, r_2 = 0.227, r_3 = 0.111.$$

Summary

- LF-LFWFs are extracted from BS wave functions of light and heavy, pseudoscalar and vector mesons, based on rainbow-ladder & Maris-Roberts-Tandy model.
- The LF-LFWFs contribution decrease from heavy to light mesons, indicating the presence of higher Fock-states and thereby revealing a complex parton picture.
- The LF-LFWFs in light mesons are generally broad in x , in connection with EHM.
- Diffractive vector meson production data are well reproduced, in a combined study of DSEs, color dipole model and color glass condensate.
- LF-LFWFs with higher OAM have sizable effect in determining polarized distributions.

Thank you!