

Extraction of Parton Structure including Lattice QCD



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Parton Structure

For various flavors and spin combinations

Wigner Distribution/
Generalized Transverse Momentum
Distribution (GTMD)

$$F(x, b_T, k_T)$$

$$\int d^2b_t$$

$$\int d^2k_t$$

Transverse Momentum
Distribution (TMD)

$$f(x, k_T)$$

Generalized Parton
Distribution (GPD)

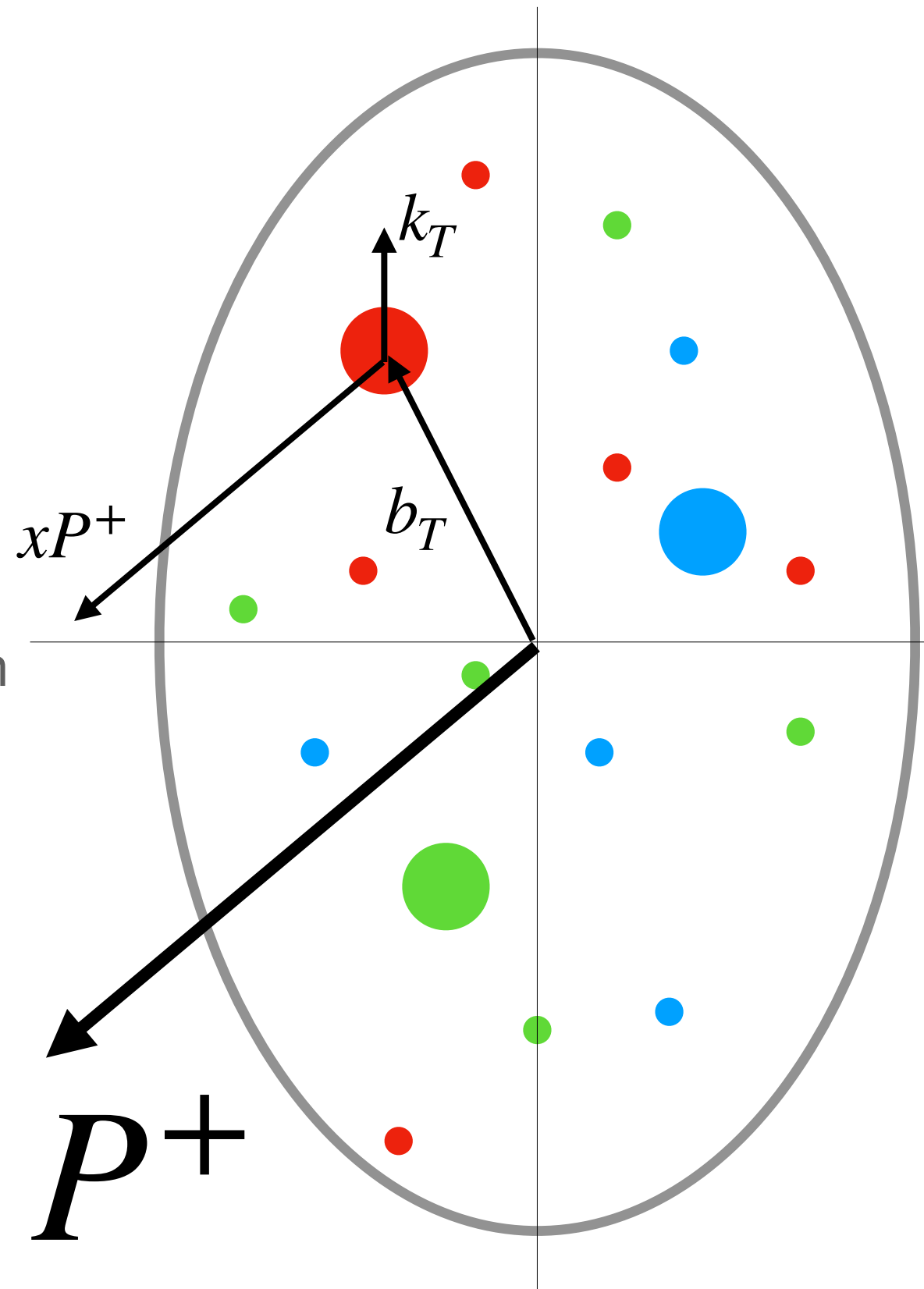
$$f(x, b_T)$$

$$\int d^2k_t$$

$$\int d^2b_t$$

Parton Distribution Function (PDF)

$$f(x)$$



What is this workshop about?

The focus of this workshop is on Uncertainty Quantification
A **list of Key Questions** is attached to the Indico page of the workshop

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- ⑤ Combining lattice and experimental data to determine PDFs
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- ⑥ Uncertainty quantification and bias/variance trade-off
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Parton and Ioffe Time distributions

- Unpolarized Ioffe time distributions Ioffe time: $\nu = p \cdot z$

“Ioffe time distributions instead of parton momentum distributions in description of DIS”

V. Braun, P. Gornicki, L. Mankiewicz

Phys Rev D 51 (1995) 6036-6051

- $$I_q(\nu, \mu^2) = \frac{1}{2p^+} \langle p | \bar{\psi}_q(z^-) \gamma^+ W(z^-; 0) \psi_q(0) | p \rangle_{\mu^2}$$

$$z^2 = 0$$

$$I_g(\nu, \mu^2) = \frac{1}{(2p^+)^2} \langle p | F_{+i}(z^-) W(z^-; 0) F_+^i(0) | p \rangle_{\mu^2}$$

$$i = x, y$$

- Parton Distribution Functions

$$I_q(\nu, \mu^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{ix\nu} f_q(x, \mu^2) \rightarrow f_q(x, \mu^2) = \int \frac{d\nu}{2\pi} e^{ix\nu} I_q(\nu, \mu^2)$$

$$I_g(\nu, \mu^2) = \int_0^1 dx \cos(x\nu) x f_g(x, \mu^2) \rightarrow x f_g(x, \mu^2) = \int \frac{d\nu}{2\pi} \cos(x\nu) I_g(\nu, \mu^2)$$

Parton Distributions and the Lattice

- Parton Distributions are defined by operators with light-like separations

- Use space-like separations

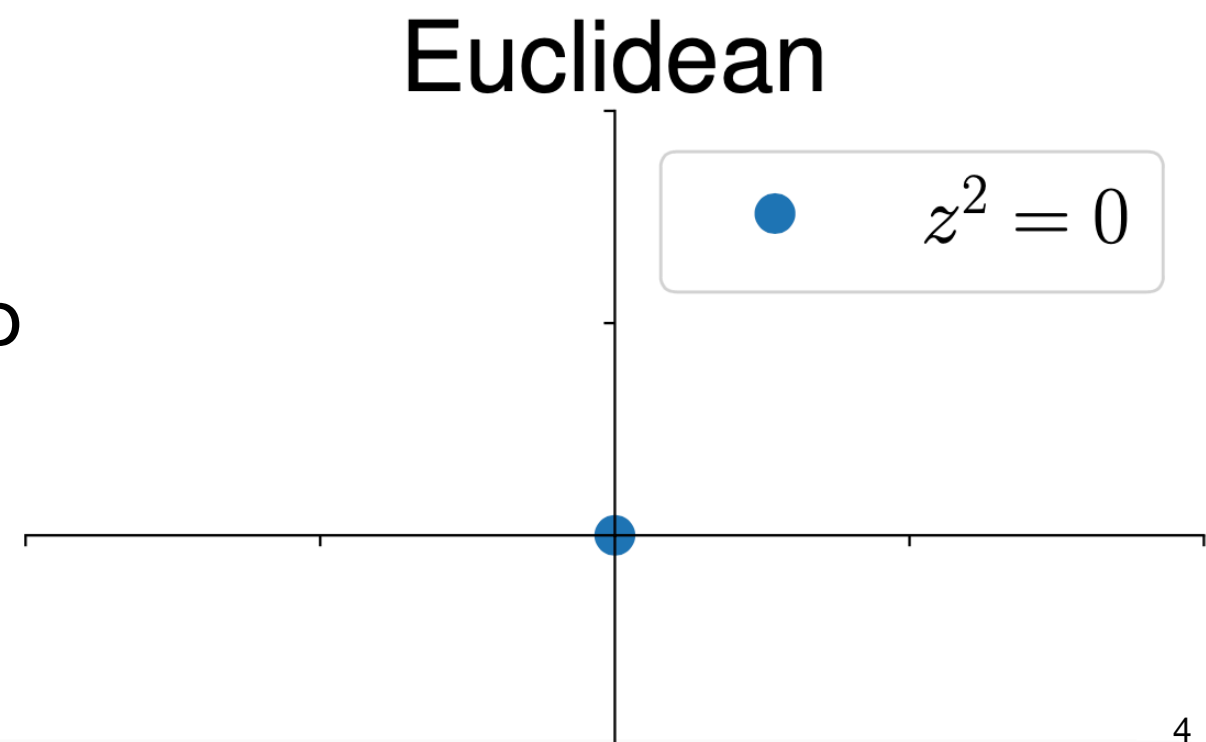
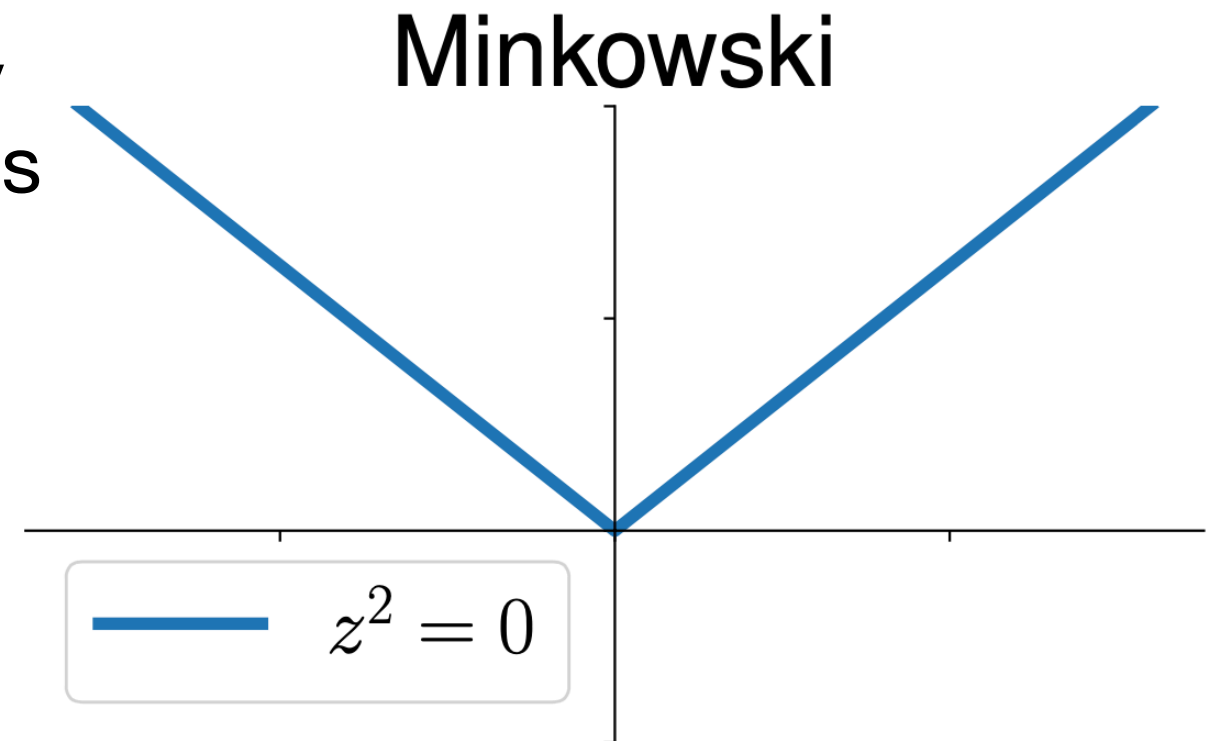
X. Ji Phys Rev Lett 110 (2013) 262002

- Wilson line operators

$$O_{\Gamma}^{\text{WL}}(z) = \bar{\psi}(z)\Gamma W(z; 0)\psi(0)$$

$$z^2 \neq 0$$

- Factorizations exist analogous to cross sections



Many approaches

- **Wilson line operators**

$$O_{WL}(x; z) = \bar{\psi}(x + z)\Gamma W(x + z; x)\psi(x)$$

- LaMET *X. Ji Phys. Rev. Lett.* 110 (2013) 262002

- Pseudo-PDF *A. Radyushkin Phys. Rev. D* 96 (2017) 3, 034025

- **Two current correlators**

- **Hadronic Tensor**

K.-F. Liu et al Phys. Rev. Lett. 72 1790 (1994)

- **HOPE**

Phys. Rev. D 62 (2000) 074501

W. Detmold and C.-J. D. Lin, Phys. Rev. D 73 (2006) 014501

- **Short distance OPE**

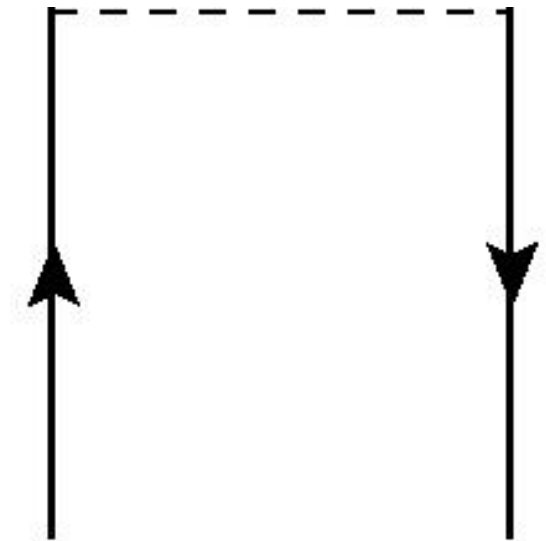
V. Braun and D. Muller Eur. Phys. J. C 55 (2008) 349

- **OPE-without-OPE**

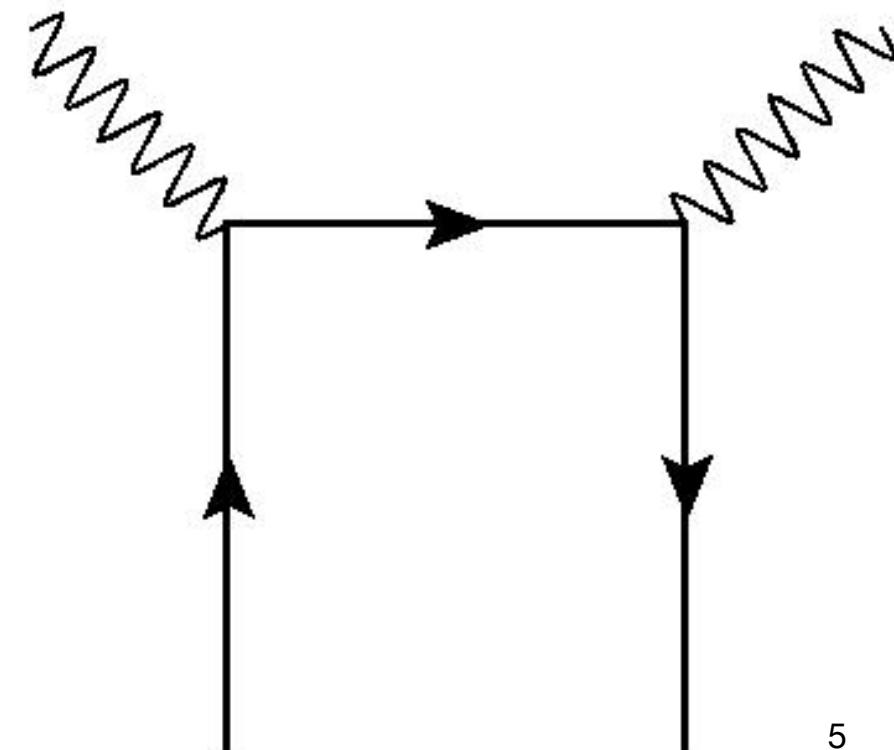
A. Chambers et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 118 (2017) 242001

- **Good Lattice Cross Sections**

Y.-Q. Ma and J.-W. Qiu Phys. Rev. Lett. 120 (2018) 2, 022003



$$O_{CC}(x, y) = J_{\Gamma}(x)J_{\Gamma'}(y)$$



Wilson Line Matrix Elements

- More generic element $M^\alpha(p, z) = \langle p | \bar{\psi}(z) \gamma^\alpha W(z; 0) \psi(0) | p \rangle$
 $= 2p^\alpha \mathcal{M}(\nu, z^2) + 2z^\alpha \mathcal{N}(\nu, z^2)$
- PDF (given collinear divergence handled): $f_q(x, \mu^2) = \int d\nu e^{ix\nu} \mathcal{M}(\nu, 0)$
- Quasi-PDF: $\tilde{q}(y, p_z^2) = \int d\nu e^{i\nu y} \mathcal{M}(\nu, \frac{\nu^2}{p_z^2}) \quad z^2 < 0$
- Large Momentum Effective Theory: [X. Ji Phys. Rev. Lett. 110 \(2013\) 262002](#)
- $\tilde{q}(y, p_z^2) = \int \frac{dx}{|x|} K\left(\frac{y}{x}, \frac{\mu^2}{(xp_z)^2}\right) q(x, \mu^2) + O\left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(yp_z)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{((1-y)p_z)^2}\right)$
- Pseudo-PDF: [A. Radyushkin Phys. Rev. D 96 \(2017\) 3, 034025](#)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(\nu, z^2) &= \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{i\nu x} P(x, z^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx C(x\nu, \mu^2 z^2) q(x, \mu^2) + O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2 z^2) \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 du C'(u, \mu^2 z^2) I_q(u\nu, \mu^2) + O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2 z^2) \end{aligned}$$

The Role of Separation and Momentum

- In **Structure Functions**, **quasi-PDF**, and **pseudo-PDF**, variables have common roles

Scale:

$$Q^2 / p_z^2 / z^2$$

- Scale for factorization to PDF
- Scale in power expansion
- Keep away from Λ_{QCD}^2
- Technically only requires single value, use many to study systematics

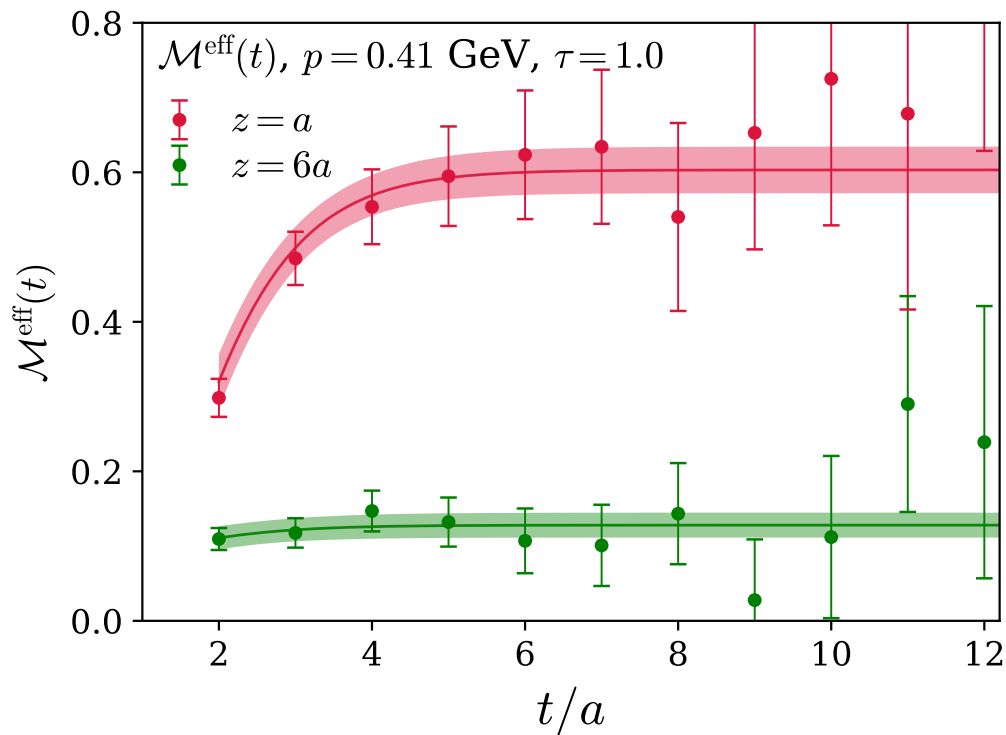
Dynamical variable:

$$x_B / z / p_z, \text{ or } \nu = p \cdot z$$

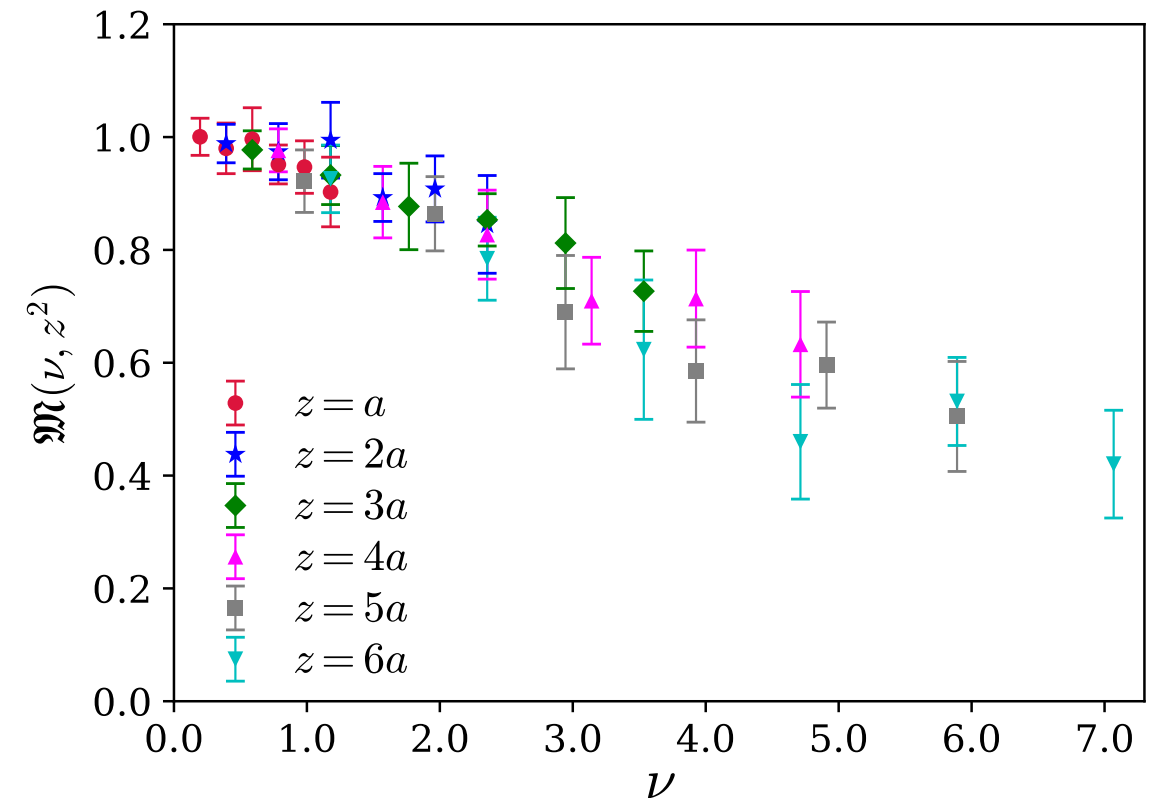
- Variable describes non-perturbative dynamics
- Can take large or small value
- Want as many as are available
- Wider range improves the inverse problem

From Lattice QCD to PDFs

Lattice Correlation Functions



Hadron Matrix Elements



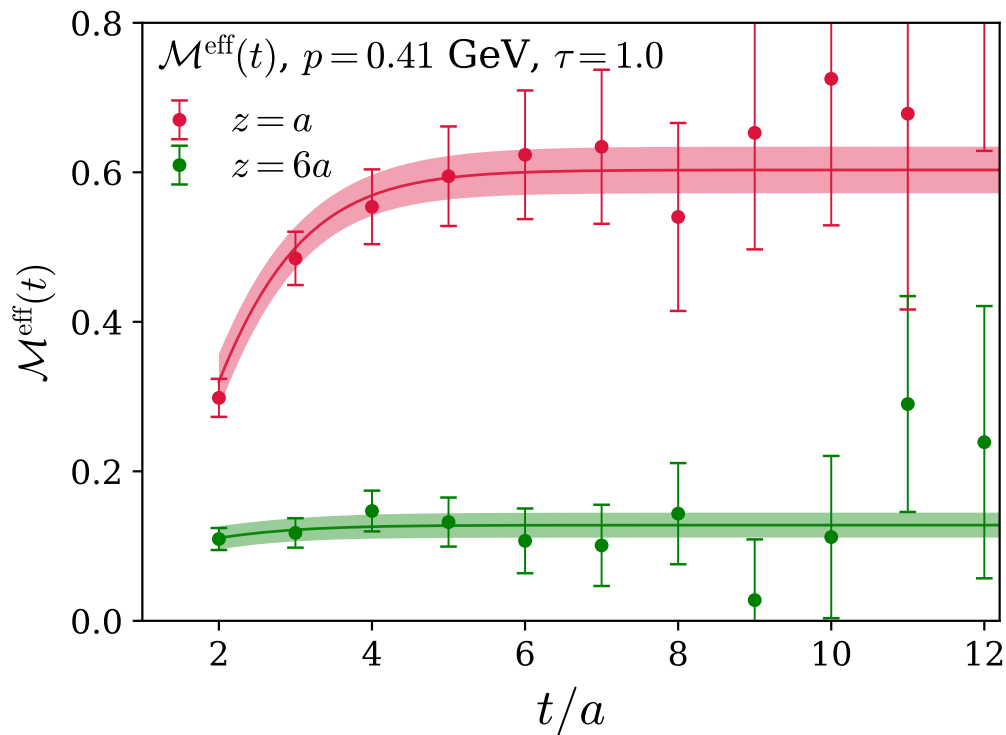
- Correlators (vacuum expectation values of time separated operators) are described as sums over an exponential for each energy eigenstate.
- Coefficients are matrix elements and exponential rates are energy levels
- Model and/or remove subdominant states by using large time but noise grows exponentially

Unpolarized Gluon PDF

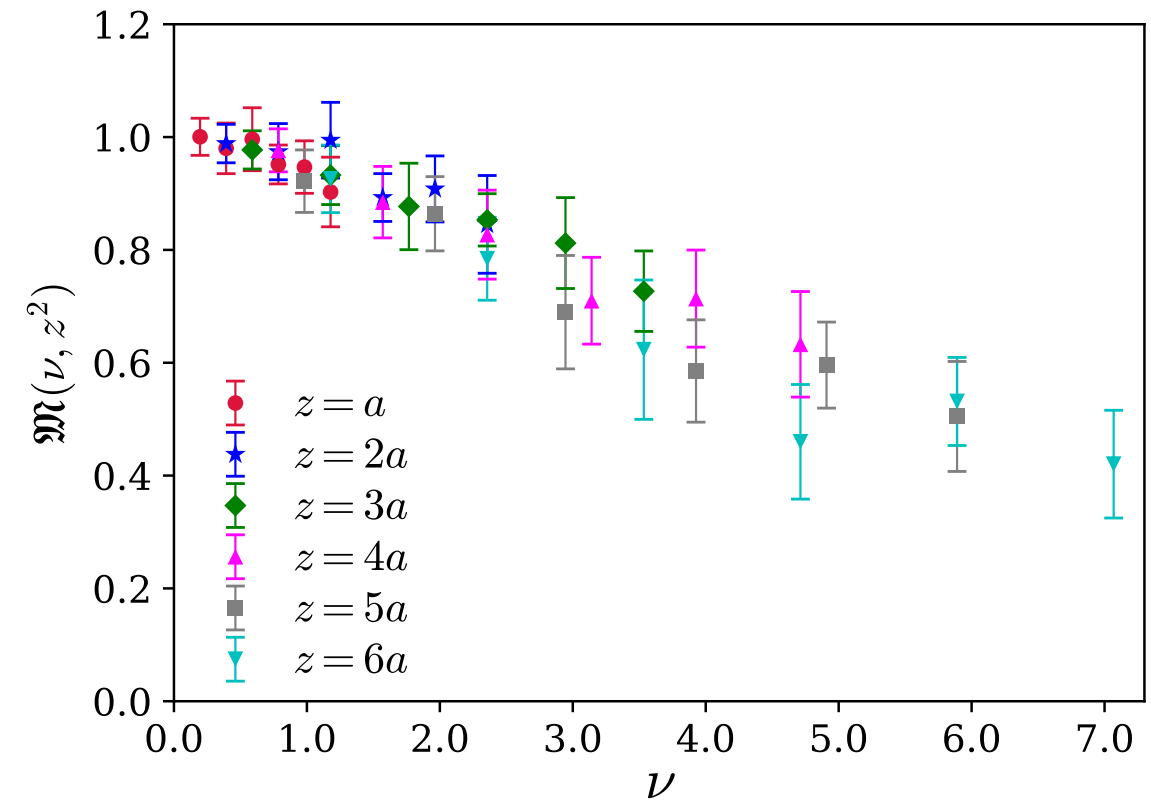
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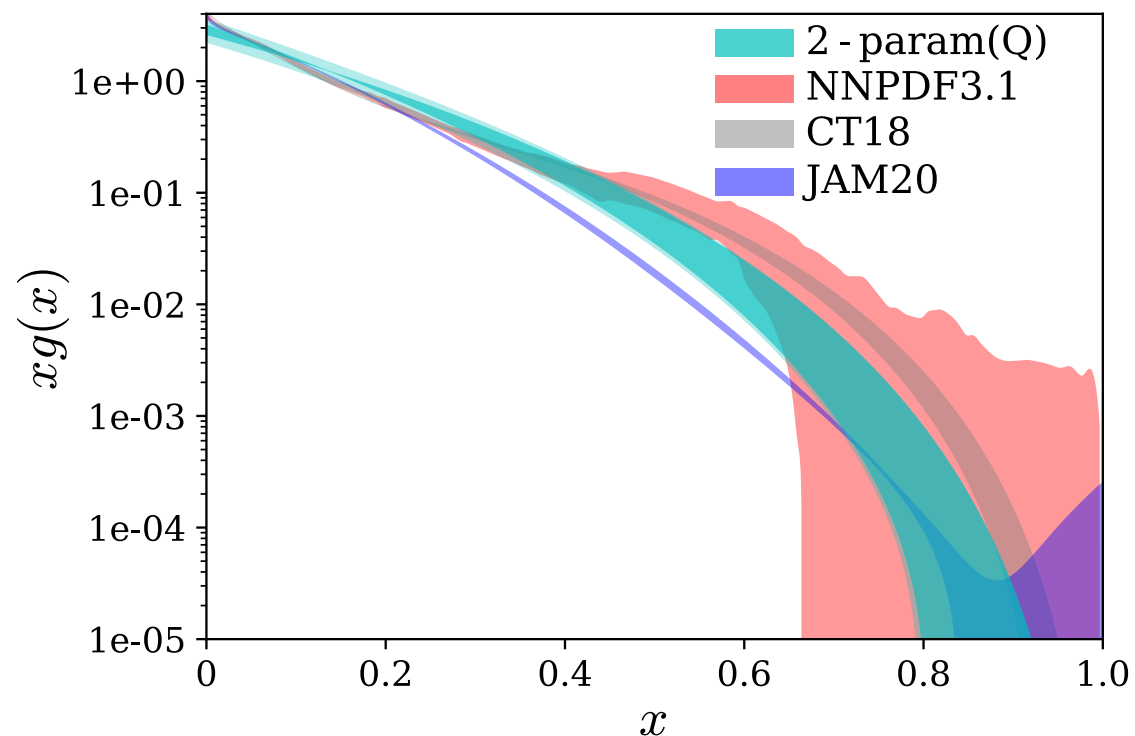
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Parton Distributions



- Incomplete information gives integral inverse problem

$$M(\nu) = \int dx C(x\nu) xg(x)$$

$$xg(x) = x^a (1-x)^b / B(a+1, b+1)$$

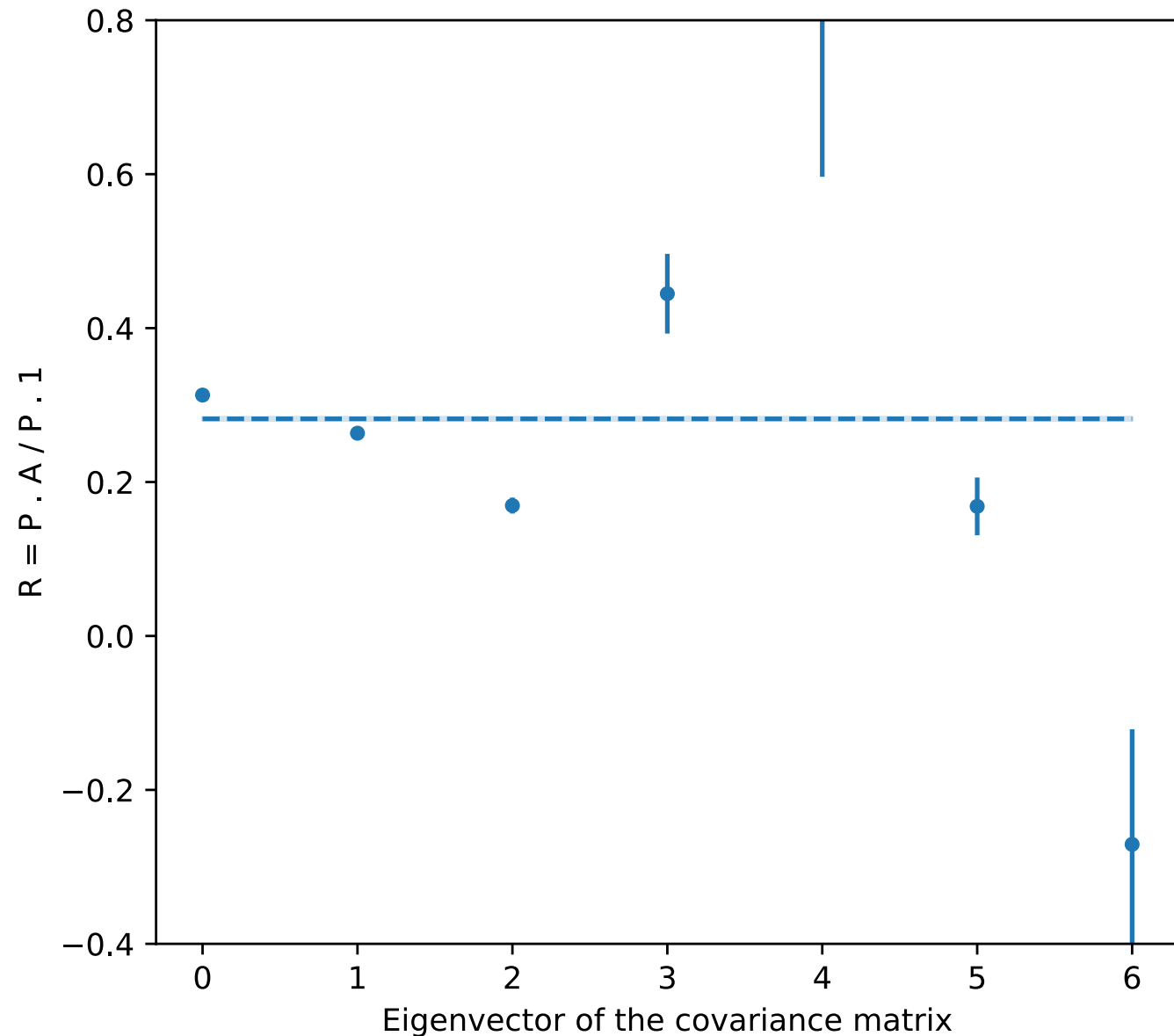
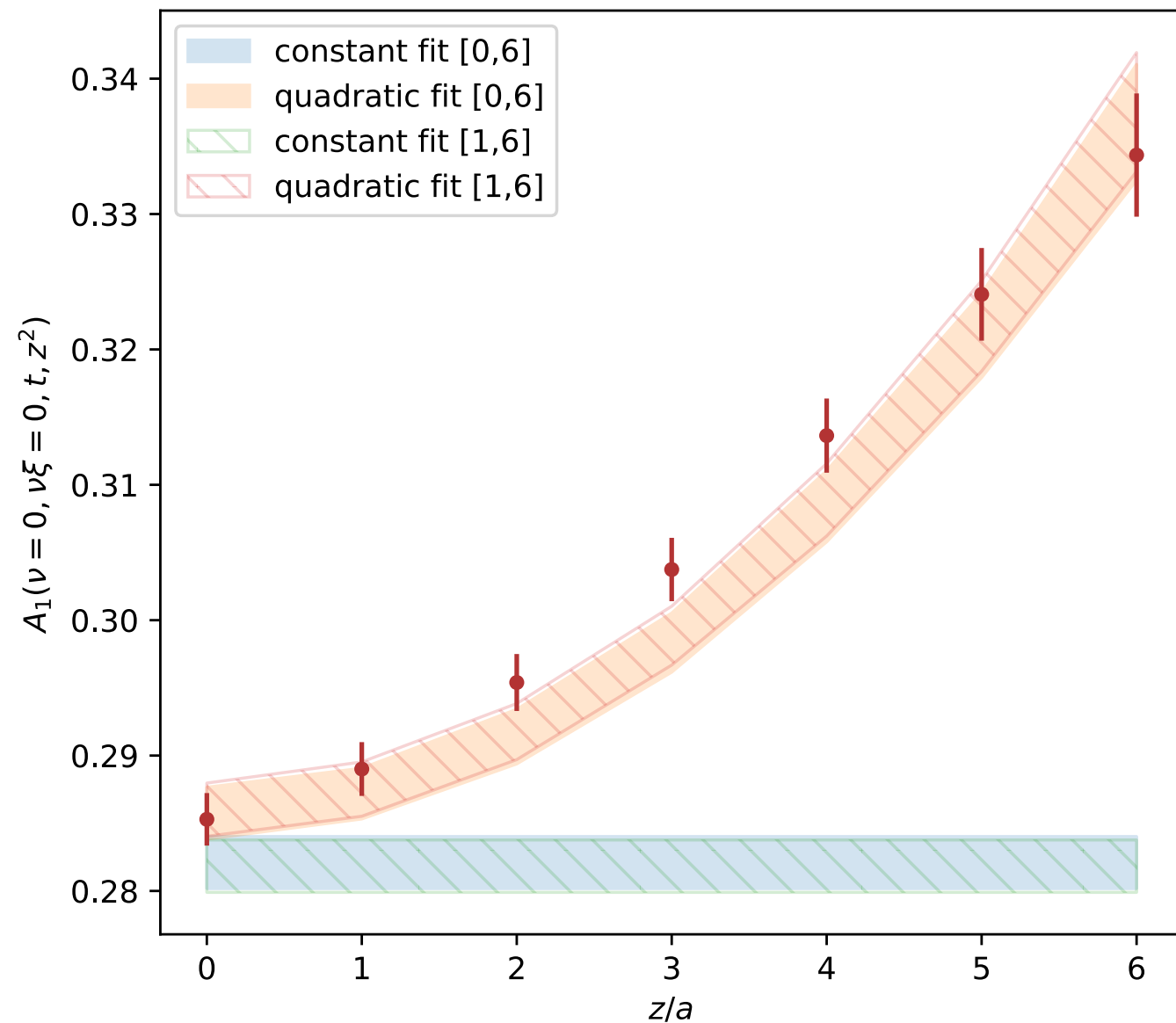
- To more accurately infer PDF, we need larger ν

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There is less than you think

- Lattice data are highly correlated and you have less information than you think
- What is the average of these 7 data points?



**What can we do beyond looking
at nice PDF fits?**

If PDFs are universal....

*If the **same** PDFs are factorizable from lattice and experiment, and if power corrections can be controlled for both*

Why not analyze both simultaneously?

- Factorization of hadronic cross sections

- Factorization of Lattice observables

$$d\sigma_h = d\sigma_q \otimes f_{h/q} + P.C. \quad M_h = M_q \otimes f_{h/q} + P.C.$$

Consider Lattice data as a theoretical prior to the experimental Global Fit

Complementarity in Lattice and Experiment

EXPERIMENT

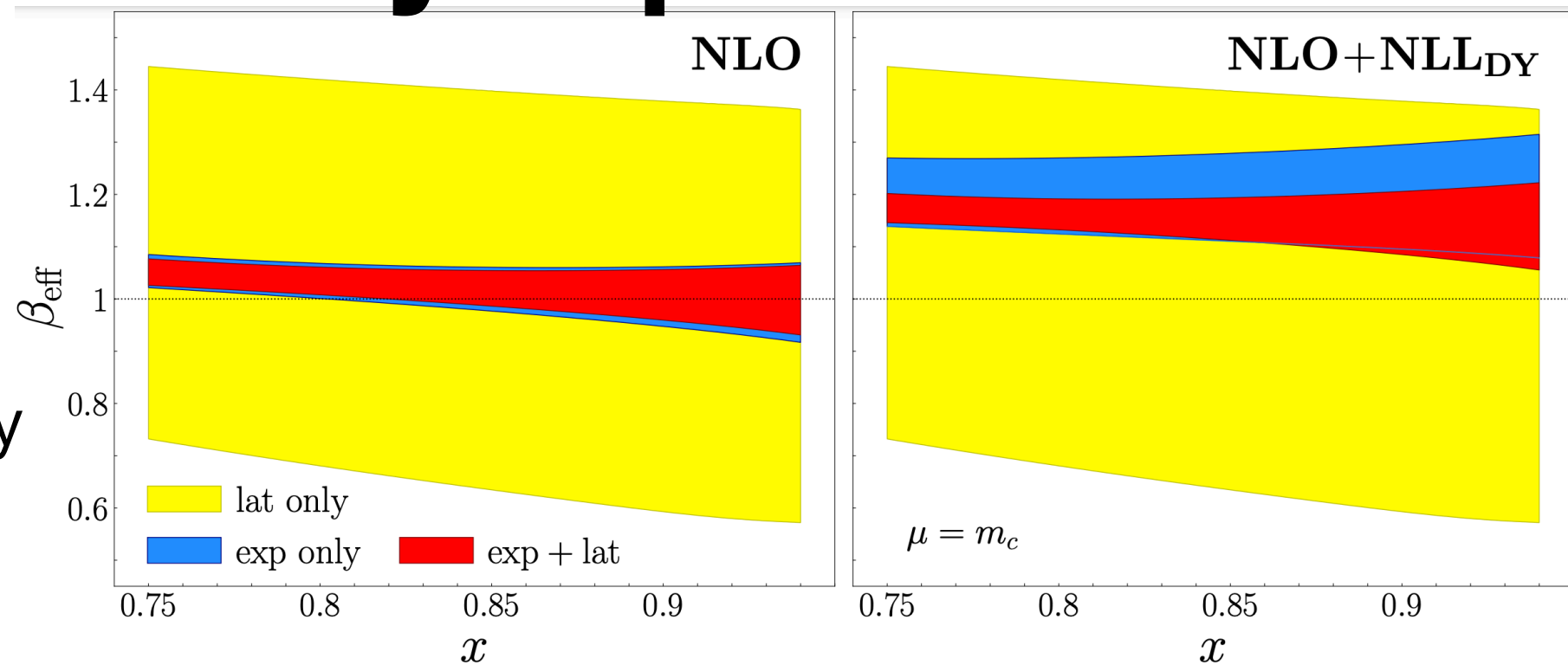
- Cross Sections limited to specific max but can reach low x_B
- Cross Section matching is integral from x_B to 1
 - Creates sensitivity of large x_B data to hard kernel in large x region
- Wealth of decades of experimental data outweigh modern lattice in both number and systematic error control

LATTICE

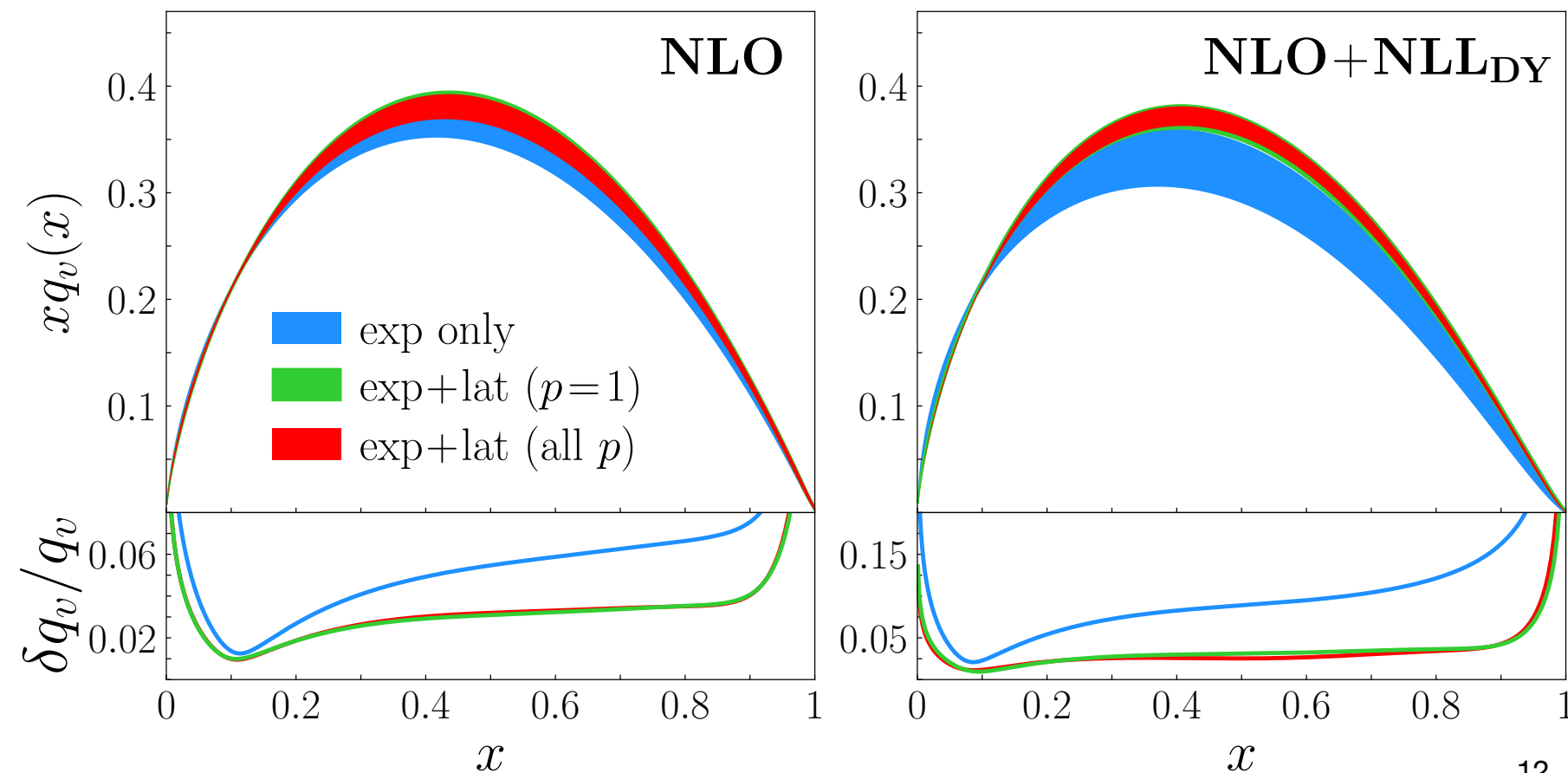
- Lattice limited to low ν , inverse Fourier gives to $x \gtrsim 0.2$, but higher sensitivity to larger x
- Lattice matching relation is integral over all x
- Low p_z data can reach high signal-to-noise compared to experiment
- Lattice can evaluate independently each spin, flavor, and hadron

Complementarity in pion PDF

- Lattice can readily access different hadrons
- Lattice lacks sensitivity to threshold logs and can be used to study theoretical kernels
- Improves precision in large x where experimental data does not exist
- Low momentum pion data are extremely precise



P. Barry et al, *Phys. Rev. D* 105 (2022) 11, 114051



Spinning gluons

- Positivity assumed in many analyses

$$|\Delta g| \leq g(x) \quad \begin{aligned} g_{\uparrow} &= \frac{1}{2}(g + \Delta g) \\ g_{\downarrow} &= \frac{1}{2}(g - \Delta g) \end{aligned} \quad x\Delta g$$

- Removing reveals new band of solutions

- With constraint: $\Delta G = 0.39(9)$

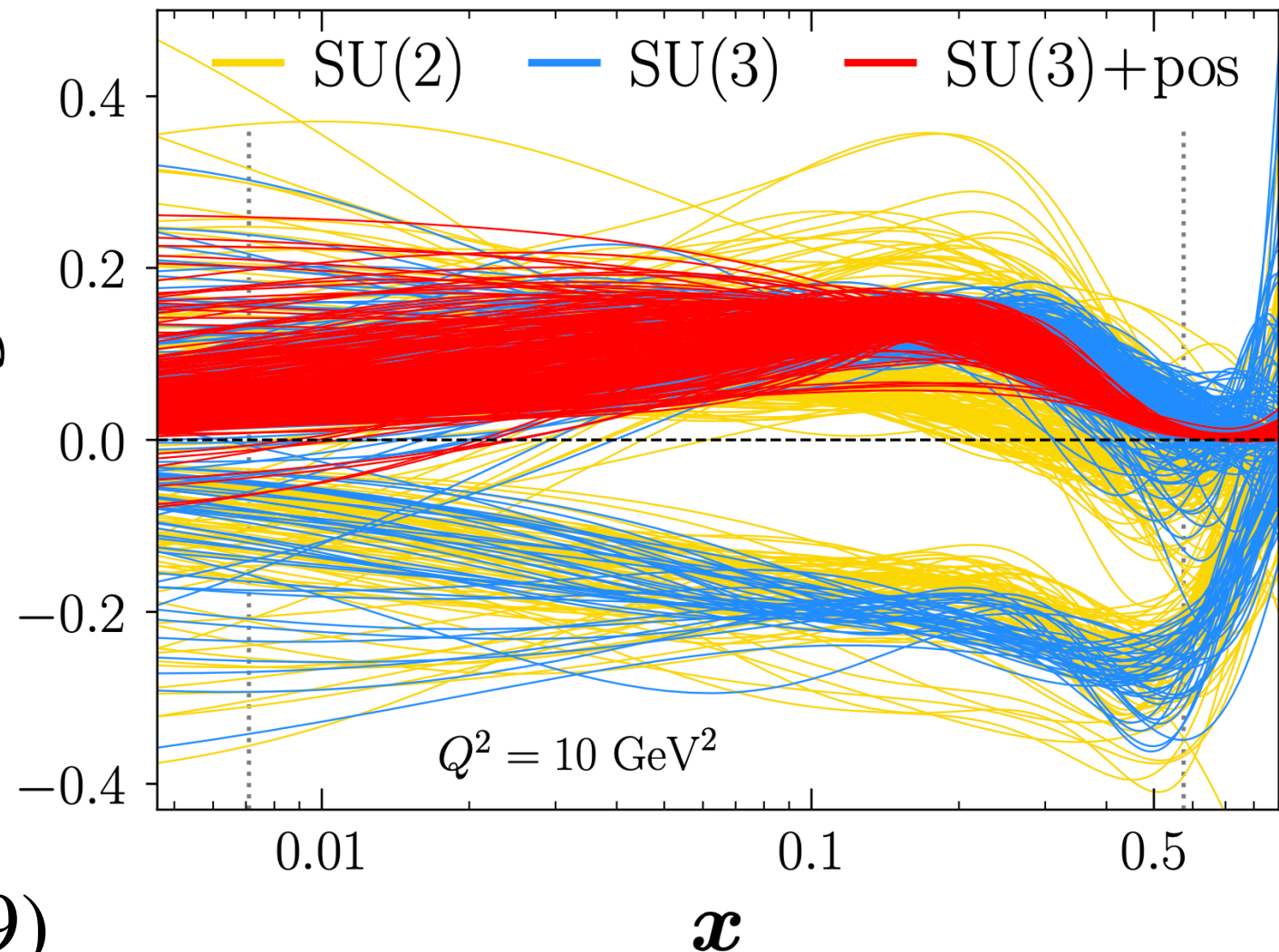
- Without constraint: $\Delta G = 0.3(5)$

- Lattice: $\Delta G = 0.251(47)(16)$

Y-B. Yang et al (χ -QCD) Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 102001 (2017)

K-F. Liu arXiv: 2112.08416

Y. Zhou et al (JAM) Phys. Rev. D 105, 074022 (2022)



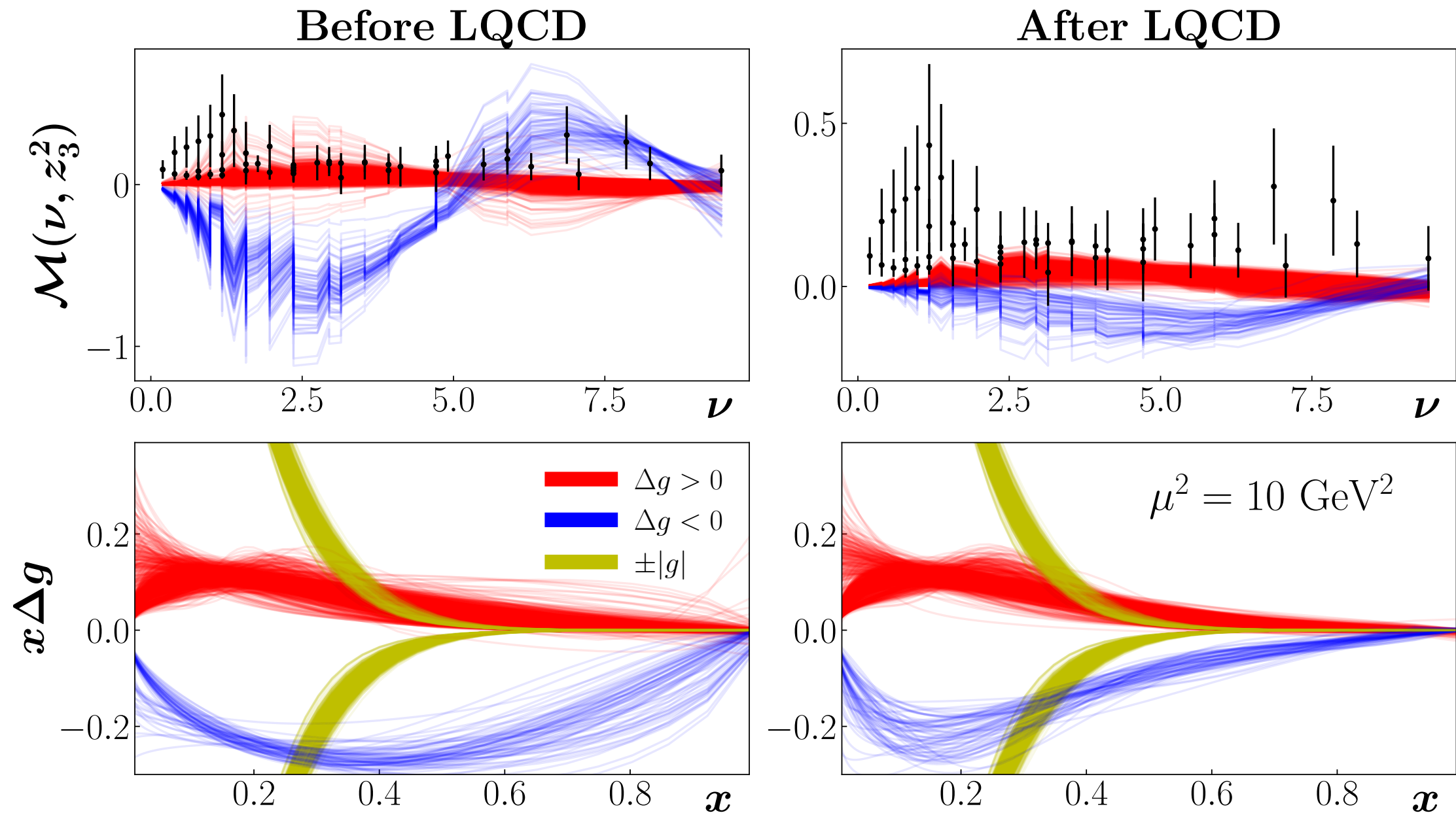
R. Jaffe and A. Manohar, Nucl. Phys. B 337, 509 (1990)

$$J = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma + L_q + L_G + \Delta G$$

$$\Delta G = \int dx \Delta g(x)$$

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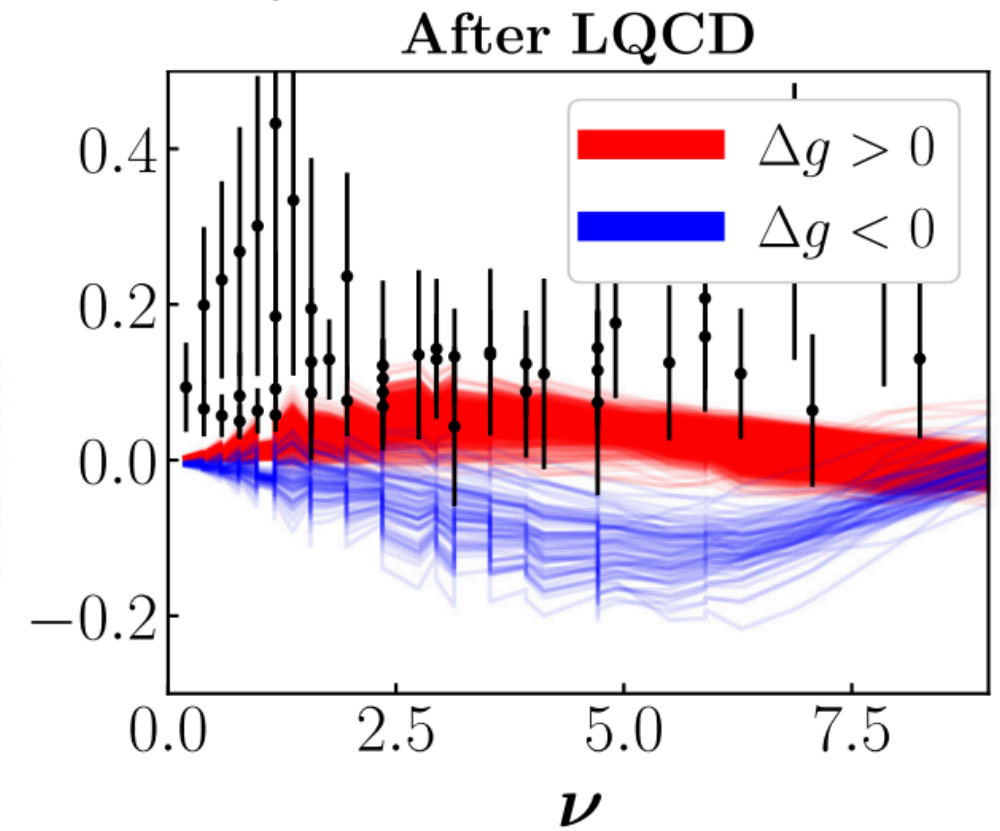
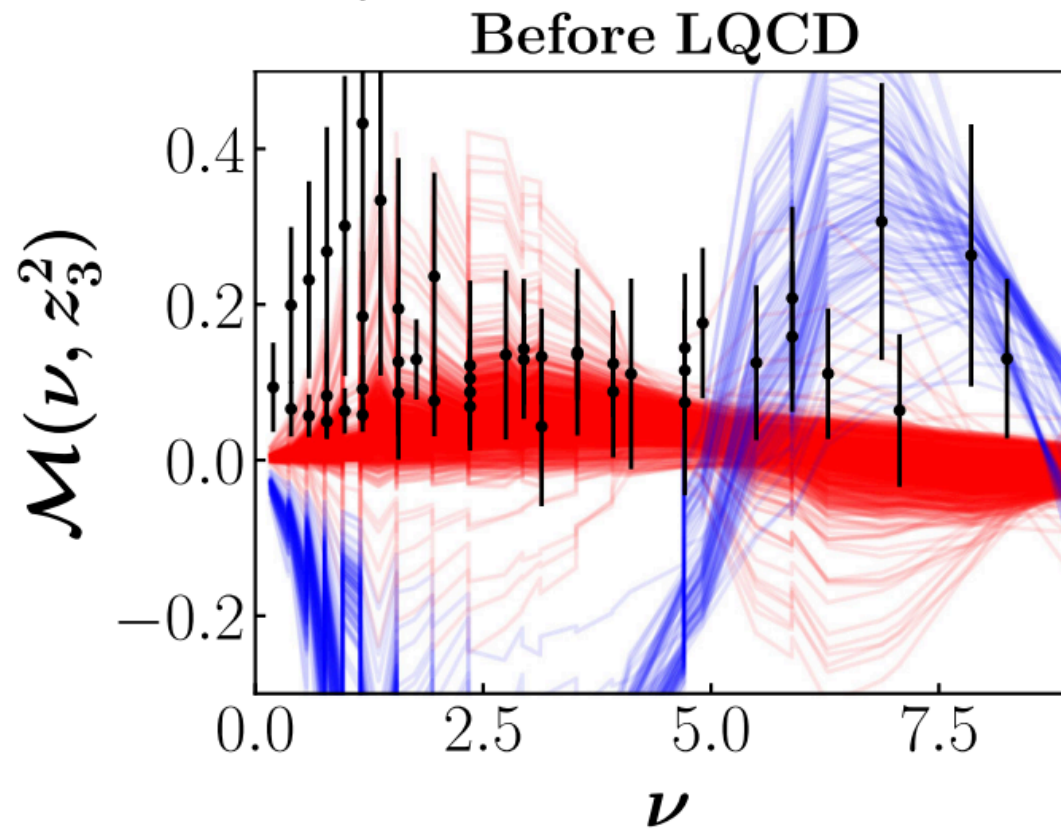
Can lattice data affect phenomenological polarized gluon analysis?



- The positive and negative solutions without positivity constraints
- Only positive band “consistent” with lattice data, but is too noisy to constrain.

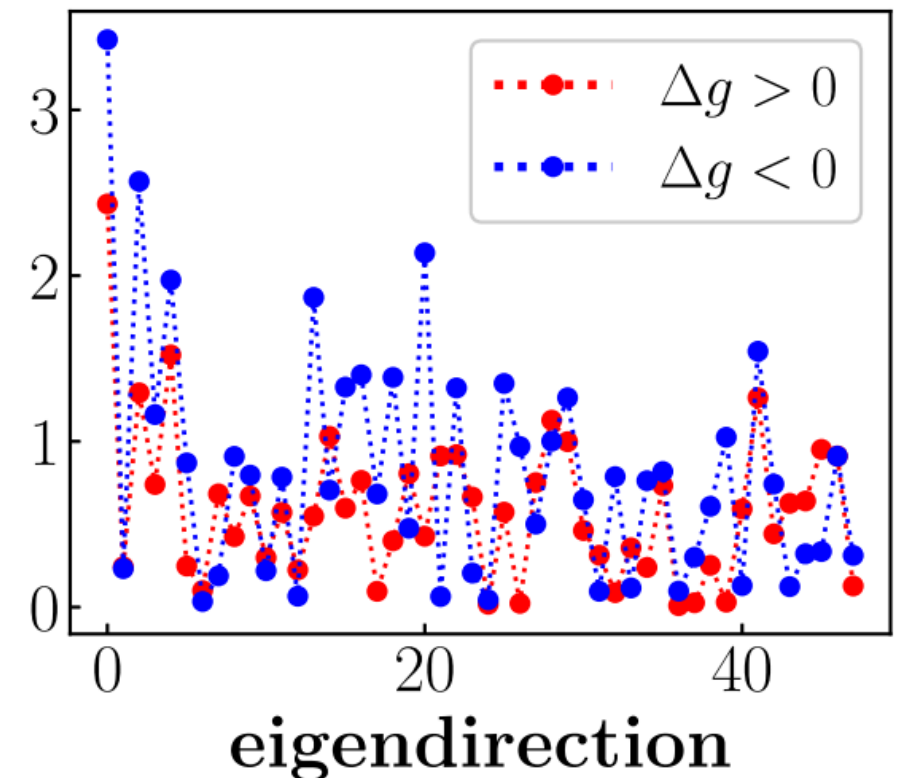
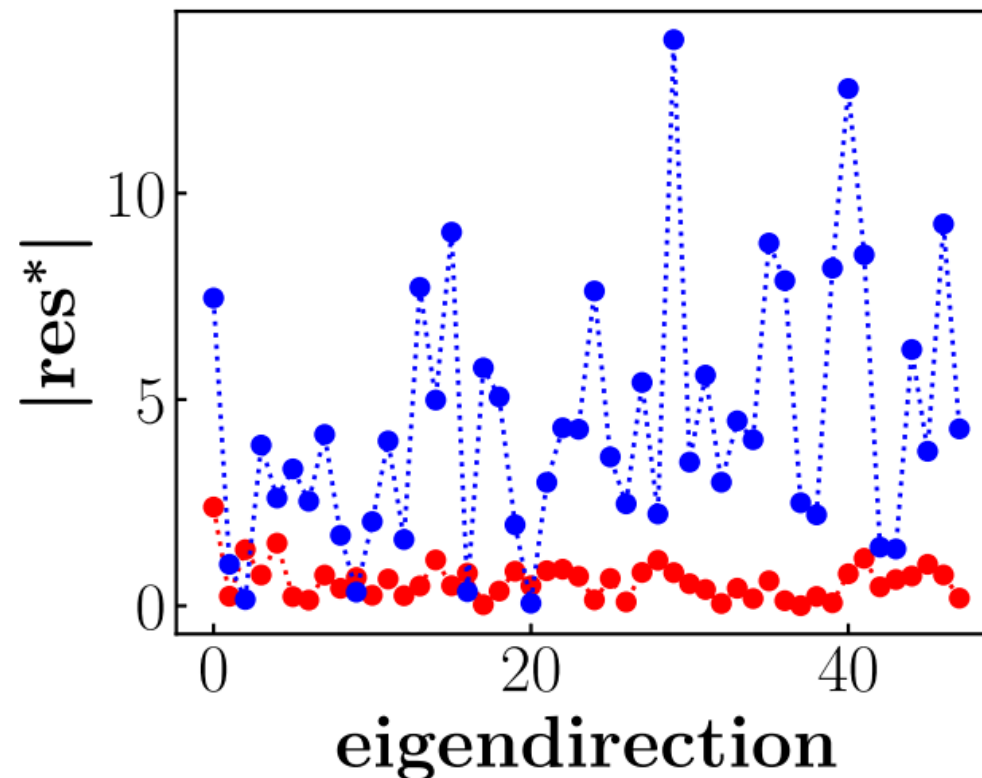
Helicity Gluon PDF with LQCD

- Can this Lattice QCD data discriminate the red and blue solutions?



- Before LQCD:
 $\chi^2/n \sim 0.65 \ 30$

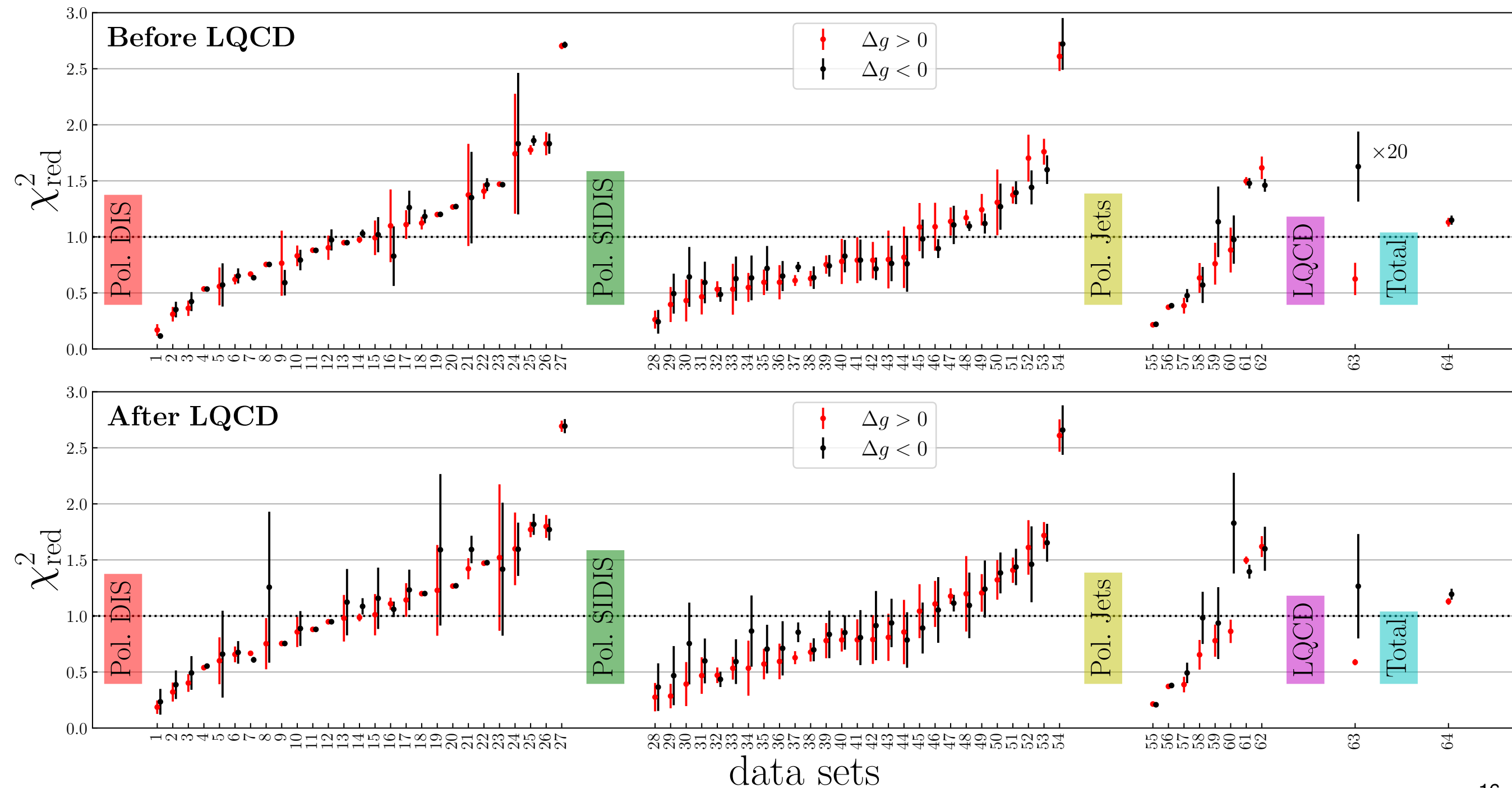
- After LQCD:
 $\chi^2/n \sim 0.65 \ 1.5$



Helicity Gluon PDF with LQCD

JK et al arXiv:2310.18179

- Negative and positive Δg appear consistent with experiment and lattice

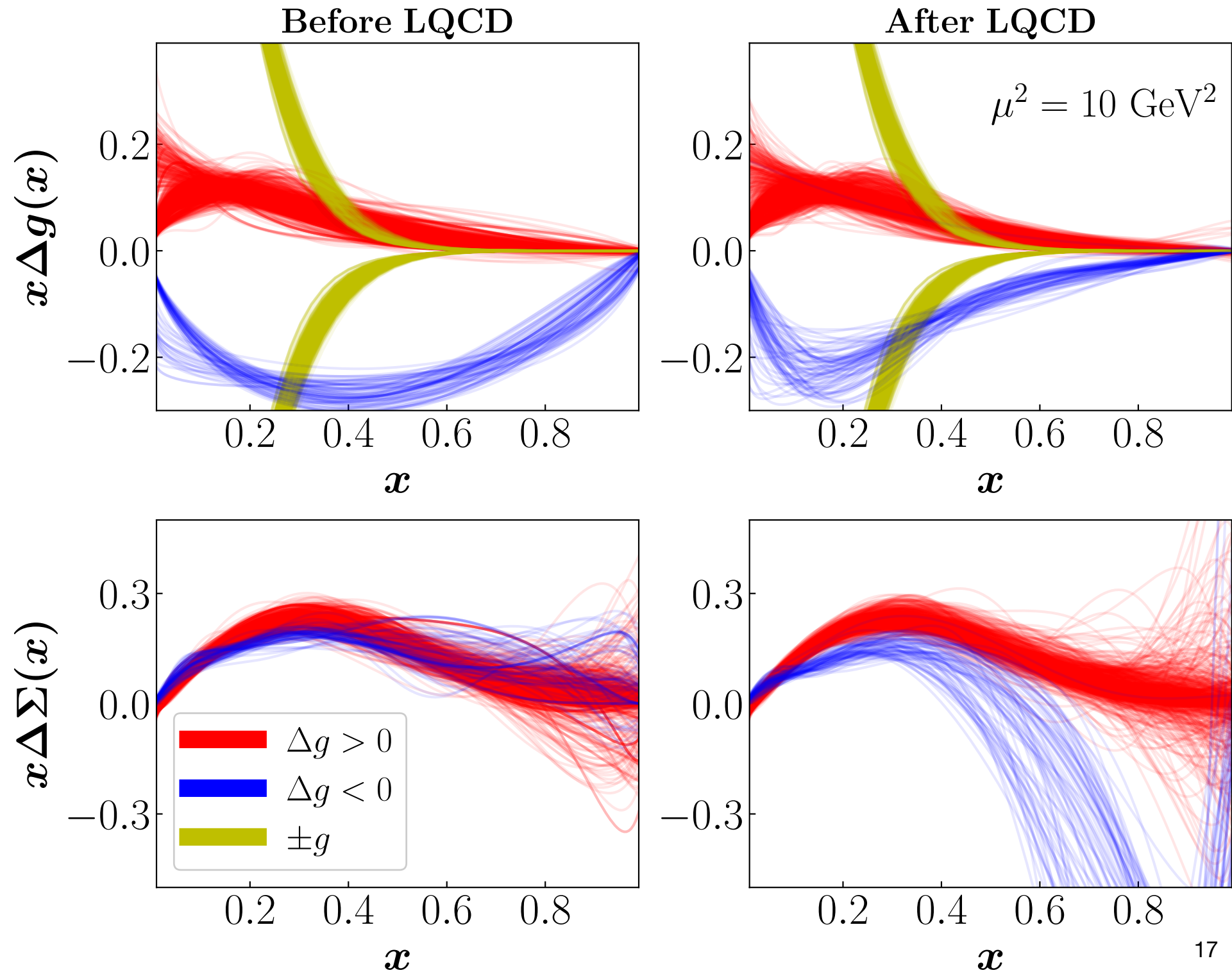


Lattice gluon data impacts quarks

C. Egerer et al (HadStruc) arXiv:2207.08733

JK et al arXiv:2310.18179

- Quark gluon mixing leads to impact on singlet
- Unexpected change in extrapolation region
- Compensates reduced magnitude of Δg in relation to cross sections



Resolution of the helicity sign

- Rejection of negative helicity gluon PDF requires 3 datasets

- **RHIC Spin Asymmetries**

- Linear and quadratic in Δg

- **Lattice QCD matrix element**

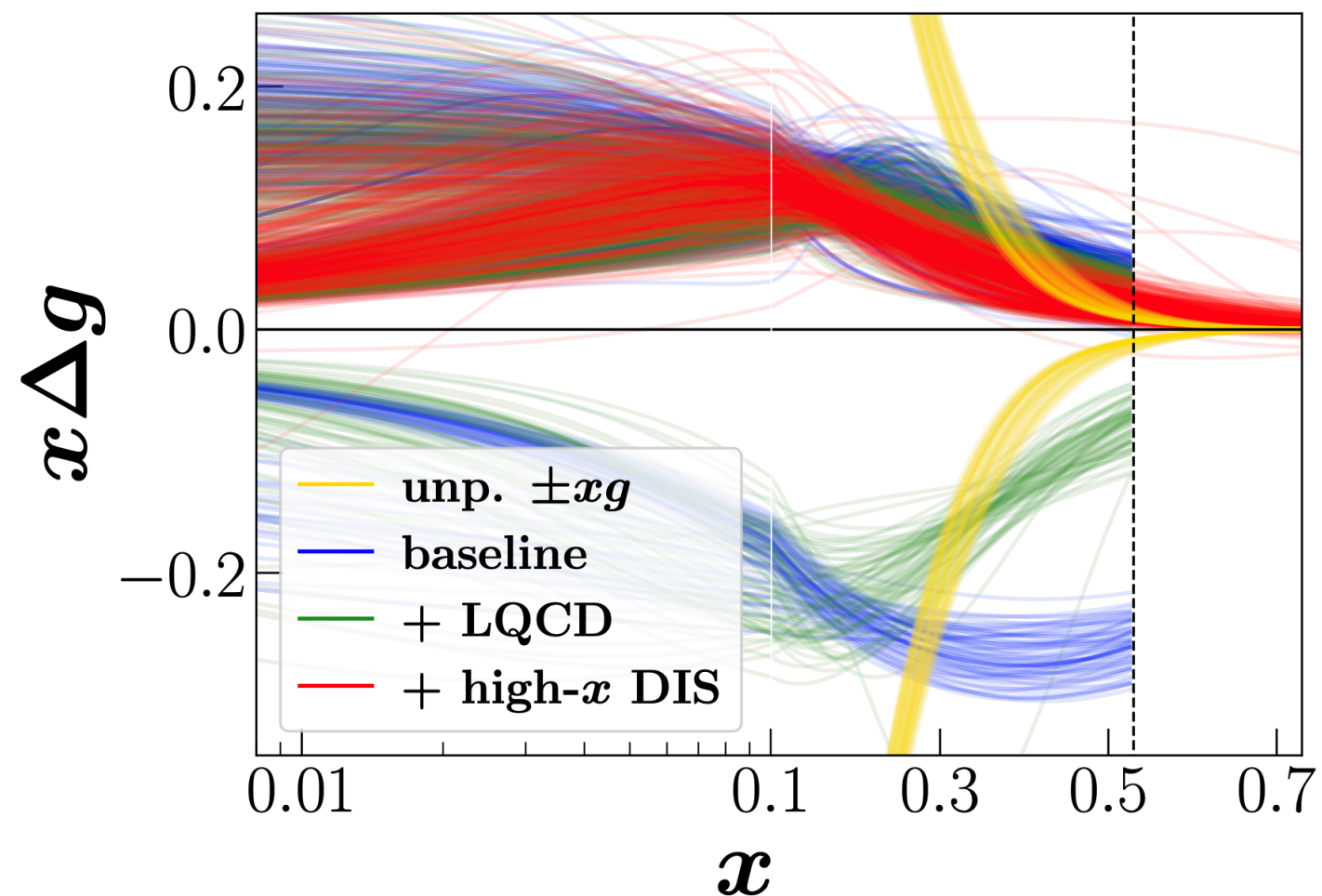
- Linear in Δg

- **JLab high- x DIS from relaxing cuts on Final state mass**

- Linear in Δg

- $W^2 > 10 \text{ GeV}^2 \rightarrow W^2 > 4 \text{ GeV}^2$

N.T. Hunt-Smith et al arXiv:2403.08117



Conclusions

- Lattice matrix elements can be related to PDFs and their calculation have matured over the decade
- Both Lattice and Perturbative observables deserve to be described by ν not $p_z z$ or $p^+ z^-$
- Adding Lattice data into global fits give better results than either could do alone
- Including Lattice correlations are fundamental to correct error analysis and hypothesis testing

Back up slides



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I. Balitsky, W. Morris, A. Radyushkin JHEP 02 (2022) 193
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Pol Gluon Lorentz decomposition

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$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{M}_{\mu\alpha;\lambda\beta}^{(2)}(z, p) = & (sz) (g_{\mu\lambda} p_\alpha p_\beta - g_{\mu\beta} p_\alpha p_\lambda - g_{\alpha\lambda} p_\mu p_\beta + g_{\alpha\beta} p_\mu p_\lambda) \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{pp} \\ & + (sz) (g_{\mu\lambda} z_\alpha z_\beta - g_{\mu\beta} z_\alpha z_\lambda - g_{\alpha\lambda} z_\mu z_\beta + g_{\alpha\beta} z_\mu z_\lambda) \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{zz} \\ & + (sz) (g_{\mu\lambda} z_\alpha p_\beta - g_{\mu\beta} z_\alpha p_\lambda - g_{\alpha\lambda} z_\mu p_\beta + g_{\alpha\beta} z_\mu p_\lambda) \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{zp} \\ & + (sz) (g_{\mu\lambda} p_\alpha z_\beta - g_{\mu\beta} p_\alpha z_\lambda - g_{\alpha\lambda} p_\mu z_\beta + g_{\alpha\beta} p_\mu z_\lambda) \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{pz} \\ & + (sz) (p_\mu z_\alpha - p_\alpha z_\mu) (p_\lambda z_\beta - p_\beta z_\lambda) \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{ppzz} \\ & + (sz) (g_{\mu\lambda} g_{\alpha\beta} - g_{\mu\beta} g_{\alpha\lambda}) \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{gg} \end{aligned}$$

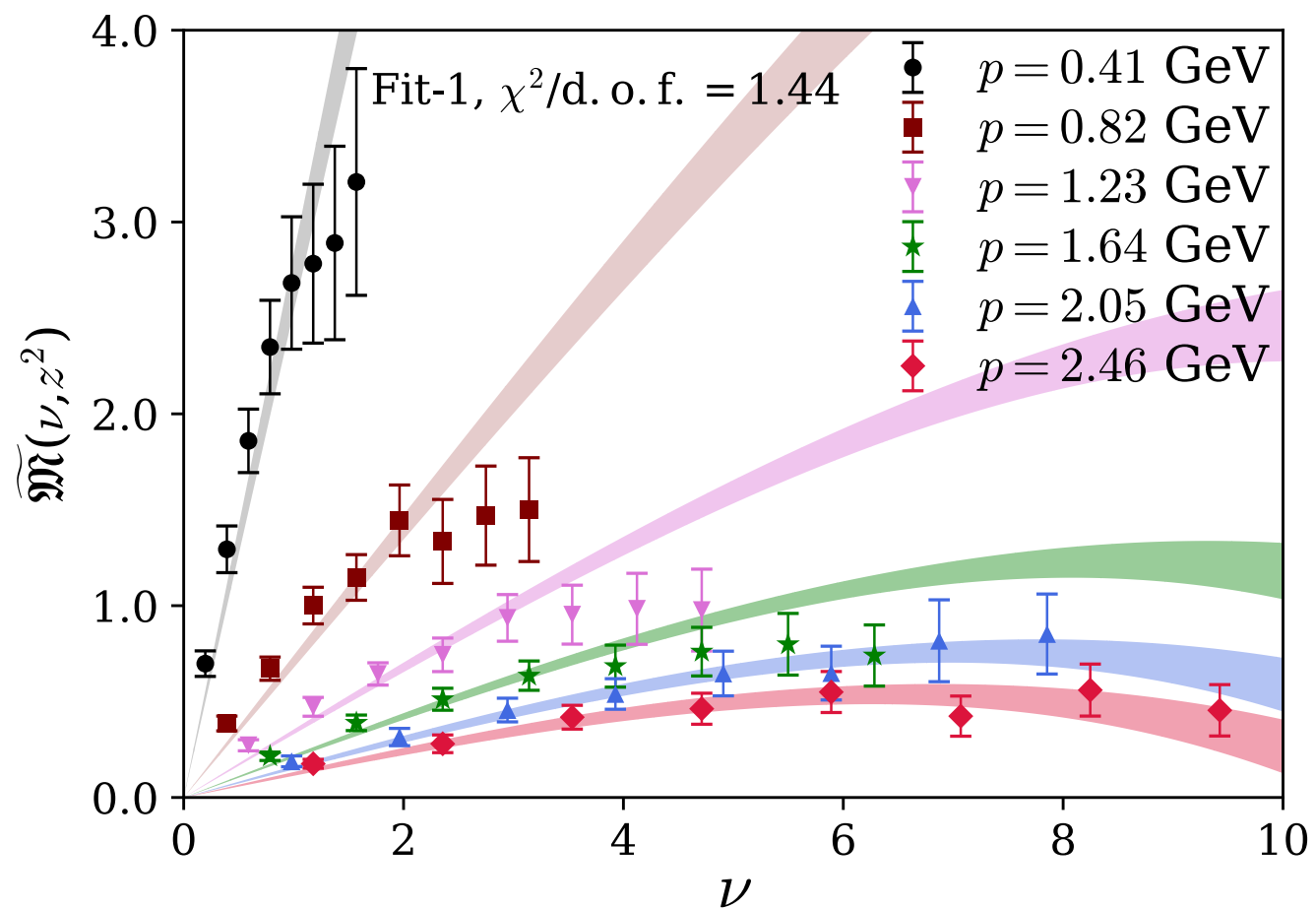
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Want: $M_{\Delta g}(\nu, z^2) = \left[\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{sp}^{(+)} - \nu \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{pp} \right]$

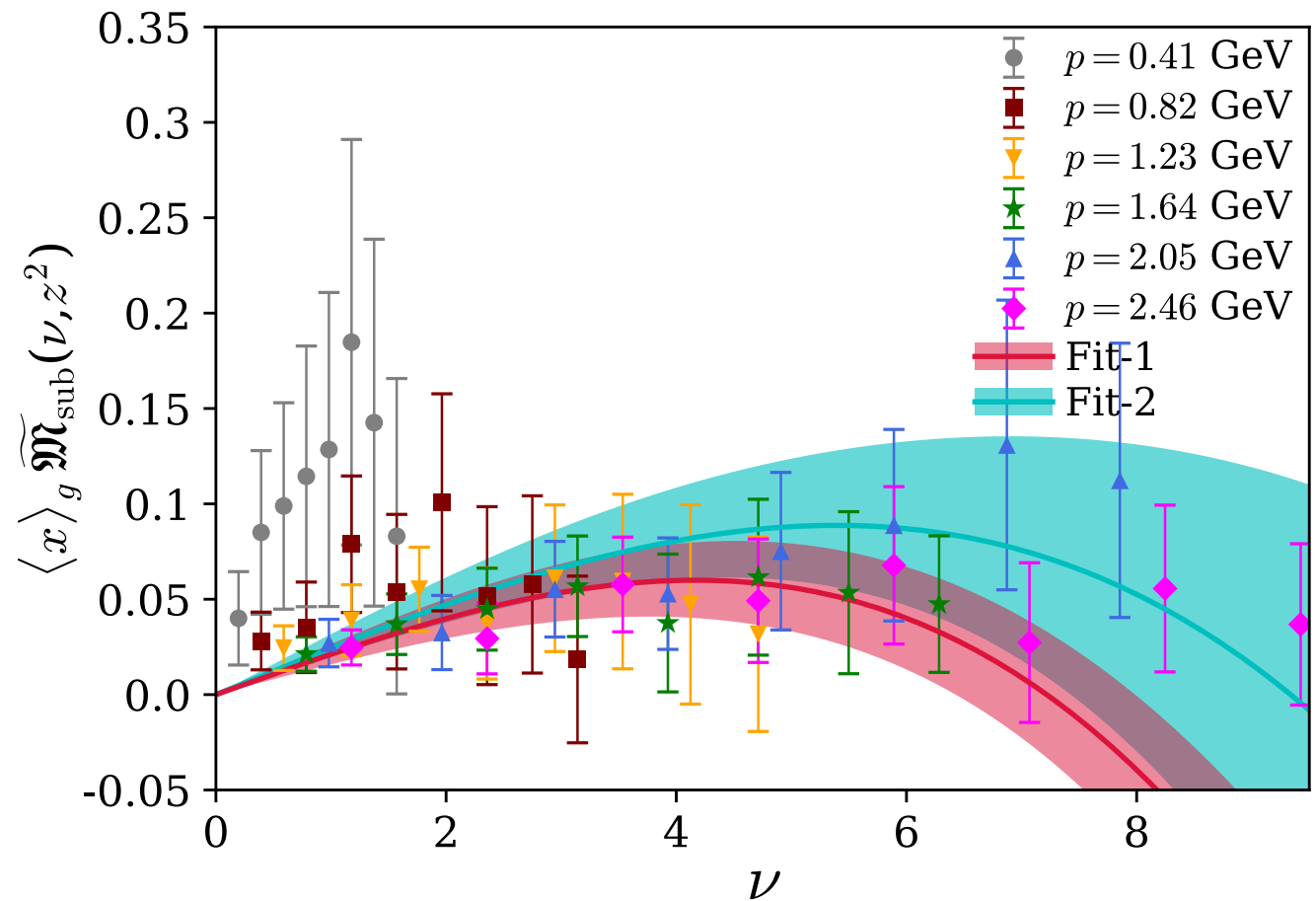
Can get: $\begin{aligned} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}(z, p) &= \left[\widetilde{M}_{ti;it} + \widetilde{M}_{ij;ij} \right] \\ &= M_{\Delta g} - \frac{m^2 z^2}{\nu} \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{pp} \\ &= M_{\Delta g} - \frac{m^2}{p_z^2} \nu \widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_{pp} \end{aligned}$

Helicity Gluon PDF

- Model both terms



- Subtract rest frame



$$a = 0.094 \text{ fm}$$

$$m_\pi = 358 \text{ MeV}$$

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Other Faces of WL Matrix Element

- Some are Lorentz invariant interpretations
- These interpretations nor the functions' bounds require small z^2 , only relation to light cone PDF with $z^2 = 0$ and some other regulation

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$$i\chi_{d_i}(k, p) = i^l \frac{P(\text{c.c.})}{(4\pi i)^{2L}} \int_0^\infty \prod_{j=1}^l d\alpha_j [D(\alpha)]^{-2}$$

$$\times \exp \left\{ ik^2 \frac{A(\alpha)}{D(\alpha)} + i \frac{(p-k)^2 B_s(\alpha) + (p+k)^2 B_u(\alpha)}{D(\alpha)} \right\}$$

$$\times \exp \left\{ ip^2 \frac{C(\alpha)}{D(\alpha)} - i \sum_j \alpha_j (m_j^2 - i\epsilon) \right\},$$

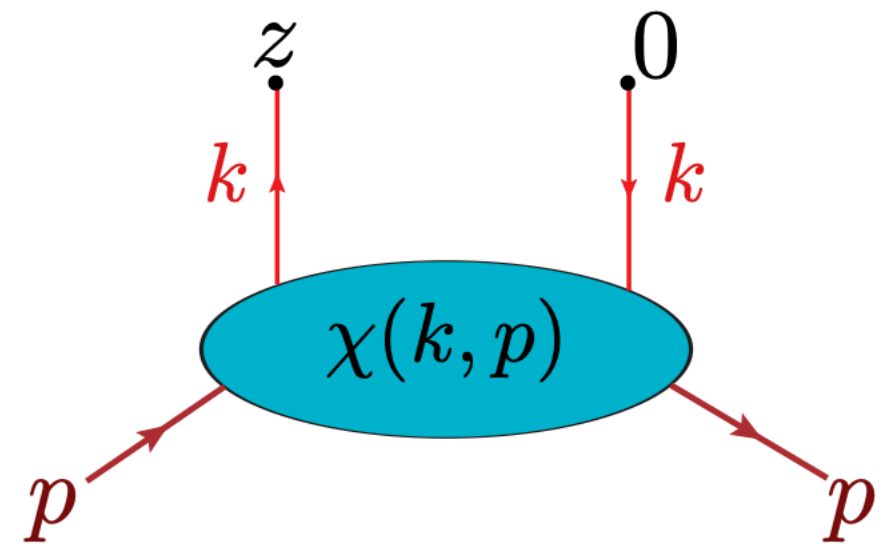
$$\sigma_{d_i} = \frac{A_{d_i}(\alpha) + B_{s_{d_i}}(\alpha) + B_{u_{d_i}}(\alpha)}{D_{d_i}(\alpha)}$$

$$B_{s_{d_i}}(\alpha) - B_{u_{d_i}}(\alpha)$$

$$x_{d_i} = \frac{B_{s_{d_i}}(\alpha) - B_{u_{d_i}}(\alpha)}{A_{d_i}(\alpha) + B_{s_{d_i}}(\alpha) + B_{u_{d_i}}(\alpha)}$$

$$i\chi(k, p) = \int_0^\infty d\sigma \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{i\sigma[k^2 - 2x(k \cdot p) + i\epsilon]} V(x, \sigma)$$

α_j are positive numbers
and A, B_u, B_s, C, D are
sums of products of α_j



Fourier transform to
position space

$$\mathcal{M}(\nu, z^2) = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ik \cdot z} \chi(k, p) = \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{i\nu x} \int_0^\infty e^{-i\sigma(z^2 - \epsilon)} V(x, \sigma)$$

Other Faces of WL Matrix Element

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Virtuality Distribution Function

Lorentz invariant picture

σ^{-1} pole gives $\log z^2$

Limits from nature of Feynman diagrams

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pseudo-PDF

Lorentz invariant picture

$\log z^2$ divergence from poles of TMD/VDF

$$\mathcal{M}(\nu, z^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{i\nu x} P(x, z^2)$$

$$\tilde{q}(y, p_z^2) = \int dz \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{ip_z z(x-y)} P(x, z^2)$$

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Straight Link / Primordial TMD

Frame dependent picture with nice interpretation

$1/k_T^2$ pole gives $\log z^2$

$$z = (0, z^-, z_T) \quad p = (p^+, \frac{m^2}{p^+}, 0_T)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(\nu, z^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx e^{i\nu x} \int d^2 k_T e^{ik_T \cdot z_T} F(x, k_T^2)$$

Light cone PDF from regulated integral of TMD

Relate to the Lorentz invariant VDF

$1/k_T^2$ or σ^{-1} poles generate $\log \mu^2$ divergence

$$f(x, \mu^2) = \int^{\mu^2} d^2 k_T F(x, k_T^2) = \int_0^\infty d\sigma \left[1 - e^{-\frac{i}{\sigma}(\mu^2 - i\epsilon)} \right] V(x, \sigma)$$