

Husimi distribution for nucleon tomography

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Outline

- Wigner distribution in Quantum Mechanics and QCD
- Husimi distribution in QM and QCD
- 1-loop result
- Some speculations

3D tomography of the nucleon

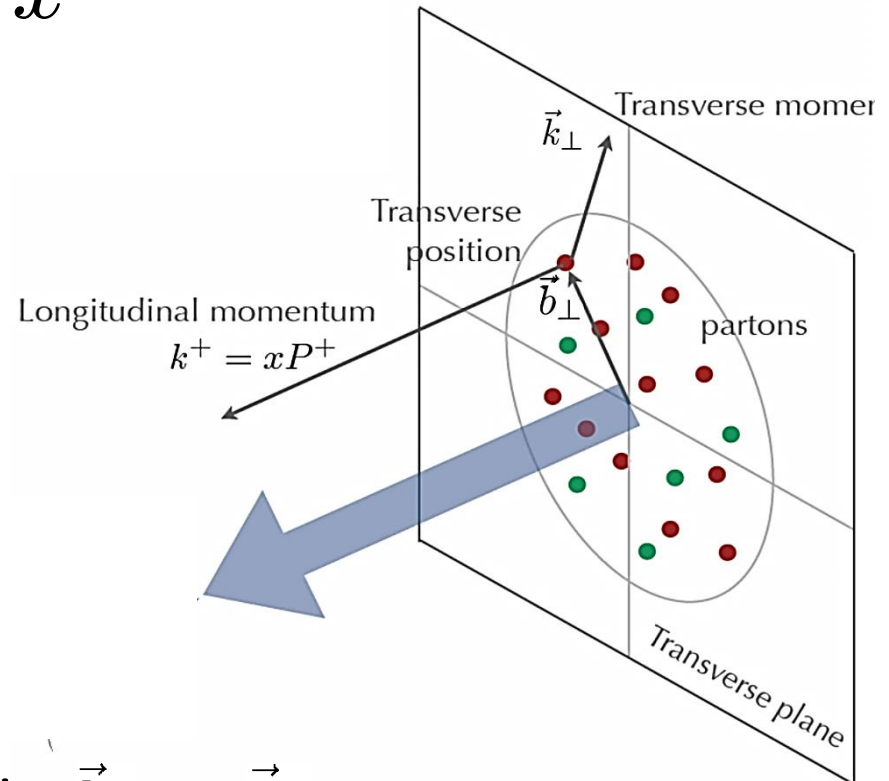
Partons inside the nucleon are characterized not only by the longitudinal momentum fraction x

TMD PDF $f(x, \vec{k}_\perp)$

GPD $H(x, \vec{\Delta}_\perp)$

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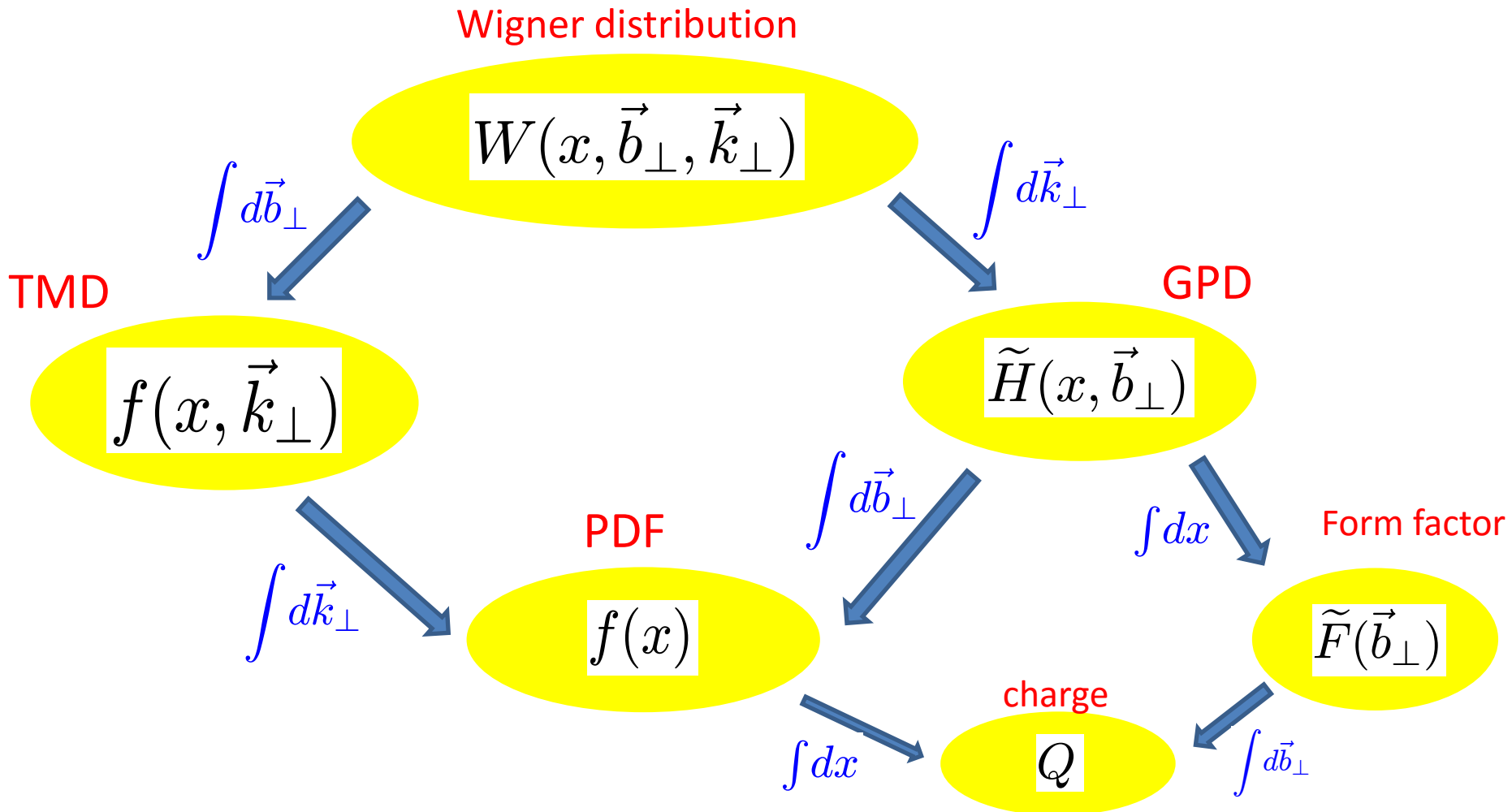
$\tilde{H}(x, \vec{b}_\perp)$



Unintegrated distribution **either** in \vec{b}_\perp **or** \vec{k}_\perp space.

Why not both—a **phase-space** distribution for the nucleon?

5D tomography: Wigner distribution— the “mother distribution”



Wigner distribution in QM (1932)

Phase space distribution in quantum mechanics

$$\begin{aligned} f_W(q, p) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-ipx/\hbar} \langle \psi | q - x/2 \rangle \langle q + x/2 | \psi \rangle \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx e^{-ipx/\hbar} \langle q + x/2 | \hat{\rho} | q - x/2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

density matrix $\hat{\rho} = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$



Eugene Wigner (1902-1995)

Moments of the Wigner distribution

$$\int \frac{dq}{2\pi\hbar} f_W(q, p) = |\langle \psi | p \rangle|^2, \quad \int \frac{dp}{2\pi\hbar} f_W(q, p) = |\langle \psi | q \rangle|^2$$

Expectation value of an operator $\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \int dp dq f_W(q, p) \mathcal{O}(p, q)$

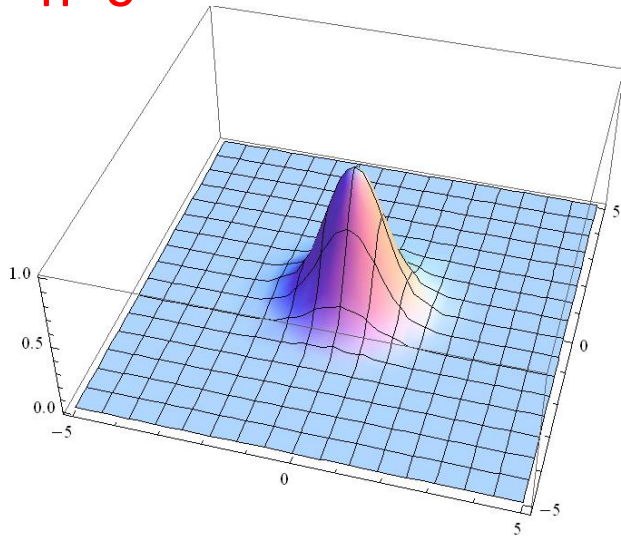
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$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega^2 q^2}{2}$$

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Laguerre polynomial

n=0



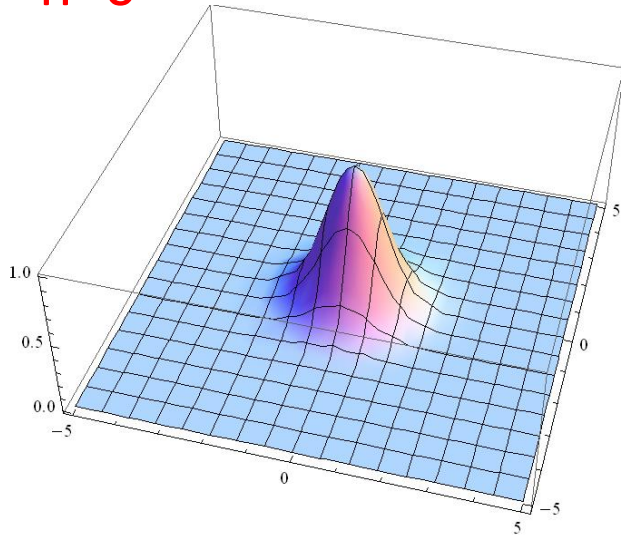
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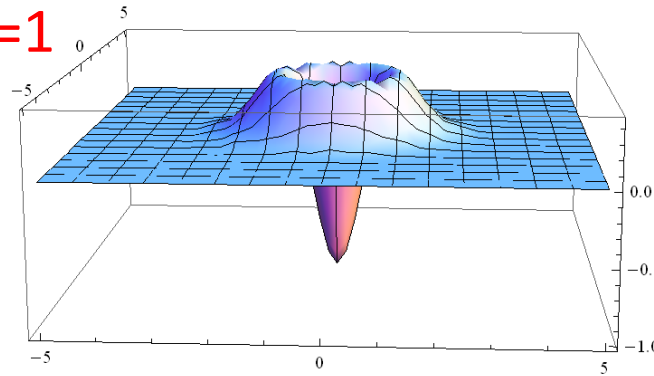
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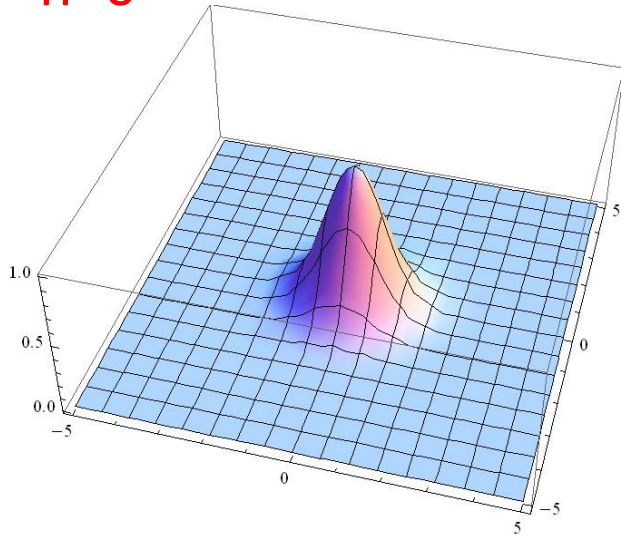
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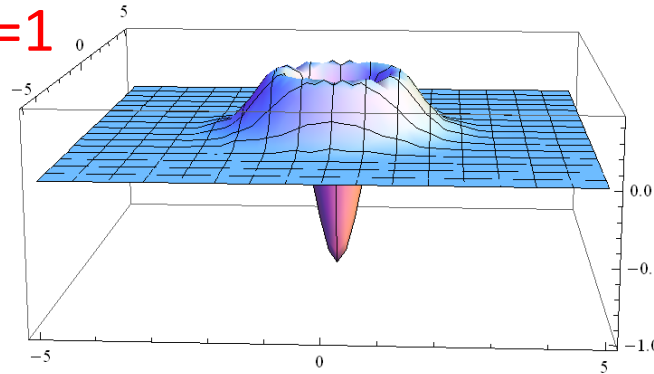
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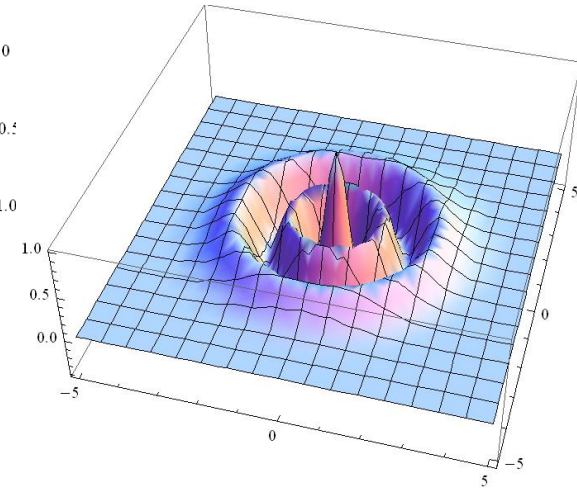
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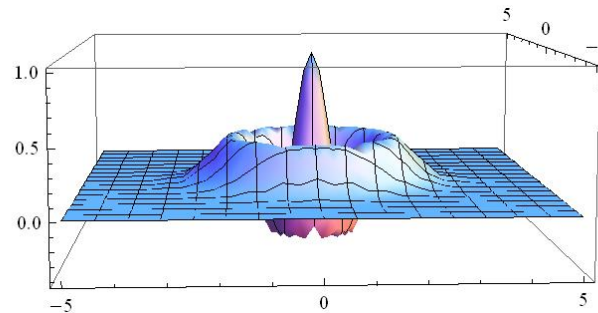
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$n=4$



$n=2$



Probability distribution?
No way!

The uncertainty principle

$$\Delta q \Delta p \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

The very notion of “phase space distribution” in quantum physics contradicts the uncertainty principle.

→ Wigner distribution wildly oscillates and becomes negative.
Incorporates (interesting) quantum interference effect,
but no probabilistic interpretation

Wigner distribution in QCD

Ji (2003)

Belitsky, Ji, Yuan (2003)

Wigner distribution of quarks in the nucleon

$$W^\Gamma(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \vec{k}_\perp) = \int \frac{dz^- d^2 z_\perp d^2 \Delta_\perp}{16\pi^3 (2\pi)^2} e^{i(xP^+ z^- - \vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{z}_\perp)} \langle P + \frac{\Delta}{2} | \bar{q}(b - \frac{z}{2}) \Gamma \mathcal{L} q(b + \frac{z}{2}) | P - \frac{\Delta}{2} \rangle$$


\vec{b}_\perp integral \rightarrow TMD

\vec{k}_\perp integral \rightarrow GPD

Connection to orbital angular momentum

Lorce, Pasquini, (2011);

YH (2011)

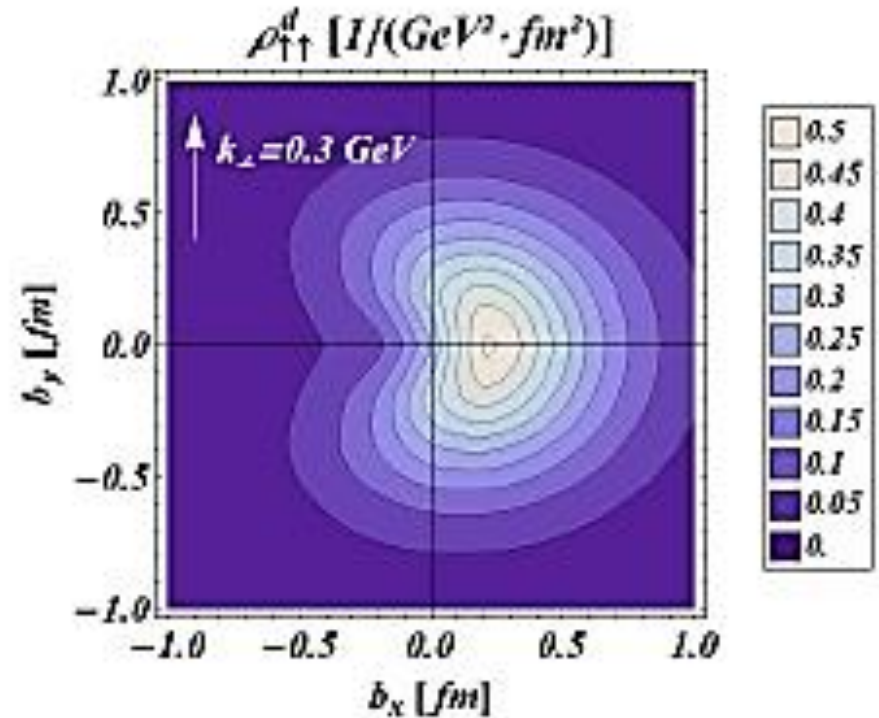
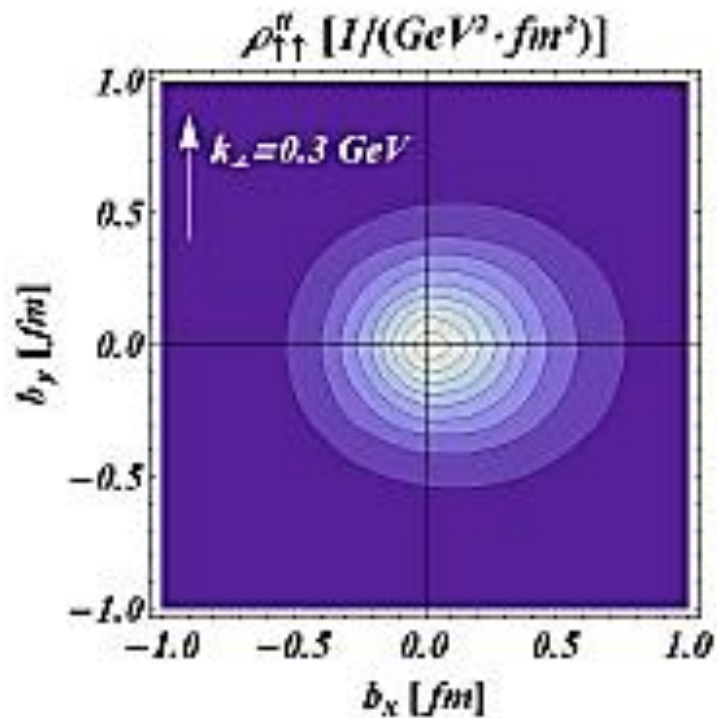

$$\Delta^\mu = (0, 0, \vec{\Delta}_\perp)$$

momentum recoil
(relativistic effect)

Model calculation

Lorce, Pasquini, (2011)

light-cone quark models
(no gluons included)



Husimi distribution (1940)

$$f_H(q, p) = \frac{1}{\pi\hbar} \int dq' dp' e^{-m\omega(q' - q)^2 / \hbar - (p' - p)^2 / m\omega\hbar} f_W(q', p')$$

Gaussian smearing of the Wigner distribution
within the region of **minimum uncertainty**

$$\Delta q = \sqrt{\hbar/2m\omega} \quad \Delta p = \sqrt{\hbar m\omega/2}$$

$$\Delta q \Delta p = \hbar/2$$



Kodi Husimi (1909 – 2008)

Husimi distribution is positive

$$f_H(q, p) = \langle \lambda | \hat{\rho} | \lambda \rangle = |\langle \psi | \lambda \rangle|^2 \geq 0 \quad \text{Positive semi-definite!}$$

Coherent state

$$a|\lambda\rangle = \lambda|\lambda\rangle$$

$$|\lambda\rangle = e^{-|\lambda|^2/2} e^{\lambda a^\dagger} |0\rangle$$

$$\lambda = \frac{m\omega q + ip}{\sqrt{2\hbar m\omega}}$$

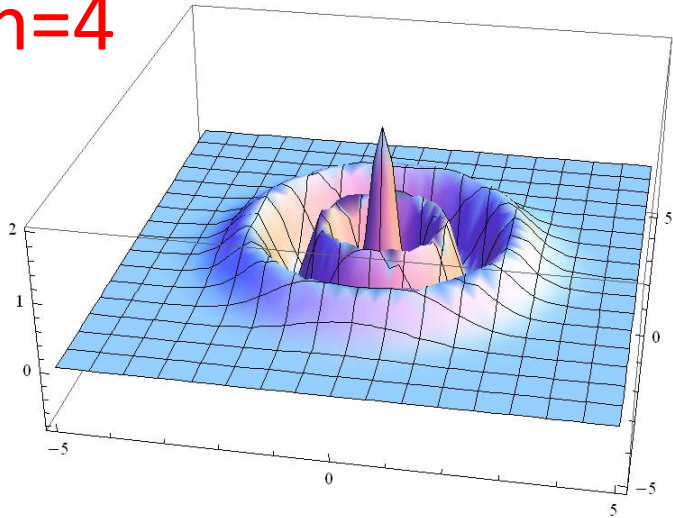
Coherent state satisfies the minimum uncertainty relation

$$\Delta q \Delta p = \hbar/2$$

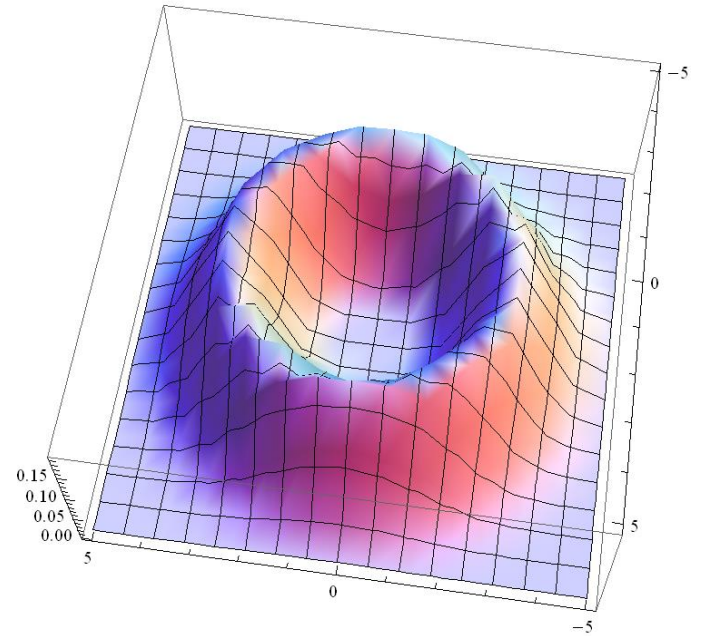
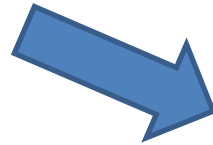
Many applications in statistical physics, quantum optics, chaos, etc.

Husimi distribution for the harmonic oscillator

$n=4$



$$f_H(q, p) = \frac{1}{n!} e^{-\frac{H}{\hbar\omega}} \left(\frac{H}{\hbar\omega} \right)^n$$



$$f_W(q, p) = 2(-1)^n e^{-2H/\hbar\omega} L_n \left(\frac{4H}{\hbar\omega} \right)$$

Localized around the
classical orbit

$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega^2 q^2}{2} \approx \hbar\omega \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Husimi distribution in QCD

Hagiwara and YH (2015)

Define

$$H^\Gamma(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \vec{k}_\perp) \equiv \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int d^2 b'_\perp d^2 k'_\perp e^{-\frac{1}{\ell^2}(\vec{b}_\perp - \vec{b}'_\perp)^2 - \ell^2(\vec{k}_\perp - \vec{k}'_\perp)^2} W^\Gamma(x, \vec{b}'_\perp, \vec{k}'_\perp)$$

The parameter ℓ is arbitrary, but it is natural to take $\ell \lesssim R_{hadron}$

Moments of the Husimi distribution

The b-moment of the QCD Husimi distribution does **not** reduce to the TMD.

$$\int d^2 b_{\perp} H^{\Gamma}(x, \vec{b}_{\perp}, \vec{k}_{\perp})$$
$$= \int \frac{dz^{-} d^2 z_{\perp}}{16\pi^3} e^{i(xp^{+} z^{-} - \vec{k}_{\perp} \cdot \vec{z}_{\perp})} \underbrace{e^{-\frac{z_{\perp}^2}{4\ell^2}}}_{??} \langle P | \bar{q}(-z/2) \Gamma \mathcal{L} q(z/2) | P \rangle$$

Double moments are the same as in the Wigner case

$$\int d^2 b_{\perp} d^2 k_{\perp} H^{\gamma^{+}}(x, \vec{b}_{\perp}, \vec{k}_{\perp}) = f(x) \quad (\text{PDF})$$

$$\int d^2 b_{\perp} d^2 k_{\perp} (\vec{b}_{\perp} \times \vec{k}_{\perp}) H^{\gamma^{+}}(x, \vec{b}_{\perp}, \vec{k}_{\perp}) = L_{can} \quad (\text{canonical OAM})$$

Positivity?

In the $A^+ = 0$ gauge

$$H \sim \int d^2 \Delta_{\perp} e^{-i \vec{\Delta}_{\perp} \cdot \vec{b}_{\perp} - \frac{\ell^2 \Delta_{\perp}^2}{4}}$$
$$\times \langle P + \Delta/2 | q_+^{\dagger} \delta(K^+ - (1-x)p^+) e^{-\ell^2 (\vec{K}_{\perp} + \vec{k}_{\perp})^2} q_+ | P - \Delta/2 \rangle$$

↑
“good component”

Positive definite if it were not for the momentum recoil Δ (relativistic effect)

However, the Gaussian factor suppresses Δ

Wigner/Husimi @ 1-loop

Wigner distribution for an on-shell quark

$$W(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \vec{k}_\perp) = \int \frac{dz^- d^2 z_\perp}{16\pi^3} \frac{d^2 \Delta_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{i(xP^+ z^- - \vec{k}_\perp \cdot \vec{z}_\perp)} \langle P + \frac{\Delta}{2} | \bar{q}(b - \frac{z}{2}) \gamma^+ \mathcal{L} q(b + \frac{z}{2}) | P - \frac{\Delta}{2} \rangle$$

Zeroth order

$$W[x, \vec{b}_\perp, \vec{k}_\perp] = \delta(x - 1) \delta^{(2)}(\vec{b}_\perp) \delta^{(2)}(\vec{k}_\perp) \quad \leftarrow \vec{b}_\perp = \vec{k}_\perp = 0 \quad !?$$

Violates the uncertainty principle

$$\implies H(x, \vec{b}_\perp, \vec{k}_\perp) = \delta(1 - x) \frac{e^{-b_\perp^2/\ell^2 - \ell^2 k_\perp^2}}{\pi^2}$$

First order in α_s

$$W^{\gamma^+}[x, \vec{b}_\perp, \vec{k}_\perp] = \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{2\pi^2} \int \frac{d^2 \Delta_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-i\vec{\Delta}_\perp \cdot \vec{b}_\perp} \\ \times \frac{\left(k_\perp^2 - \frac{\Delta_\perp^2}{4}(1-x)^2\right) P_{qq}(x) + m^2(1-x)^3}{(q_+^2 + m^2(1-x)^2)(q_-^2 + m^2(1-x)^2)}$$

splitting function

$$P_{qq}(x) = \frac{1+x^2}{1-x} \quad \vec{q}_\pm = \vec{k}_\perp \pm \frac{\vec{\Delta}_\perp}{2}(1-x)$$

First order in α_s

Bad convergence,
sensitive to Δ_{\perp}^{max}

Divergent when $\vec{b}_{\perp} = 0$,
oscillates in b_{\perp} .



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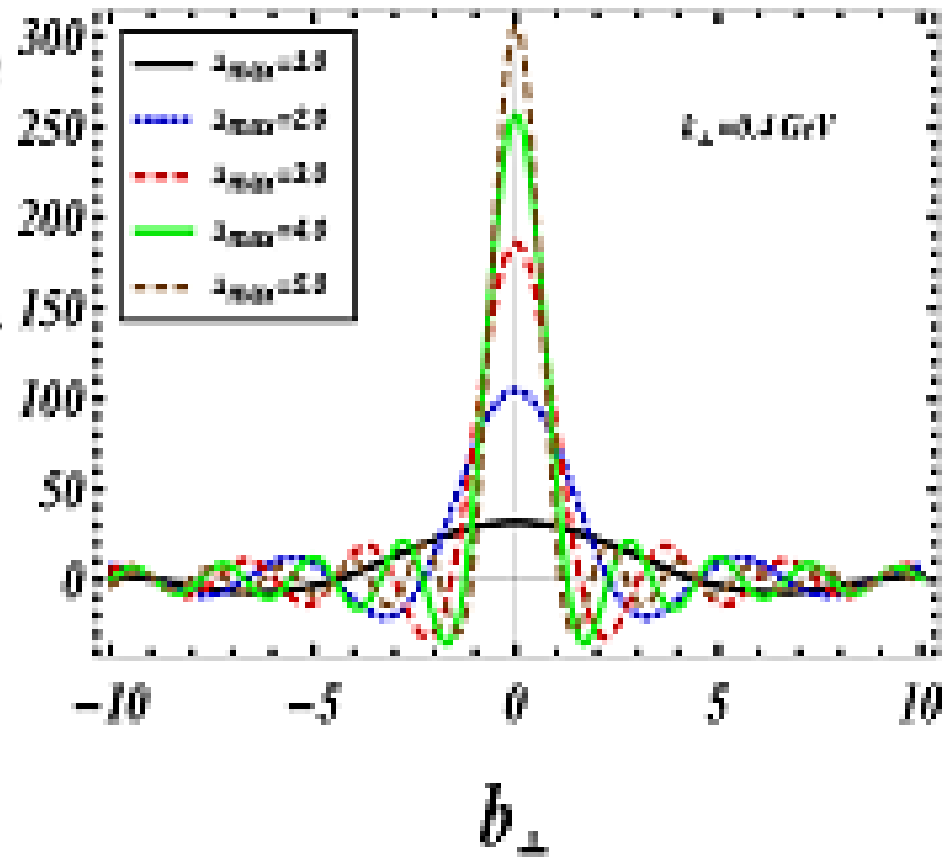
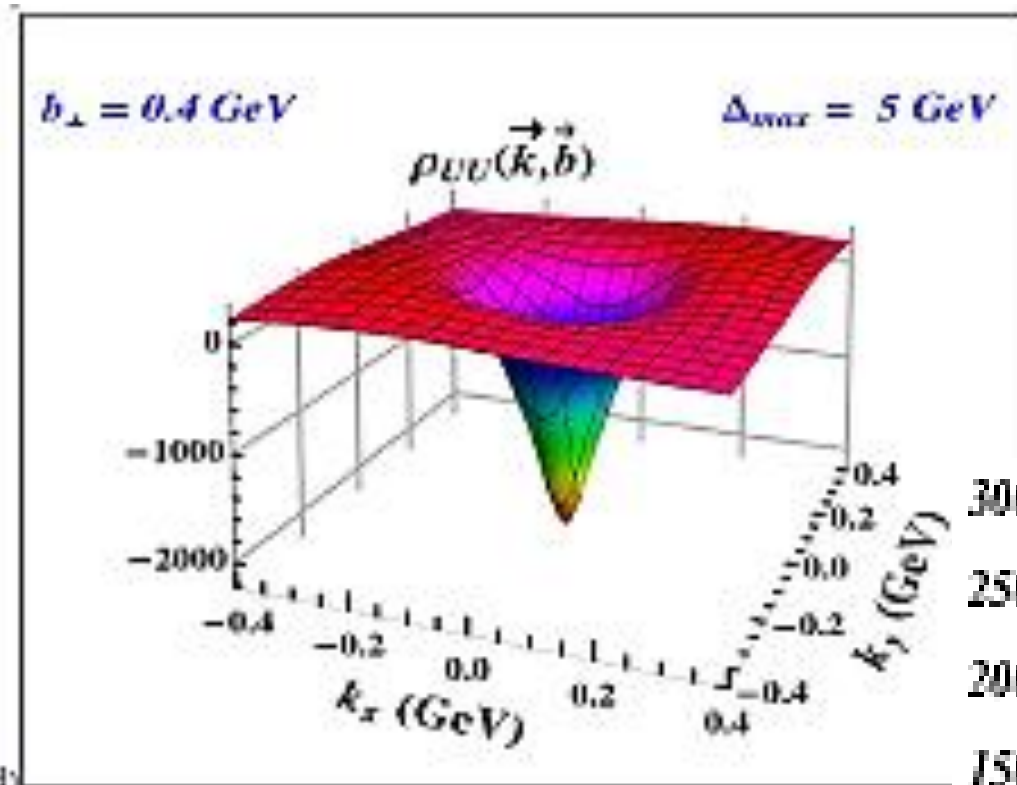
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Negative when

$$|\vec{k}_{\perp}| < (1-x) \frac{|\vec{\Delta}_{\perp}|}{2}$$

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Mukherjee, Nair, Ojha, 1403.6233

One-loop Husimi distribution

Smearing in $|\vec{k}_\perp - \vec{k}'_\perp| \sim 1/\ell$

Integration region
limited to $|\vec{\Delta}_\perp| < 2/\ell$

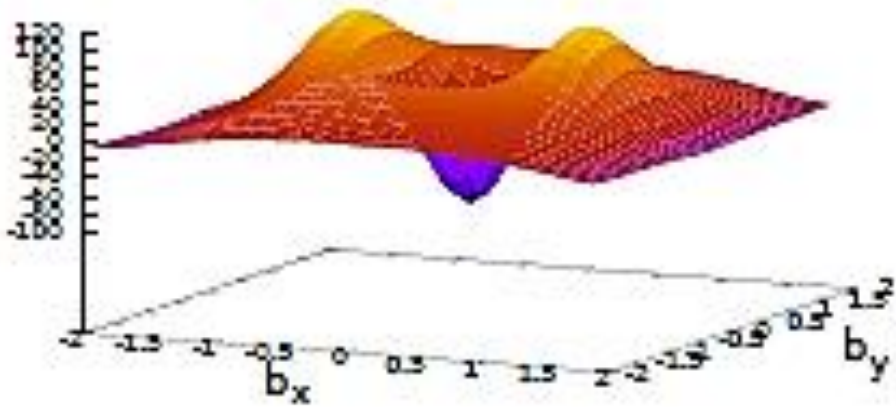
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$$k'_\perp < (1-x) \frac{|\vec{\Delta}_\perp|}{2} < \frac{|\vec{\Delta}_\perp|}{2} < \frac{1}{\ell}$$

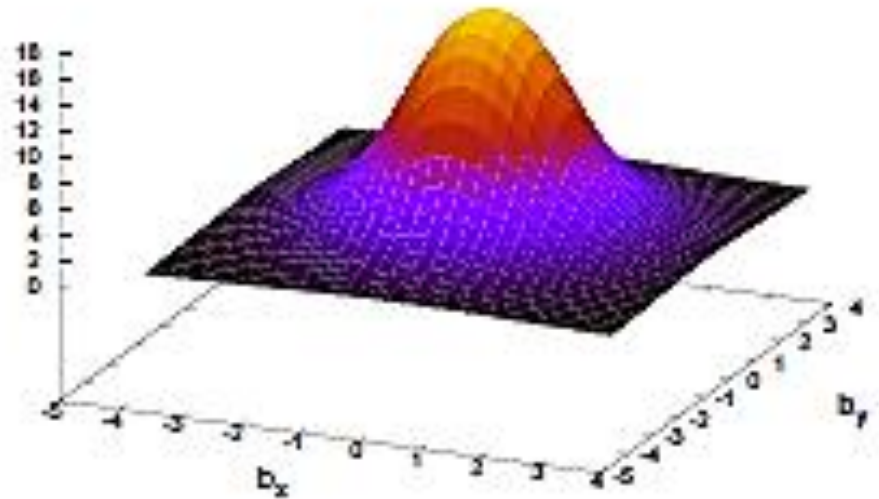
Smearing region larger than the negative region

Numerical result

Before (Wigner)



After (Husimi)

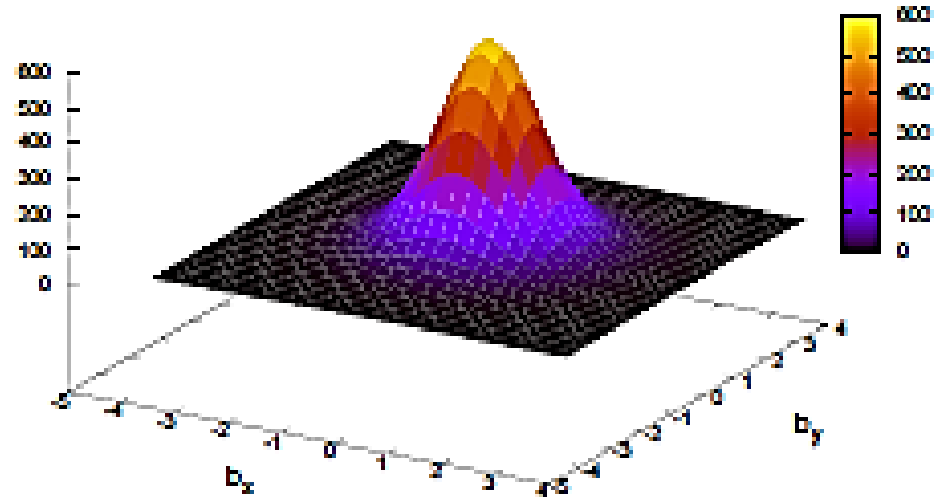
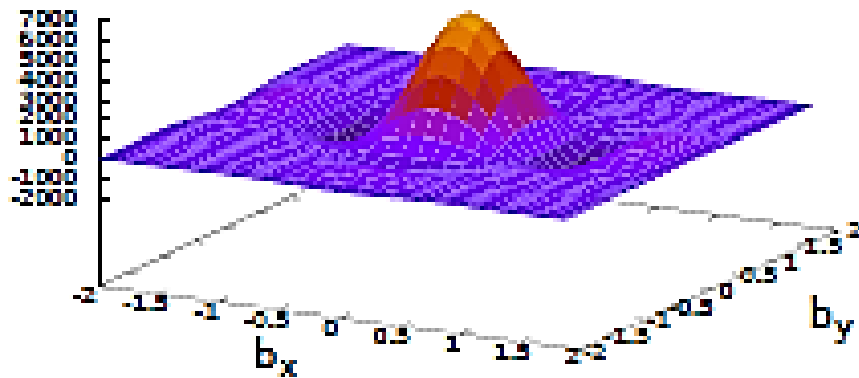


$$x = 0.5, m^2 = 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2, \ell = 1 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

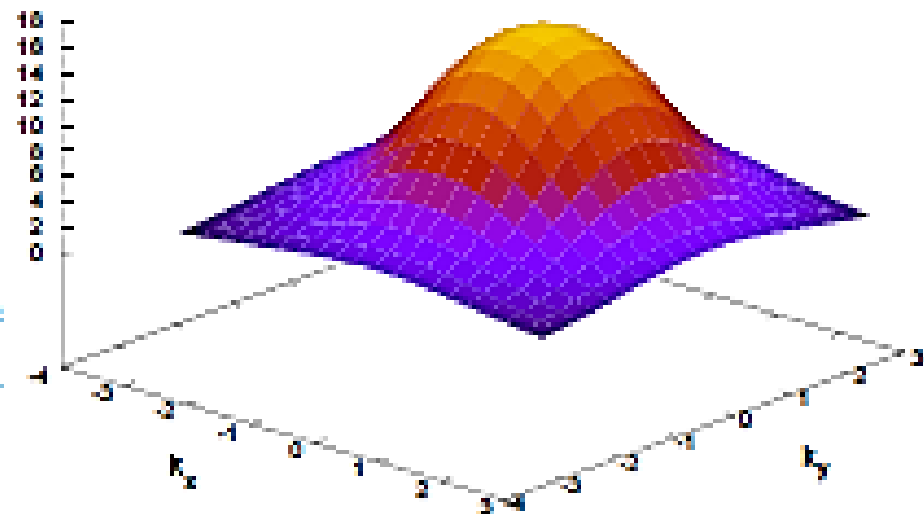
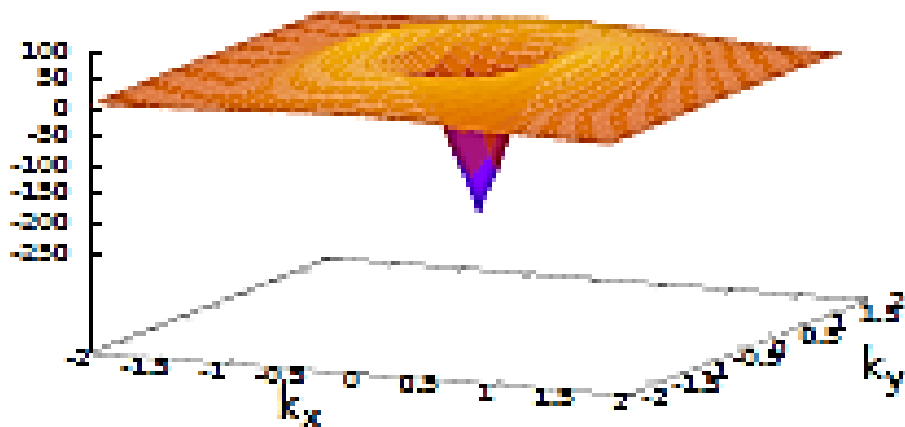
Before (Wigner)

After (Husimi)

$x = 0.9$



$x = 0.5$



Entropy?

Since the Husimi distribution is positive, one can define **entropy** (Husimi-Wehrl entropy)

$$S \equiv - \int \frac{dqdp}{2\pi\hbar} f_H \ln f_H$$

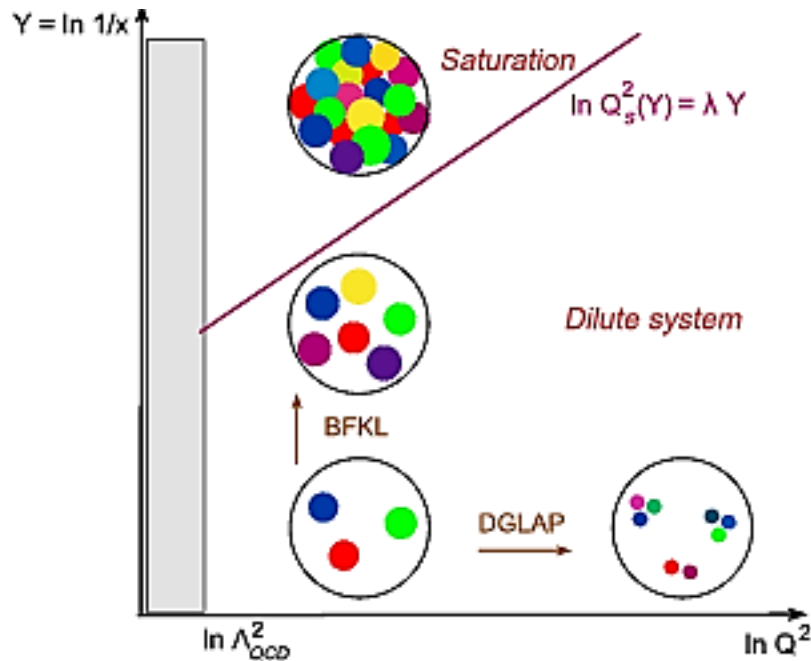
cf. von Neumann entropy $S = -tr \hat{\rho} \ln \hat{\rho}$

Nonvanishing even for a pure state.

→ A measure of **complexity (chaoticity)** of the nucleon wavefunction.

Relation to Color Glass Condensate?

- At small- x , the gluons can be treated as a **coherent** classical field
McLerran, Venugopalan (1993)
- Husimi distribution is the **coherent** state expectation value.



Any relation between the two?

A tantalizing hint

The b-moment of the Husimi distribution is not exactly TMD.

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At low-x, identify $\ell \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{Q_s(x)}$ saturation scale

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What is computed within CGC/quasi-classical approximation could be interpreted as the Husimi distribution.

Conclusions

- Wigner distribution badly behaved.
Nowhere near what one would naively expect for a phase space distribution.
- Husimi distribution much better behaved.
Can be interpreted as a probability distribution of quarks and gluons.
→ Classical description of the nucleon (nucleus).