

Minkowski space description: nucleon and pion

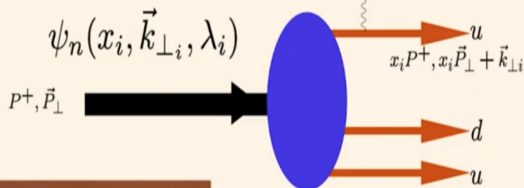
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$$x = \frac{k^+}{P^+} = \frac{k^0 + k^3}{P^0 + P^3}$$



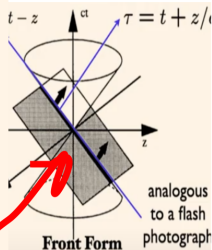
Dirac's Front Form

Measurements of hadron LF wavefunction are at fixed LF time

Like a flash photograph

$$x_{bj} = x = \frac{k^+}{P^+}$$

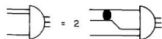
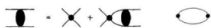
Credits Stanley Brodsky



$$|proton\rangle = |3q\rangle + |4q\ qb\rangle + |3q\ g\rangle + |3q\ 2g\rangle + \dots$$

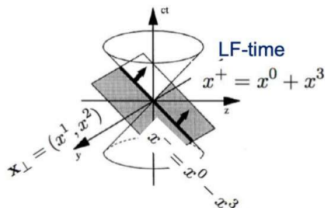
Nucleon Structure in Minkowski space

& LF Fock space decomposition of the nucleon state



$$v(q, p) = 2iF(M_{12}) \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{[k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon]} \times \frac{i}{[(p - q - k)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon]} v(k, p).$$

T. Frederico, Phys. Lett. B 282 (1992) 409.



$$|proton\rangle = |3q\rangle + |4q qb\rangle + |5q 2qb\rangle + \dots$$

E. Ydrzejors et al. / Physics Letters B 770 (2017) 131–137

|3q>



|4q qb>

Fig. 2. The three-body LF graphs obtained by time-ordering of the Feynman graph shown in right panel of Fig. 1.

|4q qb>

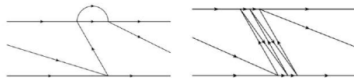
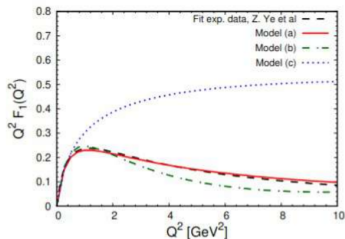


Fig. 3. Examples of many-body intermediate state contributions to the LF three-body forces.

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Electromagnetic form factor



Model	m [MeV]	a [m^{-1}]	μ/m	M_{dq} [MeV]
(a)	366	2.70	1	644
(b)	362	3.60	∞	682
(c)	317	-1.84	∞	-

Valence Proton PDF @ initial and experimental scale

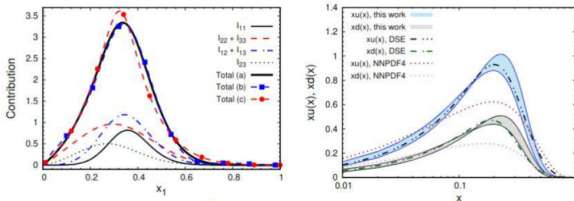
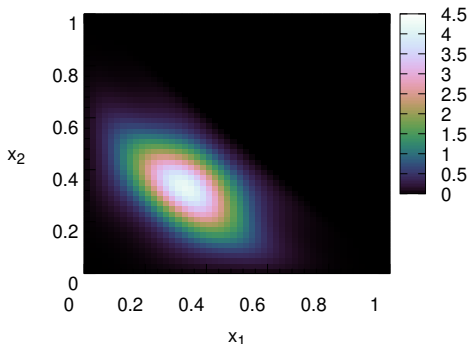


Figure: [Left] proton PDF at initial scale $\int_0^1 dx_1 f(x_1) = 1$. [Right] Valence u -quark and d -quark PDFs evolved to $Q = 3.097$ GeV, compared with the DSE results of Lu et al (2203.00753 [hep-ph]) and the results of the NNPDF4 global fit. The shaded areas indicate the uncertainty with respect to the initial scale $Q_0 = 0.33 \pm 0.03$ GeV.

Valence Proton Double PDF

$$D_3(x_1, x_2; \vec{\eta}_\perp) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \int d^2k_{1\perp} d^2k_{2\perp} \Psi_3^\dagger(x_1, \vec{k}_{1\perp} + \vec{\eta}_\perp; x_2, \vec{k}_{2\perp} - \vec{\eta}_\perp; x_3, \vec{k}_{3\perp}) \Psi_3(x_1, \vec{k}_{1\perp}; x_2, \vec{k}_{2\perp}; x_3, \vec{k}_{3\perp}).$$

- Fourier transform in $\vec{\eta}_\perp$: probability of quarks 1 and 2 for x_1 and x_2 with a separation in the transverse direction \vec{y}_\perp .
- $D_3 = 0$ for $x_1 + x_2 > 1$ - momentum conservation. (Below $\vec{y}_\perp = \vec{0}_\perp$)



Ioffe-time image - valence state

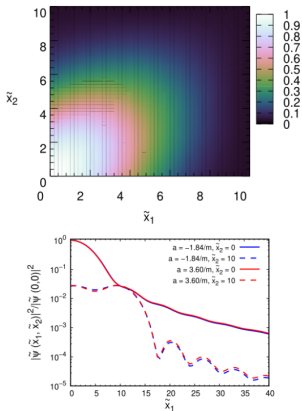
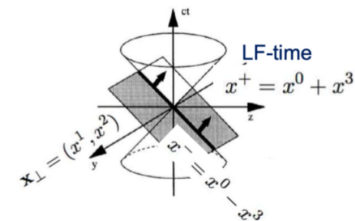
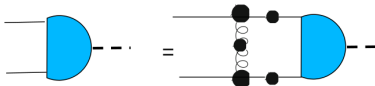
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FIG. 3. Upper panel: squared modulus of the Ioffe-time distribution as a function of \tilde{x}_1 and \tilde{x}_2 , for the model I. Lower panel: squared modulus of the Ioffe-time distribution as a function of \tilde{x}_1 for two fixed values of \tilde{x}_2 , namely $\tilde{x}_2 = 0$ (solid line) and $\tilde{x}_2 = 10$ (dashed line). Results shown for the model I (blue line) and model II (red line).



$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2) &\equiv \tilde{\Psi}_3(\tilde{x}_1, \vec{0}_\perp, \tilde{x}_2, \vec{0}_\perp) \\ &= \int_0^1 dx_1 e^{i\tilde{x}_1 x_1} \int_0^{1-x_1} dx_2 \int_0^1 dx_3 \\ &\quad \times \delta(1 - x_1 - x_2 - x_3) e^{i\tilde{x}_2 x_2} \phi(x_1, x_2, x_3). \end{aligned}$$

How we model: BSE quark-antiquark & pion model



Ladder approximation (L): suppression of XL for Nc=3 in a bosonic system
 [A. Nogueira, CR Ji, Ydrefors, TF, PLB777(2017) 207]

- dressed quark propagator (mass =255MeV) $S(P) = \frac{i}{\not{p} - m + i\epsilon}$
- dressed gluon propagator (mass =637MeV) $i\mathcal{K}_V^{(Ld)\mu\nu}(k, k') = -ig^2 \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{(k - k')^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon}$
- dressed quark-gluon vertex (306 MeV) $\lambda_1 \gamma_\mu F(q) = \frac{\mu^2 - \Lambda^2}{q^2 - \Lambda^2 + i\epsilon}$
- Model parameters: quark and gluon masses & quark-gluon vertex

SOLUTION IN MINKOWSKI SPACE [pion mass \rightarrow g]

off-shell π :

Leão, de Melo, TF, Choi, Ji, PRD 110, 074035 (2024)

How to look?

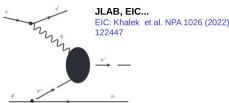


FIG. 1. Sullivan process: $ep \rightarrow e'\pi^+n$ scattering. The black blob represents the half-on-mass shell photo absorption amplitude. Diagrammatic representation of the pion pole amplitude for $\pi/e.e'\pi^+n$ process.

Comparison with experimental data

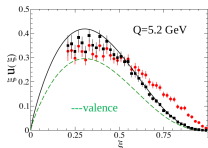
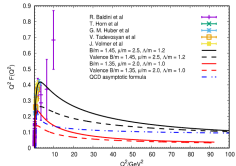
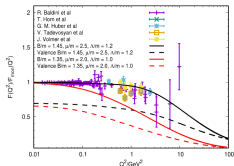


FIG. 2. (Color online). The distribution function $\xi u(\xi)$ in a pion. Solid line: full calculation (see Eqs. (6) and (8)), obtained from the BS amplitude solution of the BSE with $m = 255$ MeV, $\mu = 637.5$ MeV and $\Lambda = 306$ MeV, and evolved from the initial scale $Q_0 = 0.360$ GeV to $Q = 5.2$ GeV (see text). Dashed line: the evolved LF valence component, Eq. (9). Full dots: experimental data from Ref. [32]. Full squares: reanalyzed data by using the ratio between the fit 3 of Ref. [33], evolved to 5.2 GeV, and the experimental data [32], at each data point, so that the summation effects (see text) are accounted for.

π -PDF: de Paula, et al PRD 105, L071505 (2022)

Pion EM Form Factor

Alvarenga Nogueira, de Paula, TF, Ydrefors, Salmè, PLB 820, 136494 (2021)



$$Q^2 F_{\text{val}}(Q^2) = 8\pi\alpha_s(Q^2) f_2^2$$

G. Lepage, S. J. Brodsky Phys. Lett. B 87 (1979) 359

Decomposition of the pion EM form factor

$$F_\pi(Q^2) = \sum_n F_n(Q^2) = F_{\text{val}}(Q^2) + F_{\text{val}}(Q^2)$$

qq+gluons

$$r_\pi^2 = P_{\text{val}} r_{\text{val}}^2 + (1 - P_{\text{val}}) r_{\text{total}}^2$$

r_π (fm)	r_{val} (fm)	r_{total} (fm)
0.663	0.710	0.538

0.657 ± 0.003 fm B. Ananthanarayan, I. Caprini, D. Das, Phys. Rev. Lett. 119 (2017) 132002

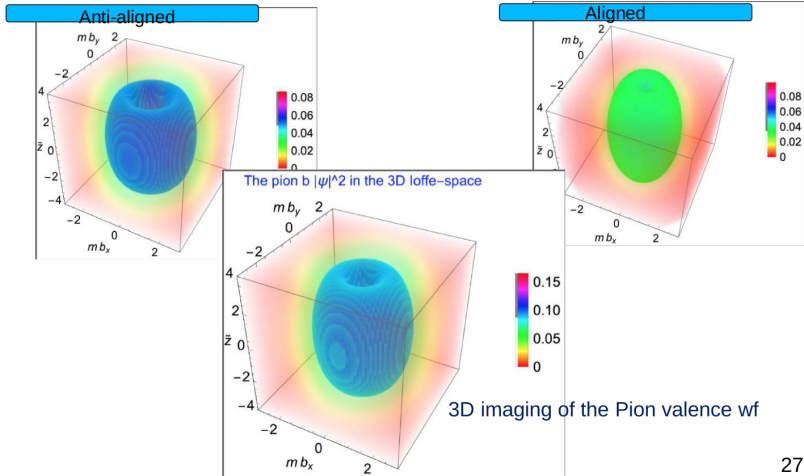
higher Fock-components → large virtuality → more compact

Kharzeev, "Mass radius of the proton" PRD104, 054015 (2021)

$$R_m = 0.55 \pm 0.03 \text{ fm} \quad R_C = 0.8409 \pm 0.0004 \text{ fm}$$

3D Pion image on the null-plane: Spin configurations

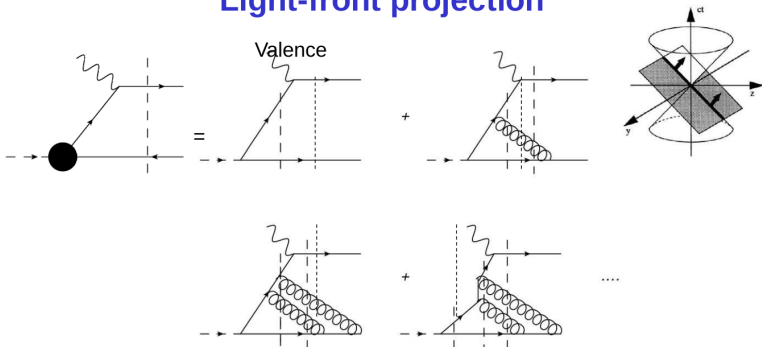
Space-time structure of the pion in terms of $z = x^- p^+ / 2$ and transverse coord. $\{b_x, b_y\}$



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Bethe-Salpeter amplitude: beyond the valence states

Light-front projection



- higher Fock-components $|\pi\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + |q\bar{q}g\rangle + |q\bar{q}2g\rangle + \dots$
- gluon radiation from initial state interaction (ISI)
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Sales, TF, Carlson, Sauer, PRC 63, 064003 (2001);

Marinho, TF, Pace, Salme, Sauer, PRD 77, 116010(2008)

Pion mass distribution

de Paula, TF, Salmè, EPJC 83, 985 (2023)

Gluon momentum in the pion

$$|\pi\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + |q\bar{q}g\rangle + |q\bar{q}2g\rangle + \dots$$

quark momentum distribution

$$u^q(\xi) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \prod_i^n \int \frac{d^2 k_{i\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} \int_0^1 d\xi_i \right\} \\ \times \delta(\xi - \xi_1) \delta\left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i\right) \delta\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{k}_{i\perp}\right) \\ \times |\Psi_n(\xi_1, \mathbf{k}_{1\perp}, \xi_2, \mathbf{k}_{2\perp}, \dots)|^2,$$

first-moment

$$\langle \xi_q \rangle = P_{val} \langle \xi_q \rangle_{val} + \sum_{n>2} P_n \langle \xi_q \rangle_n \\ \mathbf{0.471} \quad \mathbf{0.5} \\ = P_{val} \langle \xi_q \rangle_{val} + (1 - P_{val}) \langle \xi_q \rangle_{HFS} \\ \mathbf{P_{val}=0.7} \quad \mathbf{0.4}$$

momentum sum-rule in the HFS

$$\langle \xi_q \rangle_{HFS} = 1 - \langle \xi_{\bar{q}} \rangle_{HFS} - \langle \xi_g \rangle \\ \mathbf{0.2}$$

Glucos carry 6% of the longitudinal momentum of the pion!

@ the pion scale

Summary and Prospects

- BSE in Minkowski space: proton and pion
 - PDFs, EM FF, TMDs, loffe-time Image

Prospects:

- K, D, B, ρ , Nucleon (spin)...
- T-odd TMDS, GTMDs (SL & TL), GFF...
- dressed constituents in BS equation - [Castro et al PLB845 \(2023\) 138159](#)
- Gluon exchange & dressed vertices
- Integral representation to solve the FBS equation
- Expand the applicability of Quantum algorithm for solving the pion BS & FBS equations [Fornetti, et al, PRD 110 \(2024\) 056012](#)
- Confinement?

THANK YOU!