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My research trajectory started with inspirations from Altarelli’s seminal works on parton physics.

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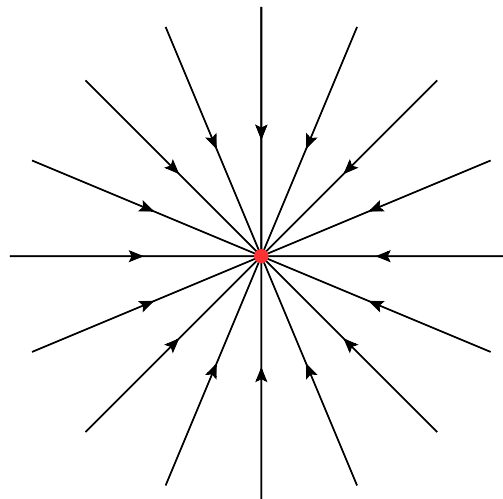
G. Altarelli and G. Parisi, NPB 126 (1977).

4. Calculation of logarithmic exponents. Spin averaged case

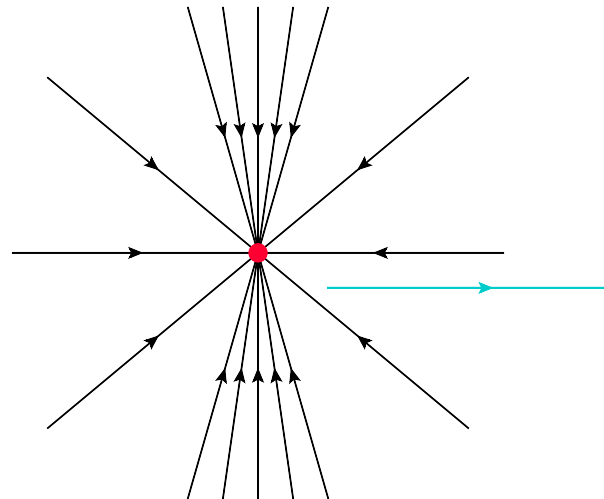
In this section we show that the functions $P(z)$ introduced in the previous section can be directly computed from the simple knowledge of the basic vertices of QCD. The method used is an extension of the von Weizsacker-Williams result in quantum electrodynamics [8]. In that case the equivalent number of photons inside an electron with fraction z of the electron momentum is evaluated to order α and contains a factor of $\ln E/m_e$, which plays the same role as $t = \ln Q^2/Q_0^2$ in our case.

The Weizsacker-Williams approximation, or equivalent photon approximation, was used to justify the physical meaning of gluon spin in the **infinite momentum frame**:

Static charge



Moving charge



- X. Ji, Y. Xu, and YZ, JHEP 08 (2012);
- X. Ji, J.-H. Zhang and YZ, PRL 111 (2013).

$$\Delta G = \langle P_\infty | (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{A})^3 |_{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}=0} | P_\infty \rangle$$

The **infinite momentum frame** picture, where the parton model was originally introduced, motivated a new method to compute parton physics in lattice QCD!

Euclidean observable	Partonic observable
$\tilde{Q}(P^z, \Lambda_{\text{UV}}) \equiv \langle P \tilde{O}(\Lambda_{\text{UV}}) P \rangle$	$Q(\mu) \equiv \langle P_\infty O(\mu) P_\infty \rangle$
Λ_{UV} : ultraviolet (UV) cutoff, $\sim \frac{2\pi}{a}$	μ : $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scale. No P^z dependence.
$(P^z \ll \Lambda_{\text{UV}})$	$(P_\infty^z \gg \Lambda_{\text{UV}})$

$\xrightarrow{\infty \text{ Lorentz boost}}$

$$\tilde{Q}(P^z, \Lambda_{\text{UV}}) = \boxed{Q(\mu) ?} + c_1 \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{P^z} + c_2 \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{P_z^2} + \dots$$

X $\because P^z \ll \Lambda_{\text{UV}}$ and $P^z \gg \Lambda_{\text{UV}}$ usually do not commute.

“Large-momentum effective theory (LaMET)”:

a recipe for systematically controlled calculation of parton physics

- X. Ji, PRL 110 (2013); SCPMA 57 (2014).
- X. Ji, Y.-S. Liu, Y. Liu, J.-H. Zhang and YZ, Rev.Mod.Phys. 93 (2021).

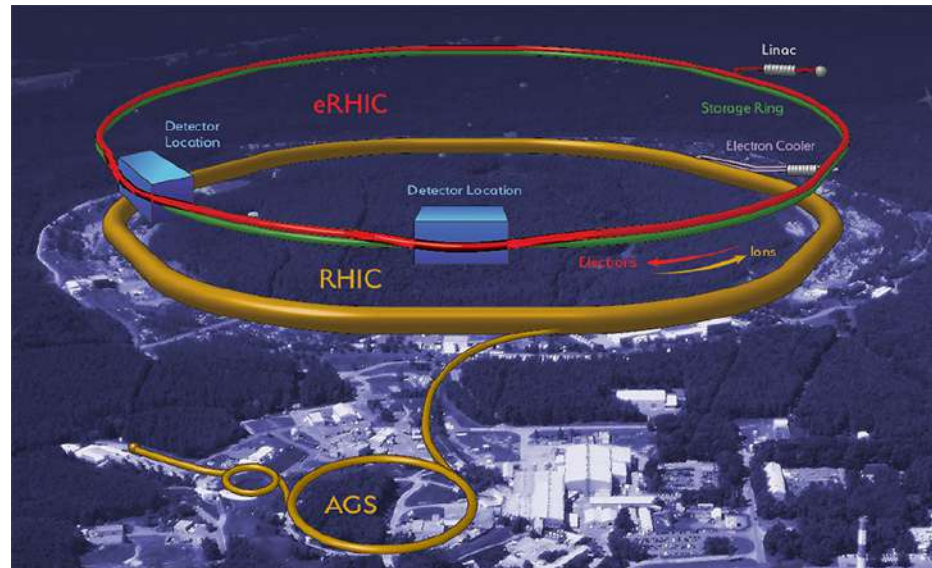
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$$\tilde{Q}(P^z, \Lambda_{\text{UV}}) = \underbrace{C\left(\frac{\mu}{P^z}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{UV}}}{\mu}\right)}_{\text{Perturbative matching}} \otimes Q(\mu) + \underbrace{c_1 \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{P^z} + c_2 \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{P_z^2} + \dots}_{\text{Power corrections}}$$

The gluon helicity ΔG

RHIC spin program and EIC



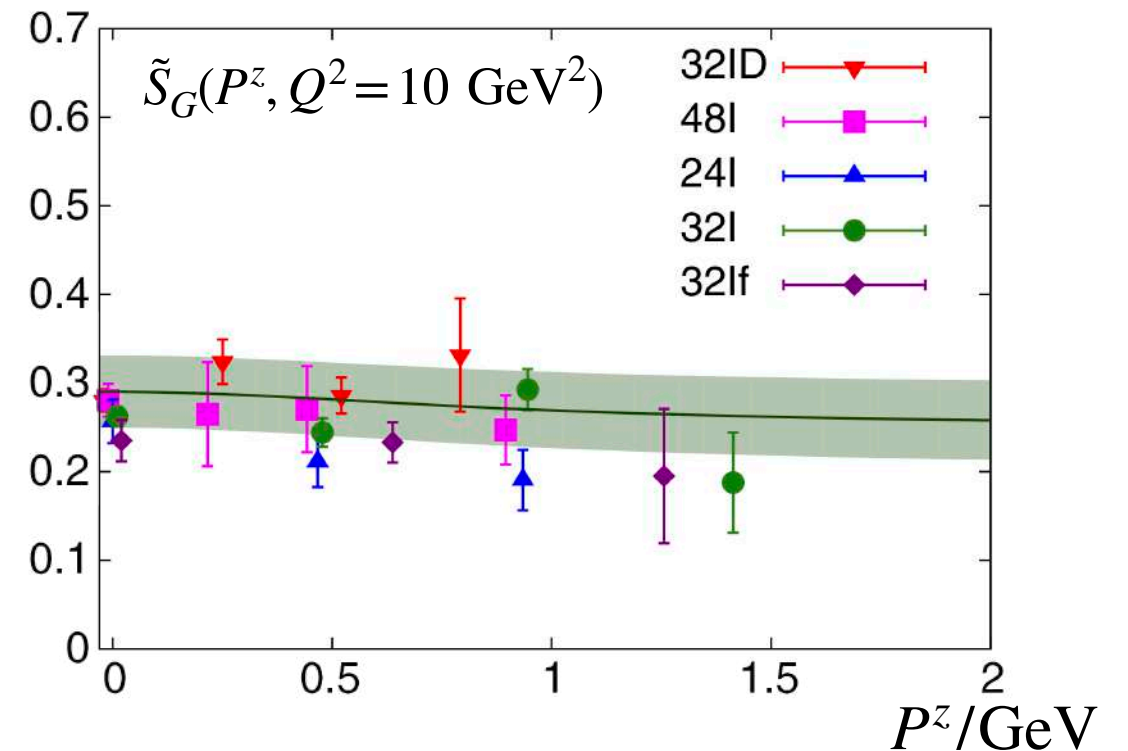
$$\frac{\Delta\Sigma}{2} = \frac{l_q + l_g}{2} \Delta G = ?$$

$$\tilde{S}_G(P^z, \mu) = \frac{\langle PS | (\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{A})^3 | PS \rangle}{2S^z} \Big|_{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0}$$

$$\tilde{S}_G(P^z, \mu) = C(P^z, \mu) \otimes (\Delta\Sigma, \Delta G) + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/P_z^2)$$

- X. Ji, J.-H. Zhang, and YZ, PRL 111 (2013);
- Y. Hatta, X. Ji and YZ, PRD 89 (2014);
- X. Ji, J.-H. Zhang, and YZ, PLB 743 (2015).

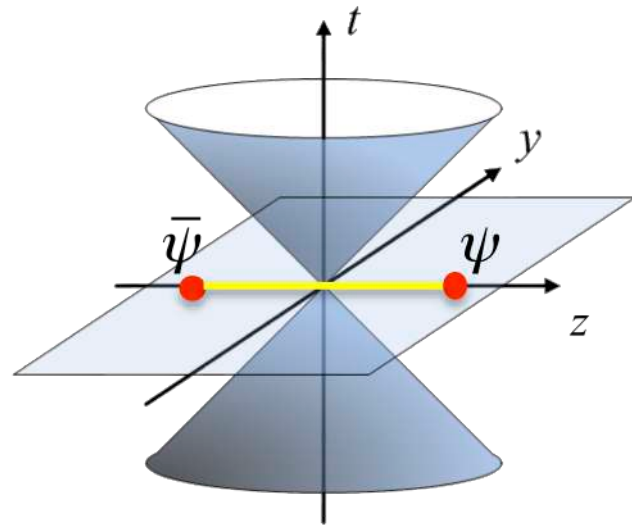
The first lattice result



Y.-B. Yang, R. Sufian, YZ, et al. PRL 118 (2017)

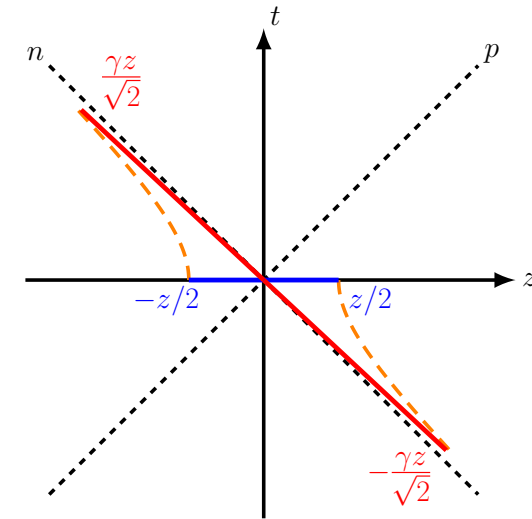
Benchmark: lattice calculation of the PDFs

A quasi-PDF $\tilde{f}(x, P^z)$ to expand from



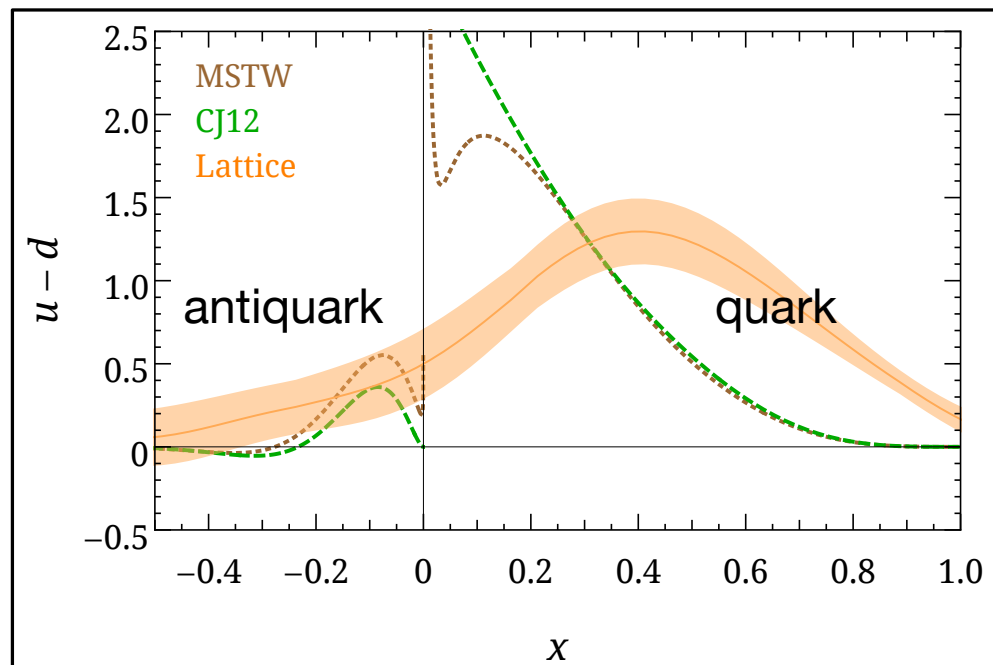
X. Ji, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 (2013)

Lorentz boost



LaMET expansion: $\tilde{f}(y, P^z, \Lambda_{UV}) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{|x|} C\left(\frac{y}{x}, \frac{\mu}{P^z}, \frac{\Lambda_{UV}}{\mu}\right) f(x, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{P_z^2}\right)$

X. Xiong, X. Ji, J.-H. Zhang and YZ, PRD 90 (2014).



← **First exploratory lattice calculation**

H.W. Lin et al., (LP3), PRD 91 (2015).

Renormalization and matching

$$f(x, \mu) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dy}{|y|} \bar{C} \left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu}{yP^z}, \frac{\tilde{\mu}}{\mu} \right) \tilde{f}(y, P^z, \tilde{\mu}) + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(xP^z)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{((1-x)P^z)^2} \right)$$

Altarelli-Parisi splitting kernel

$$\frac{1 + \xi^2}{1 - \xi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{(yP^z)^2}, \quad \xi = \frac{x}{y}$$

- Rigorous derivation of the exact form of matching formula.

T. Izubuchi, X. Ji, L. Jin, I. Stewart, and YZ, PRD 98 (2018)

- Non-perturbative renormalization.

- X. Ji, J.-H. Zhang and YZ, PRL 120 (2018);
- Ishikawa, Ma, Qiu and Yoshida, PRD 96 (2017);
- Green, Jansen and Steffens, PRL 121 (2018);
- Constantinou and Panagopoulos, PRD 96 (2017);
- I. Stewart and YZ, PRD 97 (2018);
- X. Ji, YZ, et al., NPB 964 (2021).

- NNLO matching (for non-singlet quark case).

- Chen, Zhu and Wang, PRL 126 (2021);
- Li, Ma and Qiu, PRL 126 (2021).

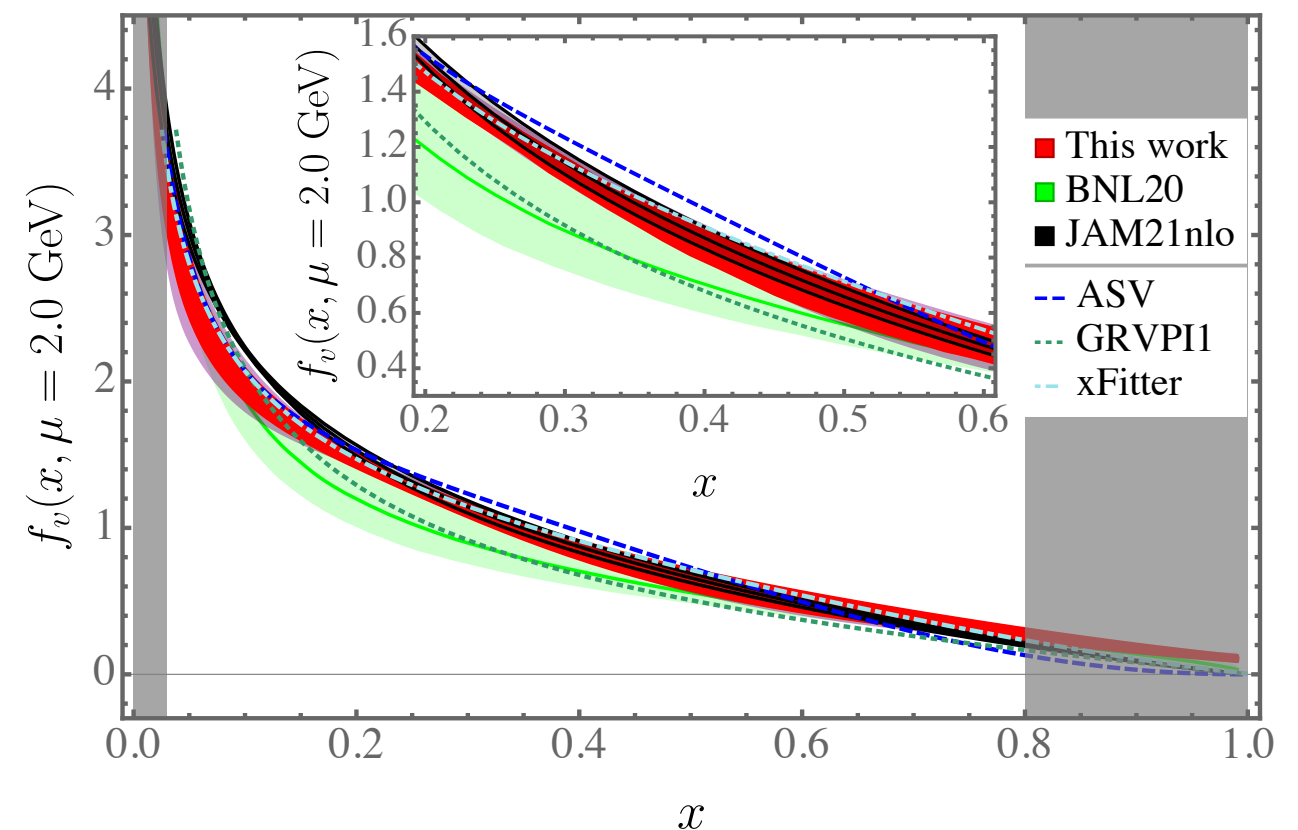
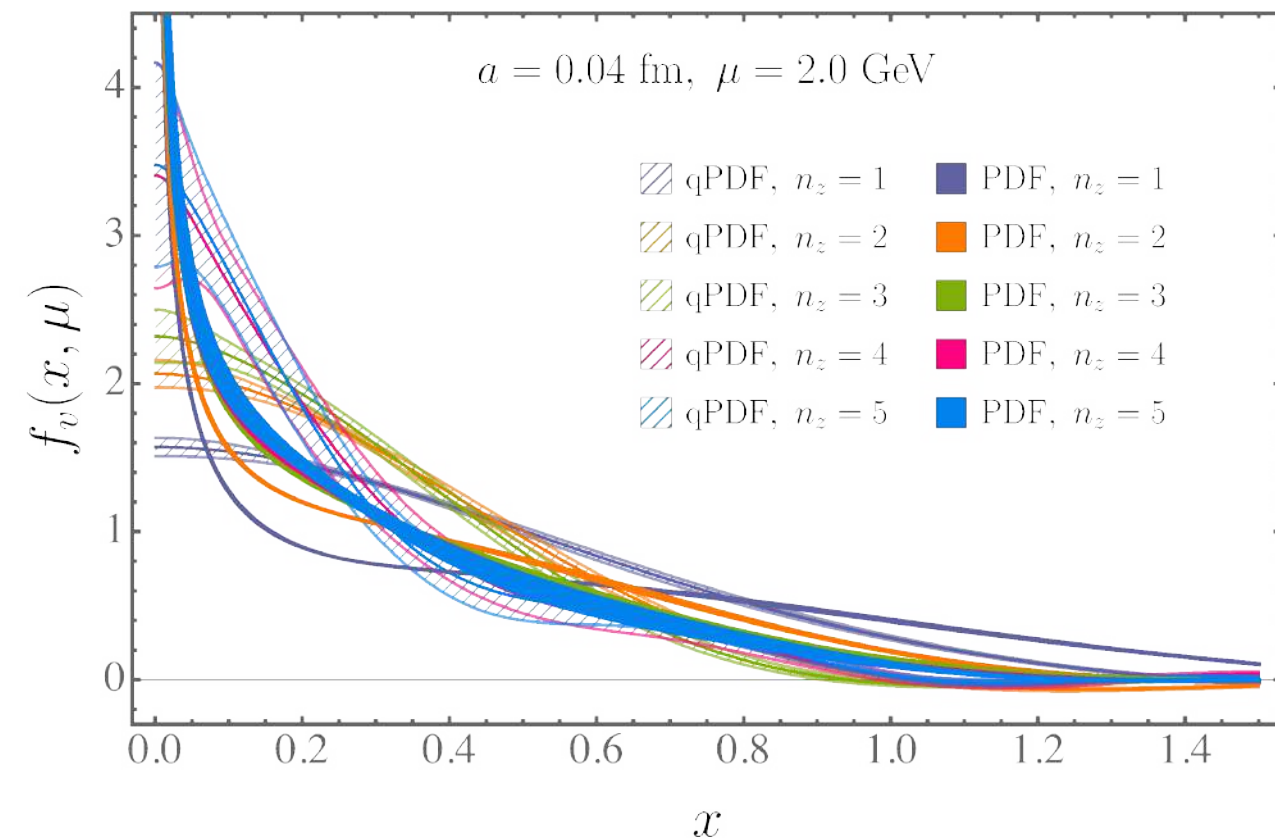
- Direct power expansion in parton momenta in x-space.

Reliable prediction within $[x_{\min}, x_{\max}]$ at a given finite P^z !

State-of-the-art calculation of pion valence PDF

Gao, Hanlon, Mukherjee, Petreczky, Scior, Syritsyn and YZ, PRL128 (2022).

Super fine lattice spacing ($a=0.04$ fm and 0.06 fm), high momentum ($P^z=2.42$ GeV v.s. $m_\pi=300$ MeV), high statistics, first NNLO matching



- JAM21nlo, PRL 127 (2021);
- xFitter (2020), PRD 102 (2020);
- ASV, PRL 105 (2010);
- GRVPI1, ZPC 53 (1992);
- BNL20, X. Gao, N. Karthik, YZ, et al., PRD 102 (2020).

Towards better systematic control

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Resummation of $\alpha_s \ln[\mu^2/(2xP^z)^2]$, $\alpha_s \ln(1-x)$

- Coordinate space:
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X. Gao, K. Lee, and YZ et al., PRD 103 (2021).

Resummation of $\alpha_s \ln[\mu^2 z^2]$, $\alpha_s^m \ln^n N$

- **Renormalons and power corrections:**

Renormalon resummation improves determination of Wilson line mass correction and perturbative convergence.

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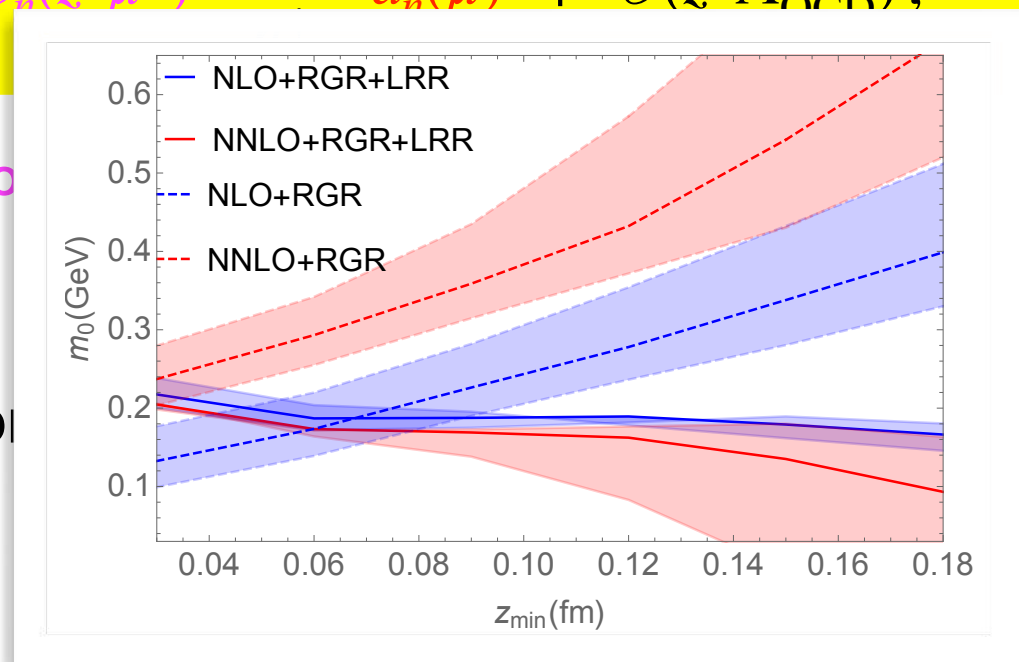
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Resummation of

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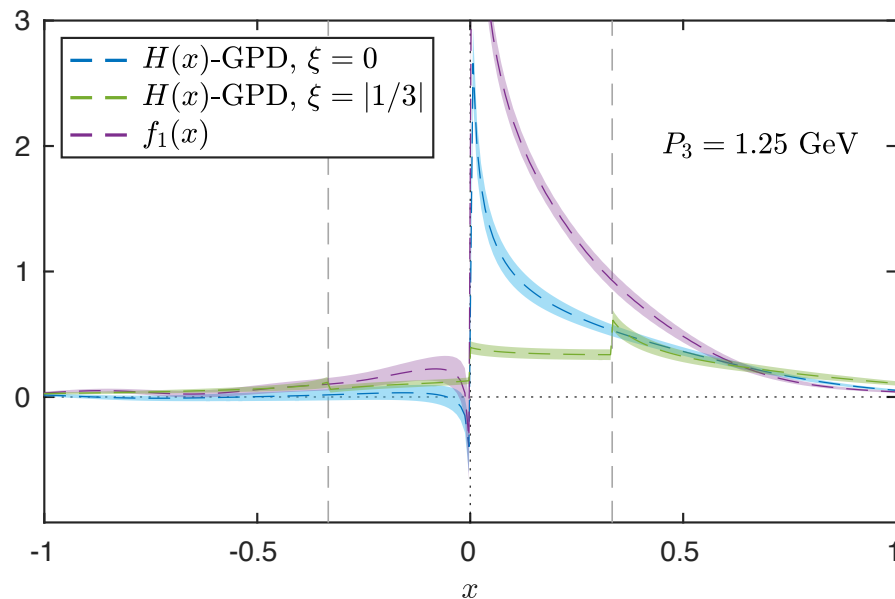
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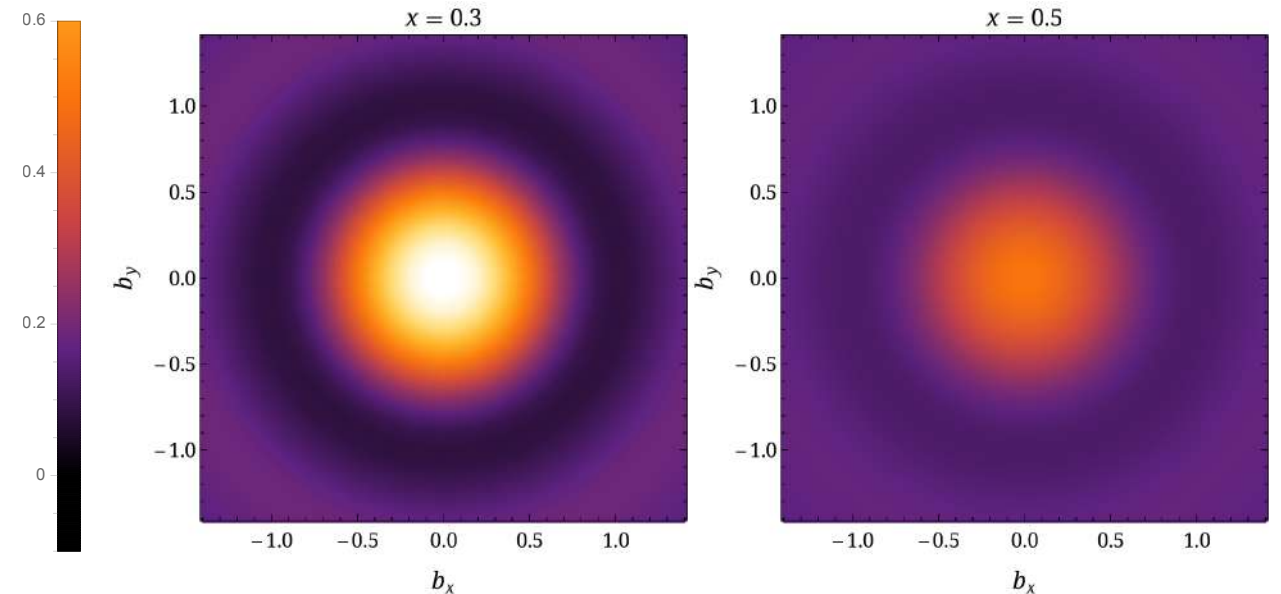


Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

First lattice calculations at NLO:



C. Alexandrou et al. (ETMC), PRL 125 (2020).



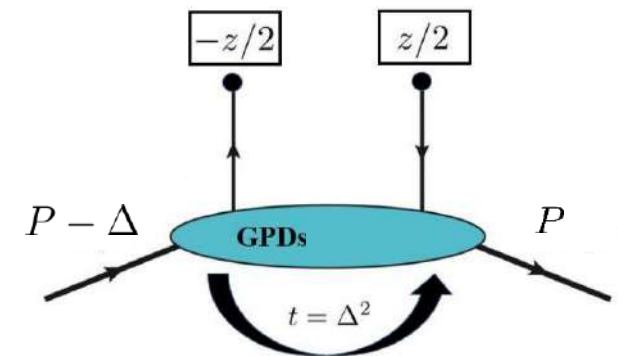
H.-W. Lin, PRL 127 (2021).

First attempt for twist-3 GPDs also made: S. Bhattacharya et al. (ETMC), PRD 102 (2020).

Recent advancement in extracting GPDs from less computationally expensive lattice matrix elements in the asymmetric frame.

Bhattacharya, Cichy, Constantinou, Dodson, Gao, Metz, Mukherjee, Scapellato, Steffens, and YZ, PRD 106 (2022).

See Dr. Xiang Gao and Martha Constantinou's parallel talks on Tue.



Lattice calculations of TMD physics

$$\frac{\tilde{f}_{i/p}^{\text{naive}[s]}(x, \mathbf{b}_T, \mu, \tilde{P}^z)}{\sqrt{S_r^q(b_T, \mu)}} = C(\mu, x\tilde{P}^z) \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}K(\mu, b_T)\ln\frac{(2x\tilde{P}^z)^2}{\zeta}\right] \times f_{i/p}^{[s]}(x, \mathbf{b}_T, \mu, \zeta) \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}\left[\frac{1}{(x\tilde{P}^z b_T)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(x\tilde{P}^z)^2}\right] \right\}$$

Reduced soft function ✓

X. Ji, Y.-S. Liu and Y. Liu, NPB 955 (2020), PLB 811 (2020).

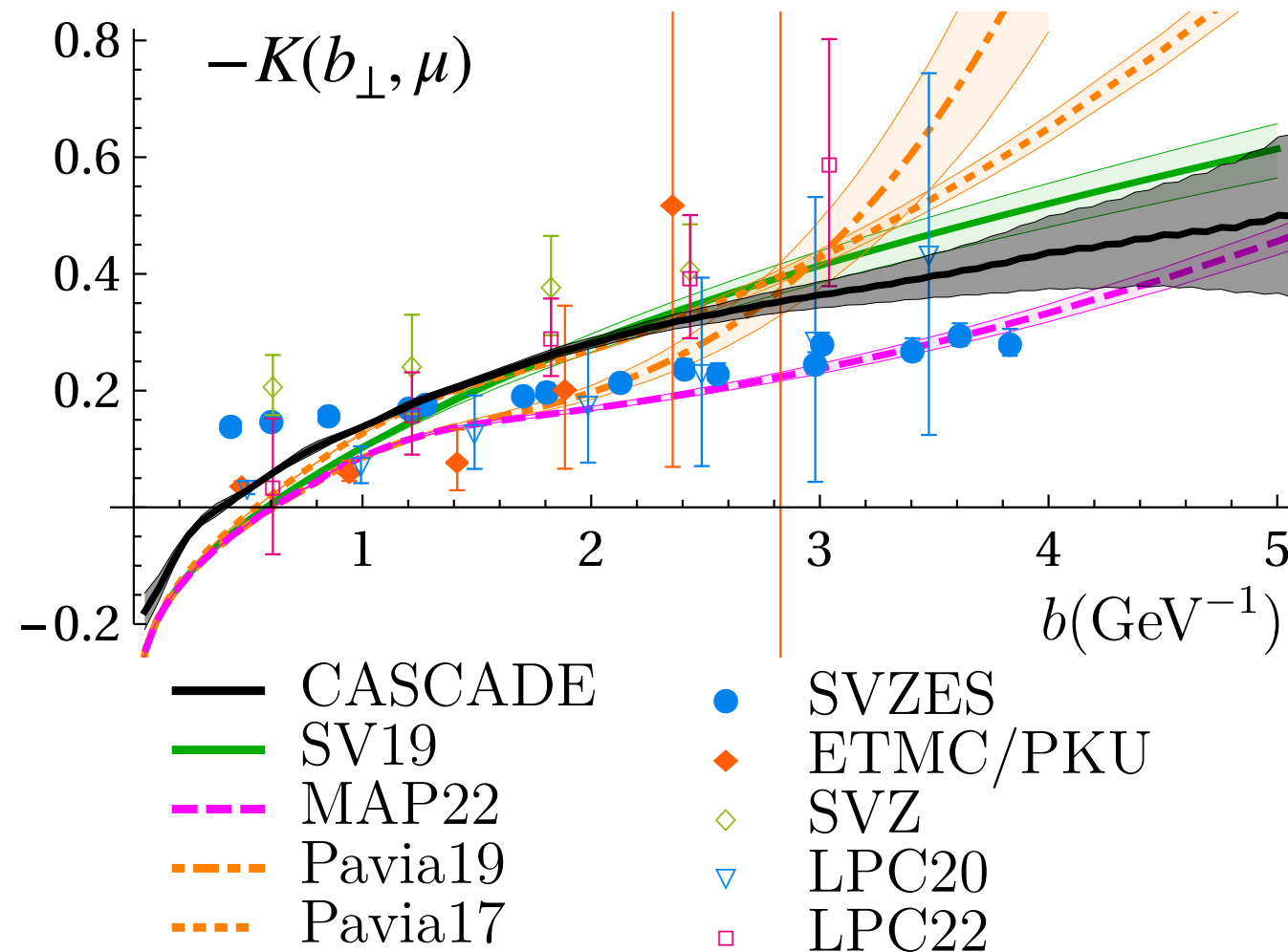
- * **Collins-Soper kernel** $K(\mu, b_T)$;
- * **Flavor separation**;
- * **Spin-dependence**, e.g., **Sivers function**;
- * **Full TMD kinematic dependence** in (x, \mathbf{b}_T) .
- * **Twist-3 PDFs from small b_T expansion of TMDs.**

- X. Ji, Sun, Xiong and Yuan, PRD 91 (2015);
- X. Ji, Jin, Yuan, Zhang and YZ, PRD 99 (2019);
- Ebert, Stewart, YZ, PRD 99 (2019).
- Ebert, Stewart, YZ, JHEP 09 (2019);
- X. Ji, Y.-S. Liu and Y. Liu, NPB 955 (2020), PLB 811 (2020).
- Vladimirov and Schäfer, PRD 101 (2020);
- Ebert, Schindler, Stewart and YZ, JHEP 04 (2022).

Ji, Liu, Schäfer and Yuan, PRD 103 (2021).

Collins-Soper kernel for TMD evolution

Comparison between lattice results and global fits



MAP22: Bacchetta, Bertone, Bissolotti, et al., JHEP 10 (2022)

SV19: I. Scimemi and A. Vladimirov, JHEP 06 (2020)

Pavia19: A. Bacchetta et al., JHEP 07 (2020)

Pavia 17: A. Bacchetta et al., JHEP 06 (2017)

CASCADE: Martinez and Vladimirov, PRD 106 (2022)

Approach	Collaboration
Quasi beam functions	P. Shanahan, M. Wagman and YZ (SWZ21), Phys. Rev.D 104 (2021)
Quasi TMD wavefunctions	Q.-A. Zhang, et al. (LPC20), Phys.Rev.Lett. 125 (2020).
	Y. Li et al. (ETMC/PKU 21), Phys.Rev.Lett. 128 (2022).
	M.-H. Chu et al. (LPC22), arXiv: 2204.00200
Moments of quasi TMDs	Schäfer, Vladimirov et al. (SVZES21), JHEP 08 (2021)

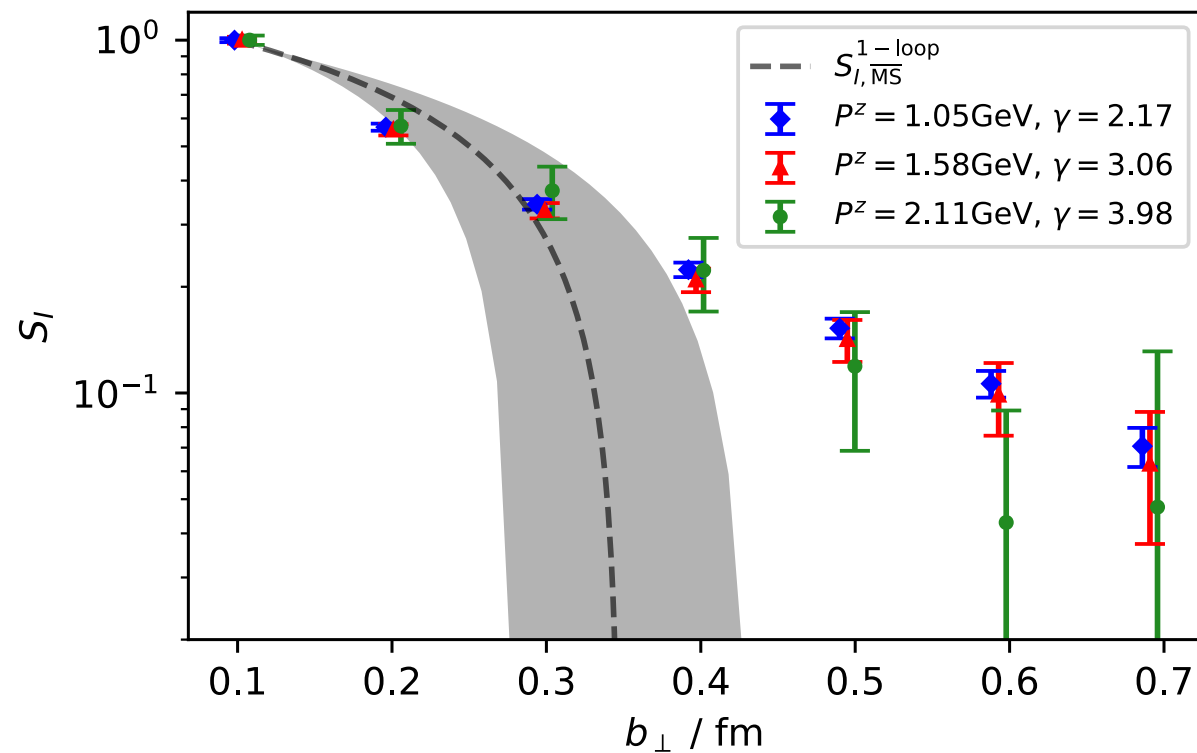
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Reduced soft factor for full TMD calculation

$$\langle \pi(-P) | j_1(b_T) j_2(0) | \pi(P) \rangle \stackrel{P^z \gg m_\pi}{=} S_q^r(b_T, \mu) \int dx dx' H(x, x', \mu) \times \Phi^\dagger(x, b_T, P^z) \Phi(x', b_T, P^z)$$

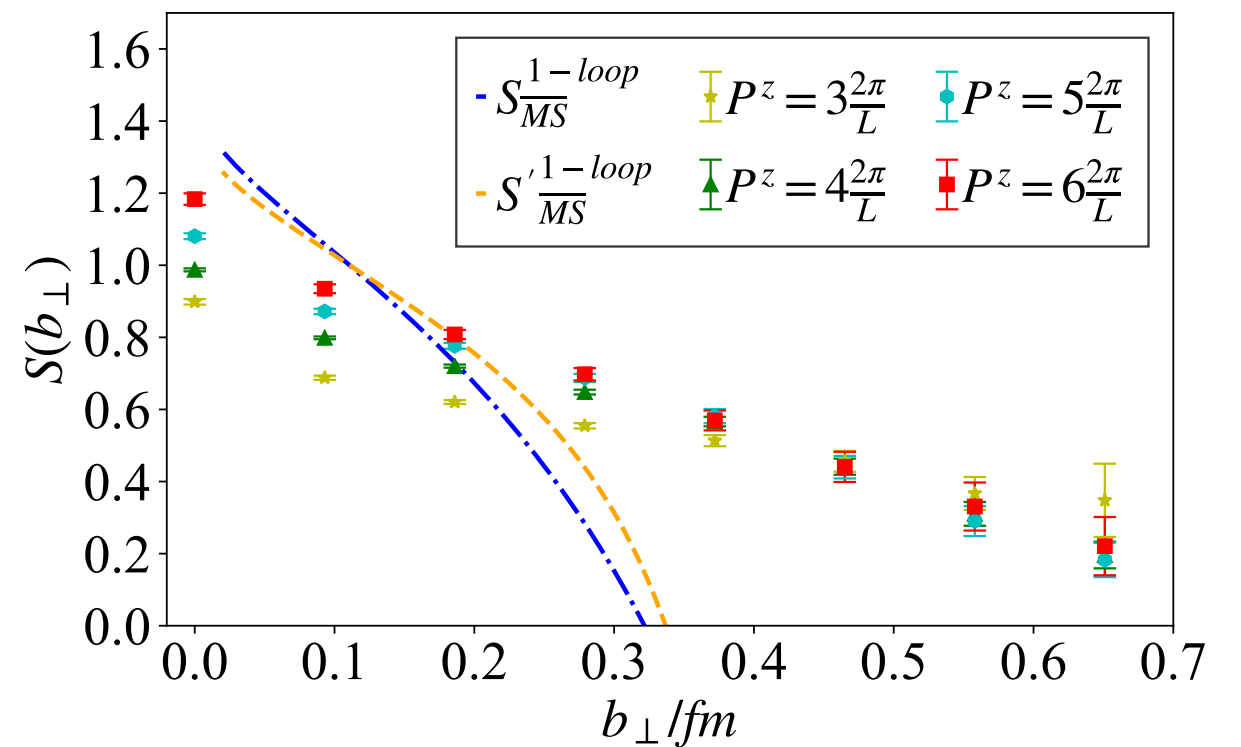
First lattice calculations at LO:

$a = 0.10$ fm, $m_\pi = 547$ MeV, $P_{\max}^z = 2.11$ GeV



Q.-A. Zhang, et al. (LPC), PRL 125 (2020).

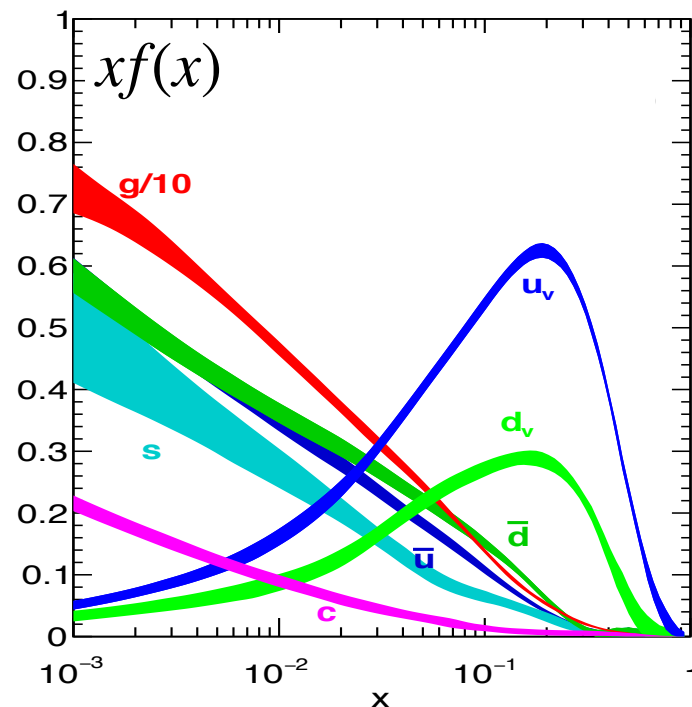
$a = 0.09$ fm, $m_\pi = 827$ MeV, $P_{\max}^z = 3.3$ GeV



Y. Li et al. (ETMC/PKU), PRL 128 (2022).

3D Imaging of the Nucleon

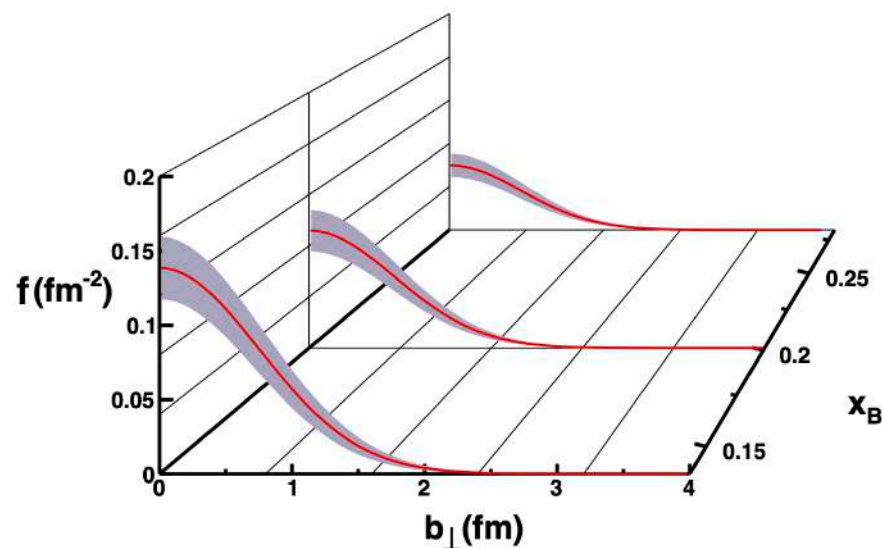
Parton Distribution Functions



NNPDF, EPJ C77 (2017)

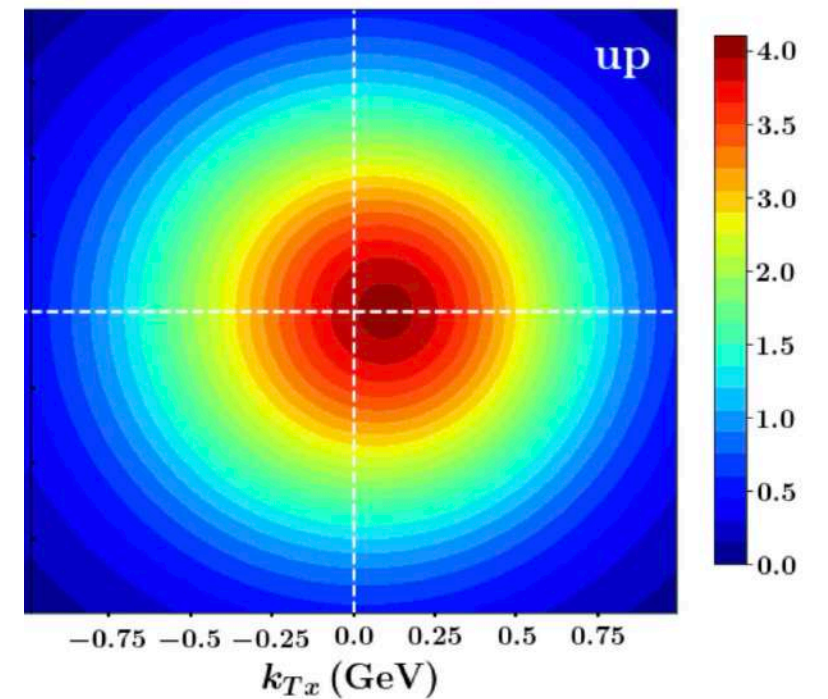
$$\int d^2\vec{b}_T$$

Generalized parton distributions



W. Armstrong et al., arXiv: 1708.00888.

Transvers momentum distributions



Cammarota, et al. (JAM), PRD 102 (2020).

$$\int d^2\vec{b}_T$$

Wigner distributions/ Generalized TMDs

$$W(x, \vec{k}_T, \vec{b}_T)$$

$$\int d^2\vec{k}_T$$

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