

AdS/CFT and Hadron Formation in QCD

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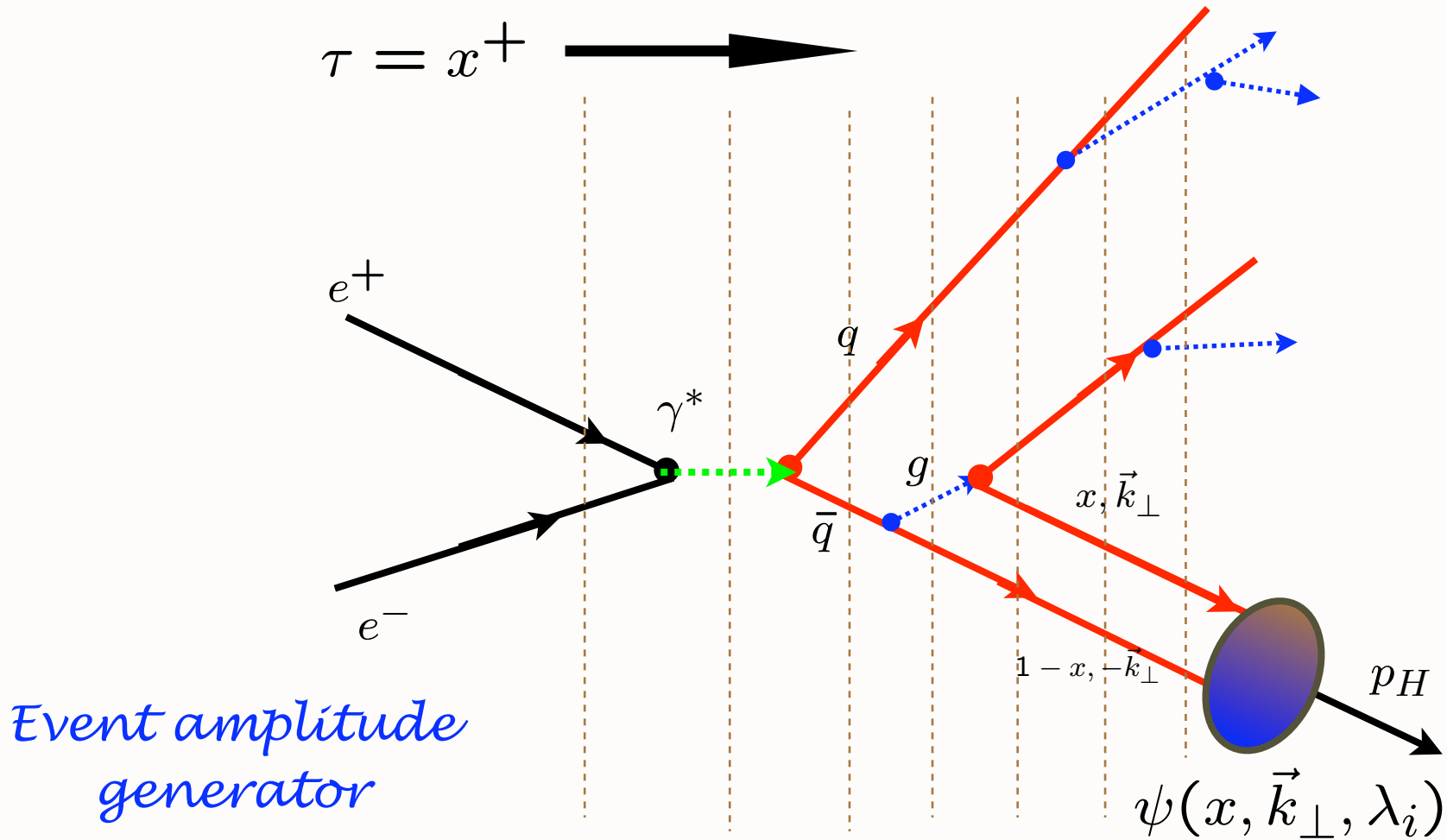


Ringberg workshop on non-perturbative QCD of jets

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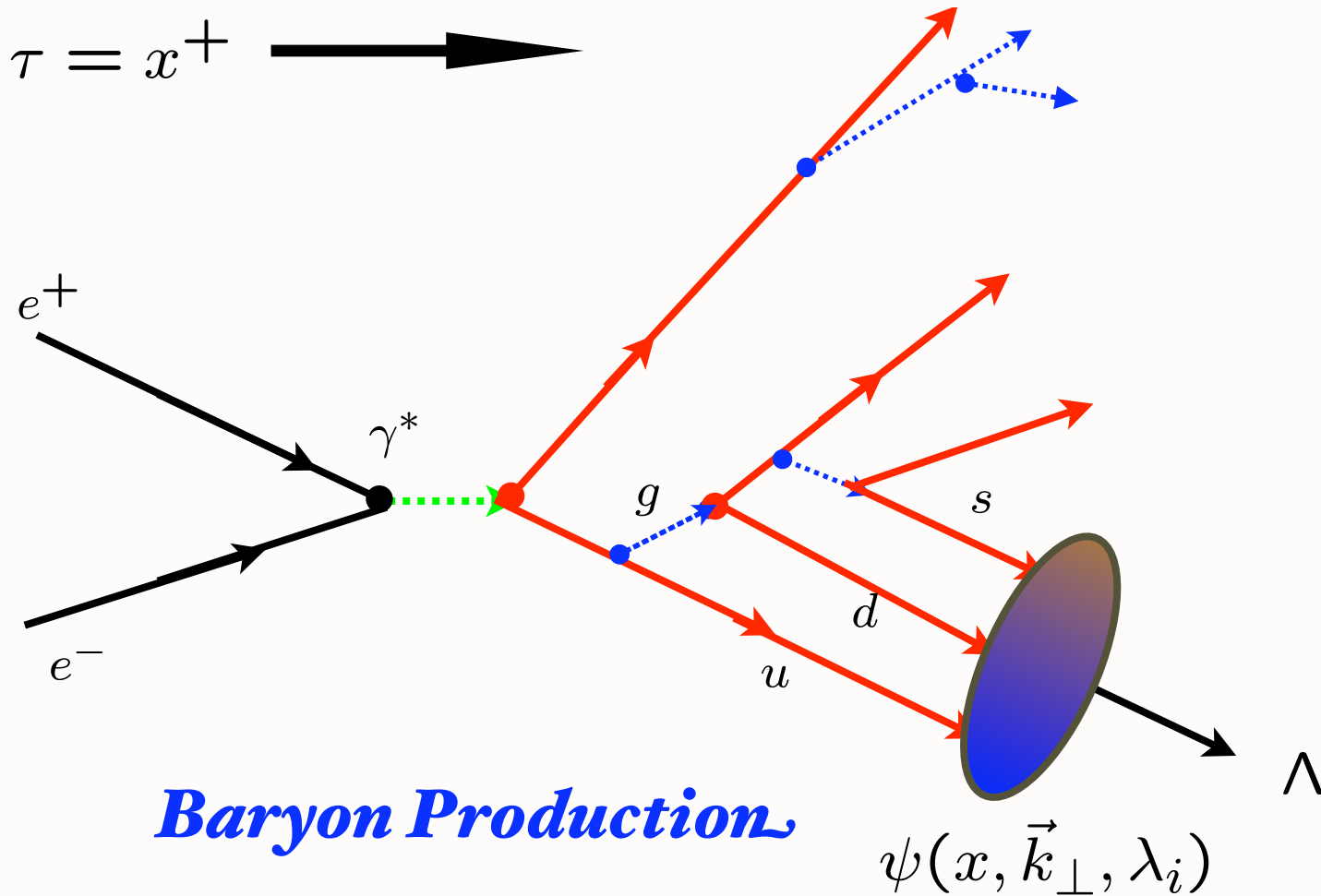
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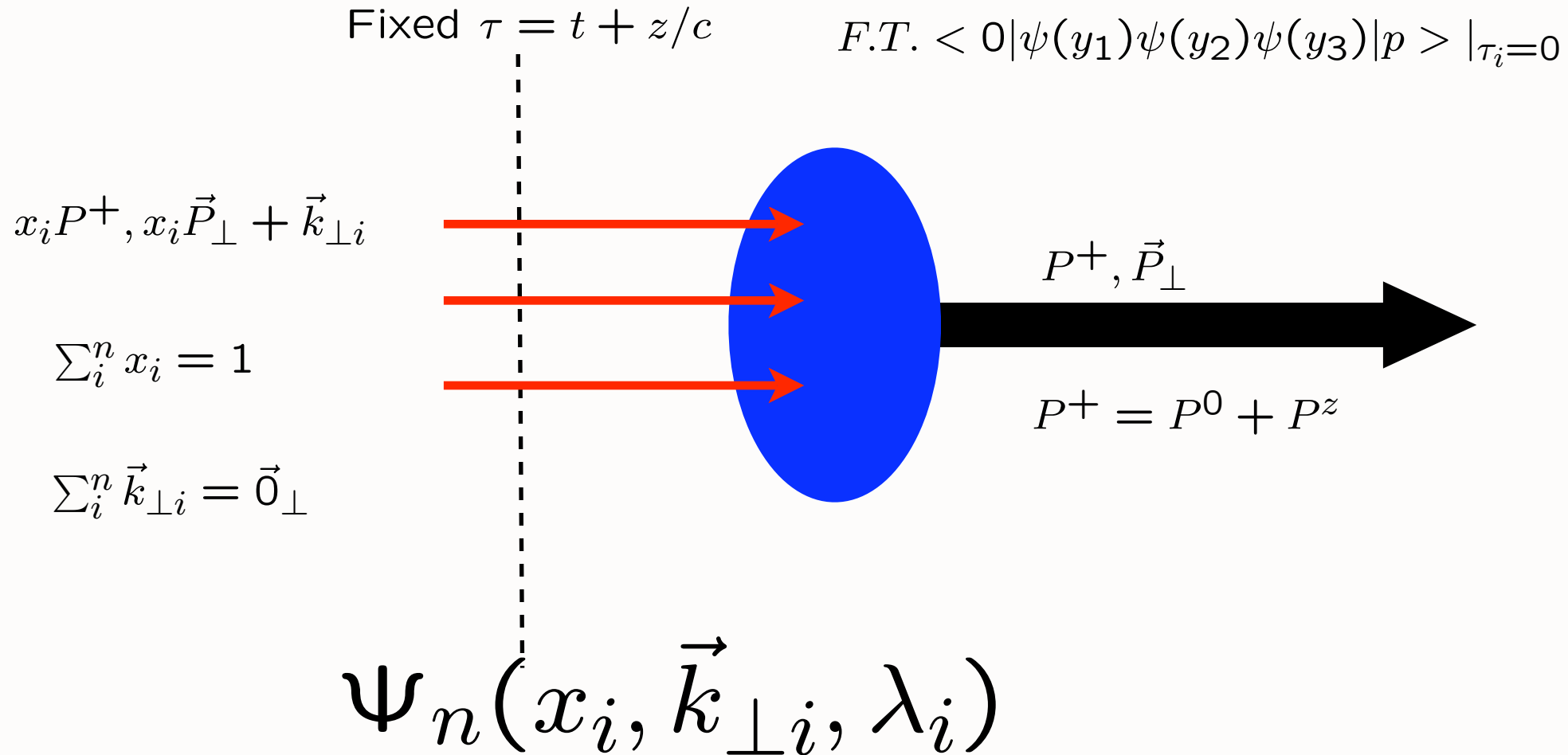
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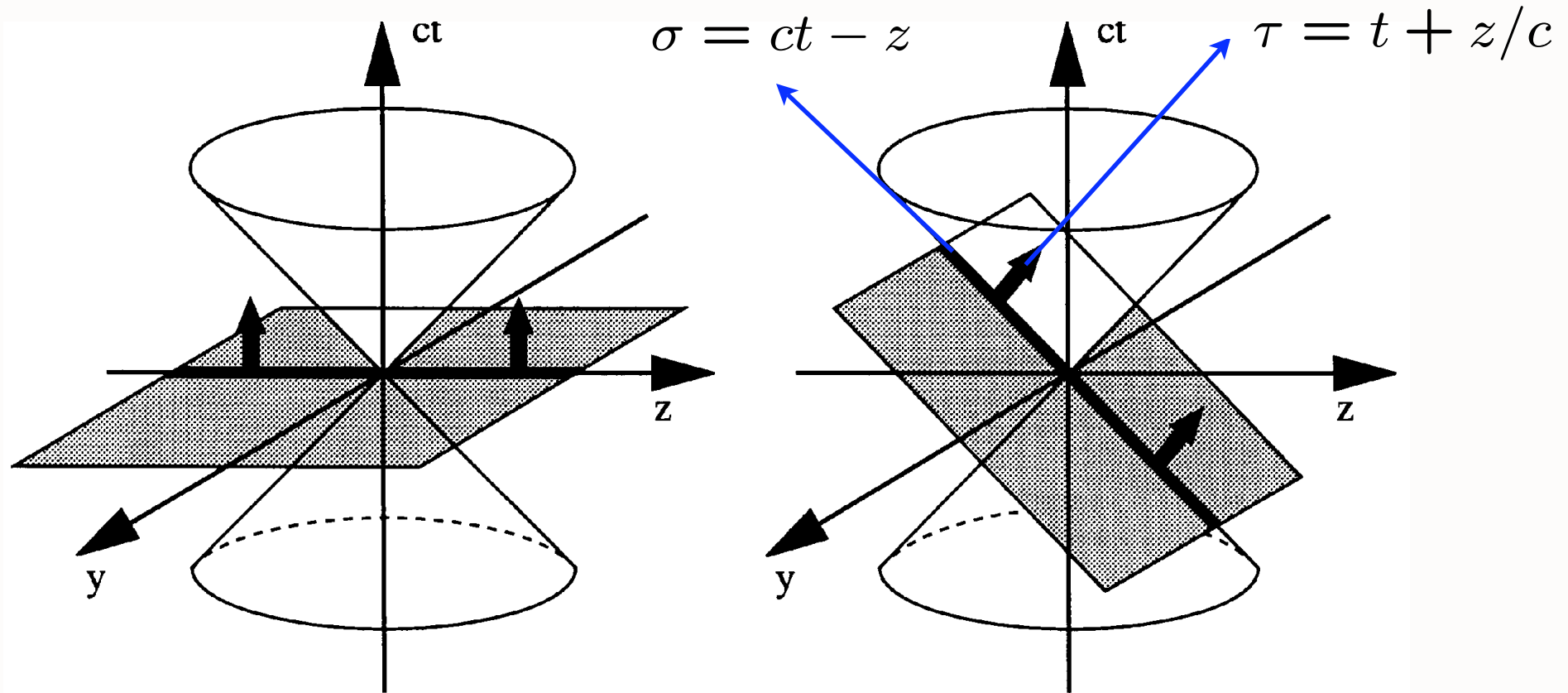
Light-Front Wavefunctions



Invariant under boosts! Independent of P^μ

Dirac's Amazing Idea: The "Front Form"

Evolve in
light-front time!



Instant Form

Front Form

Light-Front Wavefunctions

Dirac's Front Form: Fixed $\tau = t + z/c$

$$\psi(x, k_{\perp}) \quad x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{P^+}$$

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$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\psi\rangle = M^2 |\psi\rangle$$

Remarkable new insights from AdS/CFT, the duality between conformal field theory and Anti-de Sitter Space

$$H_{LC}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

Compute
LFWFS from
first principles

$$H_{LC}^{QCD} = P_\mu P^\mu = P^- P^+ - \vec{P}_\perp^2$$

The hadron state $|\Psi_h\rangle$ is expanded in a Fock-state complete basis of non-interacting n -particle states $|n\rangle$ with an infinite number of components

$$|\Psi_h(P^+, \vec{P}_\perp)\rangle =$$

$$\sum_{n, \lambda_i} \int [dx_i d^2 \vec{k}_{\perp i}] \psi_{n/h}(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

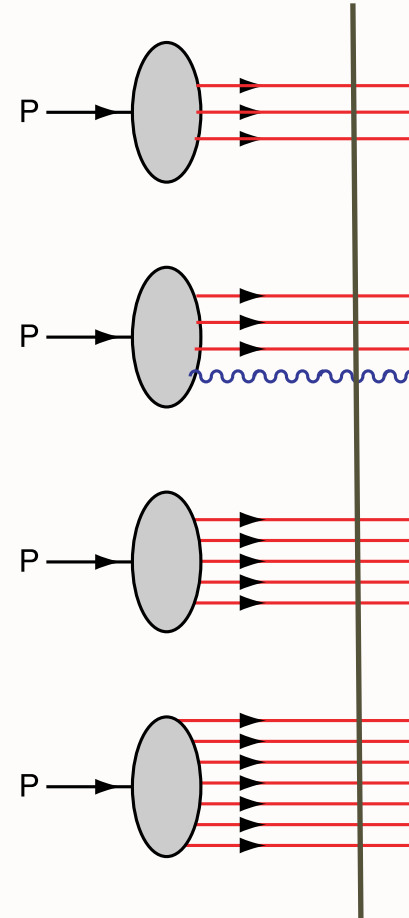
$$\times |n : x_i P^+, x_i \vec{P}_\perp + \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$

$$\sum_n \int [dx_i d^2 \vec{k}_{\perp i}] |\psi_{n/h}(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)|^2 = 1$$

Light-Front Wavefunctions

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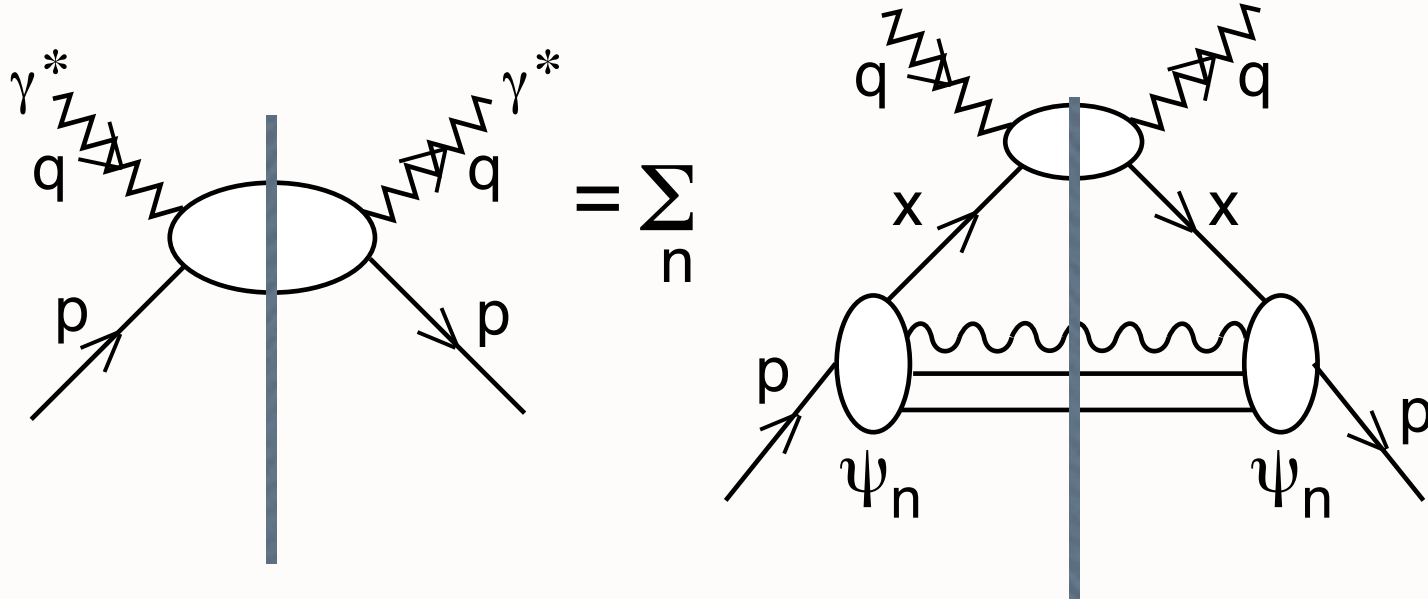
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Deep Inelastic Lepton Proton Scattering

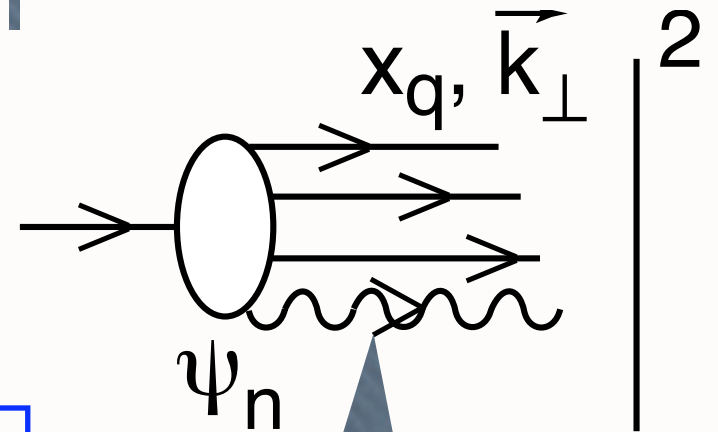


Imaginary Part of
Forward Virtual Compton Amplitude

$$q(x, Q^2) = \sum_n \int^{k_\perp^2 \leq Q^2_\perp} d^2 k_\perp |\Psi_n(x, k_\perp)|^2$$

$$x = x_q$$

All spin, flavor distributions

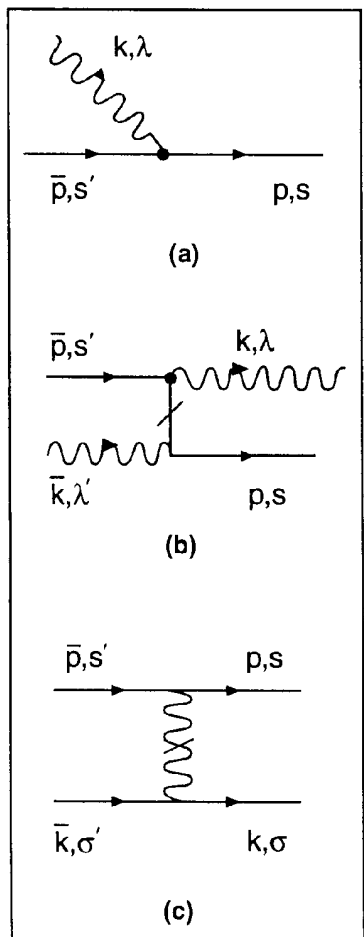


Light-Front Wave Functions $\psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$

Light-Front QCD Heisenberg Equation

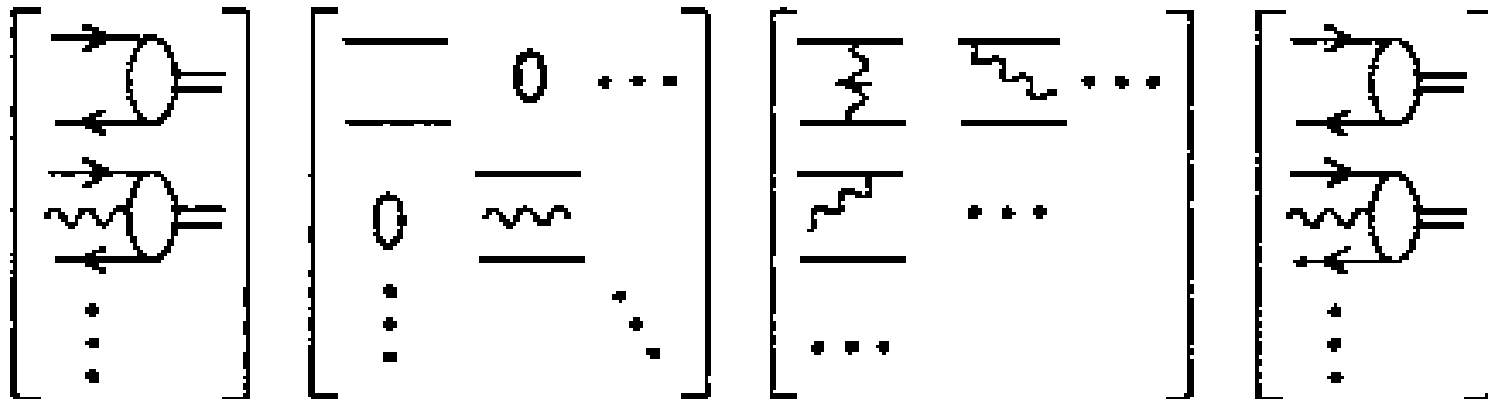
$$H_{LC}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

n	Sector	1 q \bar{q}	2 gg	3 q \bar{q} g	4 q \bar{q} q \bar{q}	5 gg g	6 q \bar{q} gg	7 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} g	8 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q}	9 gg gg	10 q \bar{q} gg g	11 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} gg	12 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q} g	13 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q}
1	q \bar{q}				
2	gg			
3	q \bar{q} g							
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LIGHT-FRONT SCHRÖDINGER EQUATION

$$\left(M_\pi^2 - \sum_i \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp i}^2 + m_i^2}{x_i} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{q\bar{q}/\pi} \\ \psi_{q\bar{q}g/\pi} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle q\bar{q} | V | q\bar{q} \rangle & \langle q\bar{q} | V | q\bar{q}g \rangle & \cdots \\ \langle q\bar{q}g | V | q\bar{q} \rangle & \langle q\bar{q}g | V | q\bar{q}g \rangle & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{q\bar{q}/\pi} \\ \psi_{q\bar{q}g/\pi} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$



Angular Momentum on the Light-Front

$A^+ = 0$ gauge:

No unphysical degrees of freedom

$$J^z = \sum_{i=1}^n s_i^z + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} l_j^z.$$

Conserved
LF Fock state by Fock State

$$l_j^z = -i \left(k_j^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j^2} - k_j^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j^1} \right)$$

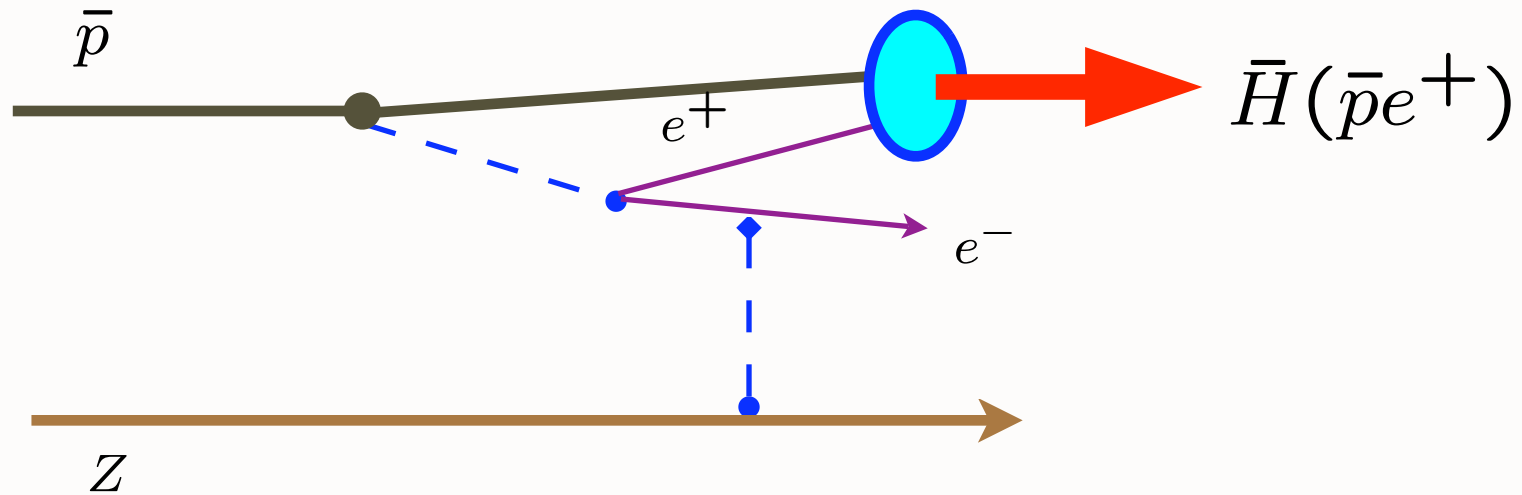
n-1 orbital angular momenta

Creating Hadrons

- Coalescence of co-moving quarks
- Maximal probability at minimum off-shellness
- Hadronization formation at a given light-front time described by light-front wavefunction $\psi_n^H(x_i, k_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$
- Example in QED: Formation of anti-hydrogen
- Exclusive amplitudes controlled by LFWs
- LFWFs predicted by AdS/CFT

Formation of Relativistic Anti-Hydrogen

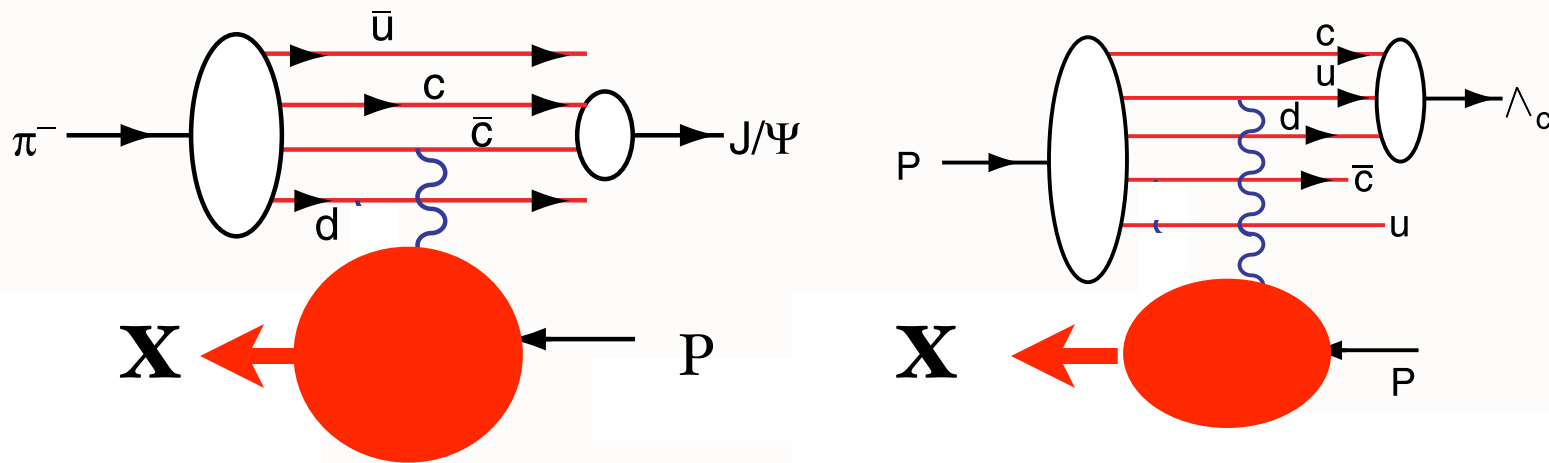
Coalescence of co-moving positron and antiproton



Munger, Schmidt, sjb

Observed at CERN and FermiLab

Leading Hadron Production from Intrinsic Charm



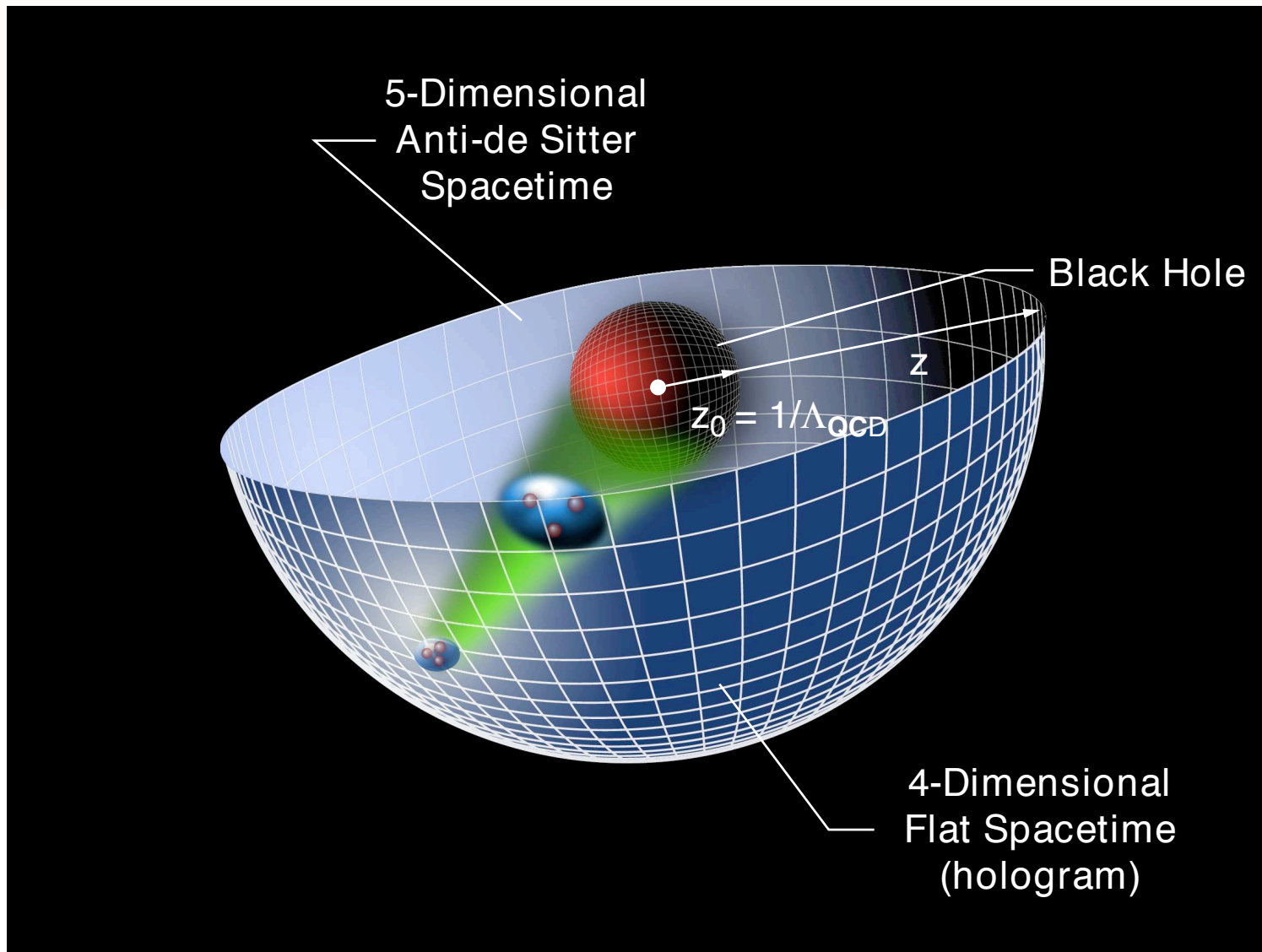
Coalescence of Comoving Charm and Valence Quarks
Produce J/ψ , Λ_c and other Charm Hadrons at High x_F

Parton Correlations contained in LFWFs

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_F dQ^2 d\cos\theta}(\pi N \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- X) = A(1-x_F)^2(1+\cos^2\theta) + B(1-x_F)^0 \frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{Q^2}$$

- Higher Twist contribution to DY, DIS
- Off-shell corrections to DGLAP at $x \sim 1$, $z \sim 1$
- Direct Production of Hadrons in Hard Subprocess
- Proton Decay

The Impact of AdS/CFT on QCD Phenomenology

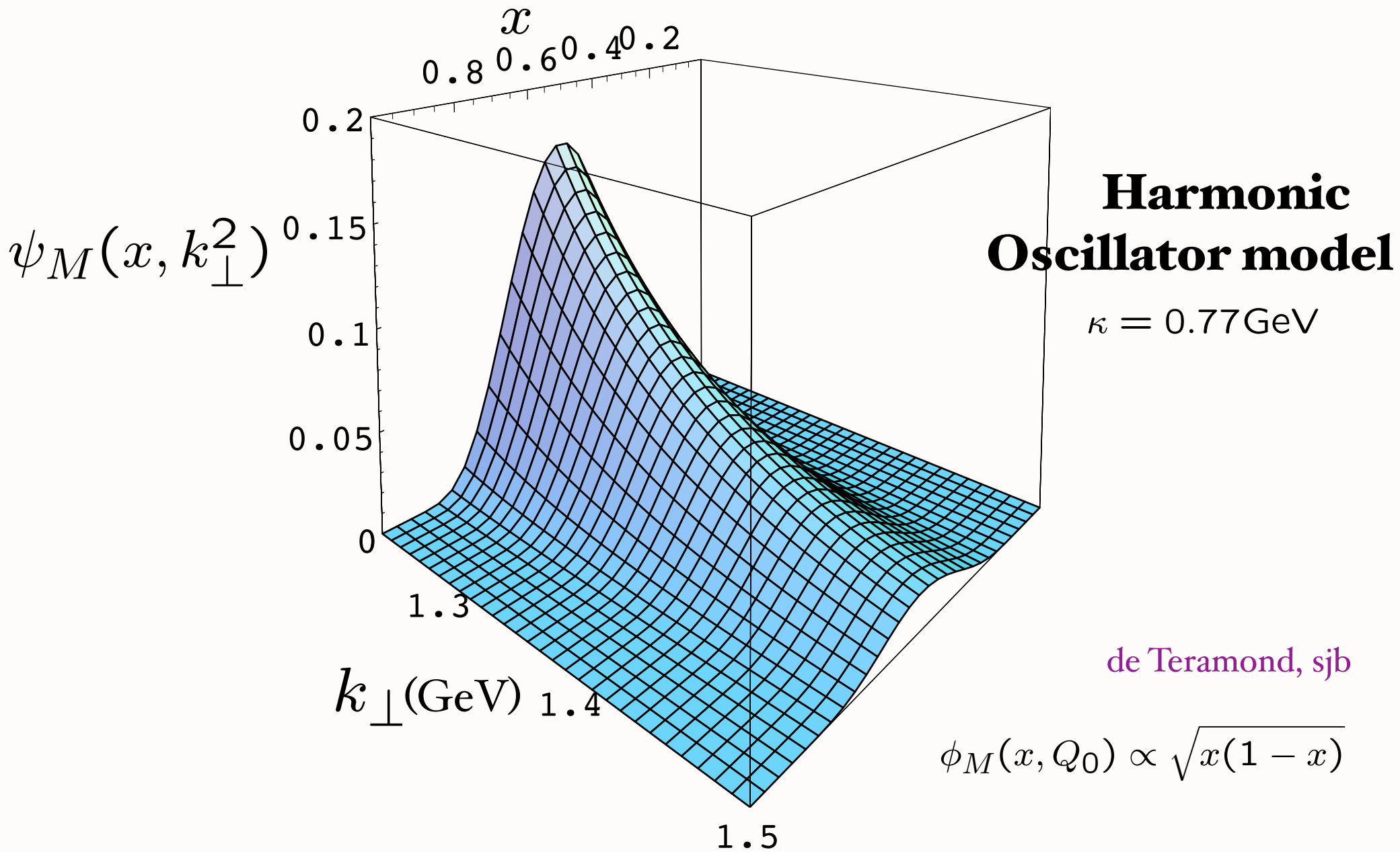


*Changes in
length scale
mapped to
evolution in the
5th dimension z*

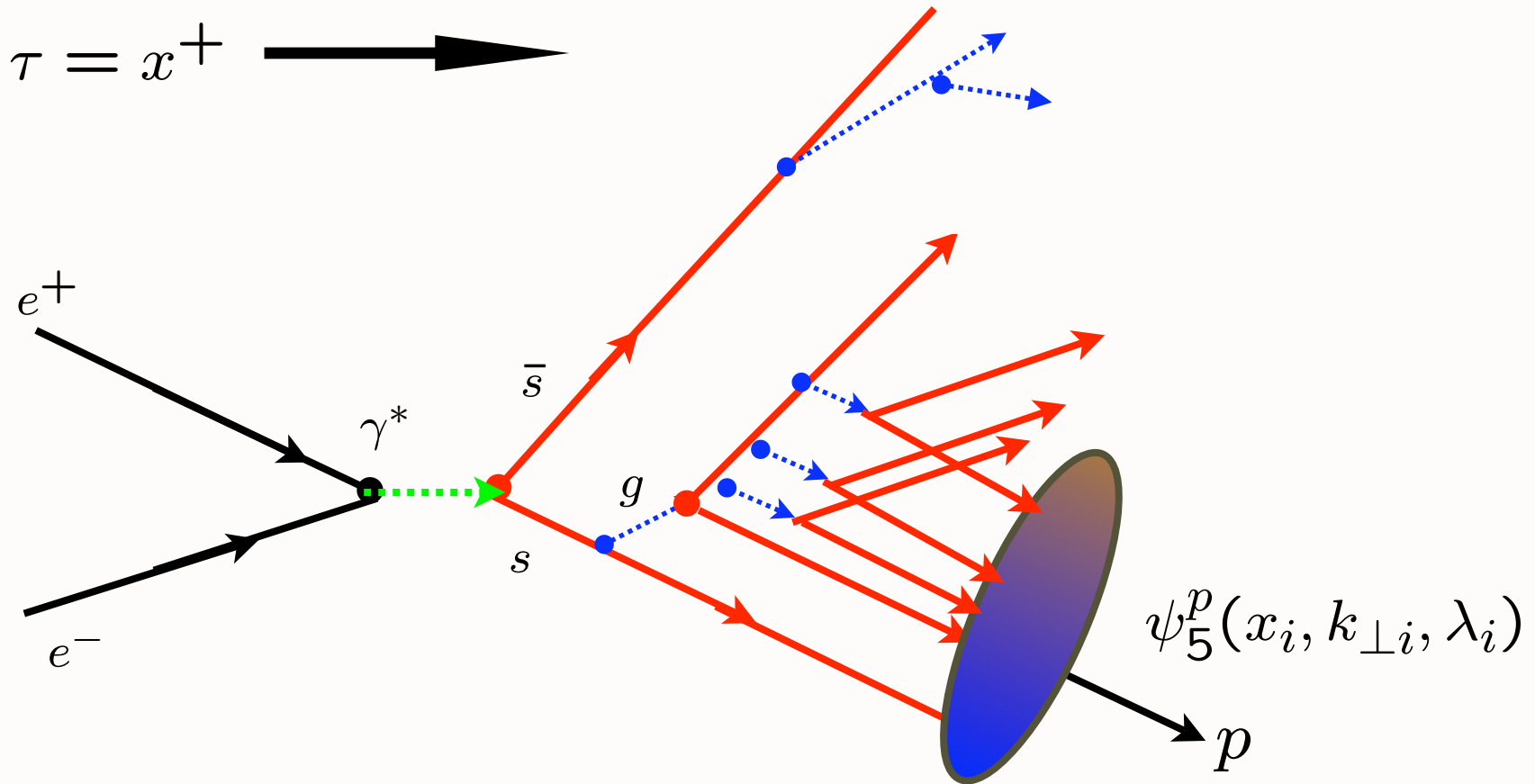
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Prediction from AdS/CFT: Meson LFWF



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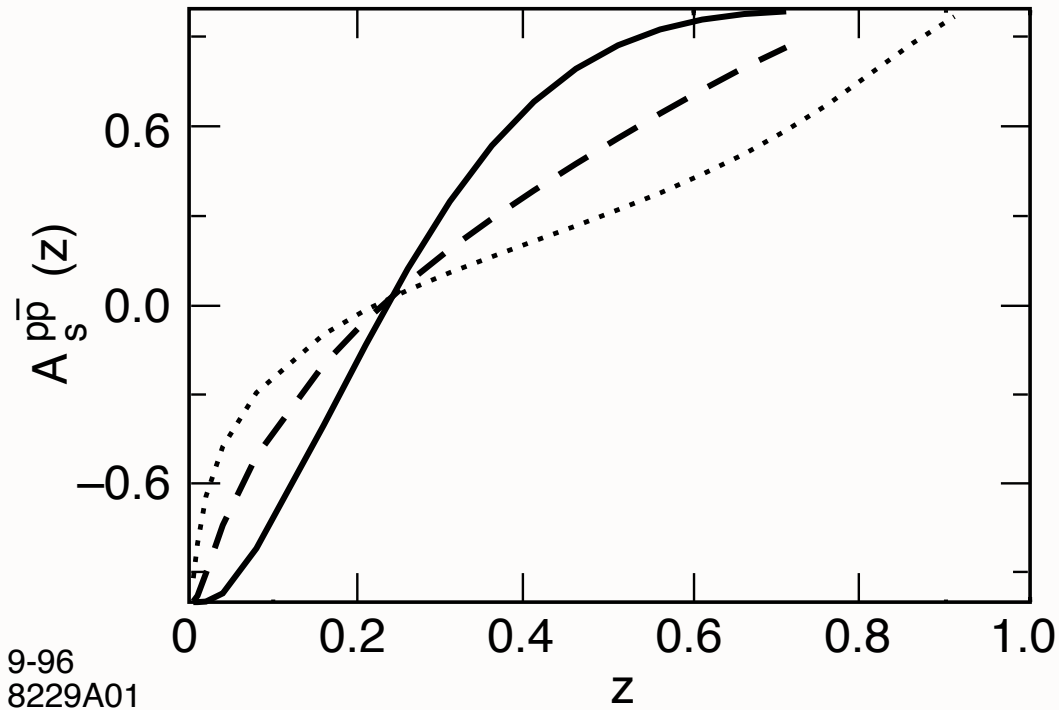


Higher Fock State Coalescence $|uuds\bar{s}\rangle$

Asymmetric Hadronization! $D_{s \rightarrow p}(z) \neq D_{s \rightarrow \bar{p}}(z)$

B-Q Ma, sjb

$$D_{s \rightarrow p}(z) \neq D_{s \rightarrow \bar{p}}(z)$$



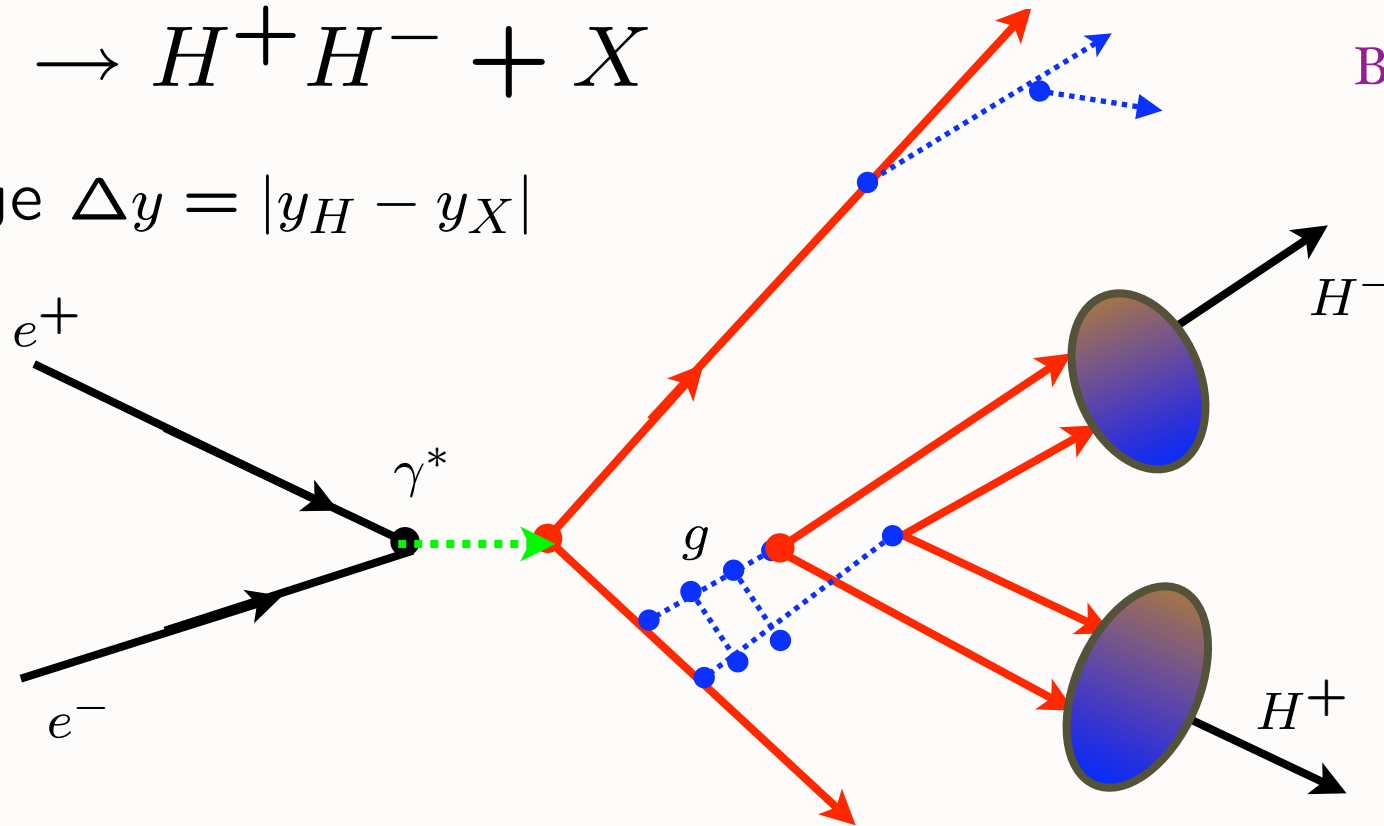
$$A_s^{p\bar{p}}(z) = \frac{D_{s \rightarrow p}(z) - D_{s \rightarrow \bar{p}}(z)}{D_{s \rightarrow p}(z) + D_{s \rightarrow \bar{p}}(z)}$$

Consequence of $s_p(x) \neq \bar{s}_p(x)$ $|uuds\bar{s}\rangle \simeq |K^+\Lambda\rangle$

Hadronization at the Amplitude Level

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow H^+H^- + X$$

Large $\Delta y = |y_H - y_X|$



Bjorken, Lu, sjb
Kopeliovich,
Schmidt, sjb

Timelike Pomeron

$C = +$ *Glunium Trajectory*

Large Rapidity Gap Events

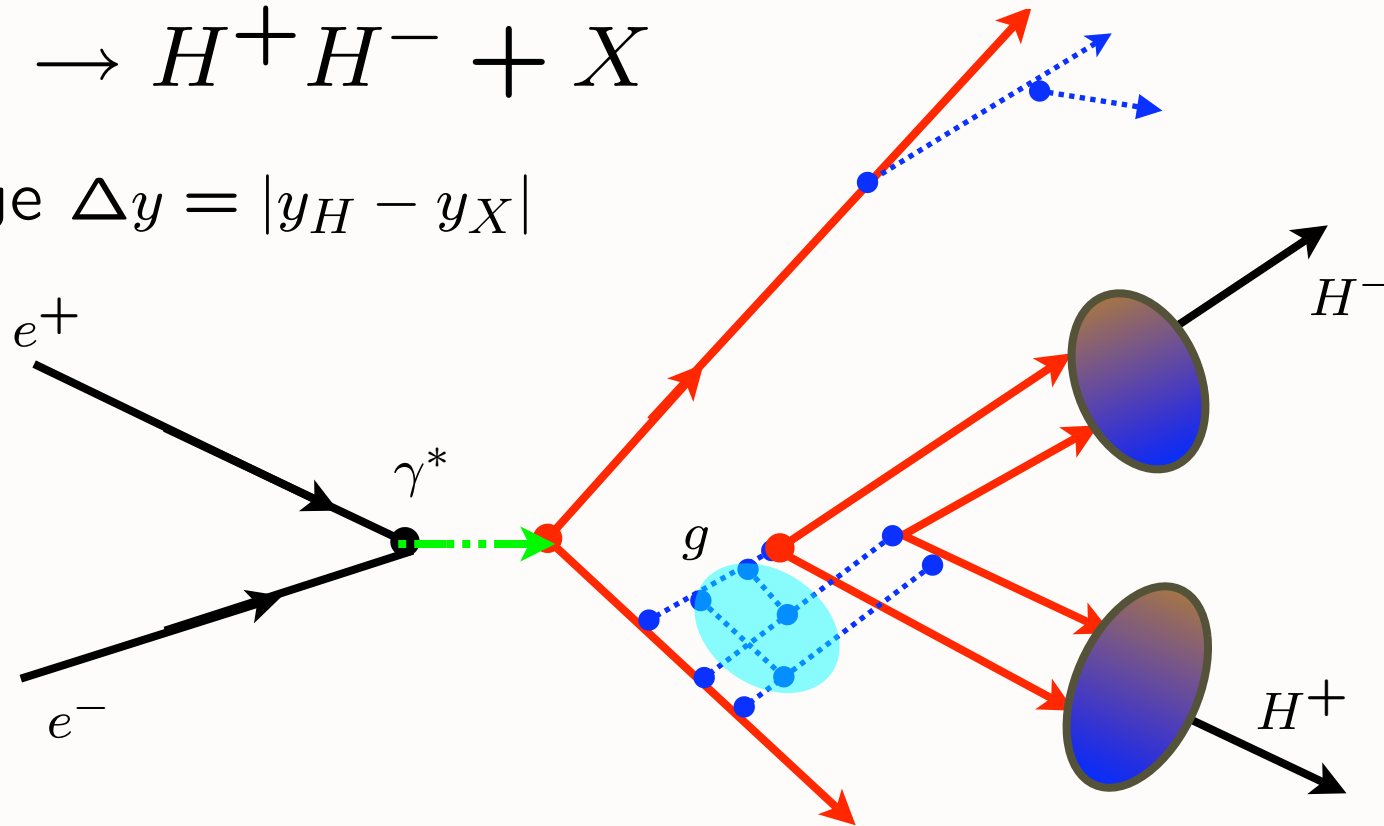
Crossing analog of Diffractive DIS $eH \rightarrow eH + X$

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Timelike Odderon

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$C = -$ Gluonium Trajectory

H^+H^- asymmetry from Odderon-Pomeron interference

Hidden Color in QCD

Lepage, Ji, sjb

- Deuteron six-quark wavefunction
- 5 color-singlet combinations of 6 color-triplets -- only one state is $|n p\rangle$
- Components evolve towards equality at short distances
- Hidden color states dominate deuteron form factor and photodisintegration at high momentum transfer
- Predict

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\gamma d \rightarrow \Delta^{++}\Delta^{-}) \simeq \frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\gamma d \rightarrow pn) \text{ at high } Q^2$$

The evolution equation for six-quark systems in which the constituents have the light-cone longitudinal momentum fractions x_i ($i=1,2,\dots,6$) can be obtained from a generalization of the proton (three-quark) case.² A nontrivial extension is the calculation of the color factor, C_d , of six-quark systems⁵ (see below). Since in leading order only pairwise interactions, with transverse momentum Q , occur between quarks, the evolution equation for the six-quark system becomes $\{[dy] = \delta(1 - \sum_{i=1}^6 y_i) \prod_{i=1}^6 dy_i, C_F = (n_c^2 - 1)/2n_c = \frac{4}{3}, \beta = 11 - \frac{2}{3}n_f, \text{ and } n_f \text{ is the effective number of flavors}\}$

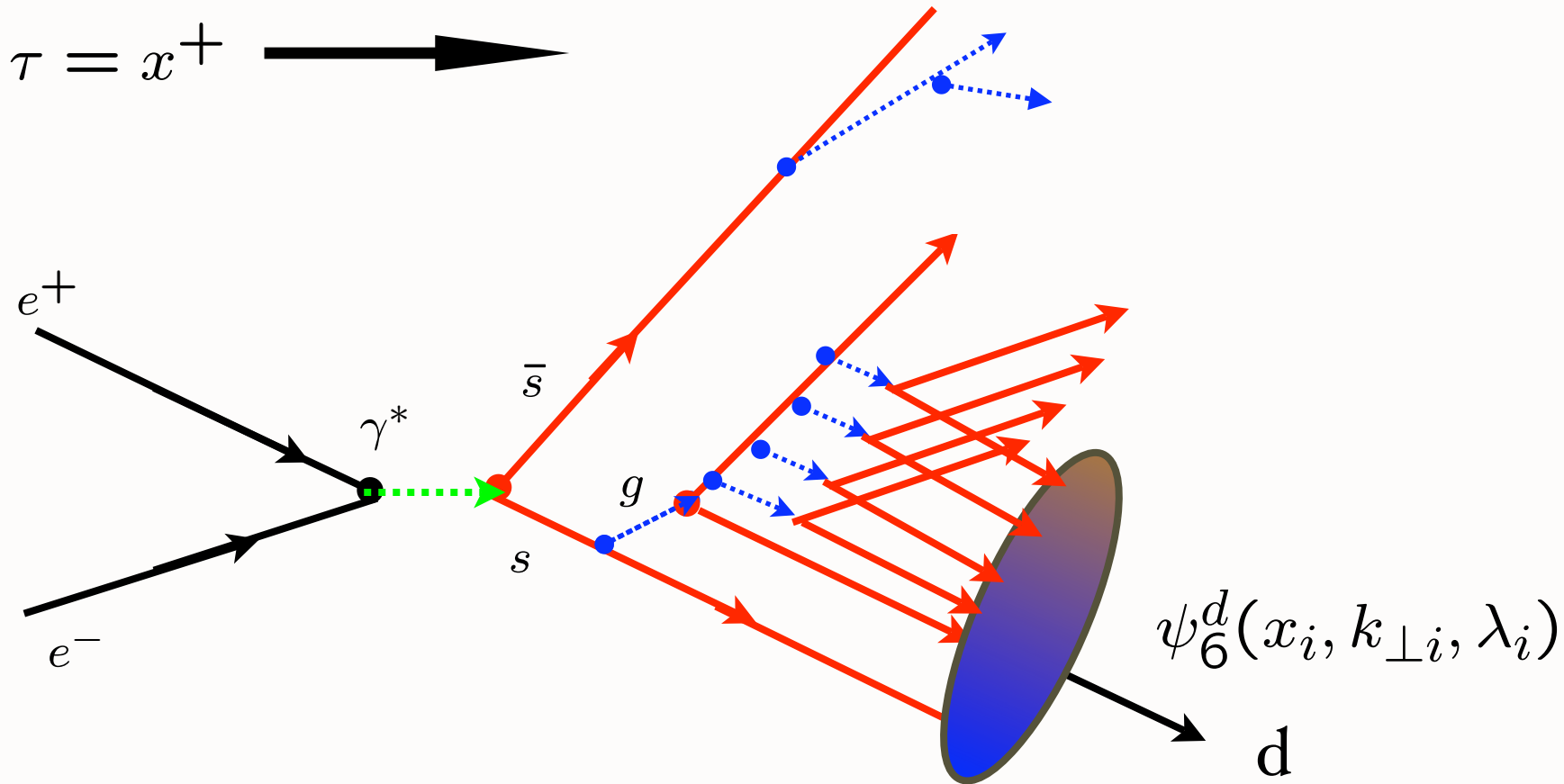
$$\prod_{k=1}^6 x_k \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} + \frac{3C_F}{\beta} \right] \tilde{\Phi}(x_i, Q) = - \frac{C_d}{\beta} \int_0^1 [dy] V(x_i, y_i) \tilde{\Phi}(y_i, Q),$$

$$\xi(Q^2) = \frac{\beta}{4\pi} \int_{Q_0^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dk^2}{k^2} \alpha_s(k^2) \sim \ln \left(\frac{\ln(Q^2/\Lambda^2)}{\ln(Q_0^2/\Lambda^2)} \right).$$

$$V(x_i, y_i) = 2 \prod_{k=1}^6 x_k \sum_{i \neq j}^6 \theta(y_i - x_i) \prod_{l \neq i, j}^6 \delta(x_l - y_l) \frac{y_j}{x_j} \left(\frac{\delta_{h_i \bar{h}_j}}{x_i + x_j} + \frac{\Delta}{y_i - x_i} \right)$$

where $\delta_{h_i \bar{h}_j} = 1$ (0) when the helicities of the constituents $\{i, j\}$ are antiparallel (parallel). The infrared singularity at $x_i = y_i$ is cancelled by the factor $\Delta \tilde{\Phi}(y_i, Q) = \tilde{\Phi}(y_i, Q) - \tilde{\Phi}(x_i, Q)$ since the deuteron is a color singlet.

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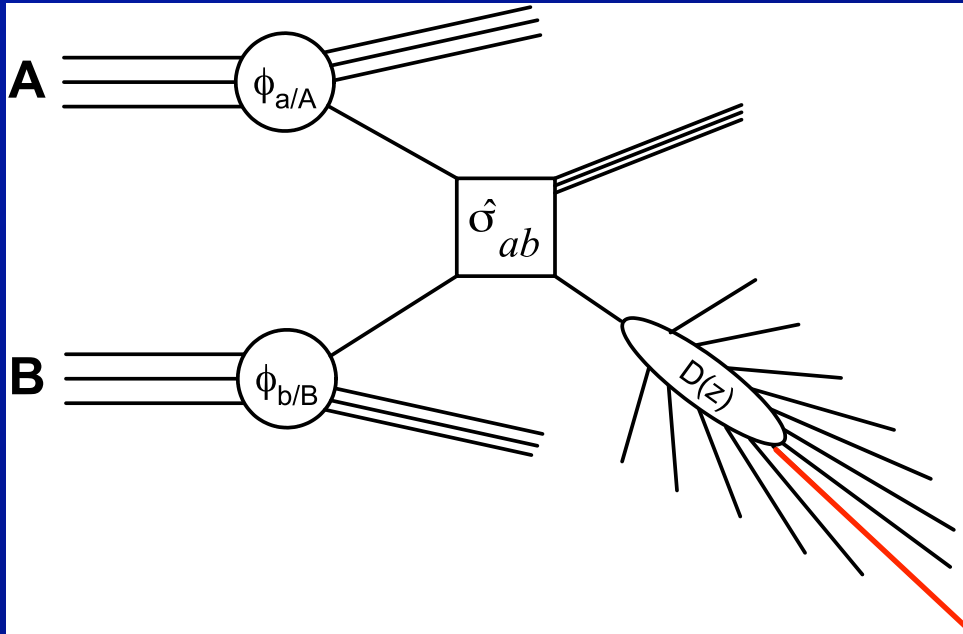


“Hidden-Color” Components $|(uud)_{8C}(ddu)_{8C}\rangle$

New Hadronization Mechanism

Single High-pt Hadron Production

Cole

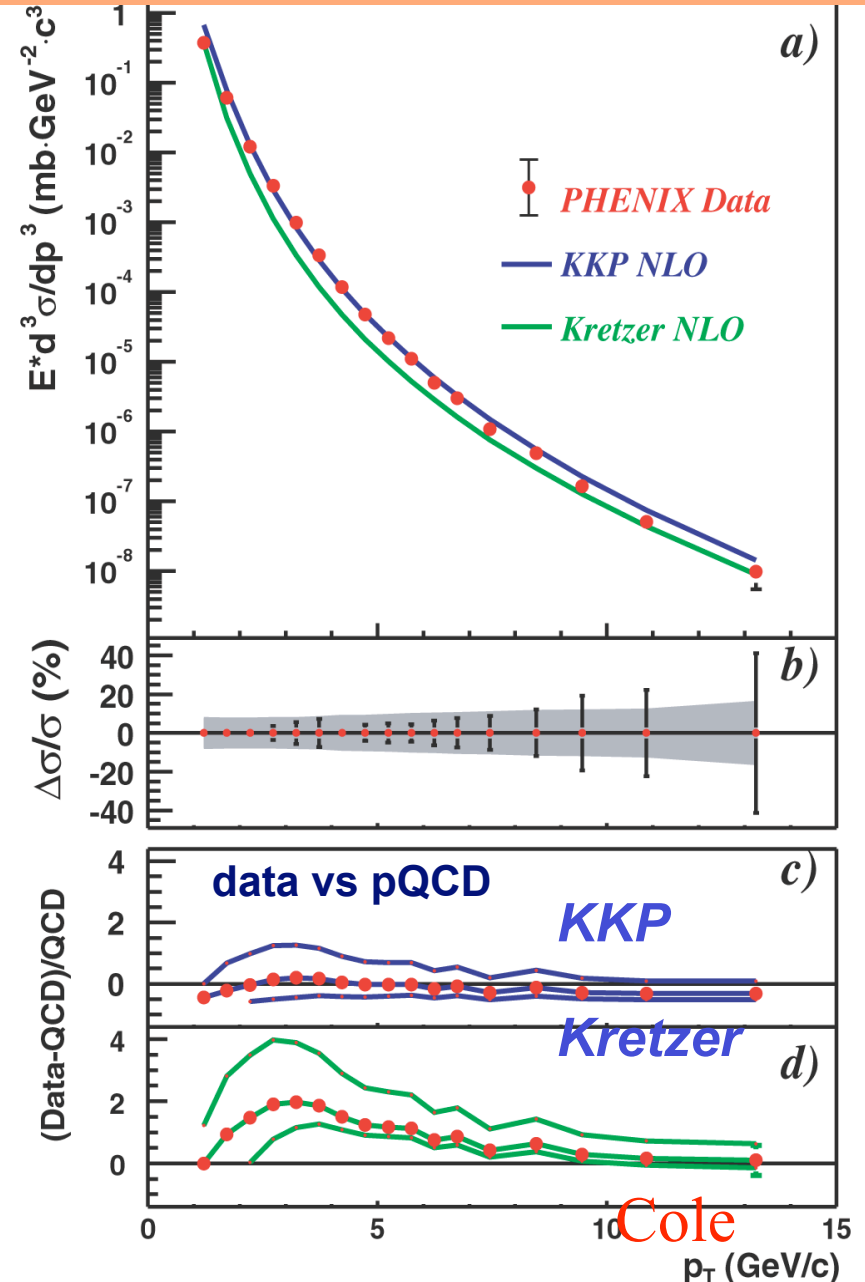


$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{dp^3} = \sum_{abc} \int dx_a dx_b \phi_{a/A}(x_a, Q^2, \mu) \phi_{b/B}(x_b, Q^2, \mu) \times \frac{D_{\pi^0/c}(z, Q^2, \mu)}{z\pi} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dt}$$

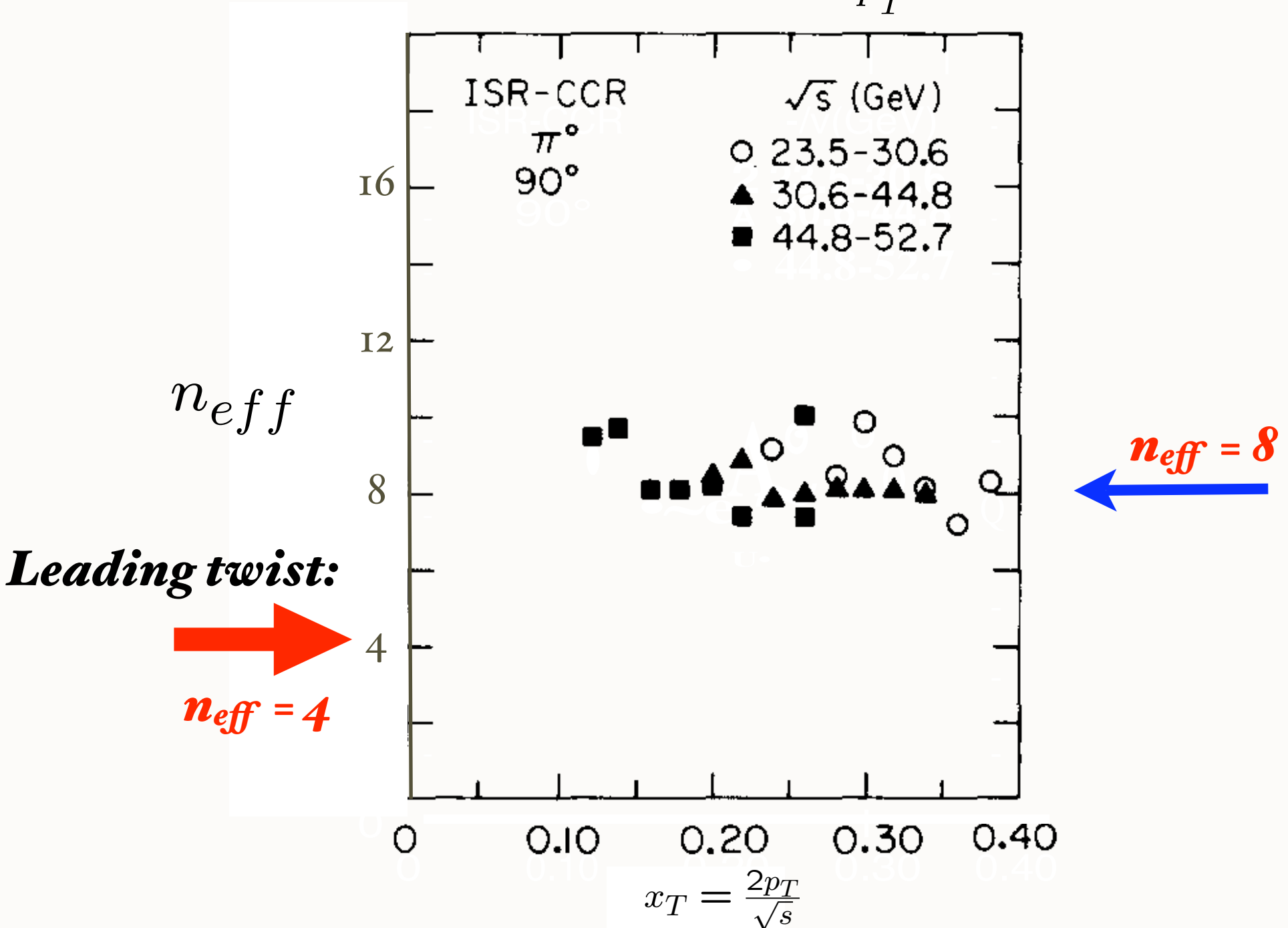
• NLO calculation agrees well with PHENIX π^0 spectrum (!?)

- BUT, FF dependence ?
- Lore: **KKP** better for gluons
- Calc. Includes **resummation!**

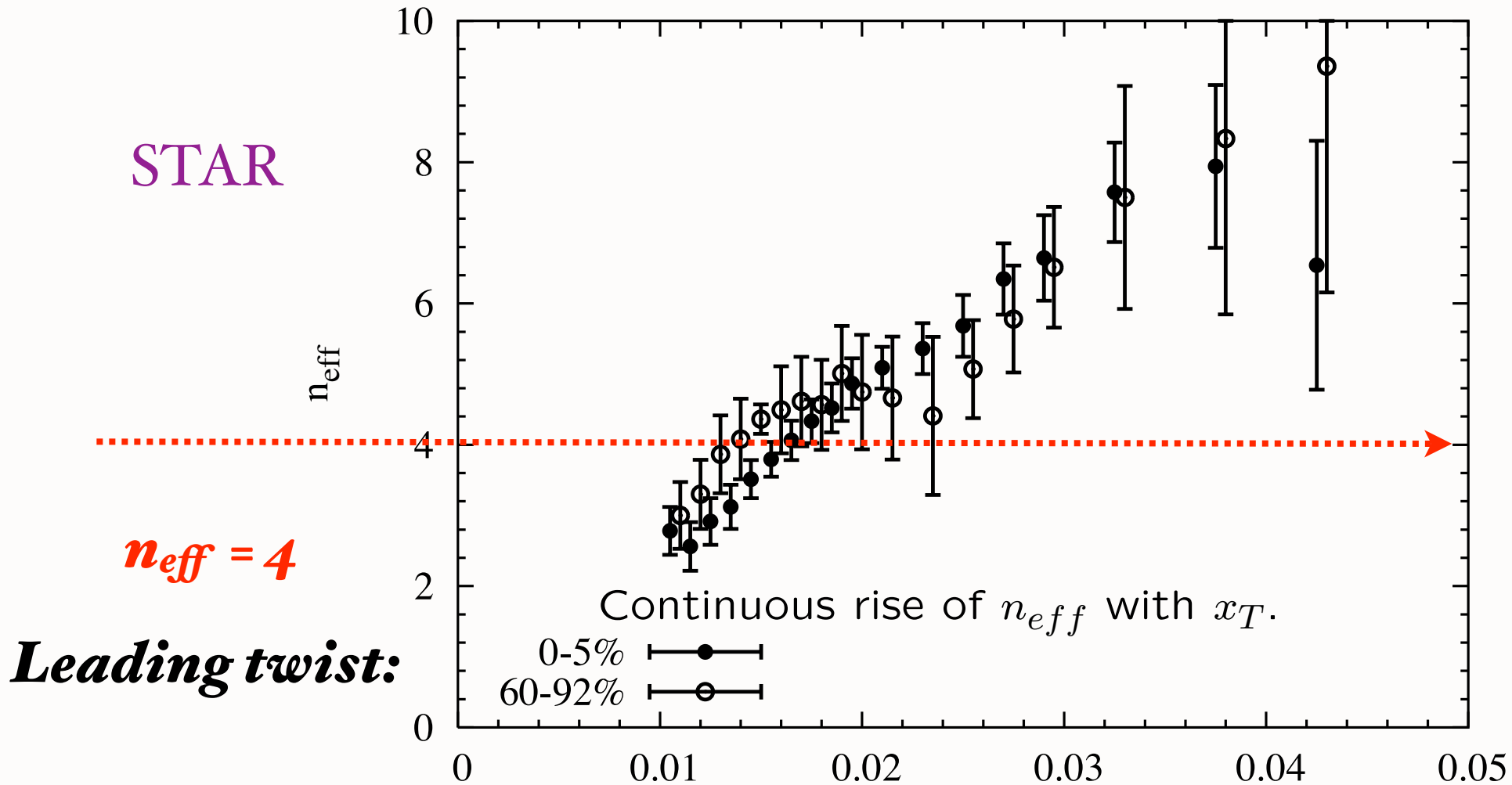
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$$E \frac{d\sigma}{d^3p} (pp \rightarrow \pi^0 X) = \frac{F(x_T, \theta_{CM})}{n_{eff} p_T}$$



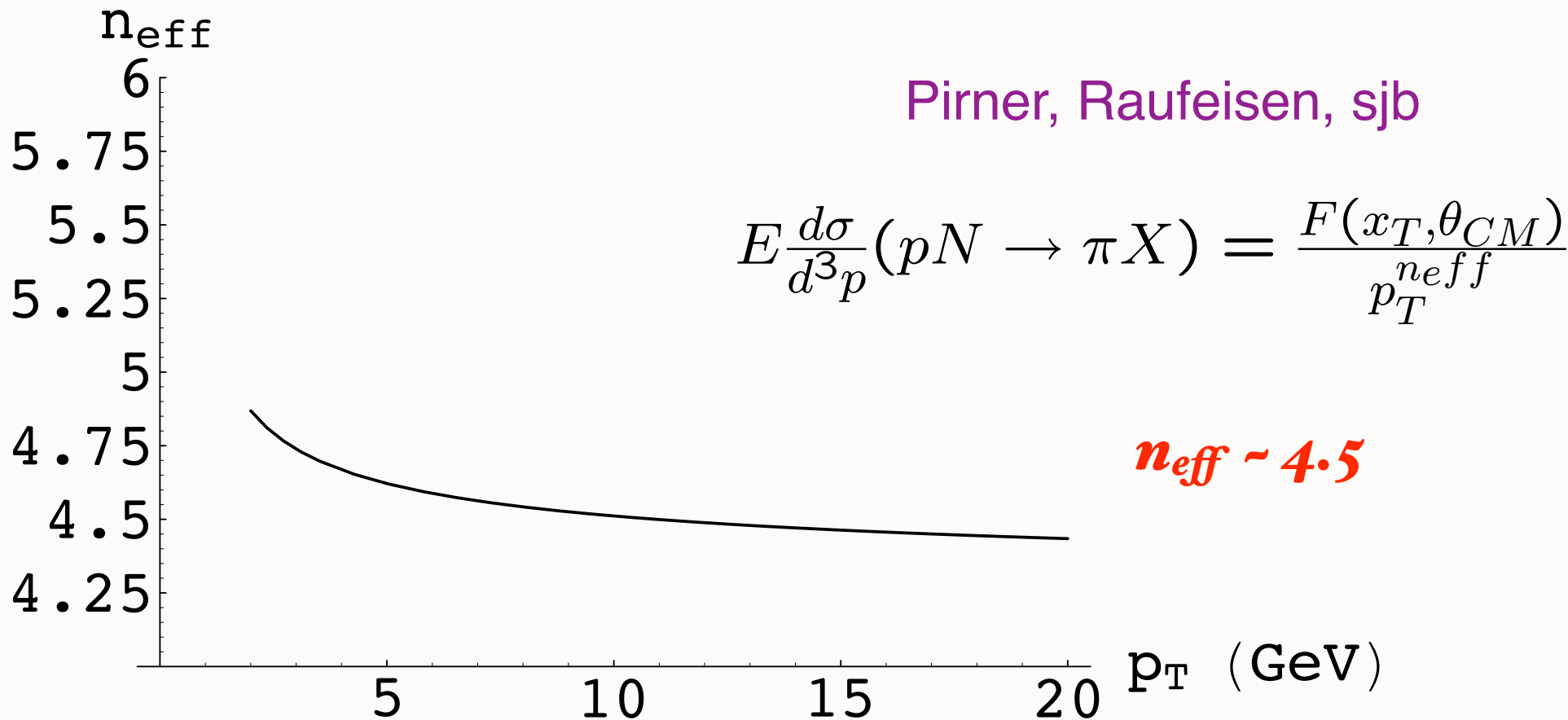
Protons produced in AuAu collisions at RHIC do not exhibit clear scaling properties in the available p_T range. Shown are data for central (0 – 5%) and for peripheral (60 – 90%) collisions.



Leading twist:

$$E \frac{d\sigma}{d^3p}(pN \rightarrow pX) = \frac{F(x_T, \theta_{CM})}{p_T^{n_{eff}}}$$

QCD prediction: Modification of power fall-off due to DGLAP evolution and the Running Coupling



Key test of PQCD: power fall-off at fixed x_T

$$d\sigma(h_a h_b \rightarrow hX) = \sum_{abc} G_{a/h_a}(x_a) G_{b/h_b}(x_b) dx_a dx_b \frac{1}{2\hat{s}} |A_{fi}|^2 dX_f D_{h/c}(z_c) dz_c.$$

$$E \frac{d^3\sigma(h_a h_b \rightarrow hX)}{d^3p} = \frac{F(y, x_R)}{p_T^{n(y, x_R)}}.$$

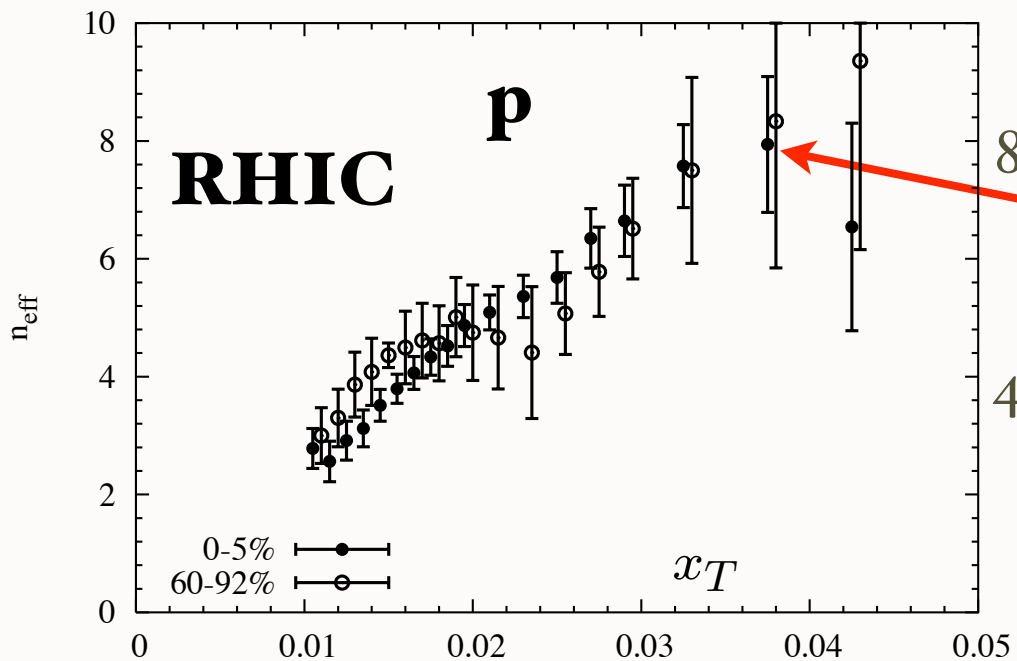
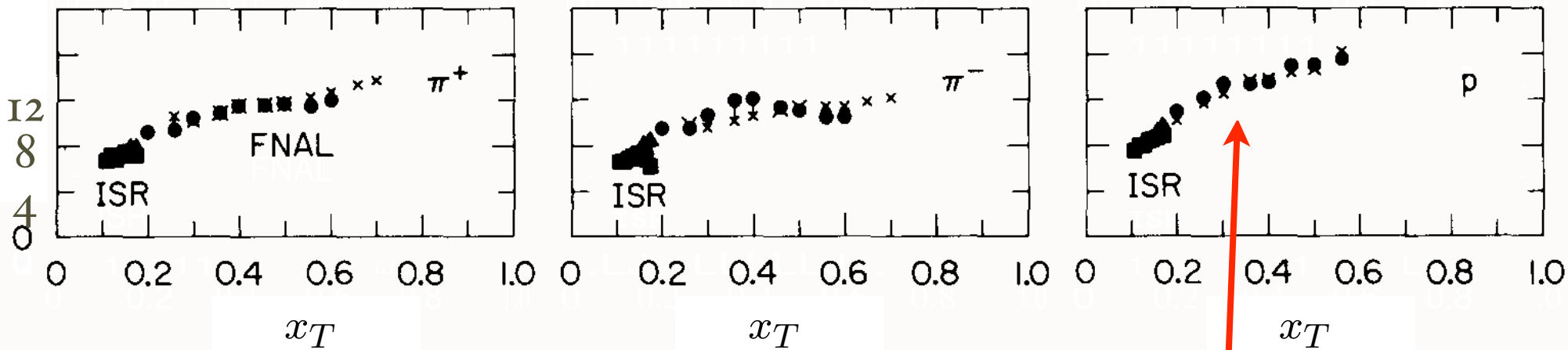
$$n = 2n_{active} - 4,$$

$$n_{eff}(p_T) = - \frac{d \ln E \frac{d^3\sigma(h_a h_b \rightarrow hX)}{d^3p}}{d \ln(p_T)}$$

$$E \frac{d^3\sigma(h_a h_b \rightarrow hX)}{d^3p} = \left[\frac{\alpha_s(p_T^2)}{p_T^2} \right]^{n_{active}-2} \frac{(1-x_R)^{2n_s-1+3\xi(p_T)}}{x_R^{\lambda(p_T)}} \alpha_s^{2n_s}(k_{x_R}^2) f(y).$$

$$\xi(p_T) = \frac{C_R}{\pi} \int_{k_{x_R}^2}^{p_T^2} \frac{dk_{\perp}^2}{k_{\perp}^2} \alpha_s(k_{\perp}^2) = \frac{4C_R}{\beta_0} \ln \frac{\ln(p_T^2/\Lambda_{QCD}^2)}{\ln(k_{x_R}^2/\Lambda_{QCD}^2)}.$$

$$E \frac{d\sigma}{d^3p} (pp \rightarrow HX) = \frac{F(x_T, \theta_{CM})}{n_{eff} p_T}$$



$$E \frac{d\sigma}{d^3p} (pp \rightarrow pX) = \frac{F(x_T, \theta_{CM})}{p_T^{12}}$$

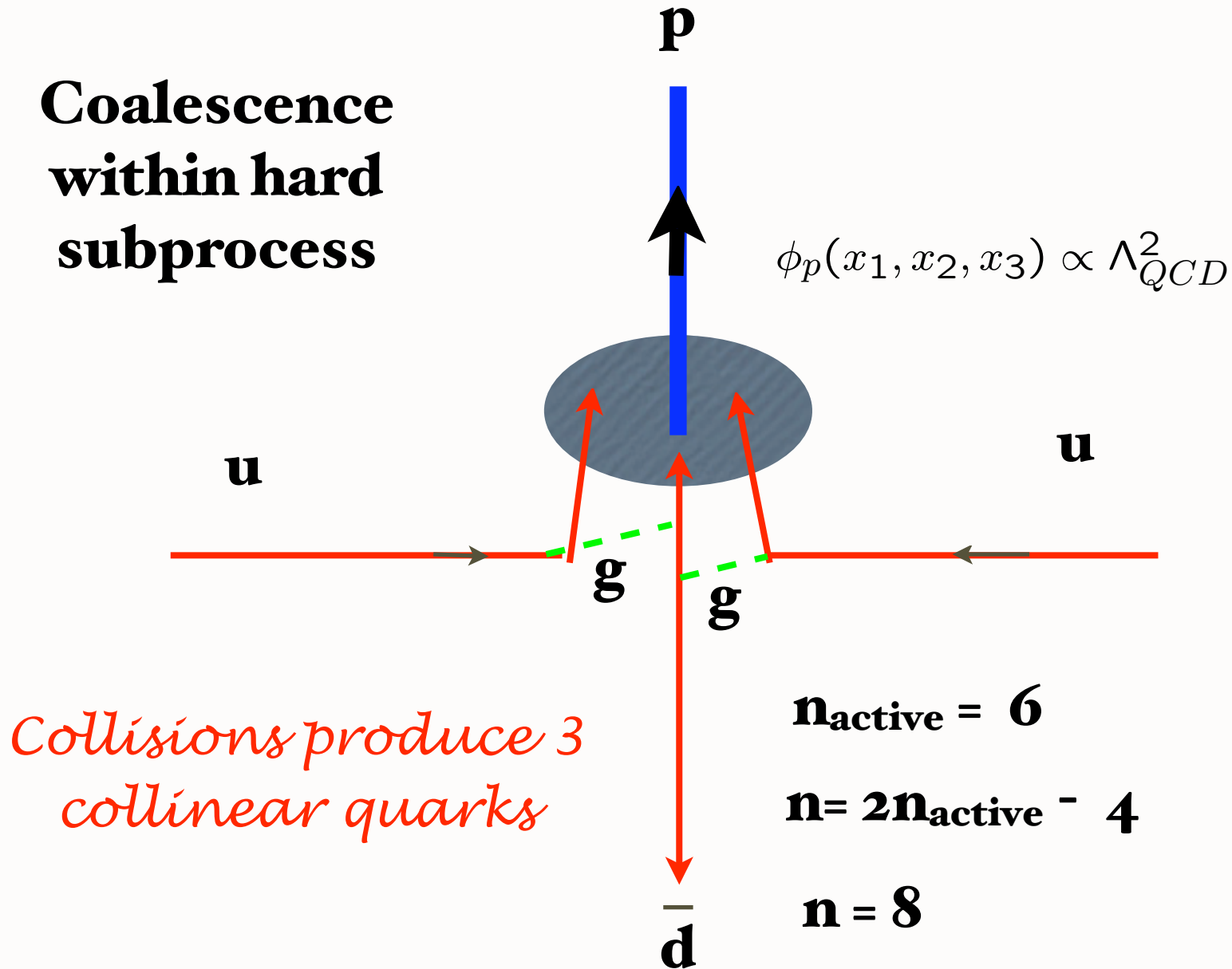
$$E \frac{d\sigma}{d^3p} (pp \rightarrow pX) = \frac{F(x_T, \theta_{CM})}{p_T^8}$$

Trend consistent with RHIC at small x_T

Proton made within hard subprocess

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Blankenbecler, Gunion, sjb

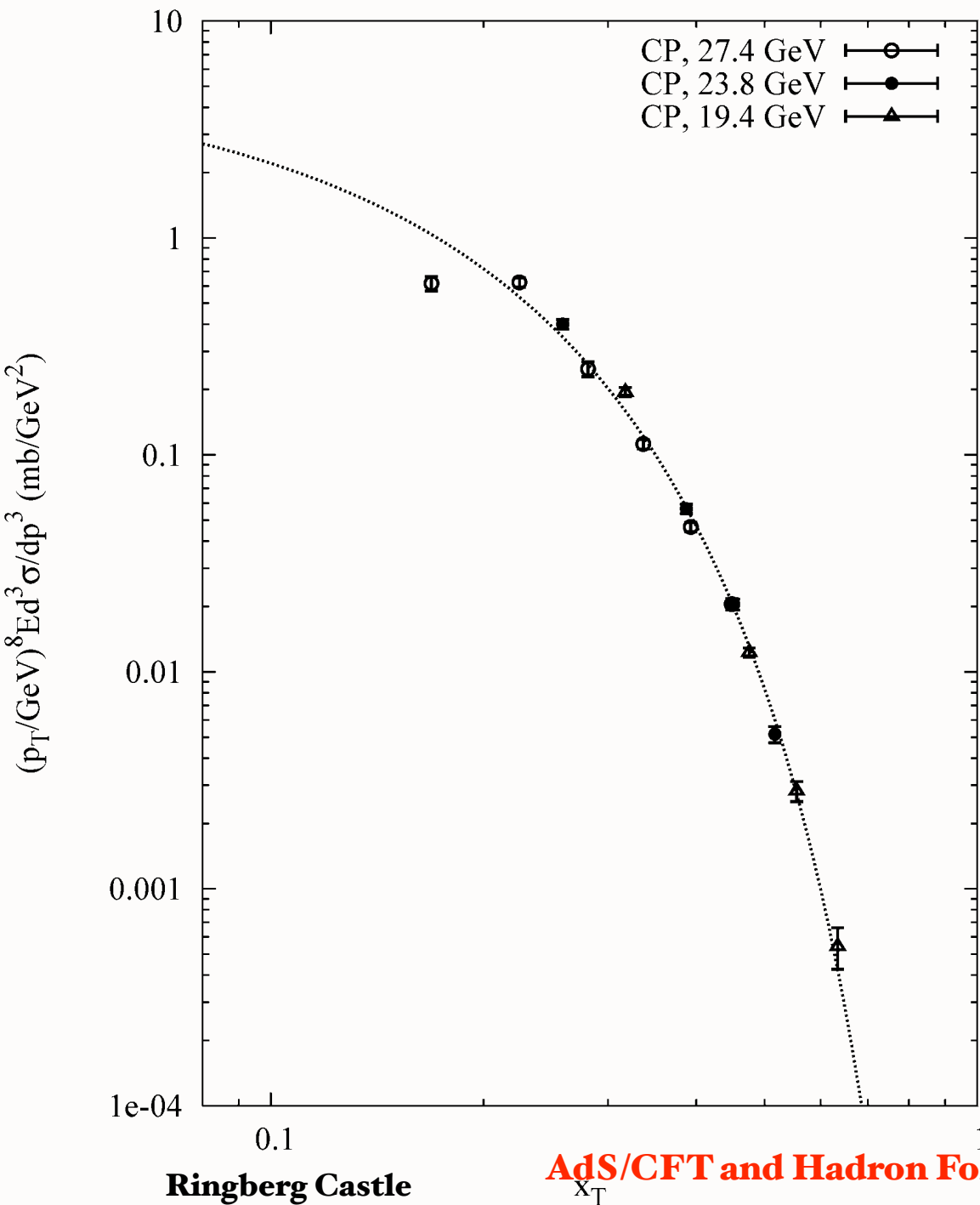
**Coalescence
within hard
subprocess**



*Collisions produce 3
collinear quarks*

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Invariant cross sections for $pp \rightarrow (\pi^+ + \pi^-)/2 + X$



*Chicago-Princeton
FermiLab Measurements*

$$E \frac{d\sigma}{d^3p}(pp \rightarrow \pi X) = \frac{F(x_T, \theta_{CM})}{p_T^{2N}}$$

$$n_{eff} = 2N = 8$$

$$qq \rightarrow qq: n_{eff} = 4$$

$$gq \rightarrow \pi q: n_{eff} = 6$$

$$\pi q \rightarrow \pi q: n_{eff} = 8$$

$$F(x_T, \theta_{CM} = \pi/2) = C(1 - x_T)^9$$

$$x_T = \frac{2p_T}{\sqrt{s}}$$

Role of higher twist in hard inclusive reactions

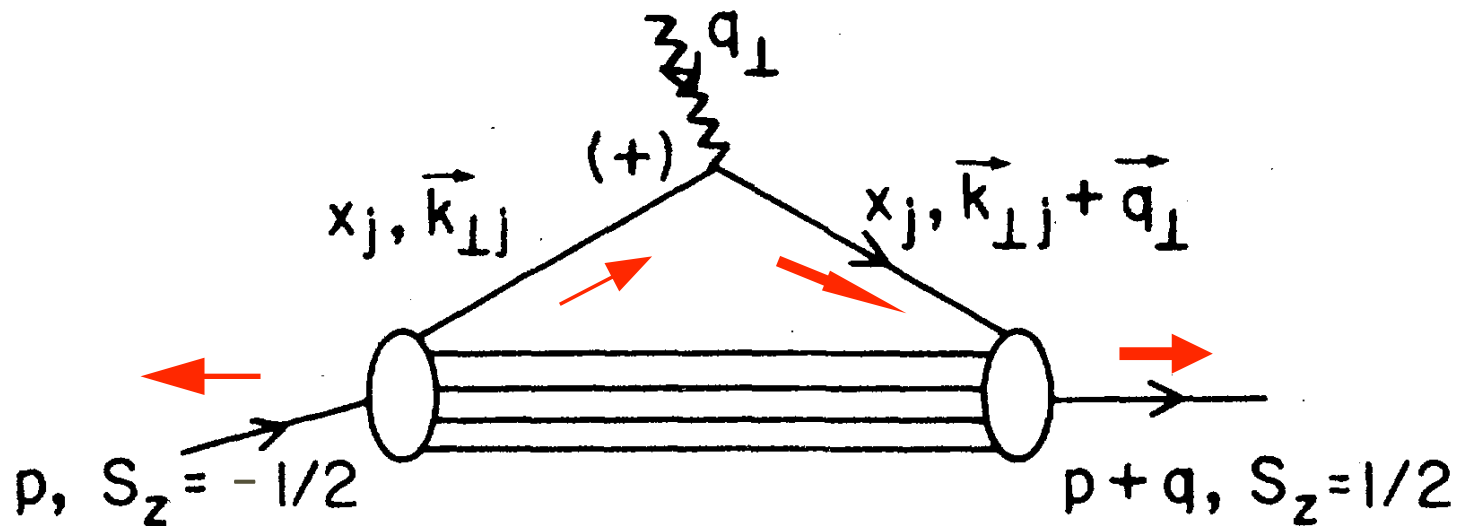
- Hadron can be produced directly in hard subprocess as in exclusive reactions
- Sum over reactions
- Trigger bias: No wasted same-side energy
- Exclusive -inclusive connection important at high x_T
- Possible explanation of $n_{\text{eff}} = 8, 12$ observed at ISR, Fermilab: Chicago-Princeton experiments
- Direct Hadron Production -- color transparency and reduced same side absorption
- Critical to plot data at fixed x_T
- Interpretation of RHIC data is modified if higher twist subprocesses play an important role

$$\frac{F_2(q^2)}{2M} = \sum_a \int [dx][d^2\mathbf{k}_\perp] \sum_j e_j \frac{1}{2} \times$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{q^L} \psi_a^{\uparrow*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \psi_a^\downarrow(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) + \frac{1}{q^R} \psi_a^{\downarrow*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \psi_a^\uparrow(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \right]$$

$$\mathbf{k}'_{\perp i} = \mathbf{k}_{\perp i} - x_i \mathbf{q}_\perp$$

$$\mathbf{k}'_{\perp j} = \mathbf{k}_{\perp j} + (1 - x_j) \mathbf{q}_\perp$$



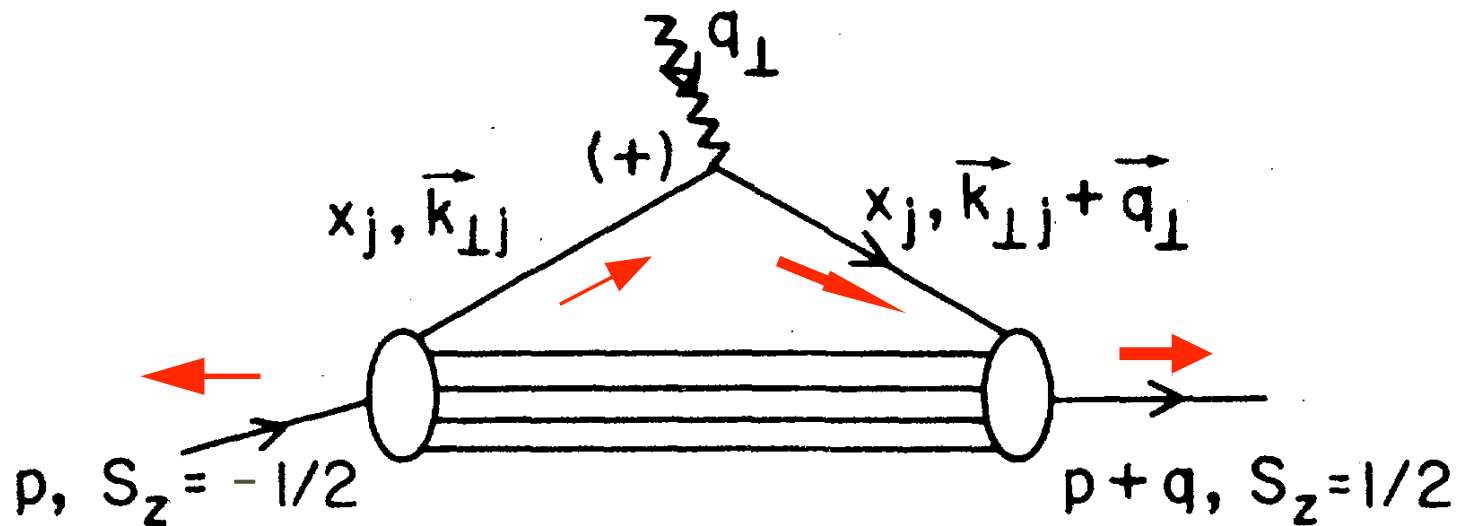
Must have $\Delta l_z = \pm 1$ to have nonzero $F_2(q^2)$

Anomalous gravitomagnetic moment $B(o)$

Equivalence theorem: $B(o)=0$

graviton

sum over constituents

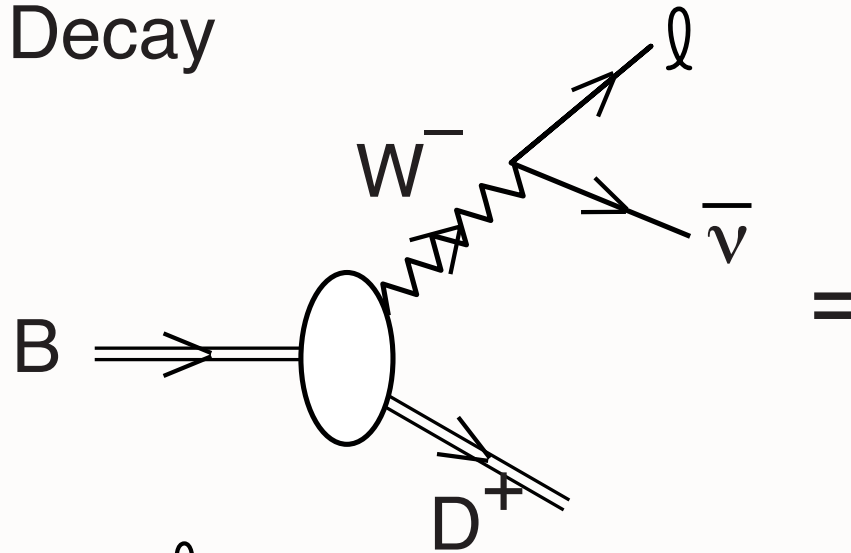


$$B(0) = 0$$

Each Fock State

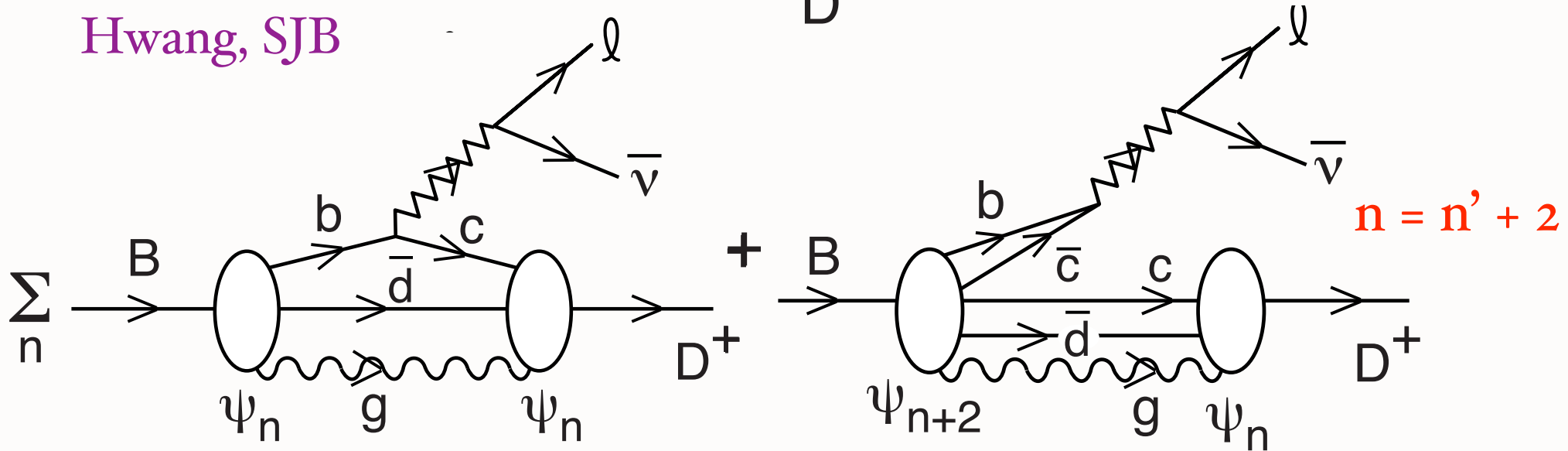
Weak Exclusive Decay

$$\langle D | J^+ (0) | B \rangle$$



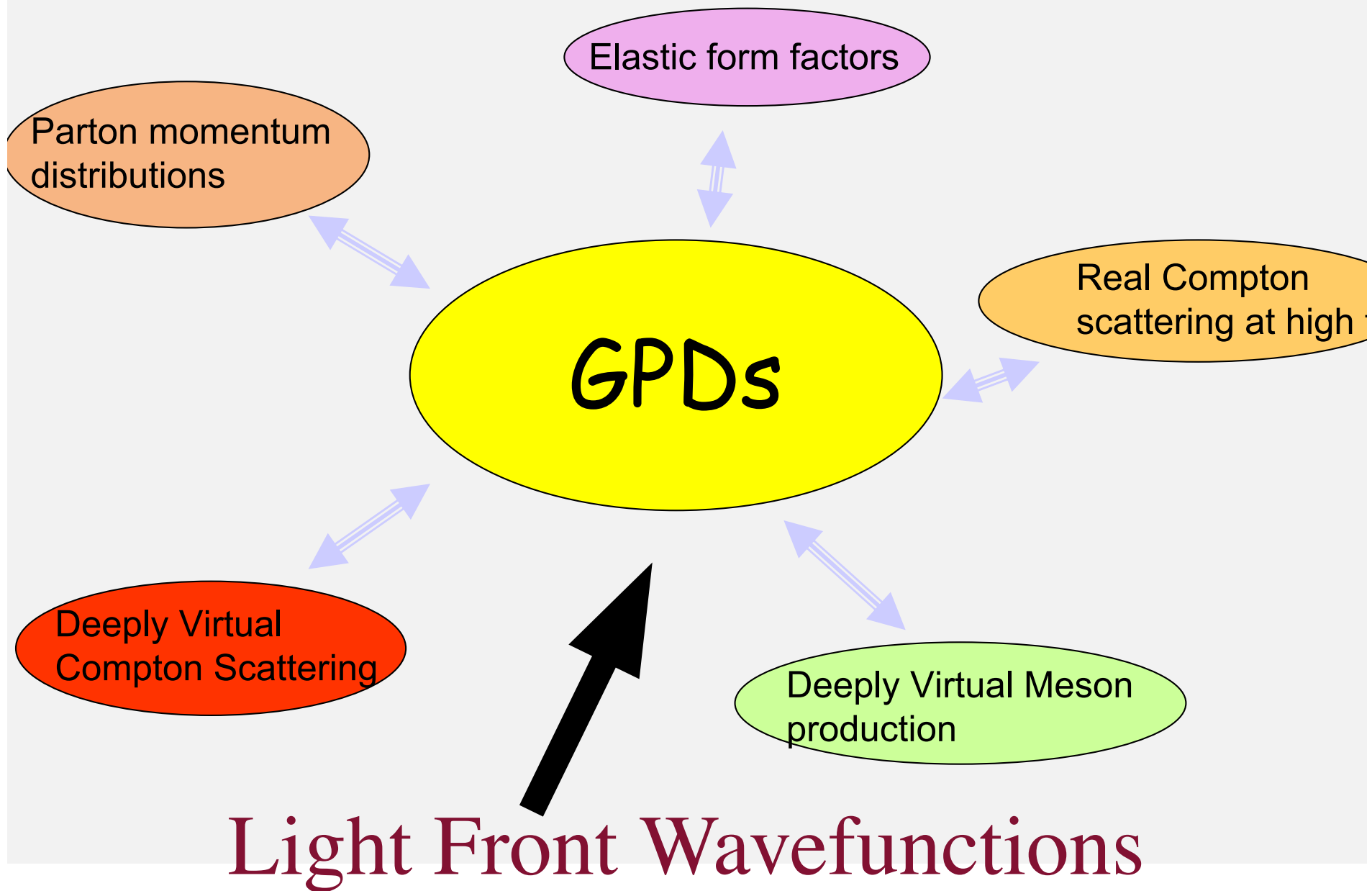
Exact Formula

Hwang, SJB



Annihilation amplitude needed for Lorentz Invariance

A Unified Description of Hadron Structure

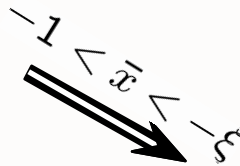
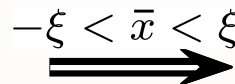
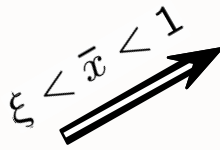
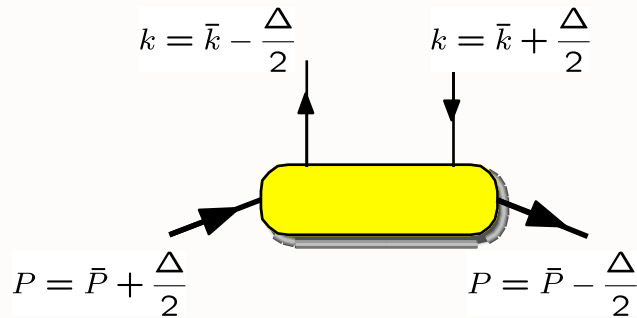


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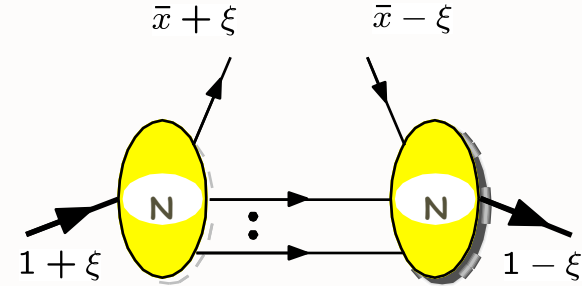
Light-Front Wave Function Overlap Representation

Diehl, Hwang, sjb, NPB596, 2001

See also: Diehl, Feldmann, Jakob, Kroll

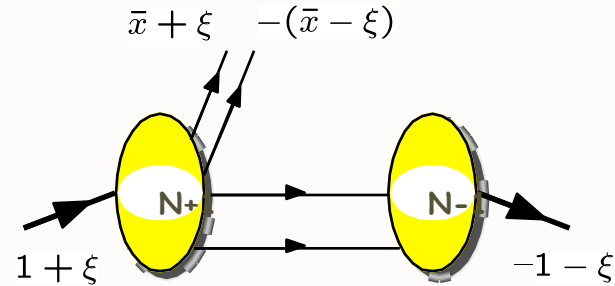


$$\sum_N$$



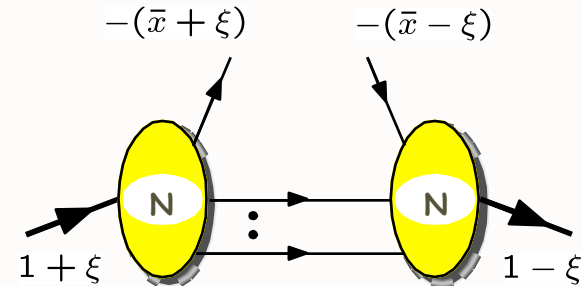
DGLAP region

$$\sum_N$$



ERBL region

$$\sum_N$$



DGLAP region

$N=3$ VALENCE QUARK \Rightarrow Light-cone Constituent quark model

$N=5$ VALENCE QUARK + QUARK SEA \Rightarrow Meson-Cloud model

Pasquini

AdS/CFT and Hadron Formation in QCD

The Generalized Parton Distribution $E(x, \zeta, t)$

The generalized form factors in virtual Compton scattering

$\gamma^*(q) + p(P) \rightarrow \gamma^*(q') + p(P')$ with $t = \Delta^2$ and

$\Delta = P - P' = (\zeta P^+, \mathbf{\Delta}_\perp, (t + \mathbf{\Delta}_\perp^2)/\zeta P^+)$, have been constructed in the light-front formalism. [Brodsky, Diehl, Hwang, 2001]

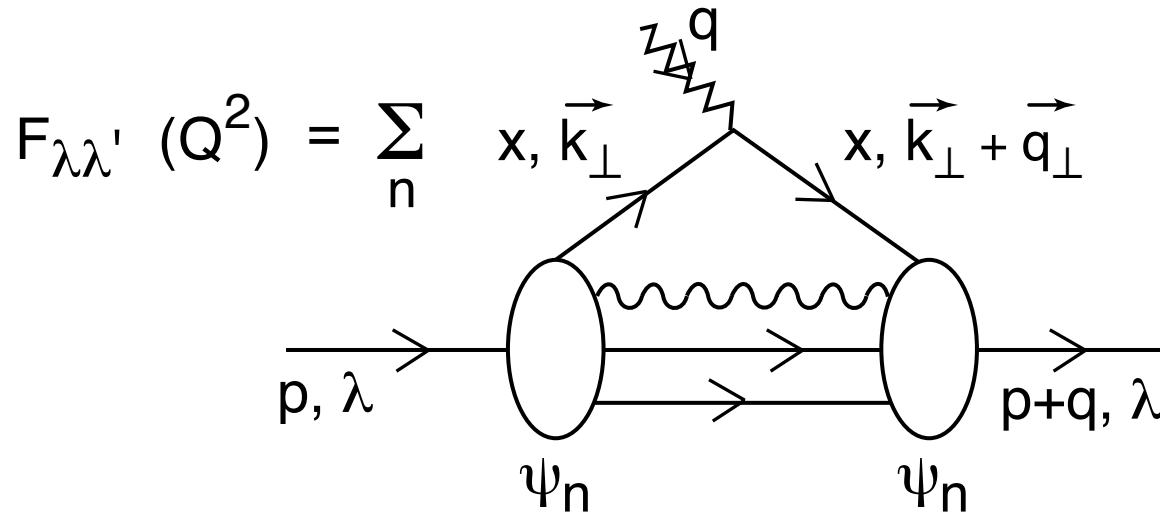
We find, under $\mathbf{q}_\perp \rightarrow \mathbf{\Delta}_\perp$, for $\zeta \leq x \leq 1$,

$$\frac{E(x, \zeta, 0)}{2M} = \sum_a (\sqrt{1-\zeta})^{1-n} \sum_j \delta(x - x_j) \int [dx][d^2\mathbf{k}_\perp] \\ \times \psi_a^*(x'_j, \mathbf{k}_{\perp j}, \lambda_j) \mathbf{S}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{L}_\perp^{q_j} \psi_a(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i),$$

with $x'_j = (x_j - \zeta)/(1 - \zeta)$ for the struck parton j and $x'_i = x_i/(1 - \zeta)$ for the spectator parton i .

The E distribution function is related to a $\mathbf{S}_\perp \cdot \mathbf{L}_\perp^{q_j}$ matrix element at finite ζ as well.

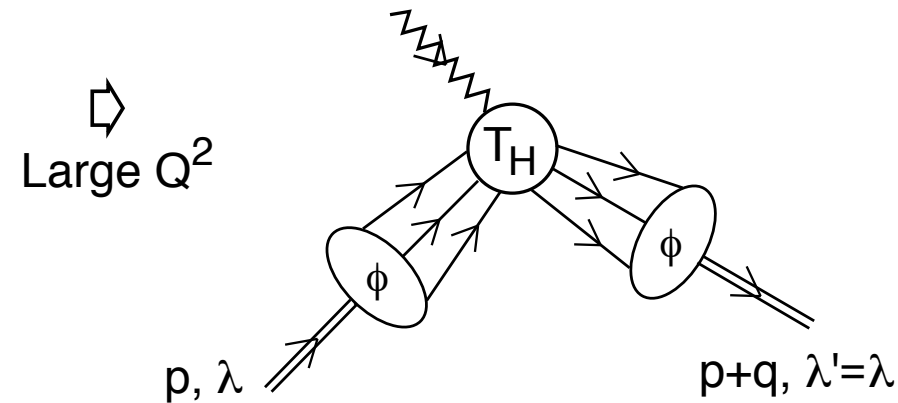
Form Factors $\ell p \rightarrow \ell' p' \langle p' \lambda' | J^+ (0) | p \lambda \rangle$



Lepage, Sjb
Efremov
Radyushkin

QCD Factorization

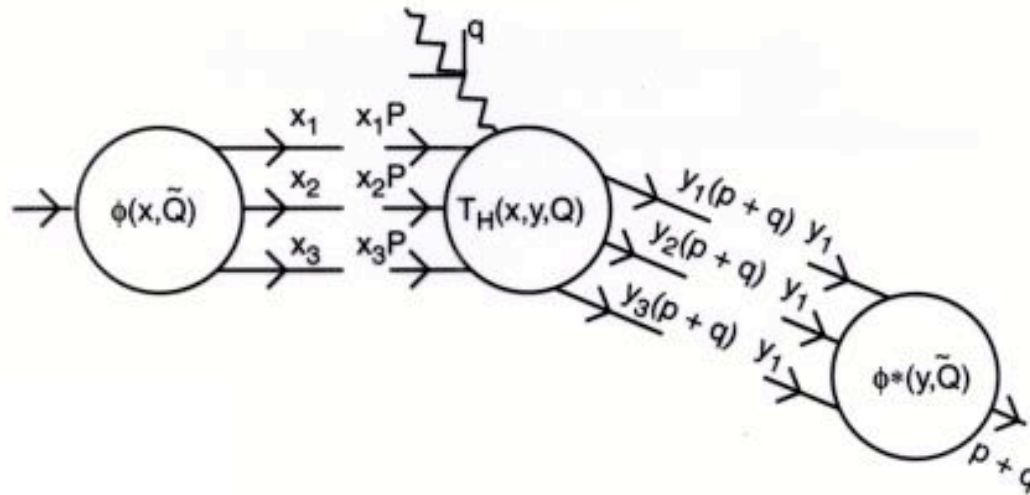
Scaling Laws from PQCD or AdS/CFT



$$T_H = \sum \int dx_1, x_2, x_3 \int dy_1, y_2, y_3$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_s^2}{Q^4} f(x_i, y_i)$$

Another example of hadronization: Exclusive Amplitudes



$$M = \int \prod dx_i dy_i \phi_F(x, \tilde{Q}) \times T_H(x_i, y_i, \tilde{Q}) \phi_I(y_i, Q)$$

T_H emphasizes short distances at high Q

$$\phi(x_i, Q) \equiv \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \int^Q d^2 \vec{k}_\perp \psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_\perp)_i$$

Hadron Distribution Amplitude

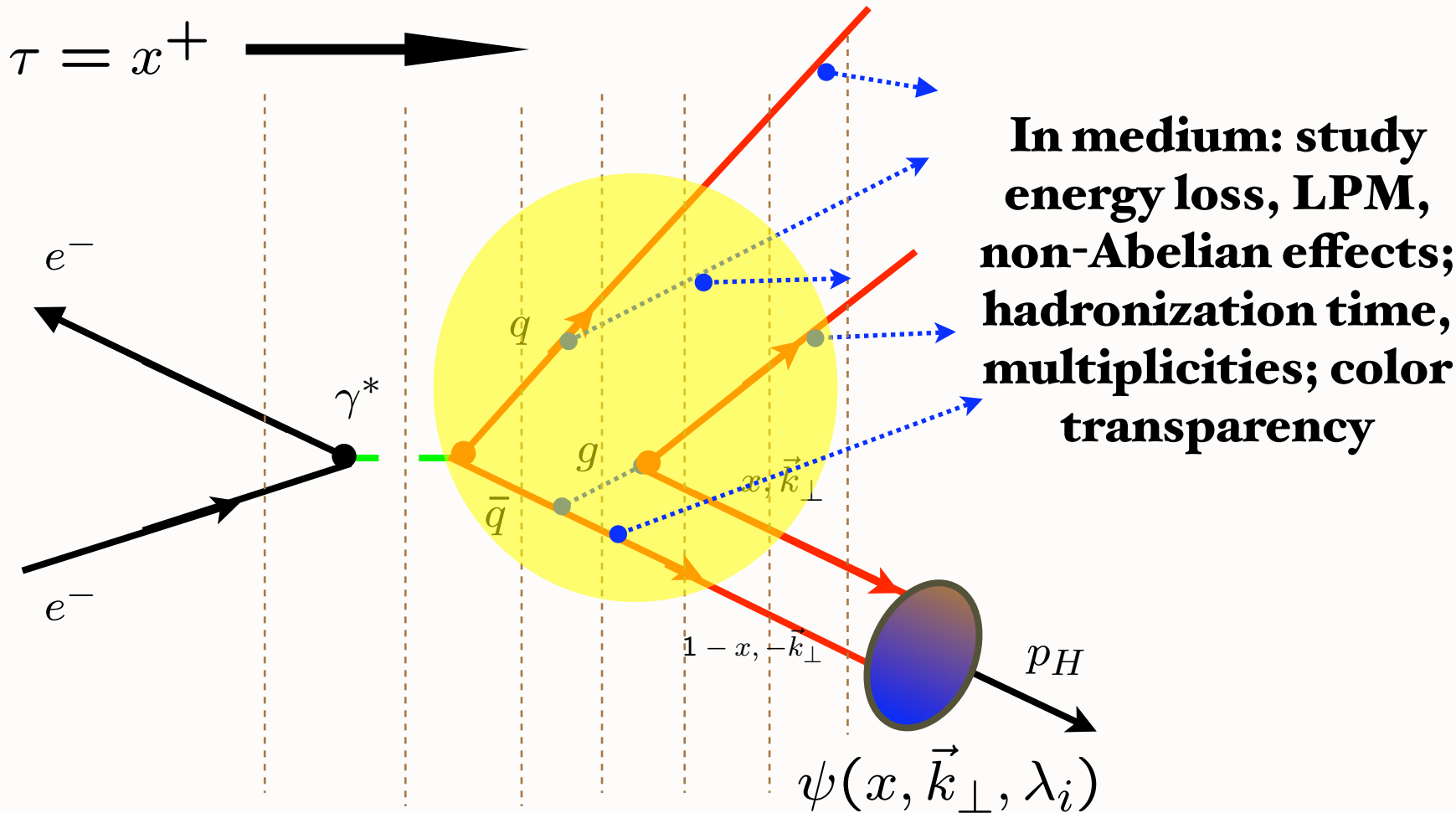
Hadron Distribution Amplitudes

$$\phi(x_i, Q) \equiv \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \int^Q d^2\vec{k}_\perp \psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_\perp)$$

- Fundamental measure of valence wavefunction LePage, SJB
- Gauge Invariant (includes Wilson line)
- Evolution Equations, OPE
- Conformal Expansion
- Hadronic Input in Factorization Theorems

$$\phi_\pi(x, Q) = P_\pi^+ \int \frac{dz^-}{4\pi} e^{i\pi P_\pi^+ z^- / 2} \langle 0 | \psi(0) \frac{\gamma^+ \gamma^5}{2\sqrt{2n_C}} \psi(z) | \pi \rangle^{(Q)} \Big|_{z^+ = z_\perp = 0}$$

Hadronization at the Amplitude Level



Construct helicity amplitude using Light-Front Perturbation theory; coalesce quarks via LFWFs

QCD Lagrangian

The diagram shows the QCD Lagrangian L_{QCD} enclosed in a red box. Above the box, three labels with arrows point to parts of the equation: 'gluon dynamics' points to the first term, 'quark kinetic energy + quark-gluon dynamics' points to the second term, and 'mass term' points to the third term. Below the box, four labels with arrows point to specific parts: 'QCD color charge' points to $4g^2$, 'field strength tensor' points to $G_{\mu\nu}$, 'covariant derivative' points to D_μ , and 'quark field' points to ψ_f .

$$L_{\text{QCD}} = -\frac{1}{4g^2} \text{Tr}(G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}) + \sum_{f=1}^{nf} i \bar{\psi}_f D_\mu \gamma^\mu \psi_f + \sum_{f=1}^{nf} m_f \bar{\psi}_f \psi_f$$

QCD: $N_C = 3$ Quarks: 3_C Gluons: 8_C .

$\alpha_s = \frac{g^2}{4\pi}$ is dimensionless

Classical Lagrangian is scale invariant for massless quarks

If $\beta = \frac{d\alpha_s(Q^2)}{d \log Q^2} = 0$ then QCD is invariant under conformal transformations:

Parisi

- **Polchinski & Strassler:** AdS/CFT builds in conformal symmetry at short distances, counting, rules for form factors and hard exclusive processes; non-perturbative derivation
- **Goal:** Use AdS/CFT to provide models of hadron structure: confinement at large distances, near conformal behavior at short distances
- **Holographic Model:** Initial “semi-classical” approximation to QCD: Remarkable agreement with light hadron spectroscopy
- Mapping to 3+1 Light-Front equations, wavefunctions
- Use AdS/CFT wavefunctions as expansion basis for diagonalizing $H^{\text{LF}}_{\text{QCD}}$; variational methods

Strongly Coupled Conformal QCD and Holography

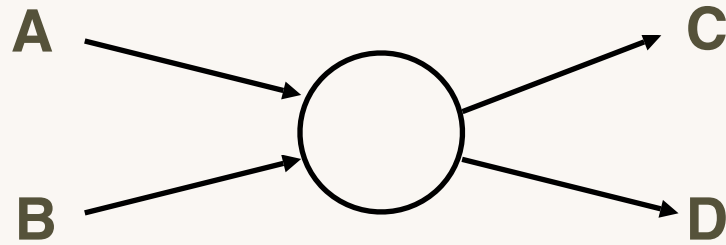
- Conformal Theories are invariant under the Poincaré and conformal transformations with $M^{\mu\nu}$, P^μ , D , K^μ , the generators of $SO(4, 2)$.
- QCD appears as a nearly-conformal theory in the energy regimes accessible to experiment. Invariance of conformal QCD is broken by quark masses and quantum loops. For $\beta = d\alpha_s(Q^2)/dQ^2$, QCD is a conformal theory: Parisi, Phys. Lett. B **39**, 643 (1972).
- Growing theoretical and empirical evidence that $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ has an IR fixed point: von Smekal, Alkofer and Hauck, arXiv:hep-ph/9705242; Alkofer, Fischer and Llanes-Estrada, hep-th/0412330; Deur, Burkert, Chen and Korsch, hep-ph/0509113 ...
- Phenomenological success of dimensional scaling laws for exclusive processes

$$d\sigma/dt \sim 1/s^{n-2}, \quad n = n_A + n_B + n_C + n_D,$$

implies QCD is a strongly coupled conformal theory at moderate but not asymptotic energies

Brodsky and Farrar, Phys. Rev. Lett. **31**, 1153 (1973); Matveev *et al.*, Lett. Nuovo Cim. **7**, 719 (1973).

Constituent Counting Rules



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(s, t) = \frac{F(\theta_{\text{cm}})}{s^{[n_{\text{tot}}-2]}} \quad s = E_{\text{cm}}^2$$

$$F_H(Q^2) \sim \left[\frac{1}{Q^2}\right]^{n_H-1} \quad -t = Q^2$$

Farrar & sjb; Matveev et al

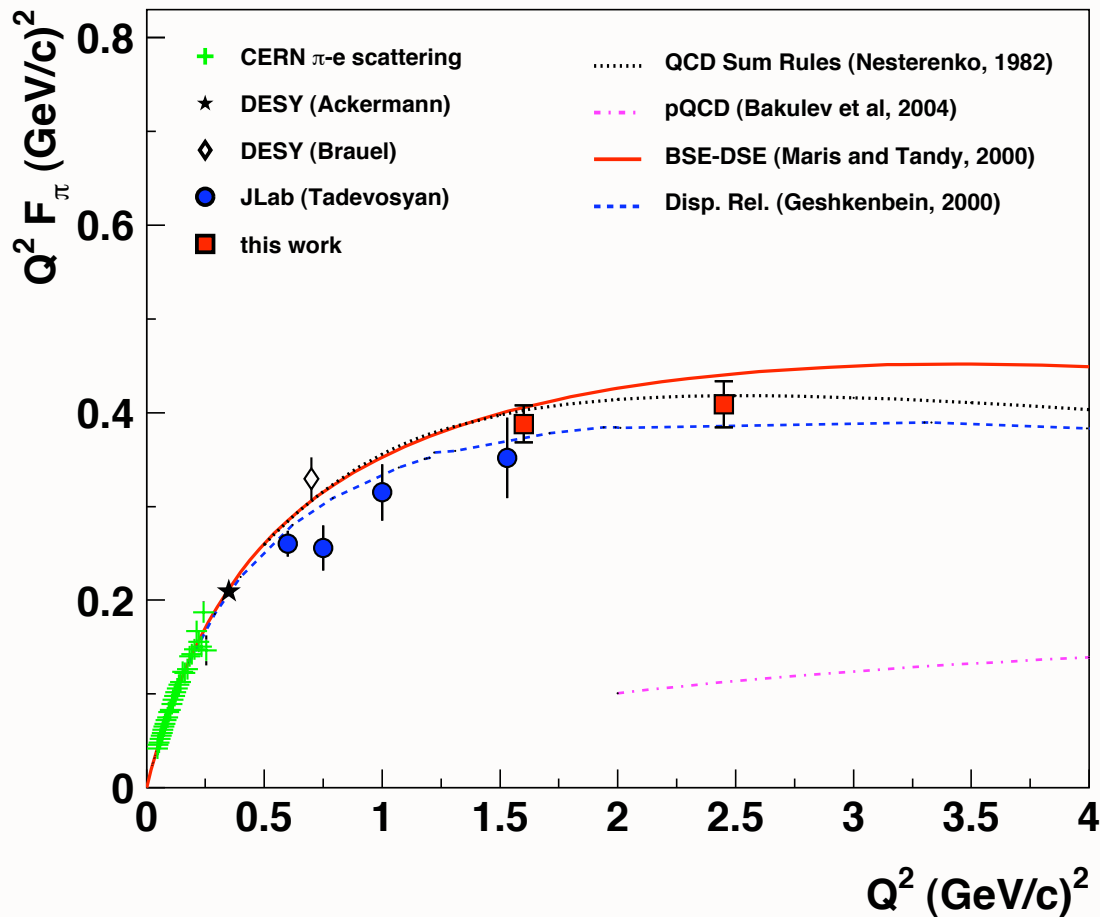
Conformal symmetry and PQCD predicts leading-twist power behavior

Characteristic scale of QCD: 300 MeV

Leading-Twist Scaling cannot be postponed!

New J-PARC, GSI, J-Lab, Belle, Babar tests

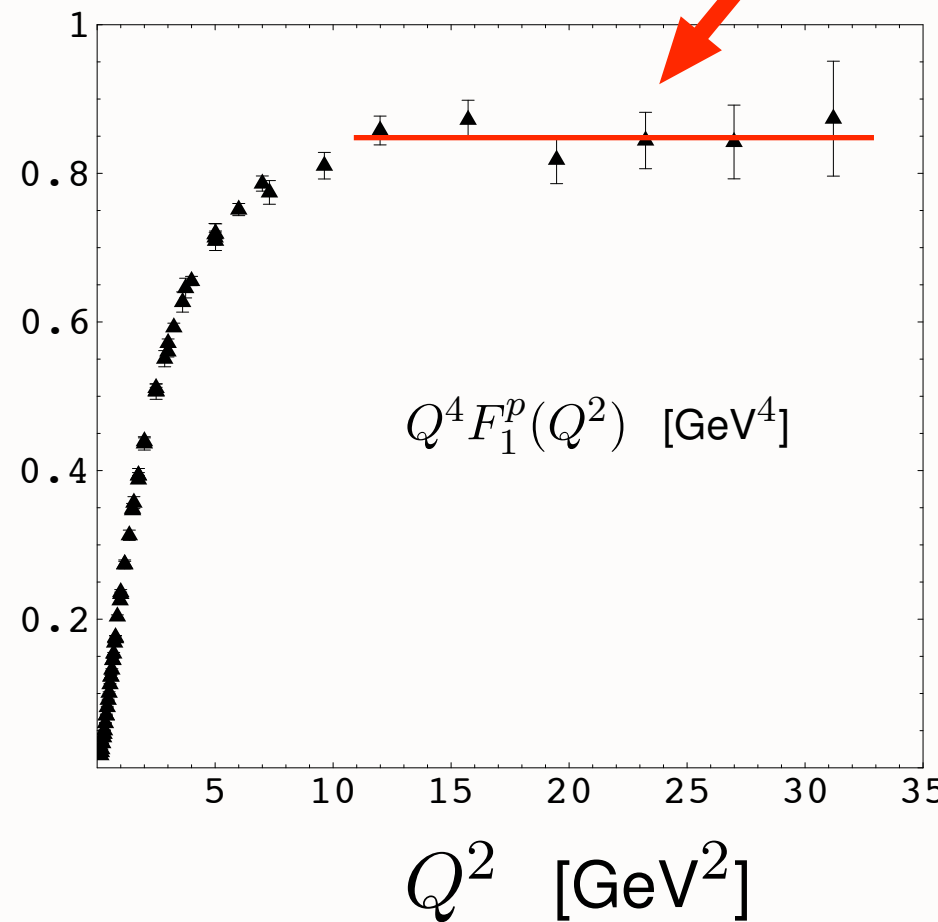
Conformal behavior: $Q^2 F_\pi(Q^2) \rightarrow \text{const}$



Determination of the Charged Pion Form Factor at $Q^2=1.60$ and 2.45 (GeV/c)².
 By Fpi2 Collaboration ([T. Horn et al.](#)). Jul 2006. 4pp.
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$Q^4 F_1(Q^2) \rightarrow \text{const}$

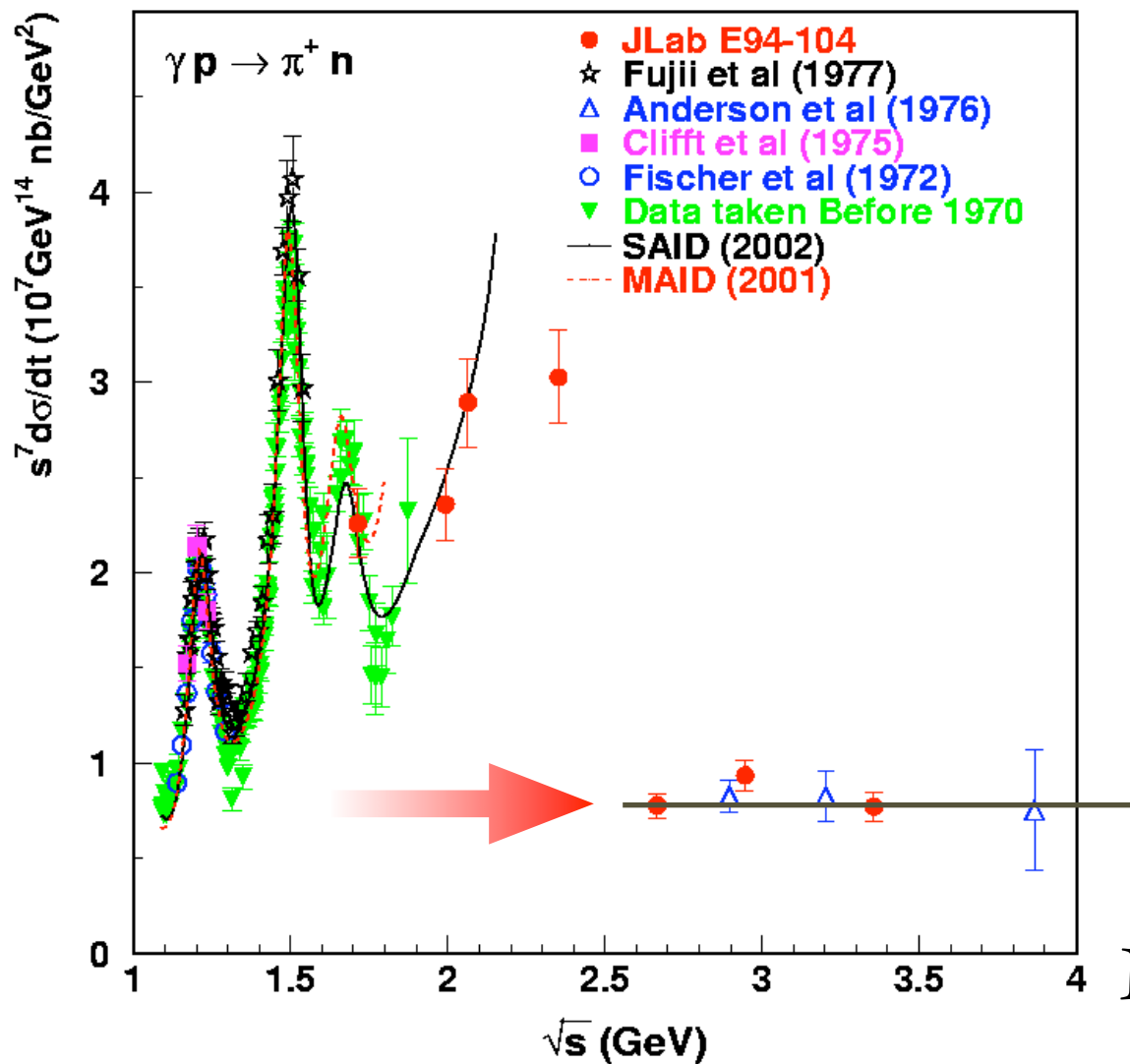


Generalized parton distributions from nucleon form-factor data
 by [M. Diehl \(DESY\)](#), [Th. Feldmann \(CERN\)](#), [R. Jakob](#), [P. Kroll \(WUB\)](#)
 DESY-04-146, CERN-PH-04-154, WUB-04-08, Aug 2004. 68pp.
 Published in *Eur.Phys.J.C*39:1-39,2005
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Test of PQCD Scaling

Constituent counting rules

Farrar, sjb; Muradyan, Matveev, Taveklidze



$$s^7 d\sigma/dt(\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n) \sim \text{const}$$

fixed θ_{CM} scaling

PQCD and AdS/CFT:

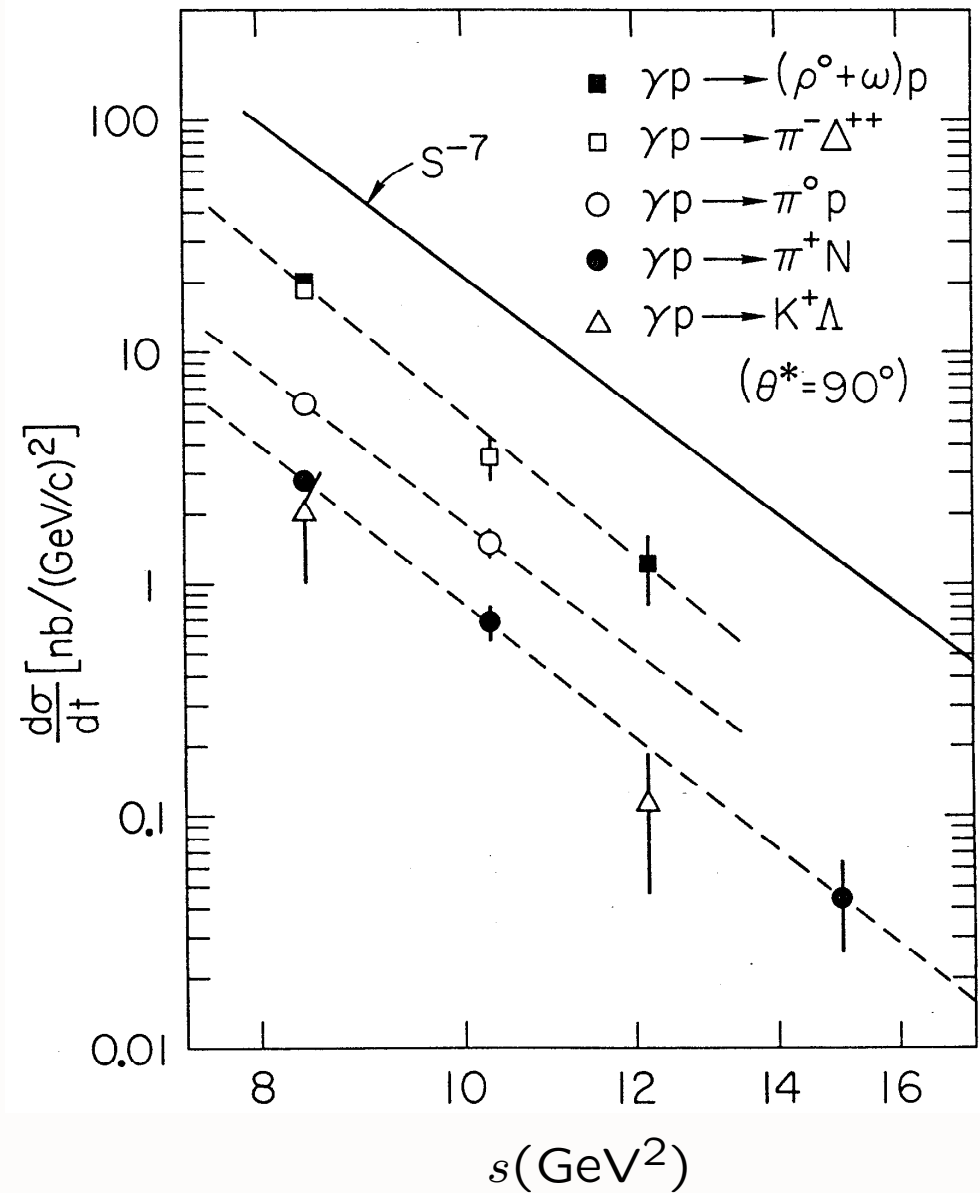
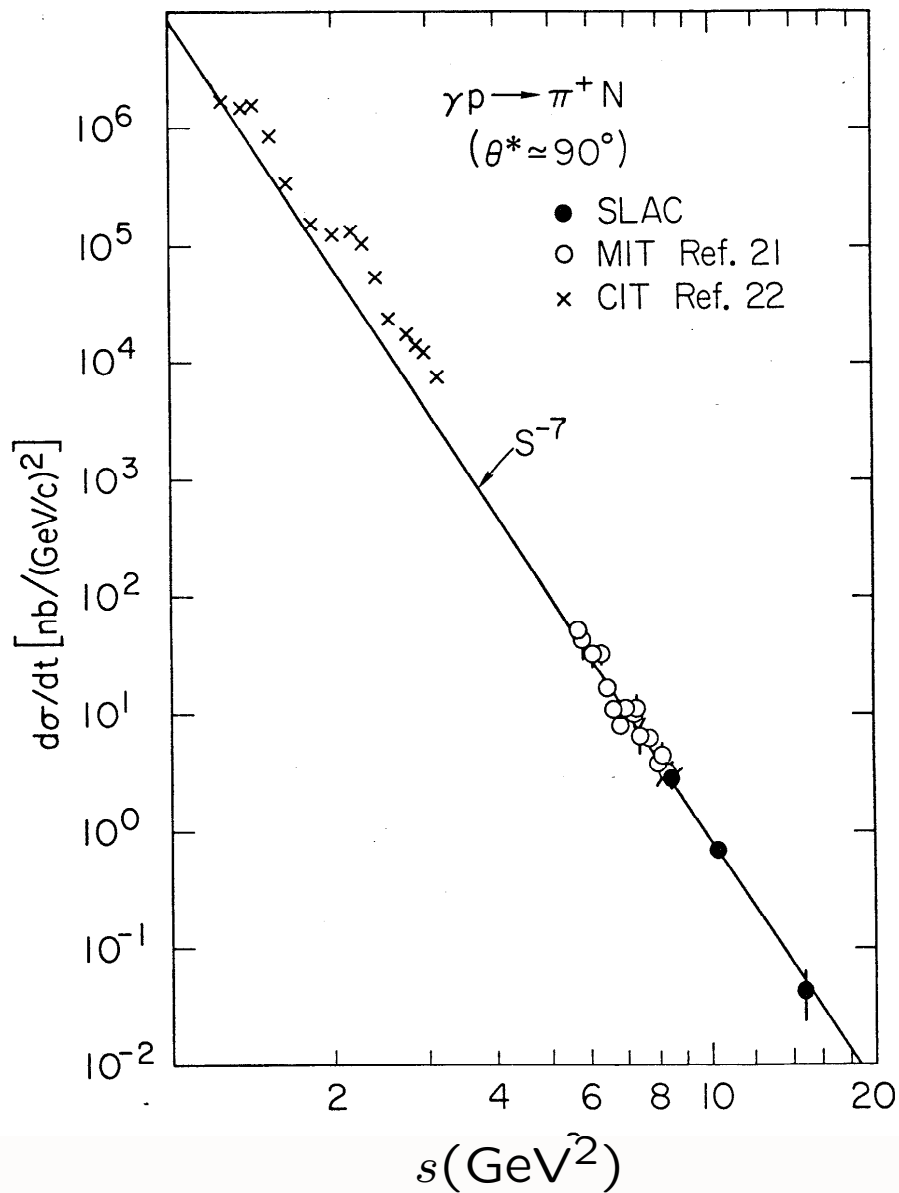
$$s^{n_{tot}-2} \frac{d\sigma}{dt}(A + B \rightarrow C + D) = F_{A+B \rightarrow C+D}(\theta_{CM})$$

$$s^7 \frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\gamma p \rightarrow \pi^+ n) = F(\theta_{CM})$$

$$n_{tot} = 1 + 3 + 2 + 3 = 9$$

No sign of running coupling

Conformal invariance at high momentum transfer!

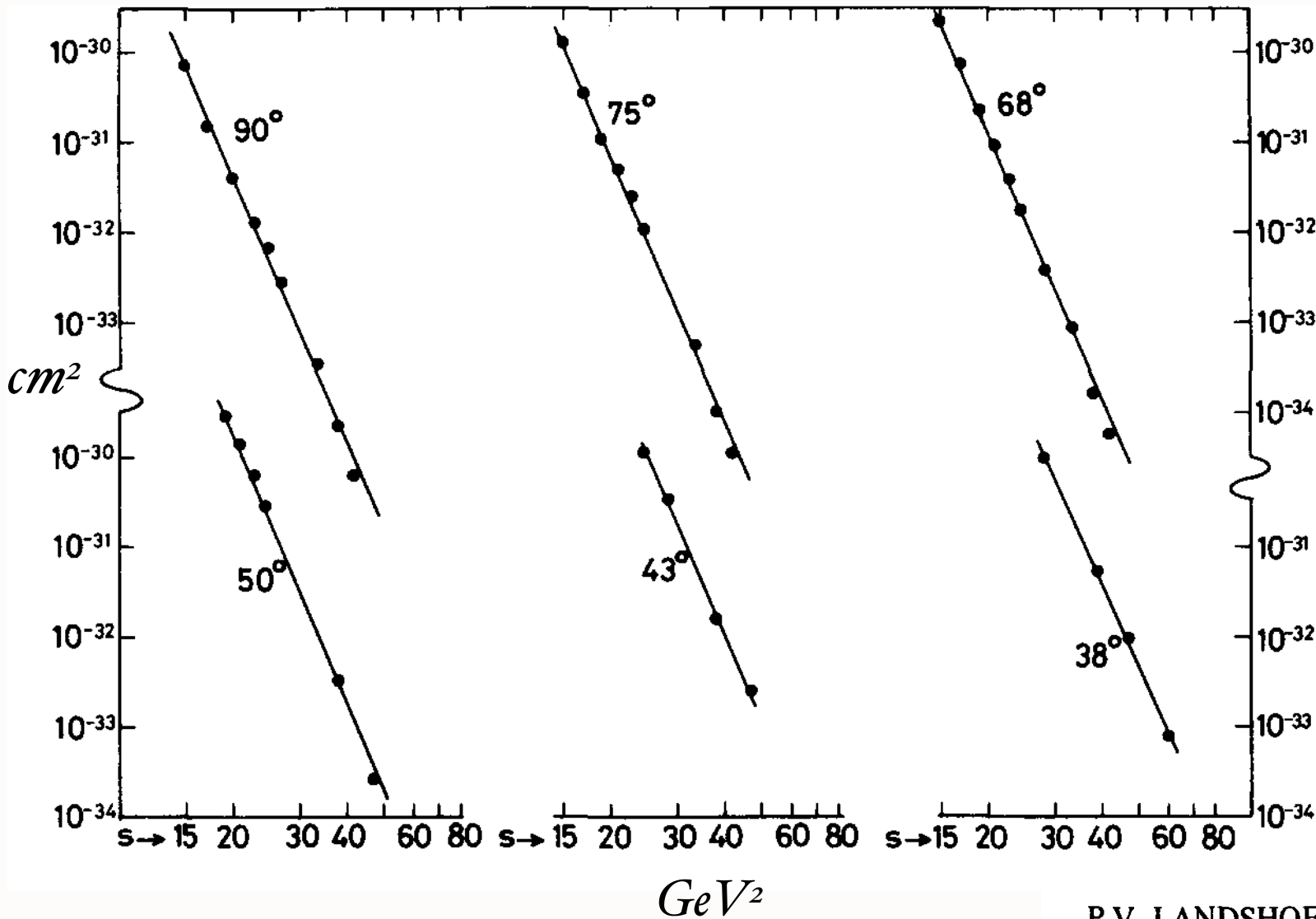


Conformal Invariance:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\gamma p \rightarrow MB) = \frac{F(\theta_{cm})}{s^7}$$

Quark-Counting : $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(pp \rightarrow pp) = \frac{F(\theta_{CM})}{s^{10}}$

$n = 4 \times 3 - 2 = 10$

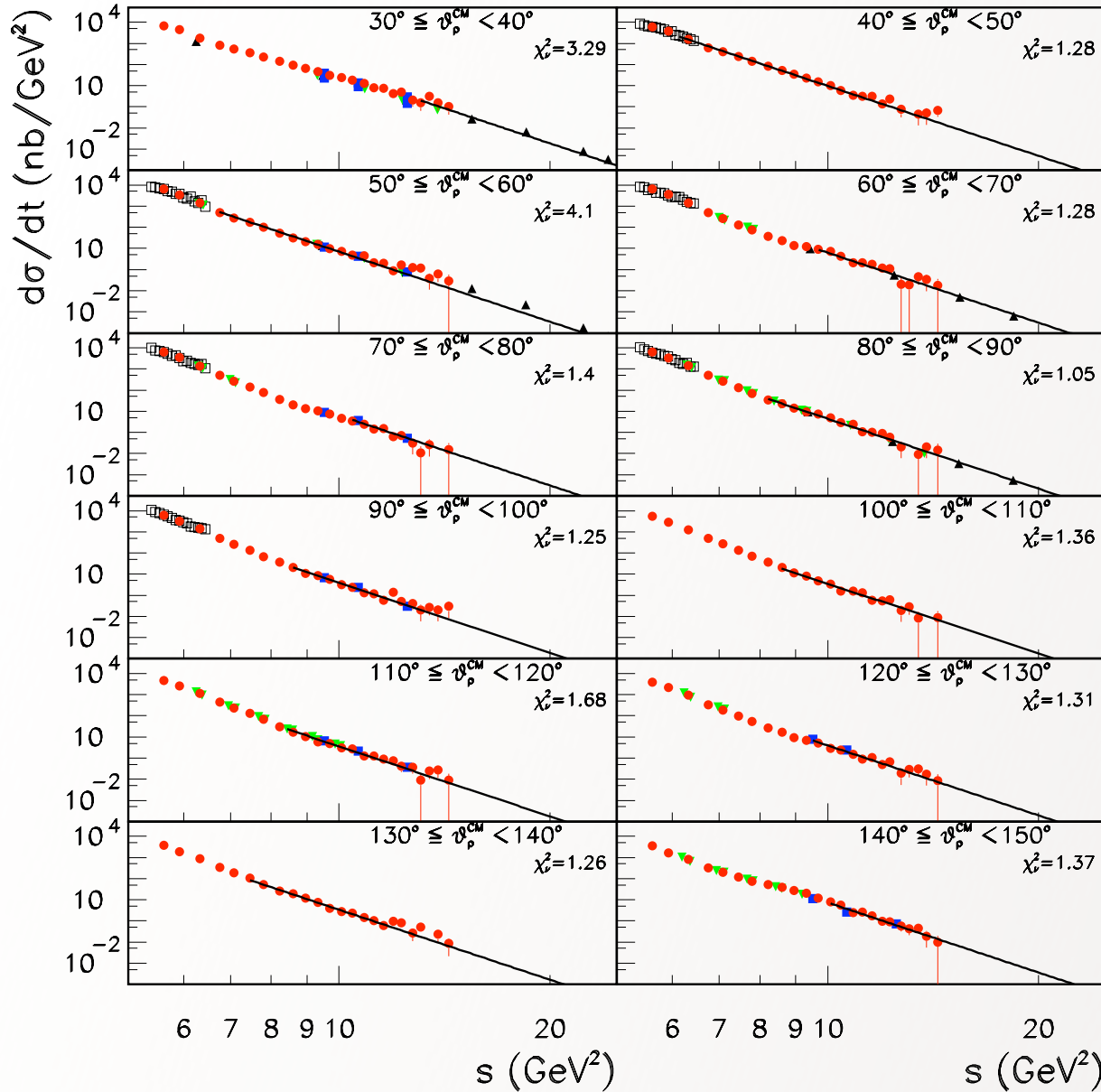


Best Fit
 $n = 9.7 \pm 0.5$
 Reflects
 underlying
 conformal
 scale-free
 interactions

P.V. LANDSHOFF and J.C. POLKINGHORNE

Deuteron Photodisintegration

J-Lab



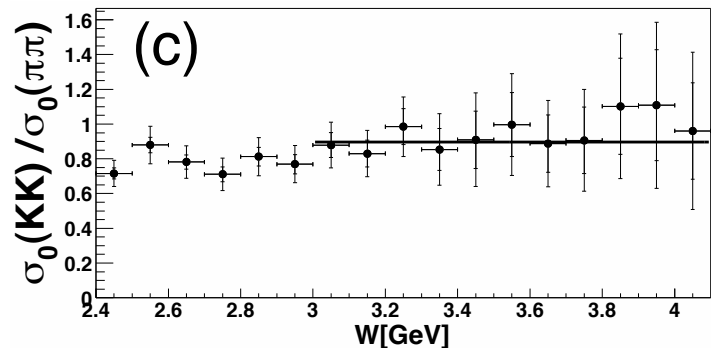
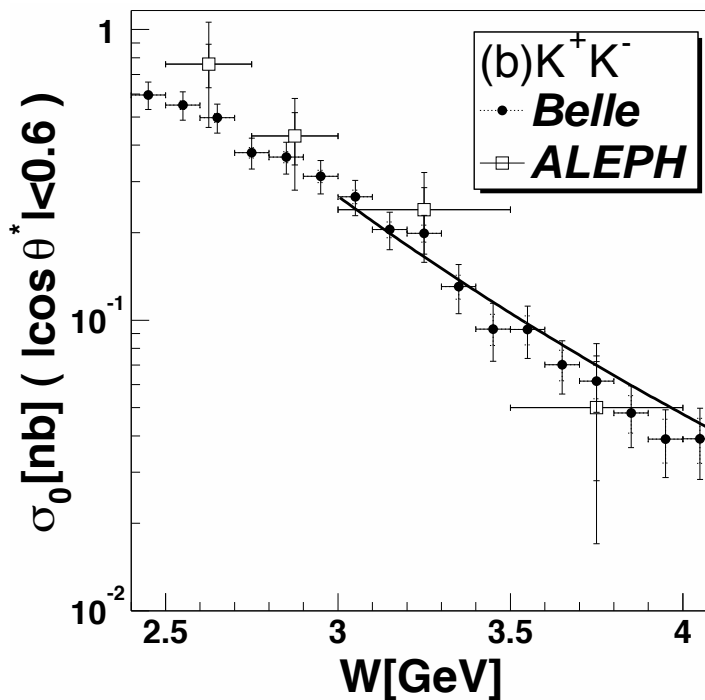
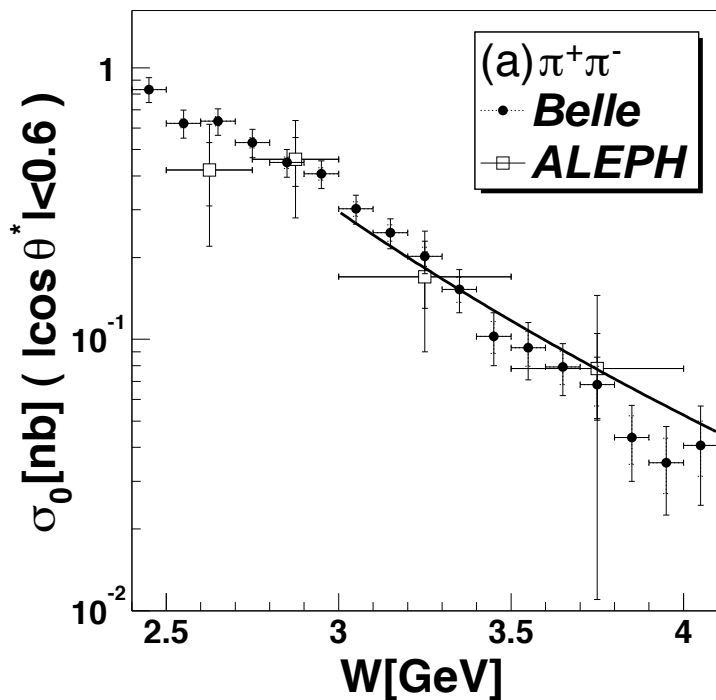
PQCD and AdS/CFT:

$$s^{n_{tot}-2} \frac{d\sigma}{dt} (A + B \rightarrow C + D) = F_{A+B \rightarrow C+D}(\theta_{CM})$$

$$s^{11} \frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma d \rightarrow np) = F(\theta_{CM})$$

$$n_{tot} - 2 = (1 + 6 + 3 + 3) - 2 = 11$$

Conformal invariance
at high momentum transfers!



Two-Photon Reactions

Hard Exclusive Processes:
Fixed angle

PQCD, AdS/CFT:

$$\Delta\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, K^+, K^-) \sim 1/W^6$$

$$|\cos(\theta_{CM})| < 0.6$$

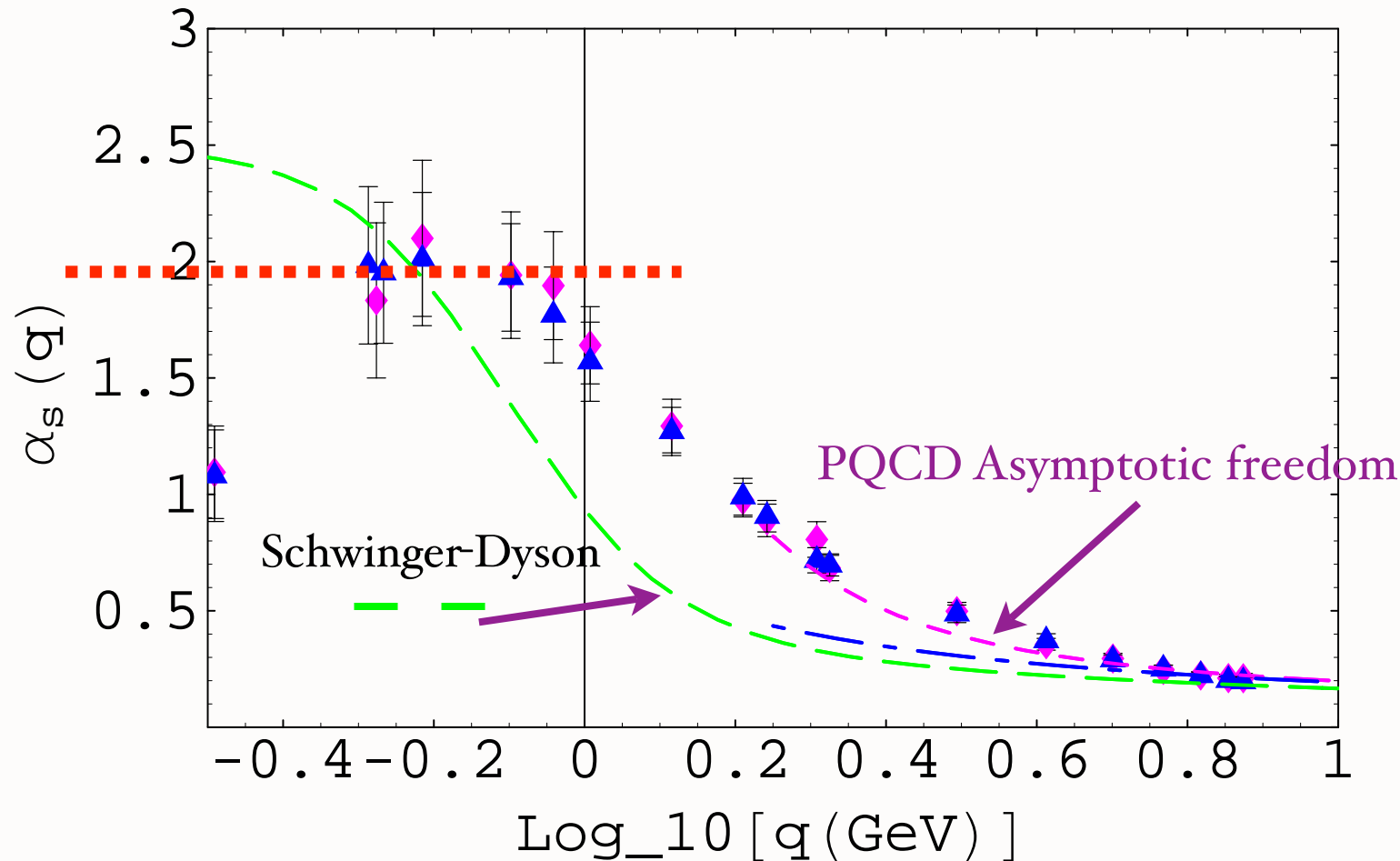
Conformal invariance at high momentum transfers!

Fig. 5. Cross section for (a) $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$, (b) $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow K^+K^-$ in the c.m. angular region $|\cos \theta^*| < 0.6$ together with a W^{-6} dependence line derived from the fit of $s|R_M|$. (c) shows the cross section ratio. The solid line is the result of the fit for the data above 3 GeV. The errors indicated by short ticks are statistical only.

Why do dimensional counting rules work so well?

- **PQCD predicts log corrections from powers of α_s , logs, pinch contributions** Lepage, sjb; Efremov, Radyushkin
- **DSE: QCD coupling (mom scheme) has IR Fixed point!** Alkofer, Fischer, von Smekal et al.
- **Lattice results show similar flat behavior** Furui, Nakajima
- **PQCD exclusive amplitudes dominated by integration regime where α_s is large and flat**

Infrared-Finite QCD Coupling?



Lattice simulation
(MILC)

Furui, Nakajima

DSE: Alkofer, Fischer, von Smekal et al.

Define QCD Coupling from Observable

Grunberg
Neubert
Maxwell

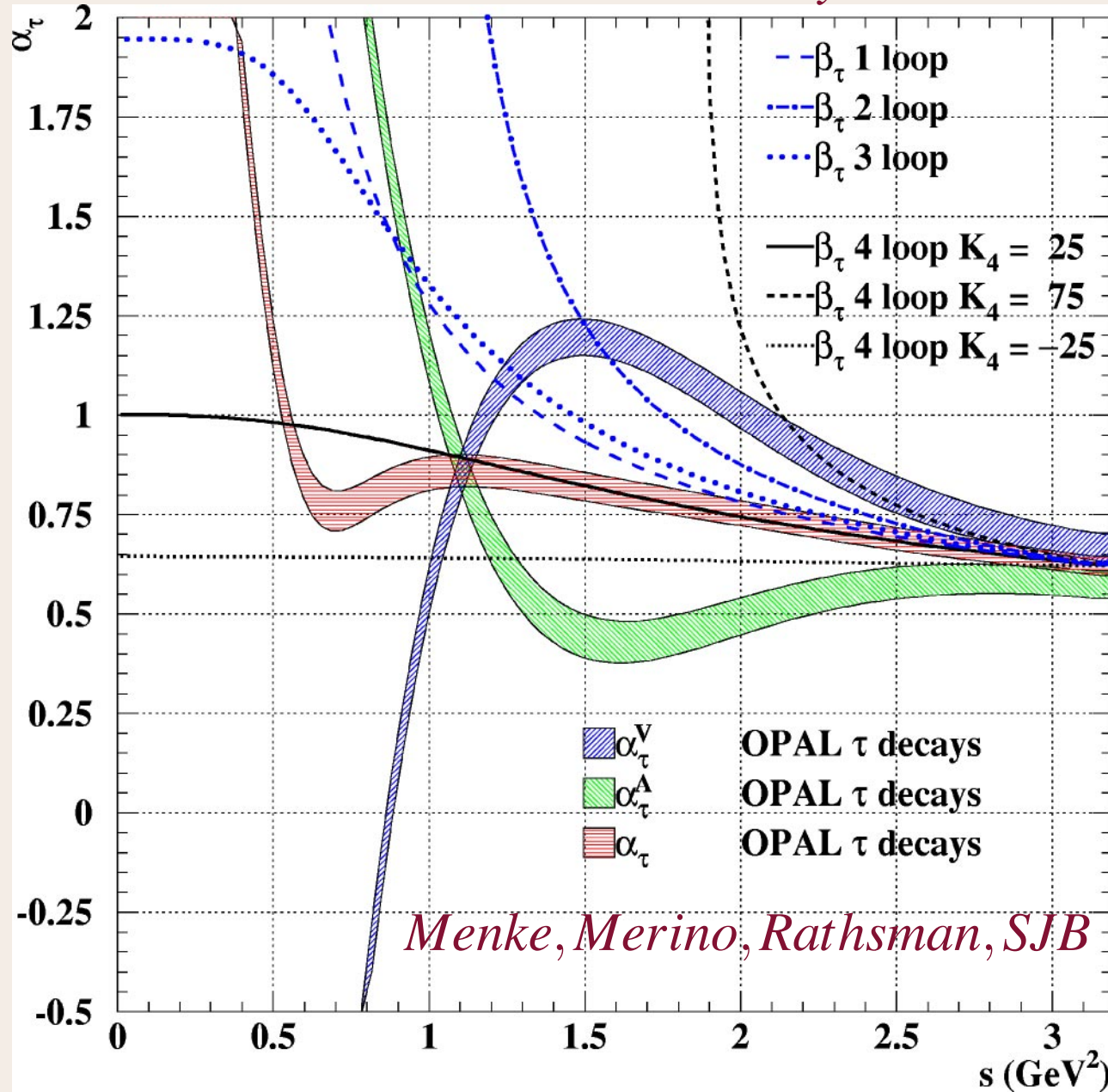
$$R_{e^+e^- \rightarrow X}(s) \equiv 3 \sum_q e_q^2 \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_R(s)}{\pi} \right]$$

$$\Gamma(\tau \rightarrow X e \nu)(m_\tau^2) \equiv \Gamma_0(\tau \rightarrow u \bar{d} e \nu) \times \left[1 + \frac{\alpha_\tau(m_\tau^2)}{\pi} \right]$$

Commensurate scale relations: Relate observable to observable at commensurate scales H.Lu, Rathsmann, sjb

Effective Charges: analytic at quark mass thresholds, finite at small momenta

QCD Effective Coupling from *hadronic τ decay*



Heuristic Arguments for an IR Fixed Point

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) \simeq \text{const at small } Q^2$$

- Semi-Classical approximation to massless QCD
- No particle creation or absorption $\beta = 0$
- Conformal symmetry broken by confinement
- Effective gluon mass: vacuum polarization vanishes at small momentum transfer
- $\Pi(Q^2) \propto \frac{Q^2}{m_g^2} \quad Q^2 \ll 4m_g^2 \quad \alpha_s(Q^2) \simeq \text{const}$

Analog of Serber-Uehling vacuum polarization in QED:

$$\Pi(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{15\pi} \frac{Q^2}{m_e^2} \quad Q^2 \ll 4m_e^2$$

Decoupling of long wavelength gluonic interactions

AdS/CFT: mapping of AdS₅ × S₅ to conformal N=4 SUSY

- QCD not conformal; however, it has some manifestations of a scale-invariant theory: Bjorken scaling, dimensional counting for hard exclusive processes
- IR fixed point? $\alpha_s(Q^2) \simeq \text{const}$ at small Q^2
- Semi-classical approximation to QCD


Conformal symmetry: Template for QCD

- Take conformal symmetry as initial approximation; then correct for non-zero beta function and quark masses
- Eigensolutions of ERBL evolution equation for distribution amplitudes
V. Braun et al;
Frishman, Lepage, Sachrajda, sjb
- Commensurate scale relations: relate observables at corresponding BLM scales:
Generalized Crewther Relation
- Use AdS/CFT

Scale Transformations

- Isomorphism of $SO(4, 2)$ of conformal QCD with the group of isometries of AdS space

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2),$$

invariant measure 

$x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu$, $z \rightarrow \lambda z$, maps scale transformations into the holographic coordinate z .

- AdS mode in z is the extension of the hadron wf into the fifth dimension.
- Different values of z correspond to different scales at which the hadron is examined.

$$x^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x^2, \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z.$$

$x^2 = x_\mu x^\mu$: invariant separation between quarks

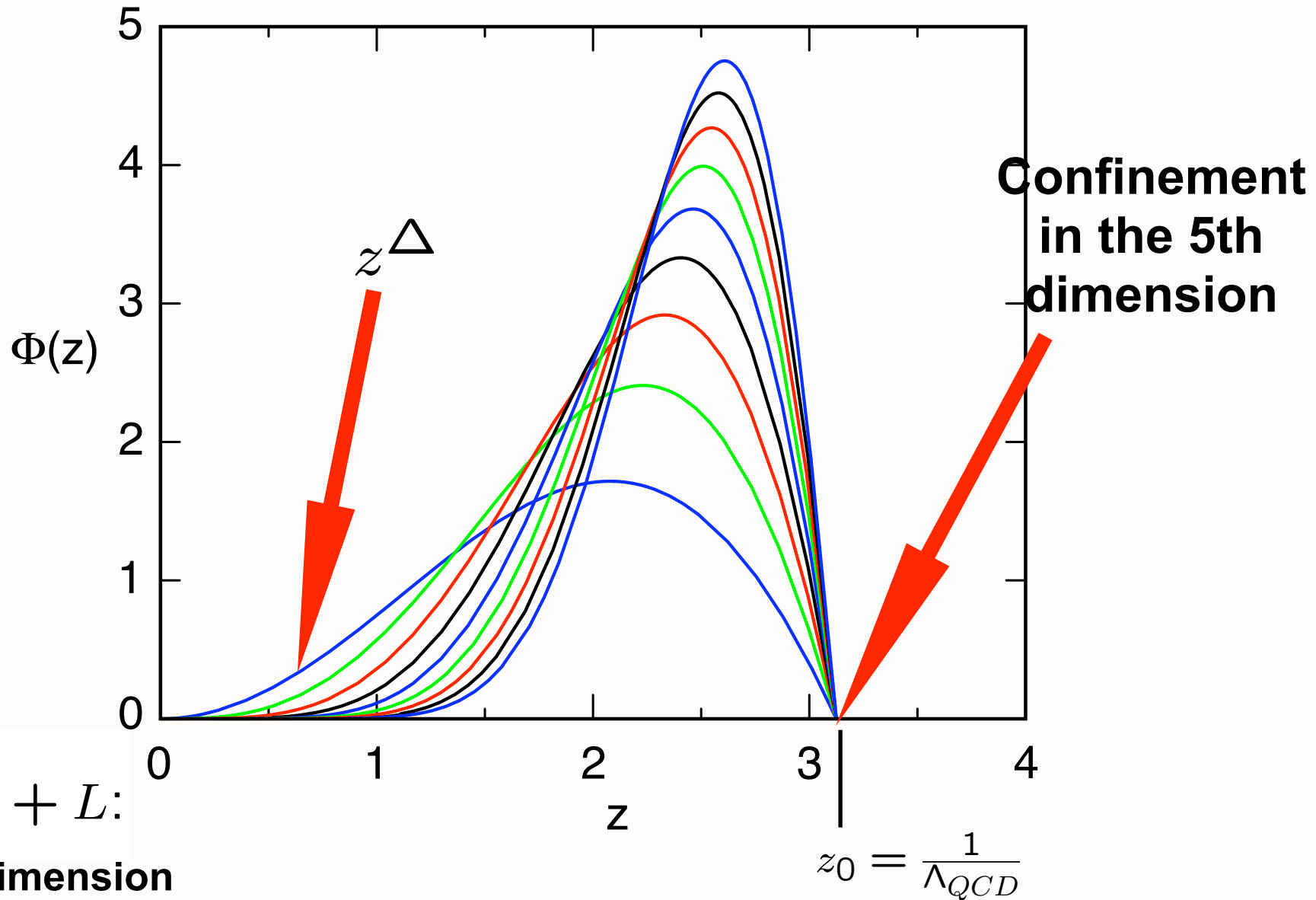
- The AdS boundary at $z \rightarrow 0$ correspond to the $Q \rightarrow \infty$, UV zero separation limit.

AdS/CFT

- Use mapping of conformal group $SO(4,2)$ to AdS_5
- Scale Transformations represented by wavefunction $\psi(z)$ in 5th dimension $x_\mu^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x_\mu^2 \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z$
- Holographic model: Confinement at large distances and conformal symmetry in interior $0 < z < z_0$
- Match solutions at small z to conformal dimension of hadron wavefunction at short distances $\psi(z) \sim z^\Delta$ at $z \rightarrow 0$
- Truncated space simulates “bag” boundary conditions $\psi(z_0) = 0 \quad z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$

**Alternative: Add Confining
HO Potential**

Identify hadron by its interpolating operator at $z \rightarrow 0$



$$\Delta = 3 + L:$$

**Twist dimension
of baryon**

de Teramond, sjb

AdS/CFT and Hadron Formation in QCD

Prediction from
AdS/QCD

Only one
parameter!

Entire light
quark baryon
spectrum

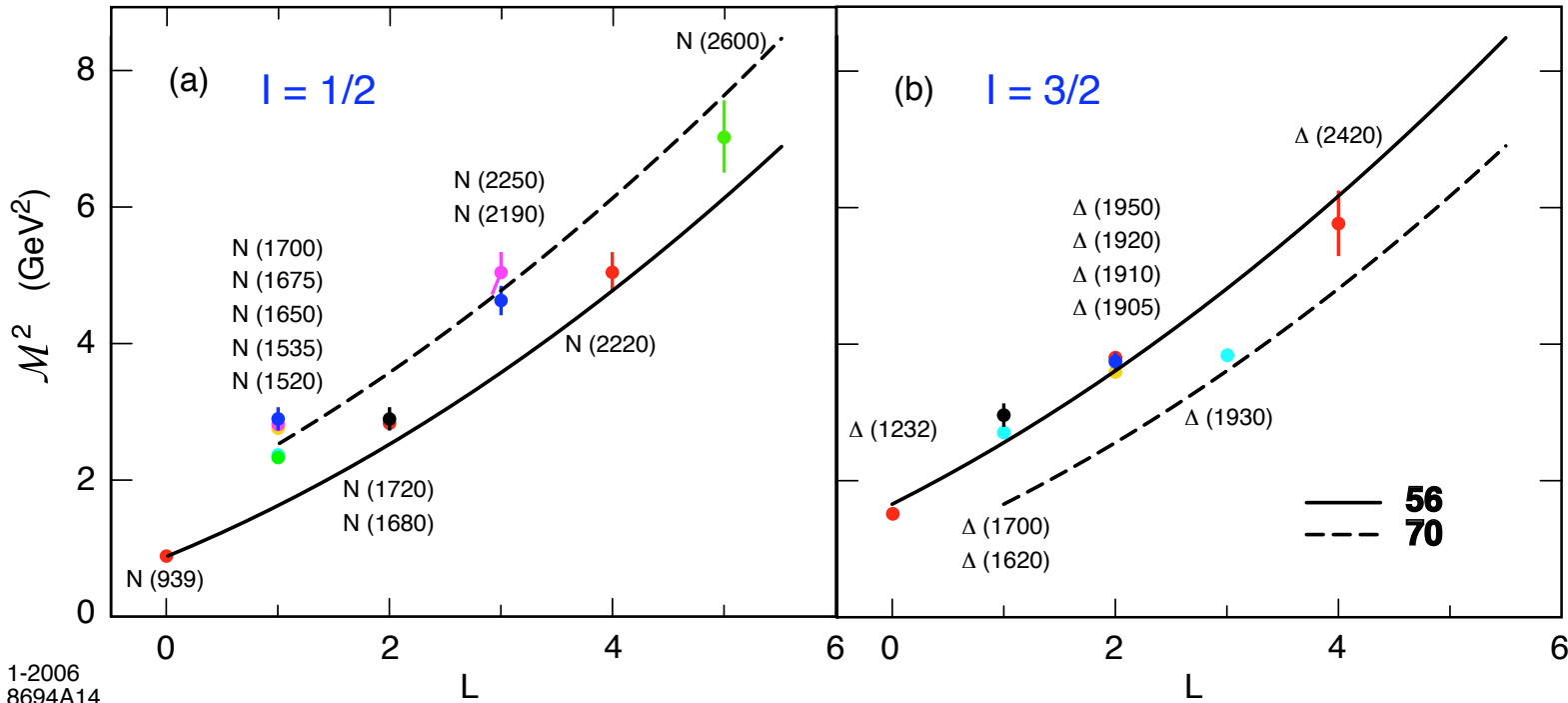


Fig: Predictions for the light baryon orbital spectrum for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.25$ GeV. The 56 trajectory corresponds to L even $P = +$ states, and the 70 to L odd $P = -$ states.

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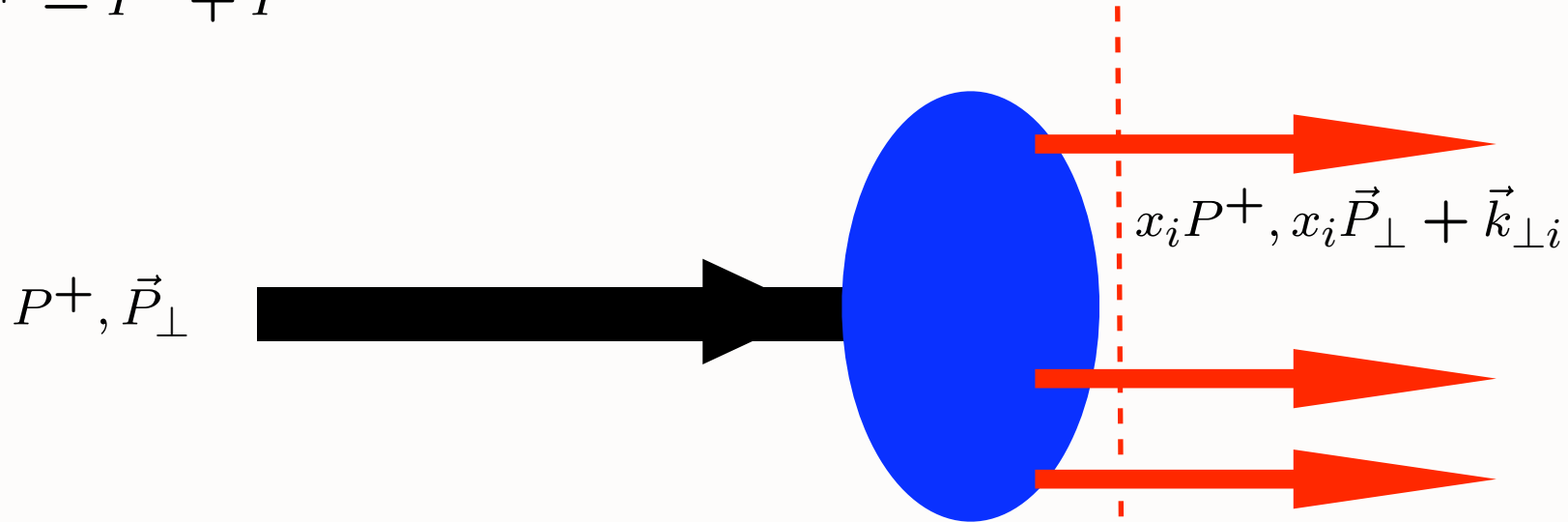
- $SU(6)$ multiplet structure for N and Δ orbital states, including internal spin S and L .

$SU(6)$	S	L	Baryon State
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$N \frac{1}{2}^+$ (939)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	0	$\Delta \frac{3}{2}^+$ (1232)
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$N \frac{1}{2}^-$ (1535) $N \frac{3}{2}^-$ (1520)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	1	$N \frac{1}{2}^-$ (1650) $N \frac{3}{2}^-$ (1700) $N \frac{5}{2}^-$ (1675)
	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\Delta \frac{1}{2}^-$ (1620) $\Delta \frac{3}{2}^-$ (1700)
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	$N \frac{3}{2}^+$ (1720) $N \frac{5}{2}^+$ (1680)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	2	$\Delta \frac{1}{2}^+$ (1910) $\Delta \frac{3}{2}^+$ (1920) $\Delta \frac{5}{2}^+$ (1905) $\Delta \frac{7}{2}^+$ (1950)
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$N \frac{5}{2}^-$ $N \frac{7}{2}^-$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	3	$N \frac{3}{2}^-$ $N \frac{5}{2}^-$ $N \frac{7}{2}^-$ (2190) $N \frac{9}{2}^-$ (2250)
	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$\Delta \frac{5}{2}^-$ (1930) $\Delta \frac{7}{2}^-$
56	$\frac{1}{2}$	4	$N \frac{7}{2}^+$ $N \frac{9}{2}^+$ (2220)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	4	$\Delta \frac{5}{2}^+$ $\Delta \frac{7}{2}^+$ $\Delta \frac{9}{2}^+$ $\Delta \frac{11}{2}^+$ (2420)
70	$\frac{1}{2}$	5	$N \frac{9}{2}^-$ $N \frac{11}{2}^-$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	5	$N \frac{7}{2}^-$ $N \frac{9}{2}^-$ $N \frac{11}{2}^-$ (2600) $N \frac{13}{2}^-$

Light-Front Wavefunctions

$$P^+ = P^0 + P^z$$

Fixed $\tau = t + z/c$



$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

$$\sum_i^n x_i = 1$$

$$\sum_i^n \vec{k}_{\perp i} = \vec{0}_\perp$$

Invariant under boosts! Independent of P^μ

Mapping between $LF(3+1)$ and AdS_5

$LF(3+1)$

AdS_5

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

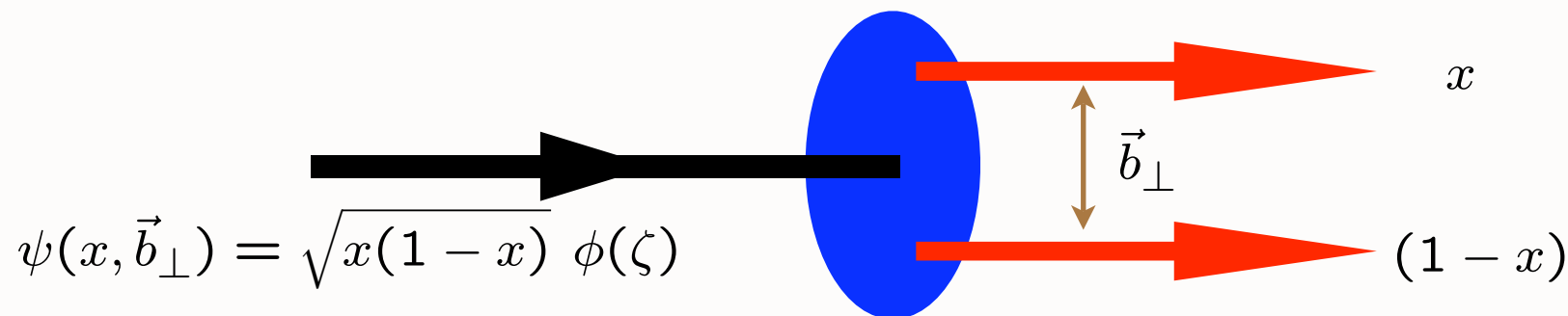


$$\phi(z)$$

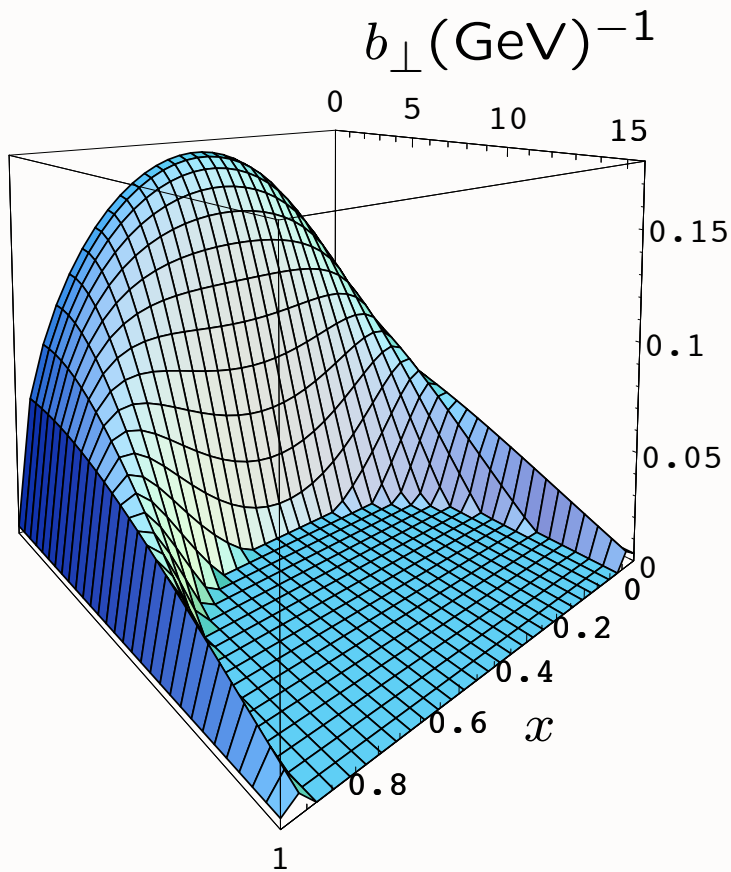
$$\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \vec{b}_\perp^2$$



$$z$$

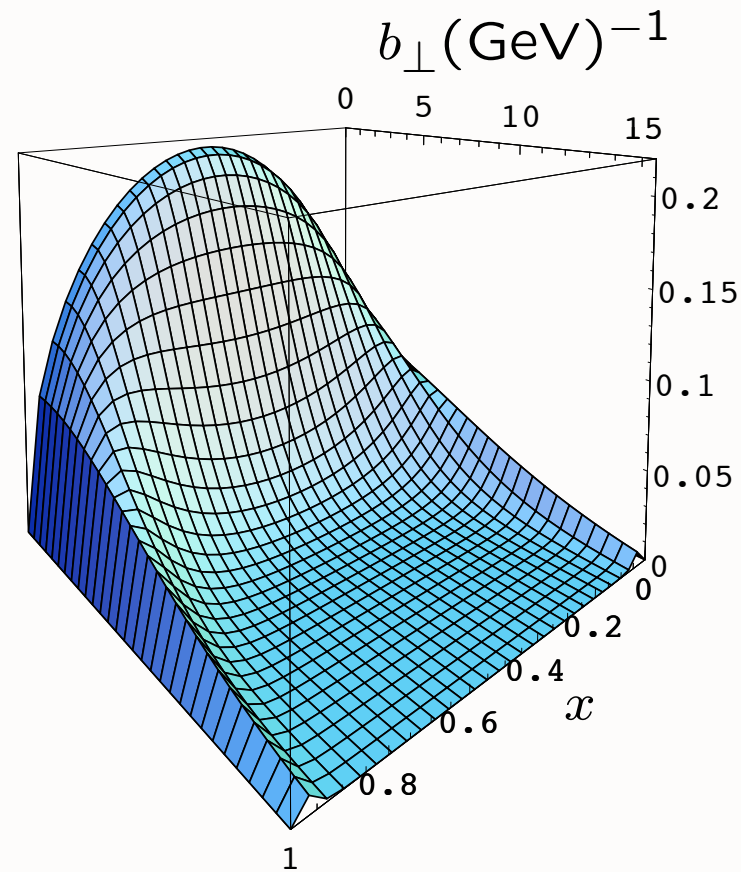


AdS/CFT Predictions for Meson LFWF $\psi(x, b_{\perp})$



$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.32 \text{ GeV}$$

Truncated Space



$$\kappa = 0.76 \text{ GeV}$$

Harmonic Oscillator

Holography: Map AdS/CFT to 3+1 LF Theory

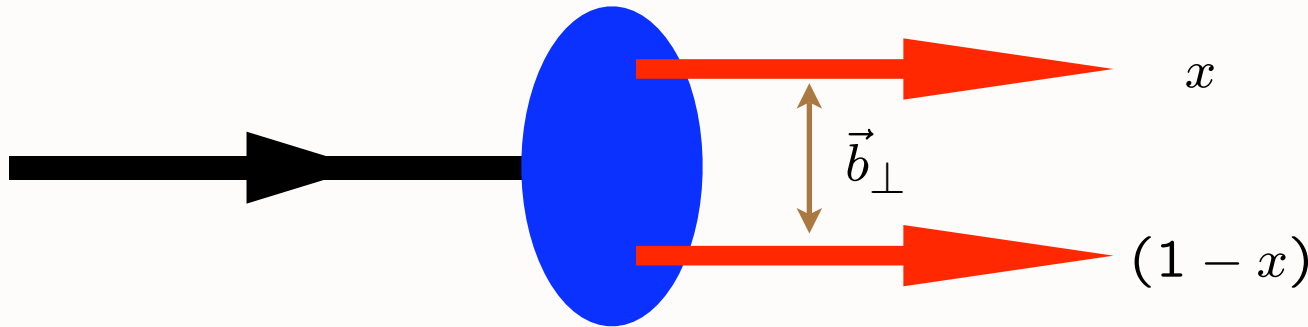
Relativistic radial equation:

Frame Independent

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2.$$

G. de Teramond, sjb

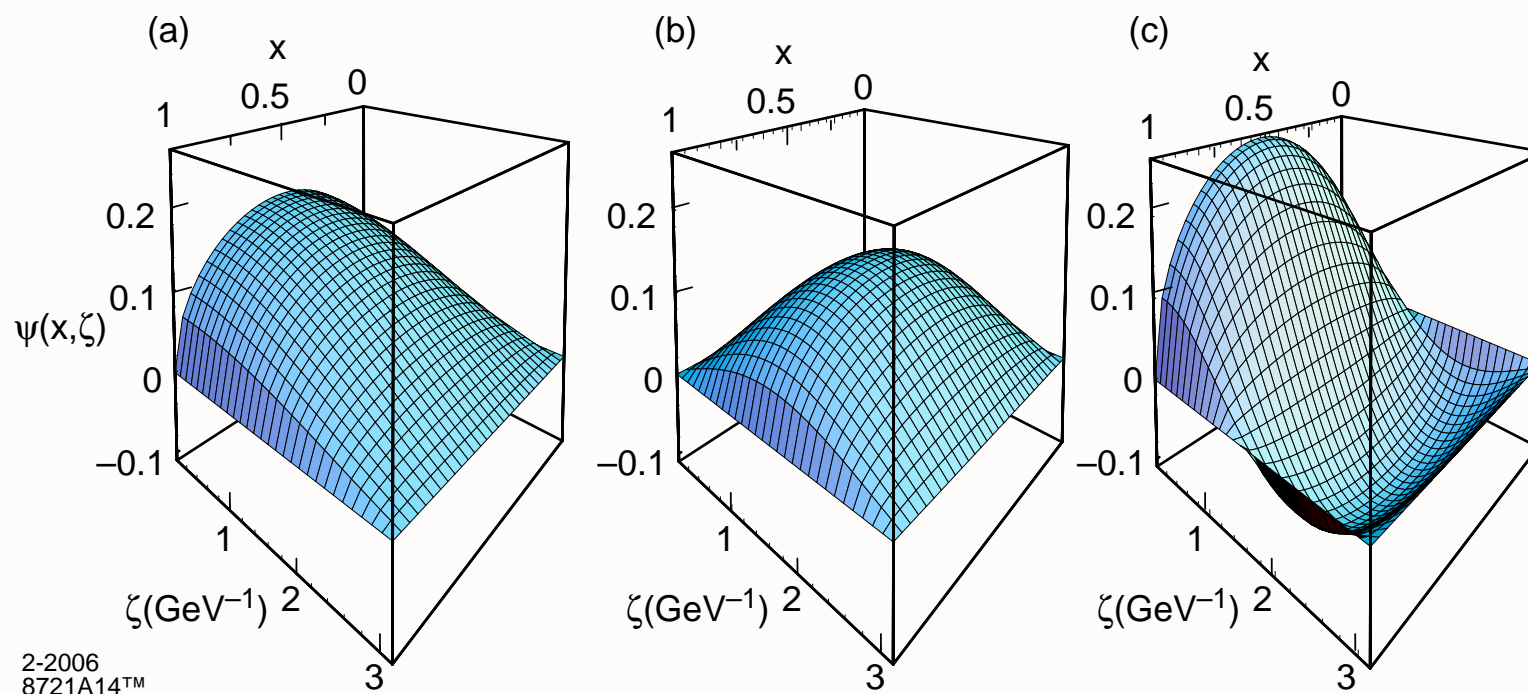


Effective conformal
potential:

$$V(\zeta) = -\frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2}.$$

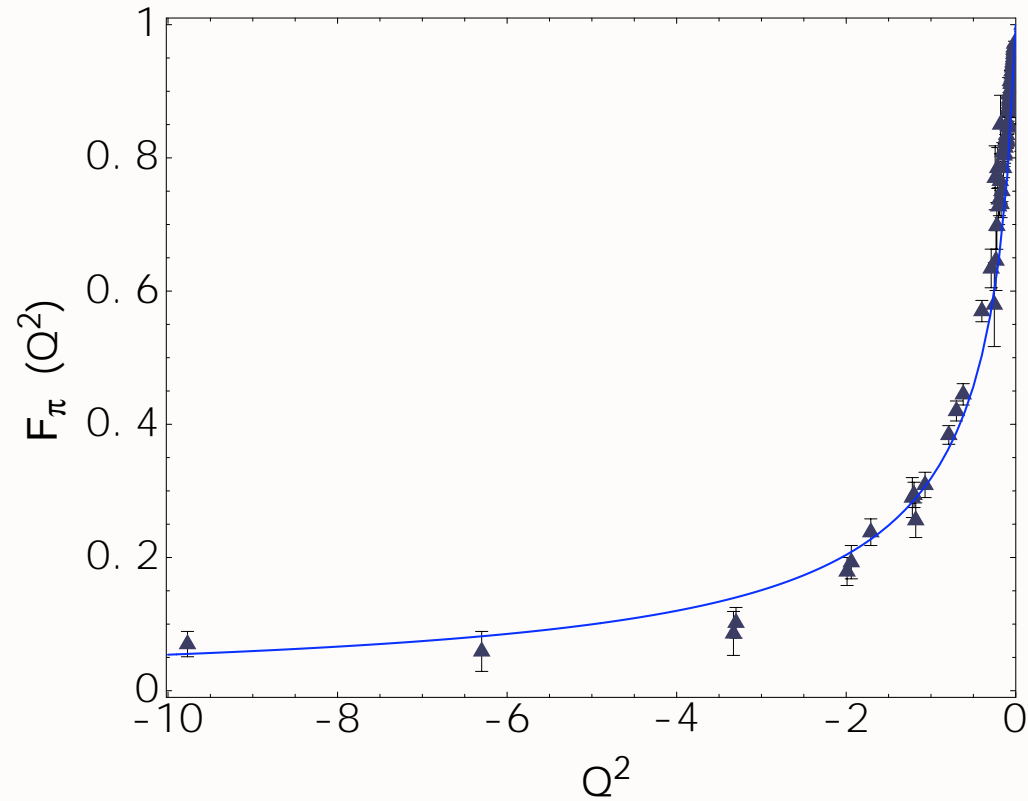
Two parton LFWF bound state:

$$\tilde{\psi}_{\bar{q}q/\pi}(x, \zeta) = B_{L,k} \sqrt{x(1-x)} J_L(\zeta \beta_{L,k} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) \theta(z \leq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}),$$



(a) ground state $L = 0, k = 1$, (b) first orbital $L = 1, k = 1$, (c) first radial $L = 0, k = 2$.

$$\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \vec{b}_{\perp}^2$$



Space-like pion form factor in holographic model for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.2$ GeV.

Data Compilation from Baldini, Kloe and Volmer

String Theory



AdS/CFT

Mapping of Poincare' and Conformal $SO(4,2)$ symmetries of 3+1 space to AdS5 space

Goal: First Approximant to QCD

Counting rules for Hard Exclusive Scattering
Regge Trajectories
QCD at the Amplitude Level



AdS/QCD

Conformal behavior at short distances + Confinement at large distance



Semi-Classical QCD / Wave Equations

Holography



Boost Invariant 3+1 Light-Front Wave Equations

$J=0, 1, 1/2, 3/2$ plus L

Integrable!



Hadron Spectra, Wavefunctions, Dynamics

AdS/CFT and Hadron Formation in QCD

Action for scalar field in AdS₅

$$S[\Phi] = \kappa' \int d^4x dz \sqrt{g} [g^{\ell m} \partial_\ell \Phi^* \partial_m \Phi - \mu^2 \Phi^* \Phi]$$

where $[\kappa'] = L^{-2}$ $g^{\ell m} = \frac{z^2}{R^2} \eta^{\ell m}$ $\sqrt{g} = R^5 / z^5$

*Action is invariant
under scale
transformations*

$$x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu, \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z.$$

$$\Phi(x^\ell) = \Phi(\lambda x^\ell)$$

Variation wrt Φ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\ell} \left(\sqrt{g} g^{\ell m} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} \Phi \right) + \mu^2 \Phi = 0$

Solutions of form: $\Phi(x, z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} f(z) \quad P_\mu P^\mu = \mathcal{M}^2$

$$S = -\kappa R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} \left[(\partial_z f)^2 - \mathcal{M}^2 f^2 + \frac{(\mu R)^2}{z^2} f^2 \right]$$

Variation of S wrt f :

$$z^5 \partial_z \left(\frac{1}{z^3} \partial_z f \right) + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 f - (\mu R)^2 f = 0.$$

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - 3z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - (\mu R)^2 \right] f = 0,$$

Introduce confinement, break conformal invariance

P-S Boundary Condition

$$f\left(z = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}\right) = 0$$

Normalization in truncated space

$$R^3 \int_0^{\Lambda_{QCD}^{-1}} \frac{dz}{z^3} f^2(z) = 1$$

Identify Orbital Angular Momentum

$$(\mu R)^2 = -4 + L^2$$

- Wave equation in AdS for bound state of two scalar partons with conformal dimension $\Delta = 2 + L$

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - 3z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - L^2 + 4 \right] \Phi(z) = 0,$$

with solution

$$\Phi(z) = C e^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 J_L(z\mathcal{M}).$$

- For spin-carrying constituents: $\Delta \rightarrow \tau = \Delta - \sigma$, $\sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i$.
- The twist τ is equal to the number of partons $\tau = n$.

Introduce confinement, break conformal invariance

$$f\left(z = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}\right) = 0$$

Match fall-off at small z to Conformal Dimension of hadron state at short distances

- Pseudoscalar mesons: $\mathcal{O}_{3+L} = \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 D_{\{\ell_1 \dots D_{\ell_m}\}} \psi$ ($\Phi_\mu = 0$ gauge).
- 4- d mass spectrum from boundary conditions on the normalizable string modes at $z = z_0$, $\Phi(x, z_0) = 0$, given by the zeros of Bessel functions $\beta_{\alpha,k}$: $\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k} = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}$
- Normalizable AdS modes $\Phi(z)$

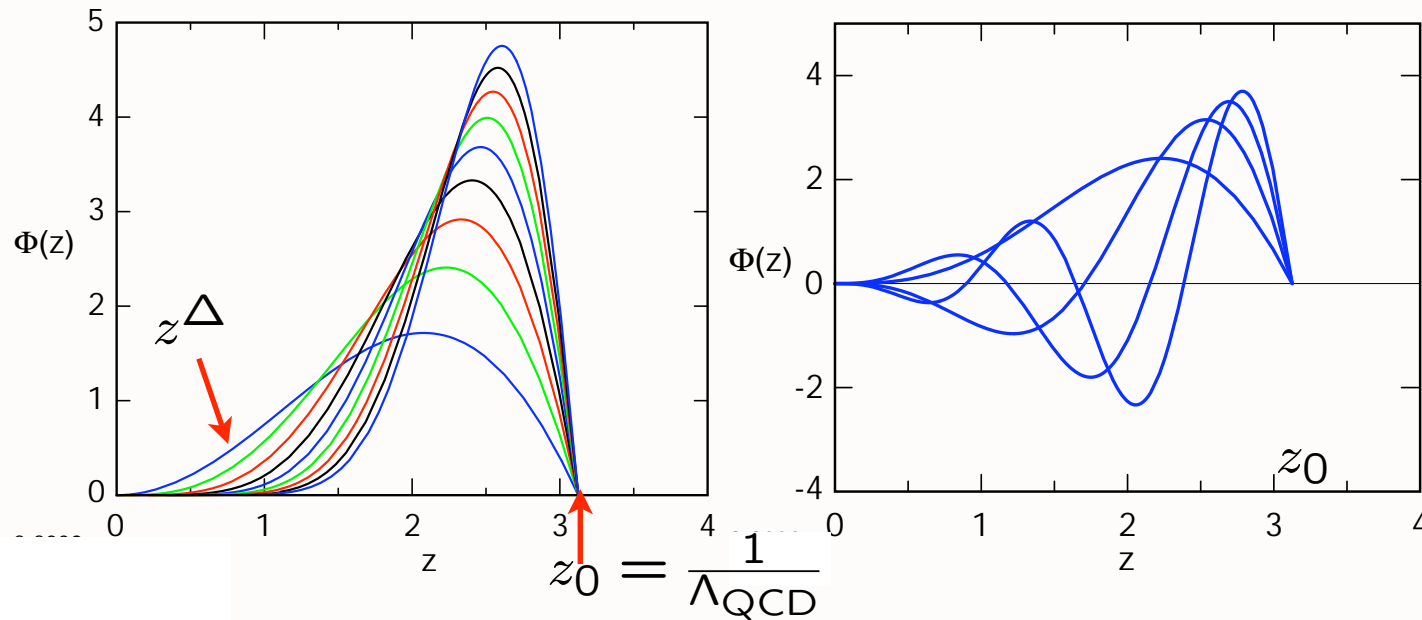
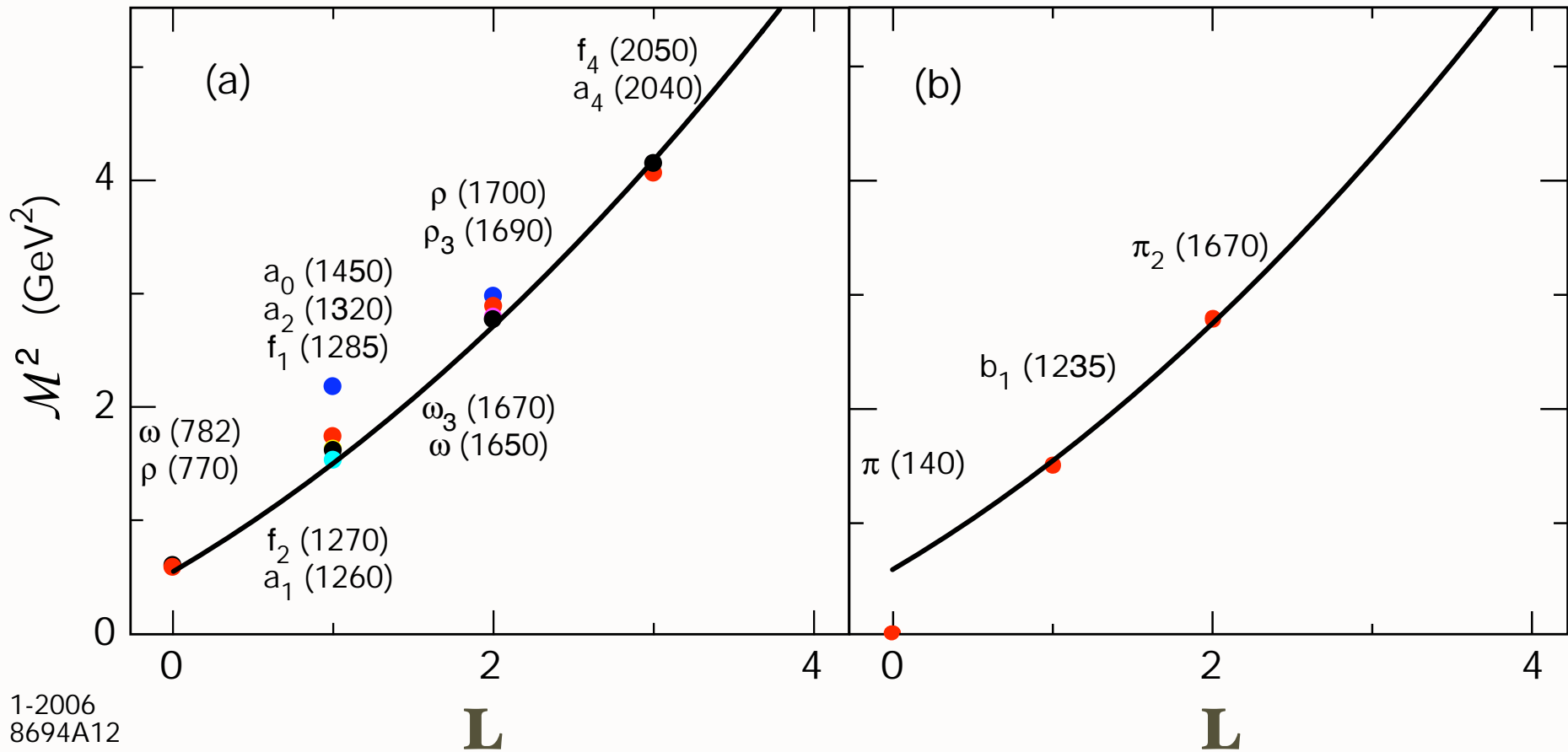


Fig: Meson orbital and radial AdS modes for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$ GeV.



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Light meson orbital spectrum $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$ GeV

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Baryon Spectrum

- Baryon: twist-three, dimension $\frac{9}{2} + L$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\frac{9}{2}+L} = \psi D_{\{\ell_1 \dots D_{\ell_q} \psi D_{\ell_{q+1}} \dots D_{\ell_m}\}} \psi, \quad L = \sum_{i=1}^m \ell_i.$$

Wave Equation:
$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - 3z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - \mathcal{L}_{\pm}^2 + 4 \right] f_{\pm}(z) = 0$$

with $\mathcal{L}_+ = L + 1$, $\mathcal{L}_- = L + 2$, and solution

$$\Psi(x, z) = C e^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 \left[J_{1+L}(z\mathcal{M}) u_+(P) + J_{2+L}(z\mathcal{M}) u_-(P) \right].$$

- 4-*d* mass spectrum $\Psi(x, z_o)^{\pm} = 0 \implies$ parallel Regge trajectories for baryons !

$$\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k}^+ = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k}^- = \beta_{\alpha+1,k} \Lambda_{QCD}.$$

- Ratio of eigenvalues determined by the ratio of zeros of Bessel functions !

Predictions of AdS/CFT

Only one
parameter!

Entire light quark baryon spectrum

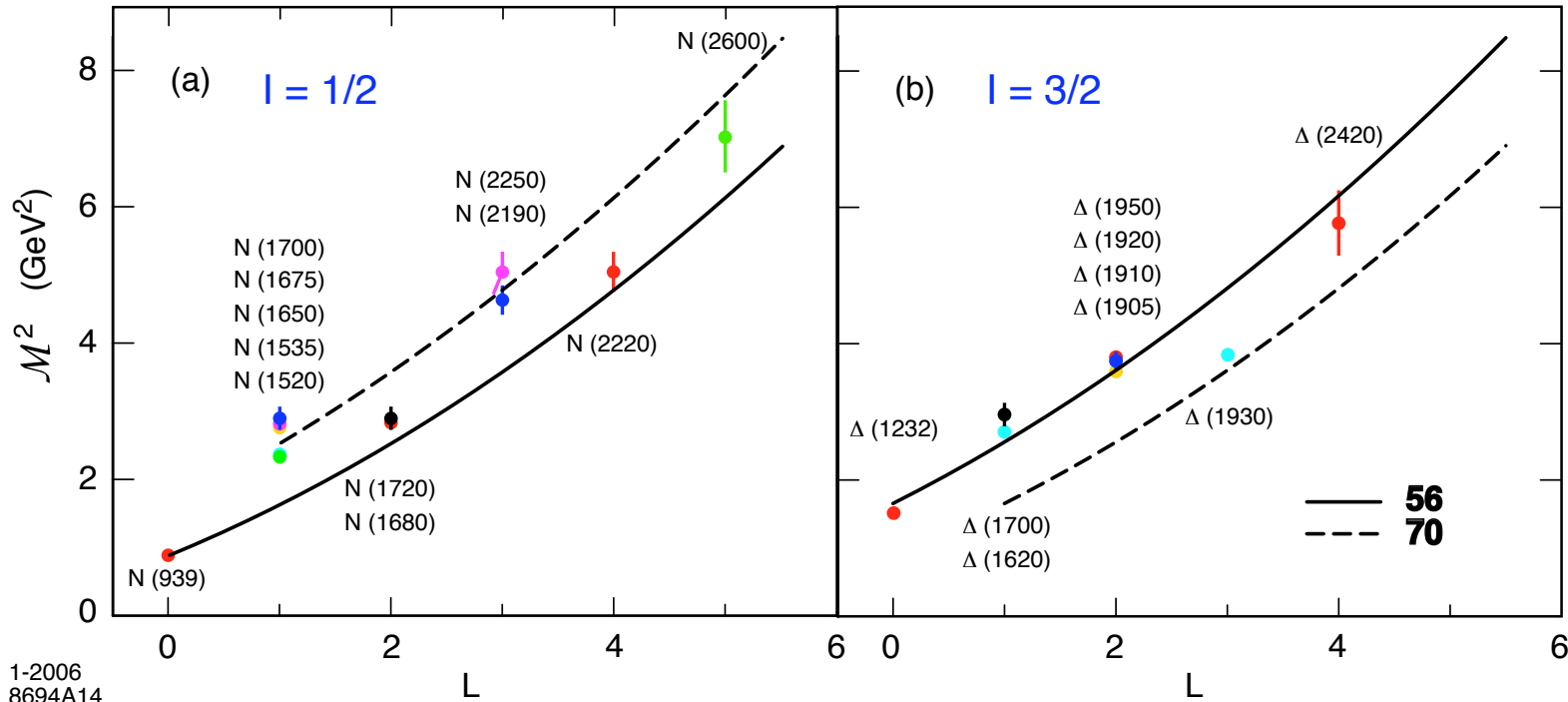


Fig: Predictions for the light baryon orbital spectrum for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.25$ GeV. The 56 trajectory corresponds to L even $P = +$ states, and the 70 to L odd $P = -$ states.

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AdS/CFT and Integrability

- Conformal Symmetry plus Confinement: Reduce AdS/QCD Equations to Linear Form
- Generate eigenvalues and eigenfunctions using Ladder Operators
- Apply to Covariant Light-Front Radial Dirac and Schrodinger Equations
- L. Infeld, “On a new treatment of some eigenvalue problems”, Phys. Rev. 59, 737 (1941).

AdS/CFT LF Equation for Mesons with HO Confinement

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$$\left(\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{1 - 4\nu^2}{4\zeta^2} - \kappa^4 \zeta^2 - 2\kappa^2(\nu + 1) + \mathcal{M}^2 \right) \phi_\nu(\zeta) = 0$$

LF Hamiltonian

$$H_{LF}^\nu \phi_\nu = \mathcal{M}_\nu^2 \phi_\nu \quad \text{Bilinear} \quad H_{LF}^\nu = \Pi_\nu^\dagger \Pi_\nu,$$

where

$$\Pi_\nu(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} - \kappa^2 \zeta \right),$$

and its adjoint

$$\Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} + \kappa^2 \zeta \right),$$

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with commutation relations

$$[\Pi_\nu(\zeta), \Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta)] = \frac{2\nu + 1}{\zeta^2} - 2\kappa^2.$$

AdS/CFT LF Equation for Mesons with HO Confinement

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{1 - 4\nu^2}{4\zeta^2} - \kappa^4 \zeta^2 - 2\kappa^2(\nu + 1) + \mathcal{M}^2 \right) \phi_\nu(\zeta) = 0$$

Define $b_\nu^\dagger = -i\Pi_\nu = \frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} + \kappa^2\zeta$

$$b_\nu = \frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} + \kappa^2\zeta \qquad b_\nu^\dagger b_\nu = b_{\nu+1} b_{\nu+1}^\dagger$$

Ladder Operator $b_\nu^\dagger |\nu\rangle = c_\nu |\nu + 1\rangle$

$$\left(-\frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} + \kappa^2\zeta \right) \phi_\nu(\zeta) = c_\nu \phi_{\nu+1}(\zeta)$$

$$\phi_\nu(z) = C z^{1/2+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} G_\nu(\zeta),$$

$$2xG_\nu(x) - G'_\nu(x) = xG_{\nu+1}(x)$$

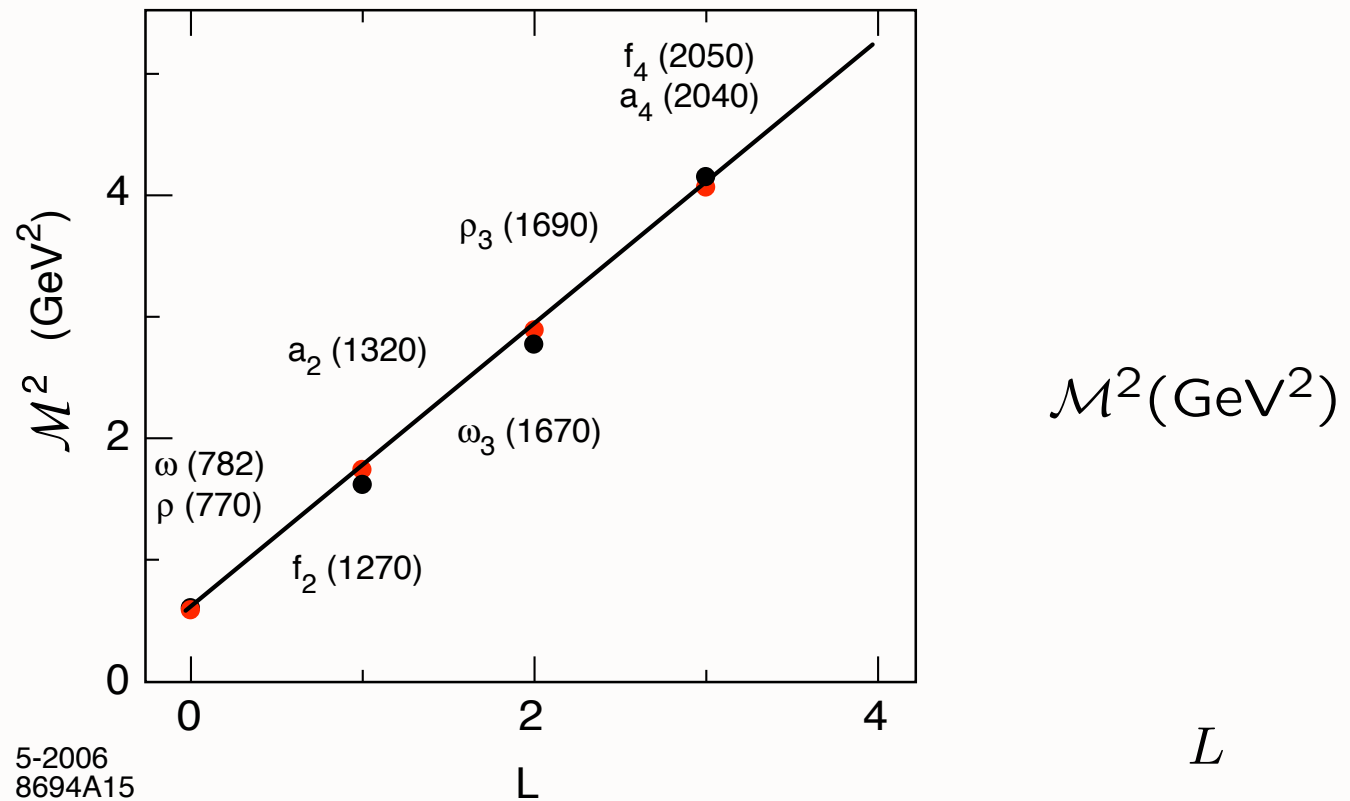
defines the associated Laguerre function $L_n^{\nu+1}(x^2)$

$$\phi_\nu(z) = C_\nu z^{1/2+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^\nu(\kappa^2 \zeta^2).$$

Subtract Vacuum
Energy

$$\mathcal{M}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^2 - 2\kappa^2,$$

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2 \left(n + \nu + \frac{1}{2} \right).$$



$J = L + 1$ vector meson Regge trajectory for $\kappa \simeq 0.54$ GeV

Holographic Harmonic Oscillator Model: Baryons

$$(\alpha\Pi(\zeta) - \mathcal{M})\psi(\zeta) = 0.$$

Frame-Independent LF Dirac Equation

$$\Pi_\nu(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 - \kappa^2 \zeta \gamma_5 \right)$$

$$\Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 + \kappa^2 \zeta \gamma_5 \right)$$

Coupled Equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{d}{d\zeta} \\ \frac{d}{d\zeta} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} + \kappa^2 \zeta \\ \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} + \kappa^2 \zeta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{M} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-\frac{d}{d\zeta}\psi_- - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta}\psi_- - \kappa^2 \zeta \psi_- = \mathcal{M}\psi_+.$$

$$\frac{d}{d\zeta}\psi_+ - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta}\psi_+ - \kappa^2 \zeta \psi_+ = \mathcal{M}\psi_-.$$

HO due to Linear Potential!

AdS/CFT and Hadron Formation in QCD

$$V = -\beta\kappa^2\zeta$$

Holographic Harmonic Oscillator Model: Baryons

$$(\alpha\Pi(\zeta) - \mathcal{M})\psi(\zeta) = 0,$$

$$\Pi_\nu(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 - \kappa^2 \zeta \gamma_5 \right)$$

$$\Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 + \kappa^2 \zeta \gamma_5 \right)$$

$$(H_{LF} - \mathcal{M}^2)\psi(\zeta) = 0, \quad H_{LF} = \Pi^\dagger \Pi$$

Uncoupled Schrodinger Equations

Harmonic Oscillator Potential!

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{1 - 4\nu^2}{4\zeta^2} - \kappa^4 \zeta^2 - 2(\nu + 1)\kappa^2 + \mathcal{M}^2 \right) \psi_+(\zeta) = 0,$$

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{1 - 4(\nu + 1)^2}{4\zeta^2} - \kappa^4 \zeta^2 - 2\nu\kappa^2 + \mathcal{M}^2 \right) \psi_-(\zeta) = 0,$$

Solution

$$\psi_+(\zeta) \sim z^{\frac{1}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^\nu(\kappa^2 \zeta^2),$$

$$\psi_-(\zeta) \sim z^{\frac{3}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^{\nu+1}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2),$$

Same eigenvalue!

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n + \nu + 1)$$

Holographic Baryon Spectrum

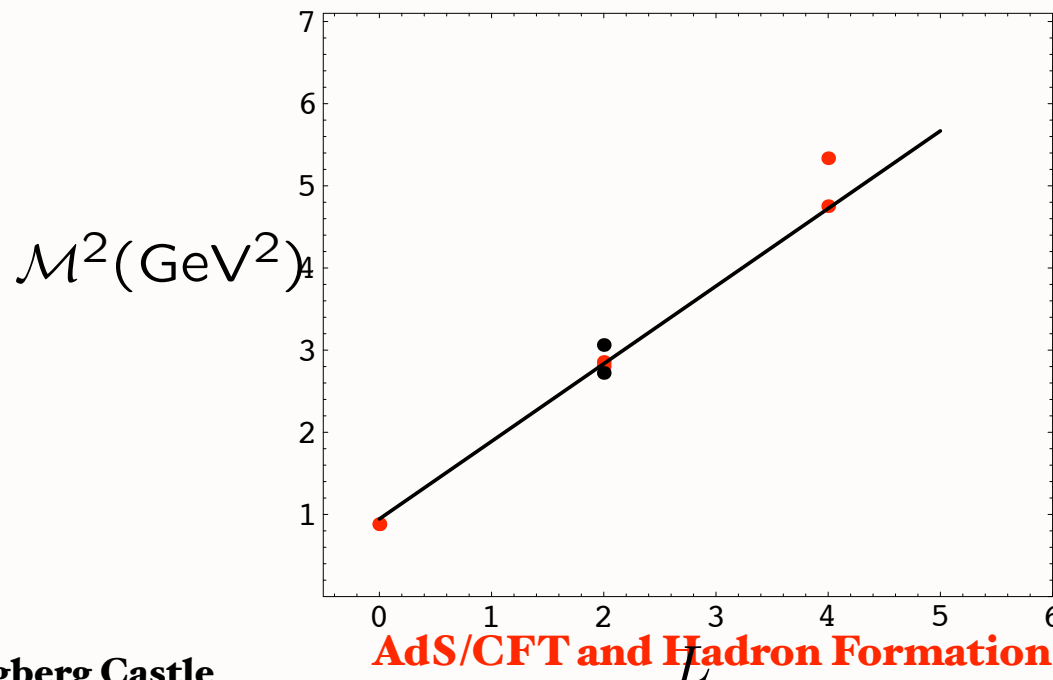
$$\psi(\zeta) = \kappa^{2+L} \sqrt{\frac{n!}{(n+L+2)!}} \zeta^{\frac{3}{2}+L} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} \left[L_n^{L+1}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2) u_+ + \frac{\kappa \zeta}{\sqrt{n+L+2}} L_n^{L+2}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2) u_- + \dots \right]$$

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n+L+2).$$

$$\mathcal{M}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^2 - 4\kappa^2,$$

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n+L+1).$$

Vacuum Energy Shift?



$J = L + 1/2$ Regge trajectory

$$\kappa \simeq 0.49 \text{ GeV}$$

Same slope in L and n

Hadronic Form Factor in Space and Time-Like Regions

- The form factor in AdS/QCD is the overlap of the normalizable modes dual to the incoming and outgoing hadron Φ_I and Φ_F and the non-normalizable mode J , dual to the external source (hadron spin σ):

$$\begin{aligned} F(Q^2)_{I \rightarrow F} &= R^{3+2\sigma} \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^{3+2\sigma}} e^{(3+2\sigma)A(z)} \Phi_F(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_I(z) \\ &\simeq R^{3+2\sigma} \int_0^{z_0} \frac{dz}{z^{3+2\sigma}} \Phi_F(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_I(z), \end{aligned}$$

- $J(Q, z)$ has the limiting value 1 at zero momentum transfer, $F(0) = 1$, and has as boundary limit the external current, $A^\mu = \epsilon^\mu e^{iQ \cdot x} J(Q, z)$. Thus:

$$\lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} J(Q, z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} J(Q, z) = 1.$$

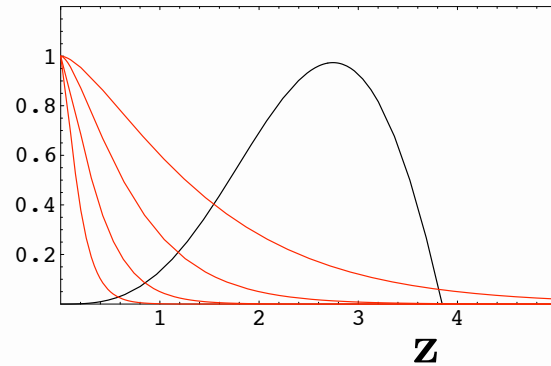
- Solution to the AdS Wave equation with boundary conditions at $Q = 0$ and $z \rightarrow 0$:

$$J(Q, z) = zQ K_1(zQ).$$

Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0209211; Hong, Yong and Strassler, hep-th/0409118.

- Propagation of external perturbation suppressed inside AdS.
- At large enough $Q \sim r/R^2$, the interaction occurs in the large- r conformal region. Important contribution to the FF integral from the boundary near $z \sim 1/Q$.

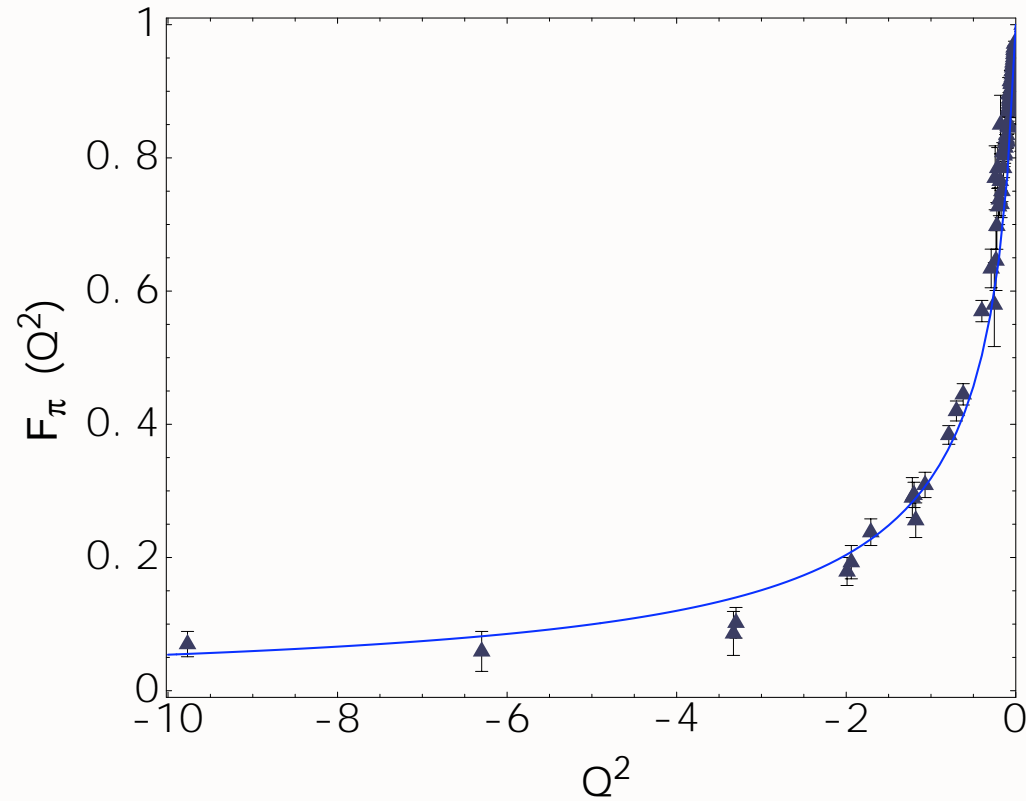
$\mathbf{J(Q, z), \Phi(z)}$



- Consider a specific AdS mode $\Phi^{(n)}$ dual to an n partonic Fock state $|n\rangle$. At small z , $\Phi^{(n)}$ scales as $\Phi^{(n)} \sim z^{\Delta_n}$. Thus:

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow \left[\frac{1}{Q^2} \right]^{\tau-1}, \quad \text{General result from AdS/CFT}$$

where $\tau = \Delta_n - \sigma_n$, $\sigma_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i$. The twist is equal to the number of partons, $\tau = n$.



Space-like pion form factor in holographic model for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.2$ GeV.

Data Compilation from Baldini, Kloe and Volmer

Example: Evaluation of QCD Matrix Elements

Pion decay constant f_π defined by the matrix element of EW current J_W^+ :

$$\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_u \gamma^+ (1 - \gamma_5) \psi_d | \pi^- \rangle = i\sqrt{2}P^+ f_\pi,$$

with

$$|\pi^-\rangle = |d\bar{u}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_C}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{c=1}^{N_C} \left(b_{c d\downarrow}^\dagger d_{c u\uparrow}^\dagger - b_{c d\uparrow}^\dagger d_{c u\downarrow}^\dagger \right) |0\rangle.$$

Use light-cone expression:

$$f_\pi = 2\sqrt{N_C} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2\vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{\bar{q}q/\pi}(x, k_\perp).$$

Lepage and Brodsky '80

Find:

$$f_\pi = \frac{\sqrt{3}\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{8J_1(\beta_{0,1})} = 83.4 \text{ Mev},$$

for $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.2 \text{ GeV}$ (fixed from the pion FF).

Experiment: $f_\pi = 92.4 \text{ Mev}$.

Pion Decay Constant in HO Model

$$\begin{aligned} f_\pi &= 2\sqrt{N_C} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2\vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{\bar{q}q/\pi}(x, \vec{k}_\perp) \\ &= 2\sqrt{N_C} \int_0^1 dx \phi(x, Q^2 \rightarrow \infty), \end{aligned}$$

$$\phi(x, Q^2) = \int \frac{d^2\vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi(x, \vec{k}_\perp)$$

$$\psi_{\bar{q}q/\pi}(x, \vec{k}_\perp) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{\vec{k}_\perp^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

$$f_\pi = \frac{\sqrt{3}\kappa}{8} = 86.6 \text{ MeV} \quad \kappa = 0.4 \text{ GeV}.$$

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$$f_\pi = 92.4 \text{ MeV}$$

Exp.

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^3} \Phi_{P'}(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_P(z).$$

$$\Phi(z) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\kappa}{R^{3/2}} z^2 e^{-\kappa^2 z^2/2}. \quad J(Q, z) = zQ K_1(zQ).$$

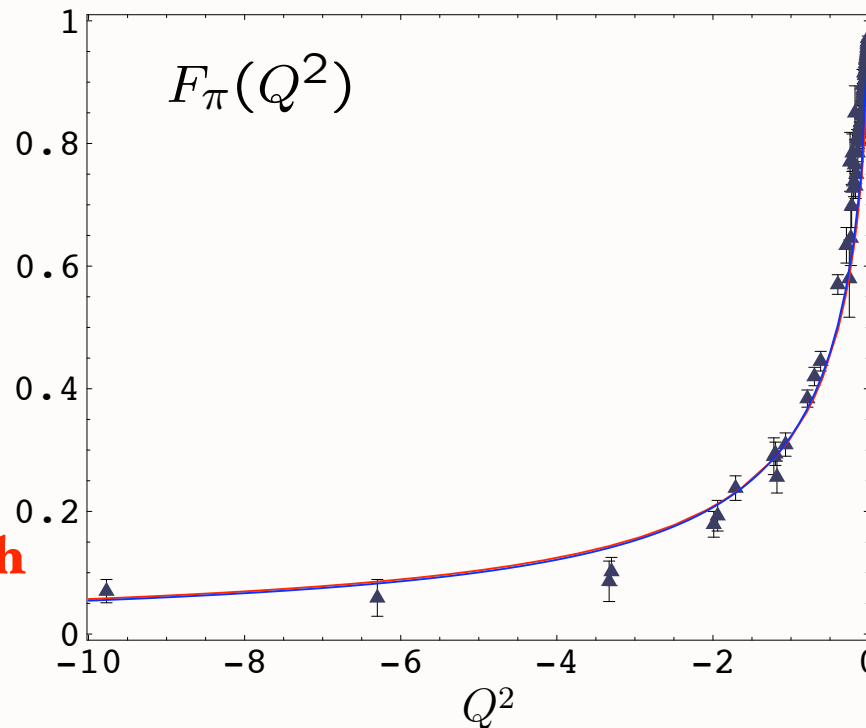
$$F(Q^2) = 1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2} \exp\left(\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) Ei\left(-\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) \quad Ei(-x) = \int_\infty^x e^{-t} \frac{dt}{t}.$$

*Space-like Pion
Form Factor*

$$\kappa = 0.4 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.2 \text{ GeV}.$$

**Identical Results for both
confinement models**



$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow \frac{4\kappa^2}{Q^2}$$

$$\kappa = 2\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

High Q^2 from
short distances

$$z^2 = \zeta^2 = b_\perp^2 x(1-x) = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{Q^2}\right)$$

Baryon Form Factors

- Coupling of the extended AdS mode with an external gauge field $A^\mu(x, z)$

$$ig_5 \int d^4x dz \sqrt{g} A_\mu(x, z) \bar{\Psi}(x, z) \gamma^\mu \Psi(x, z),$$

where

$$\Psi(x, z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} [\psi_+(z) u_+(P) + \psi_-(z) u_-(P)],$$

$$\psi_+(z) = C z^2 J_1(zM), \quad \psi_-(z) = C z^2 J_2(zM),$$

and

$$u(P)_\pm = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2} u(P).$$

$$\psi_+(z) \equiv \psi^\uparrow(z), \quad \psi_-(z) \equiv \psi^\downarrow(z),$$

the LC \pm spin projection along \hat{z} .

- Constant C determined by charge normalization:

$$C = \frac{\sqrt{2} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{R^{3/2} [-J_0(\beta_{1,1}) J_2(\beta_{1,1})]^{1/2}}.$$

Nucleon Form Factors

- Consider the spin non-flip form factors in the infinite wall approximation

$$F_+(Q^2) = g_+ R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) |\psi_+(z)|^2,$$

$$F_-(Q^2) = g_- R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) |\psi_-(z)|^2,$$

where the effective charges g_+ and g_- are determined from the spin-flavor structure of the theory.

- Choose the struck quark to have $S^z = +1/2$. The two AdS solutions $\psi_+(z)$ and $\psi_-(z)$ correspond to nucleons with $J^z = +1/2$ and $-1/2$.
- For $SU(6)$ spin-flavor symmetry

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) |\psi_+(z)|^2,$$

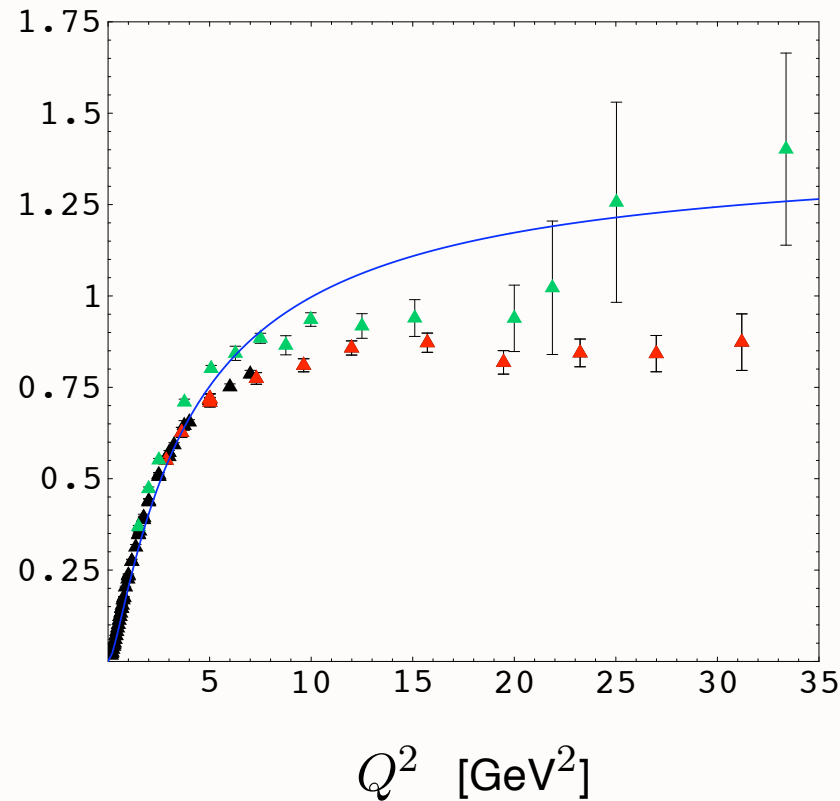
$$F_1^n(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{3} R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) [|\psi_+(z)|^2 - |\psi_-(z)|^2],$$

where $F_1^p(0) = 1$, $F_1^n(0) = 0$.

- Large Q power scaling: $F_1(Q^2) \rightarrow [1/Q^2]^2$.

Dirac Proton Form Factor (Valence Approximation)

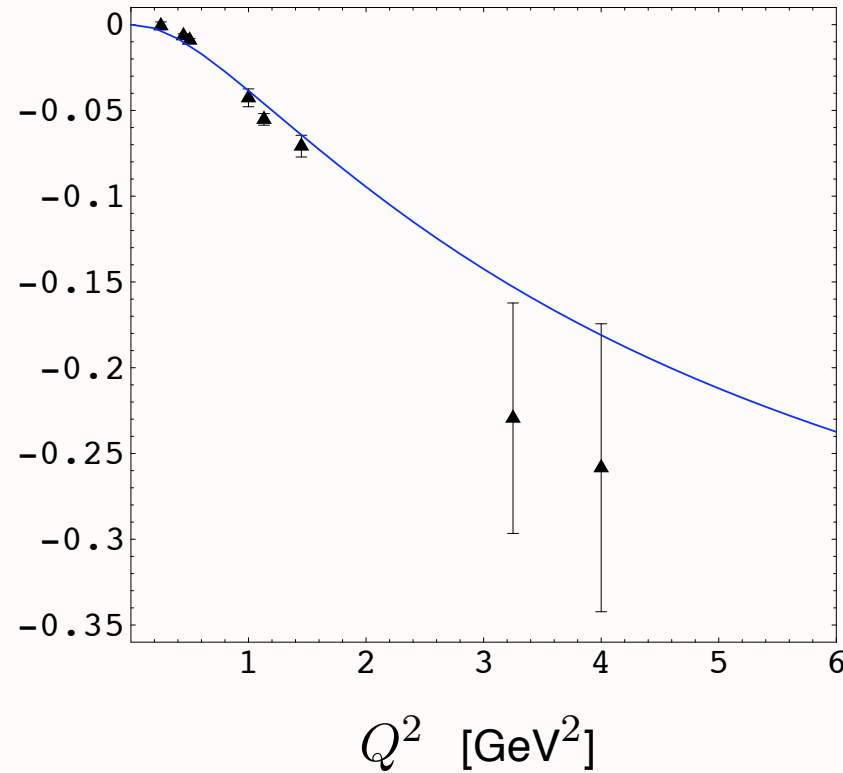
$$Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2) \text{ [GeV}^4\text{]}$$



Prediction for $Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2)$ for $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.21$ GeV in the hard wall approximation. Analysis of the data is from Diehl (2005). Red points are from Sill (1993). Superimposed Green points are from Kirk (1973).

Dirac Neutron Form Factor (Valence Approximation)

$$Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2) \text{ [GeV}^4\text{]}$$



Prediction for $Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2)$ for $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.21$ GeV in the hard wall approximation. Data analysis from Diehl (2005).

Holographic Model for QCD Light-Front Wavefunctions

- Drell-Yan-West form factor

$$F(q^2) = \sum_q e_q \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{P'}^*(x, \vec{k}_\perp - x\vec{q}_\perp) \psi_P(x, \vec{k}_\perp).$$

- Fourier transform to impact parameter space \vec{b}_\perp

$$\psi(x, \vec{k}_\perp) = \sqrt{4\pi} \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp e^{i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{k}_\perp} \tilde{\psi}(x, \vec{b}_\perp)$$

- Find ($b = |\vec{b}_\perp|$):

$$\begin{aligned} F(q^2) &= \int_0^1 dx \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp e^{ix\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} |\tilde{\psi}(x, b)|^2 \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^1 dx \int_0^\infty b db J_0(bqx) |\tilde{\psi}(x, b)|^2, \end{aligned}$$

Soper

Identical DYW and AdS₅ Formulae: Two parton case

- Change the integration variable $\zeta = |\vec{b}_\perp| \sqrt{x(1-x)}$

$$F(Q^2) = 2\pi \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x(1-x)} \int_0^{\zeta_{max} = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}} \zeta d\zeta J_0 \left(\frac{\zeta Q x}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}} \right) |\tilde{\psi}(x, \zeta)|^2,$$

- Compare with AdS form factor for arbitrary Q . Find:

$$J(Q, \zeta) = \int_0^1 dx J_0 \left(\frac{\zeta Q x}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}} \right) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q),$$

the solution for the electromagnetic potential in AdS space, and

$$\tilde{\psi}(x, \vec{b}_\perp) = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}{\sqrt{\pi} J_1(\beta_{0,1})} \sqrt{x(1-x)} J_0 \left(\sqrt{x(1-x)} |\vec{b}_\perp| \beta_{0,1} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \right) \theta \left(\vec{b}_\perp^2 \leq \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-2}}{x(1-x)} \right)$$

the holographic LFWF for the valence Fock state of the pion $\psi_{\bar{q}q/\pi}$.

- The variable ζ , $0 \leq \zeta \leq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}$, represents the scale of the invariant separation between quarks and is also the holographic coordinate $\zeta = z$!

- Define effective single particle transverse density by (Soper, Phys. Rev. D **15**, 1141 (1977))

$$F(q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \int d^2\vec{\eta}_\perp e^{i\vec{\eta}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} \tilde{\rho}(x, \vec{\eta}_\perp)$$

- From DYW expression for the FF in transverse position space:

$$\tilde{\rho}(x, \vec{\eta}_\perp) = \sum_n \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \int dx_j d^2\vec{b}_{\perp j} \delta(1 - x - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j) \delta^{(2)}(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j} - \vec{\eta}_\perp) |\psi_n(x_j, \vec{b}_{\perp j})|^2$$

- Compare with the the form factor in AdS space for arbitrary Q :

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{3A(z)} \Phi_{P'}(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_P(z)$$

- Holographic variable z is expressed in terms of the average transverse separation distance of the spectator constituents $\vec{\eta} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j}$

$$z = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j} \right|$$

General n -parton case

- Form factor in AdS is the overlap of normalizable modes dual to the incoming and outgoing hadrons Φ_P and $\Phi_{P'}$ with the non-normalizable mode $J(Q, z)$ dual to the external source

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{3A(z)} \Phi_{P'}(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_P(z).$$

Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0209211

- Integrate Soper formula over angles:

$$F(q^2) = 2\pi \int_0^1 dx \frac{(1-x)}{x} \int \zeta d\zeta J_0 \left(\zeta q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) \tilde{\rho}(x, \zeta).$$

- Transversality variable

$$\zeta = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \mathbf{b}_{\perp j} \right|.$$

- Compare AdS and QCD expressions of FFs for arbitrary Q using identity:

$$\int_0^1 dx J_0 \left(\zeta Q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q),$$

the solution for $J(Q, \zeta)$!

Mapping between $LF(3+1)$ and AdS_5

$LF(3+1)$

AdS_5

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

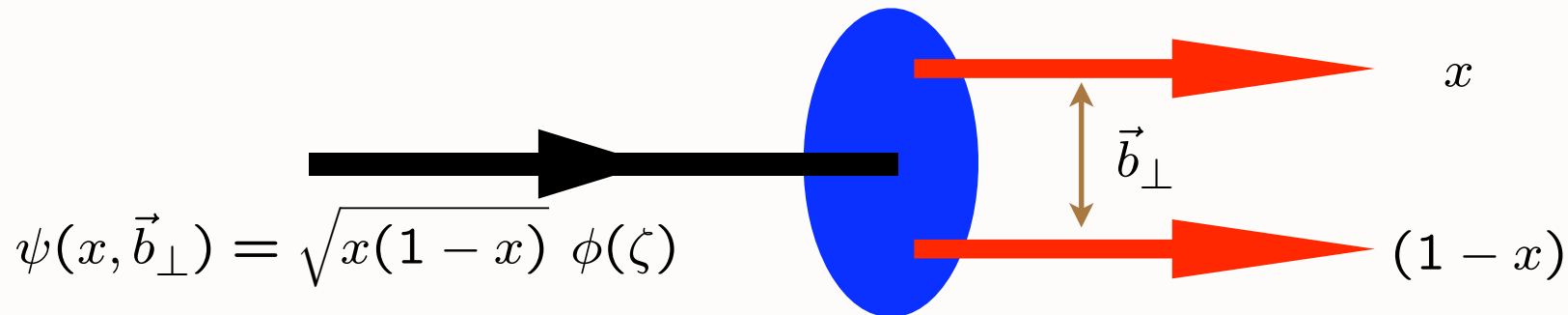


$$\phi(z)$$

$$\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \vec{b}_\perp^2$$



$$z$$



Holography: Map AdS/CFT to 3+1 LF Theory

Relativistic radial equation:

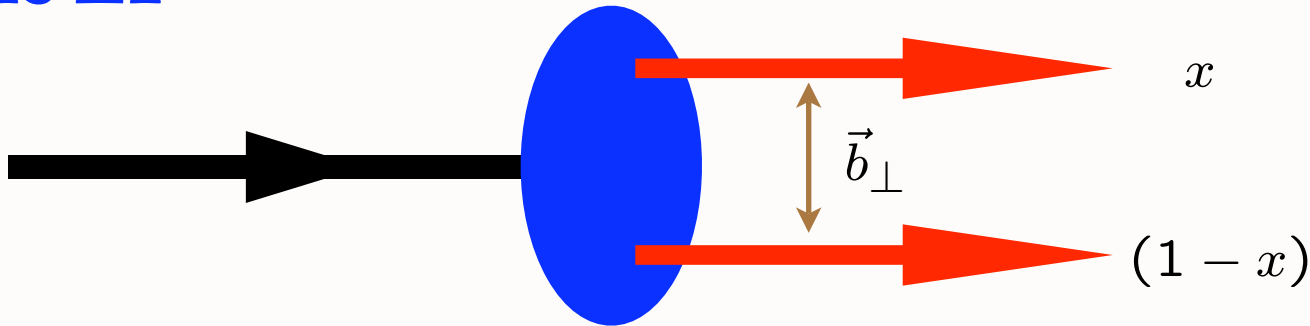
Frame Independent

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

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radial variable
on the LF

$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2.$$



Effective conformal
potential:

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Map AdS/CFT to 3+1 LF Theory

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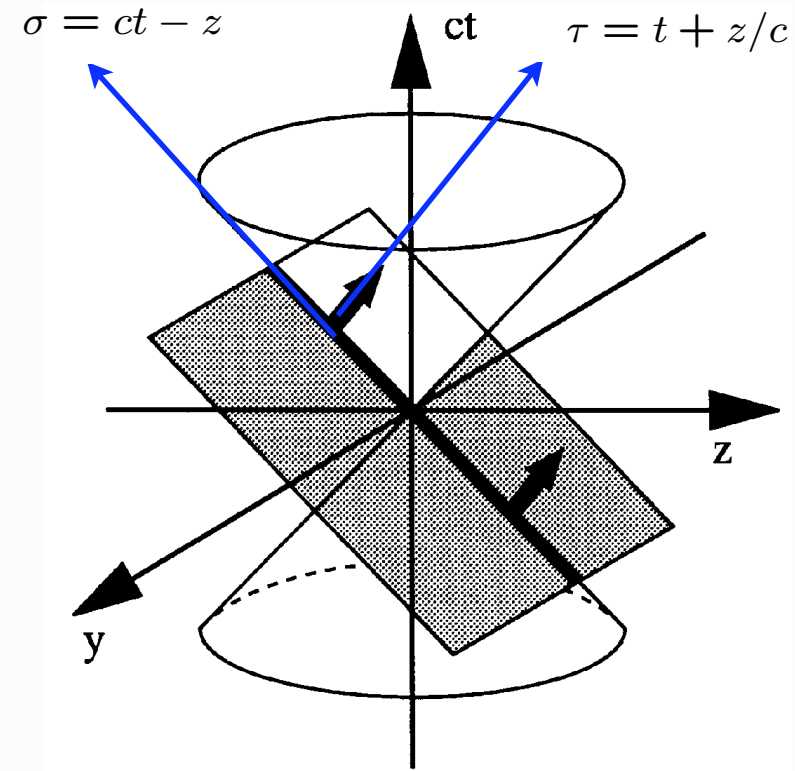
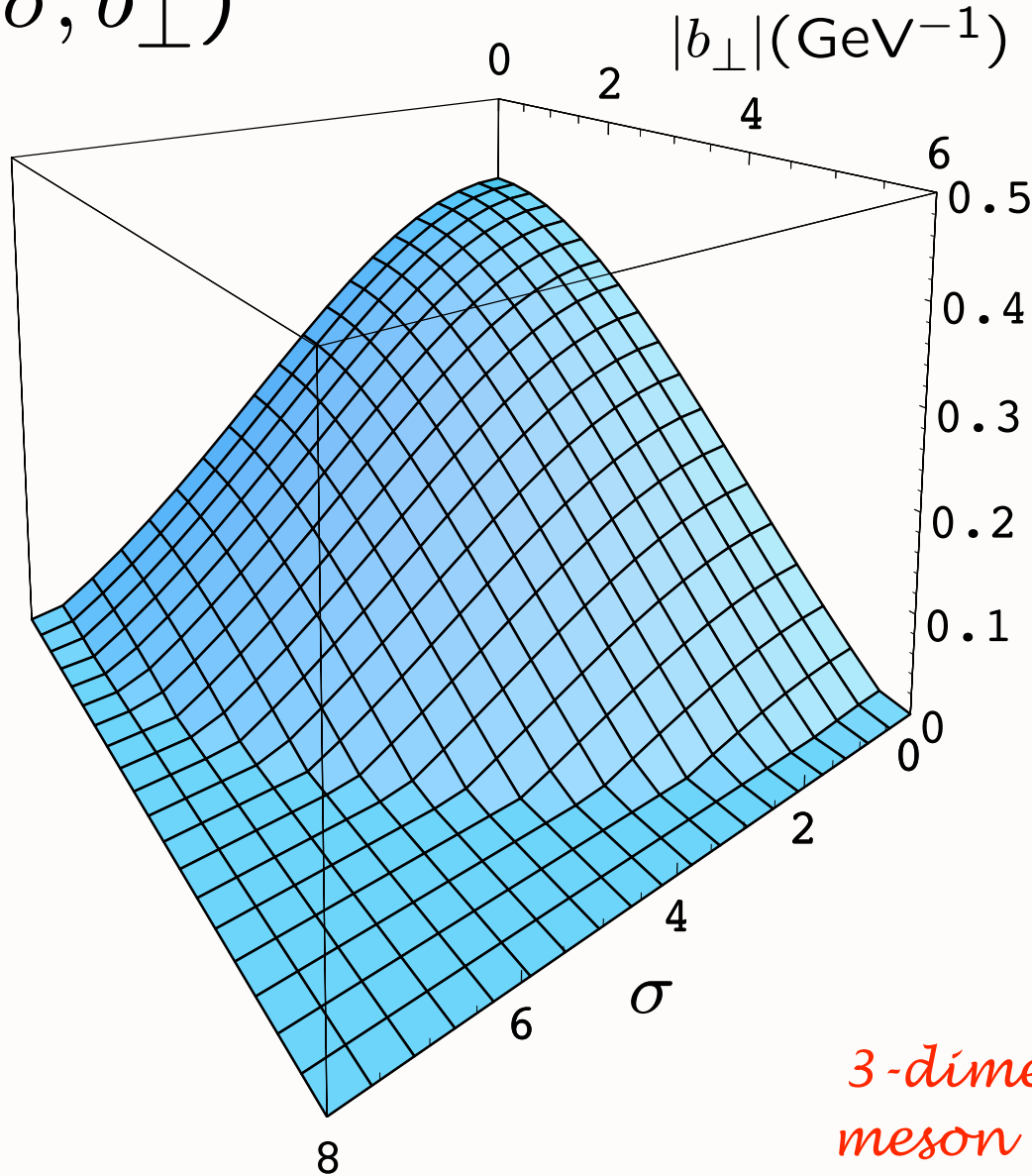
$$\tilde{\psi}_{L,k}(x, \vec{b}_\perp) = B_{L,k} \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

$$J_L \left(\sqrt{x(1-x)} |\vec{b}_\perp| \beta_{L,k} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \right) \theta \left(\vec{b}_\perp^2 \leq \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-2}}{x(1-x)} \right),$$

AdS/CFT Holographic Model

G. de Teramond
SJB

$$\psi(\sigma, b_{\perp})$$



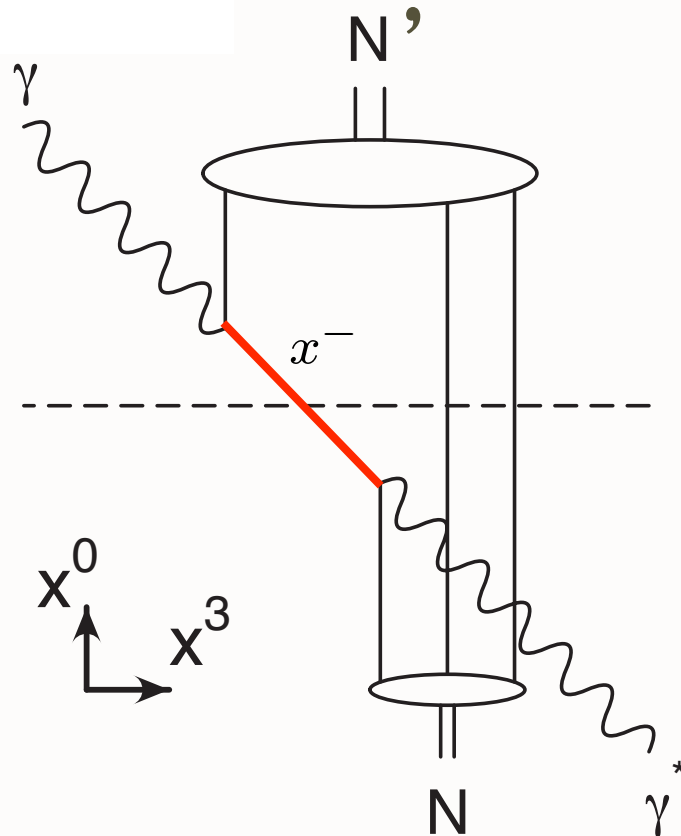
The front form

*3-dimensional photograph:
meson LFWF at fixed LF Time*

Space-time picture of DVCS

P. Hoyer

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}x^- P^+$$



$$x^+ = \mathbf{x}_\perp = 0)$$

The position of the struck quark differs by x^- in the two wave functions

**Measure x^- distribution from DVCS:
Use Fourier transform of skewness,
the longitudinal momentum transfer**

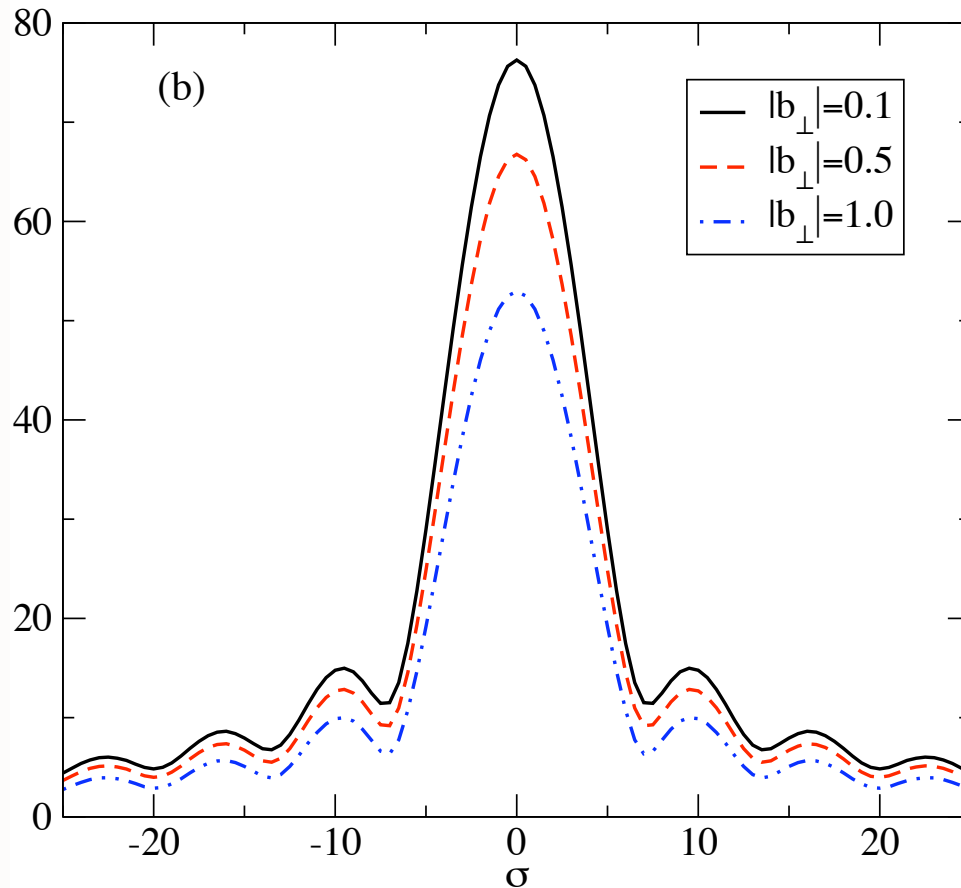
$$\zeta = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$

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Hadron Optics

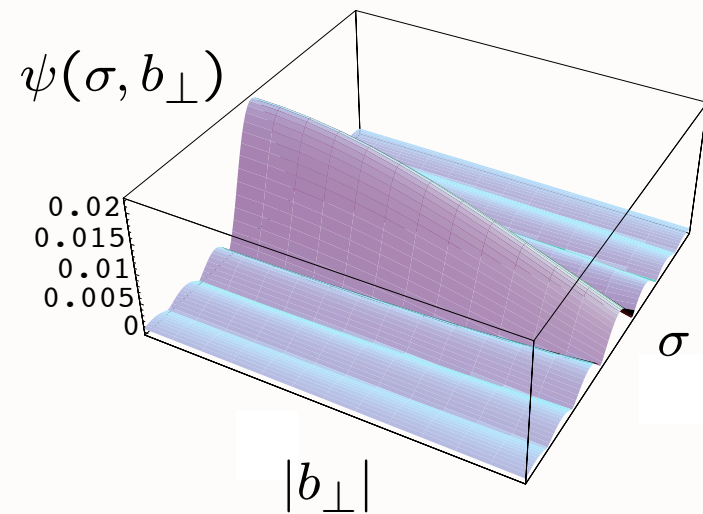
$$A(\sigma, b_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\zeta e^{i\sigma\zeta} \tilde{A}(b_{\perp}, \zeta)$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}x^{-}P^{+} \quad \zeta = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$



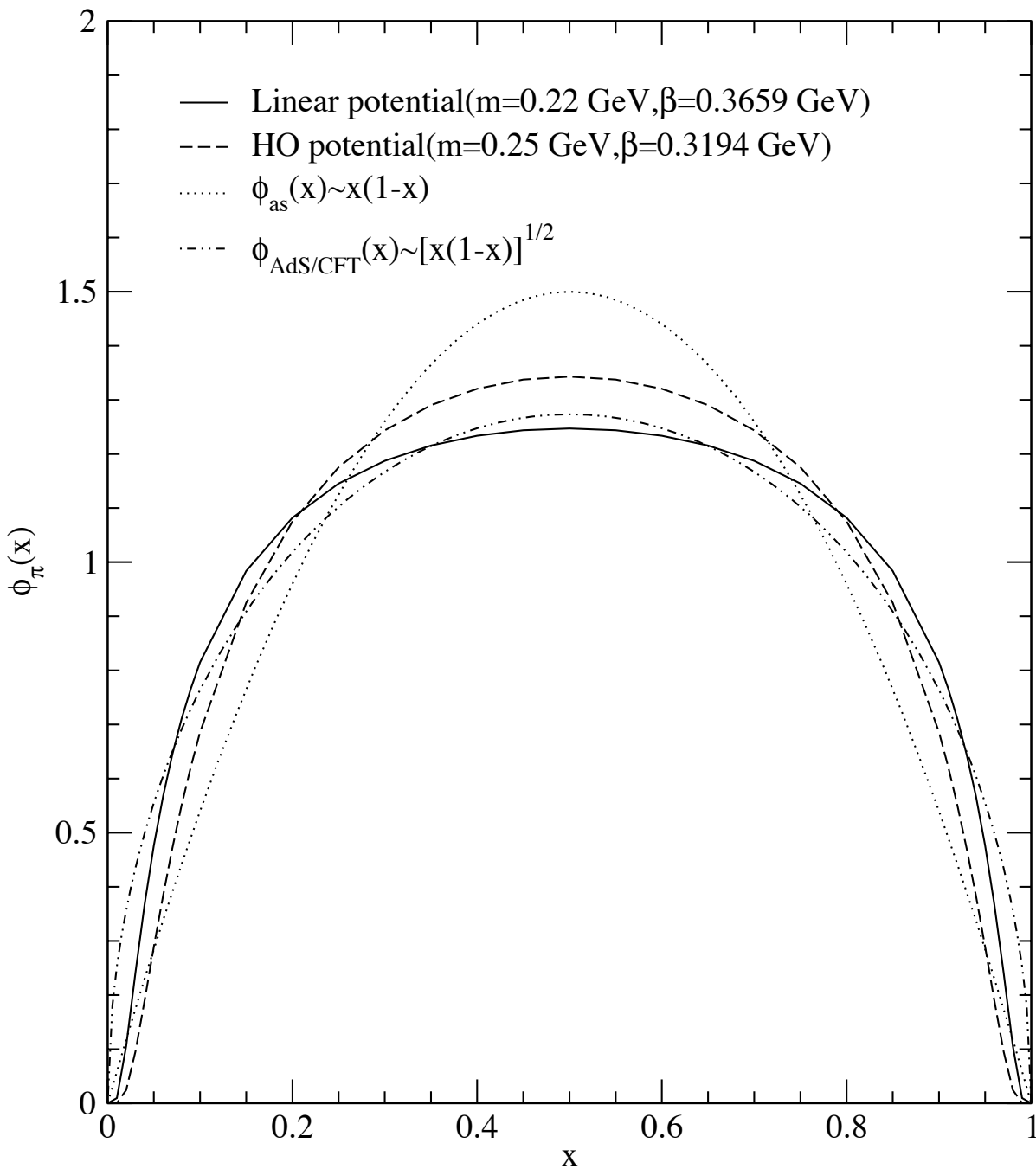
**DVCS Amplitude using
holographic QCD meson LFWF**

$$\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$$



The Fourier Spectrum of the DVCS amplitude in σ space for different fixed values of $|b_{\perp}|$.
GeV units

AdS/CFT and Hadron Formation in QCD



AdS/CFT:

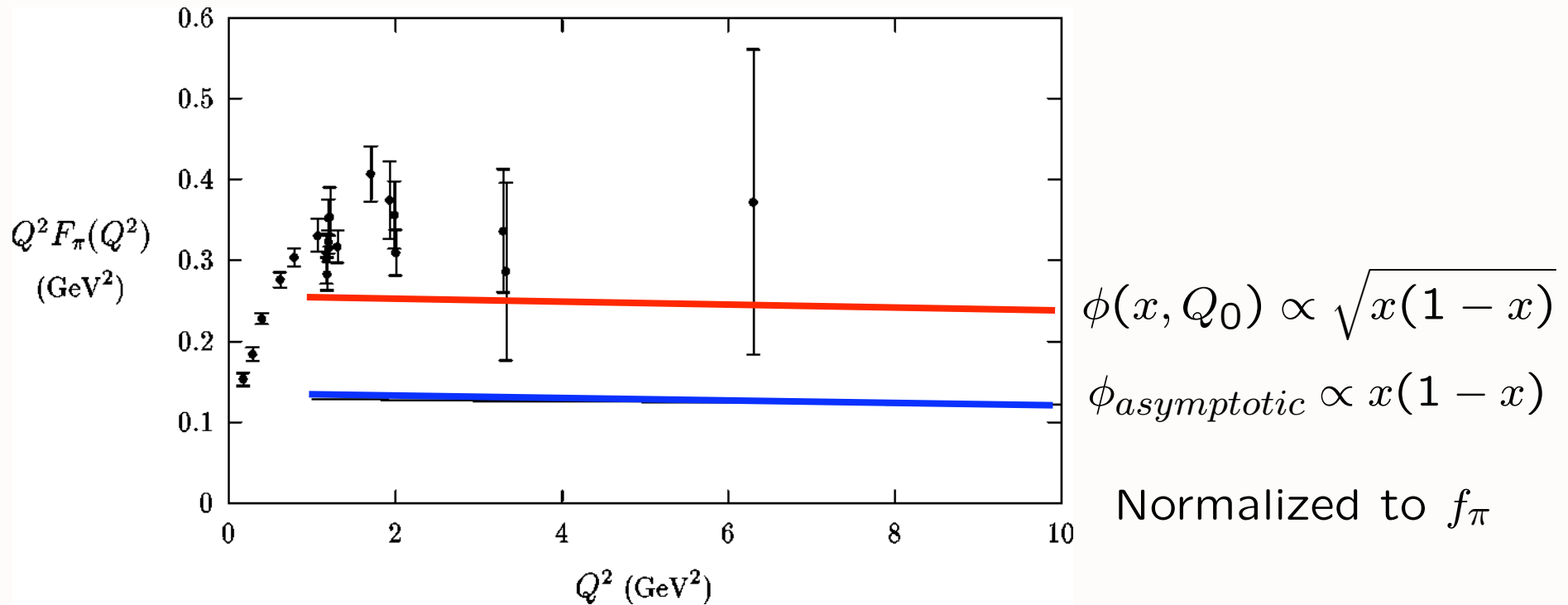
$$\phi(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

Increases PQCD leading twist prediction for $F_\pi(Q^2)$ by factor 16/9

nQCD

Stan Brodsky, SLAC

$$F_{\pi}(Q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \phi_{\pi}(x) \int_0^1 dy \phi_{\pi}(y) \frac{16\pi C_F \alpha_V(Q_V)}{(1-x)(1-y)Q^2}$$

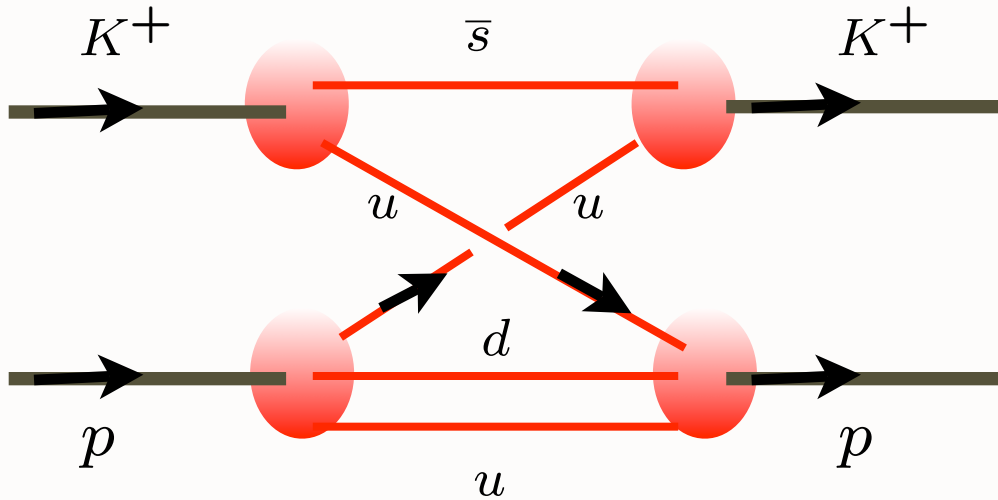


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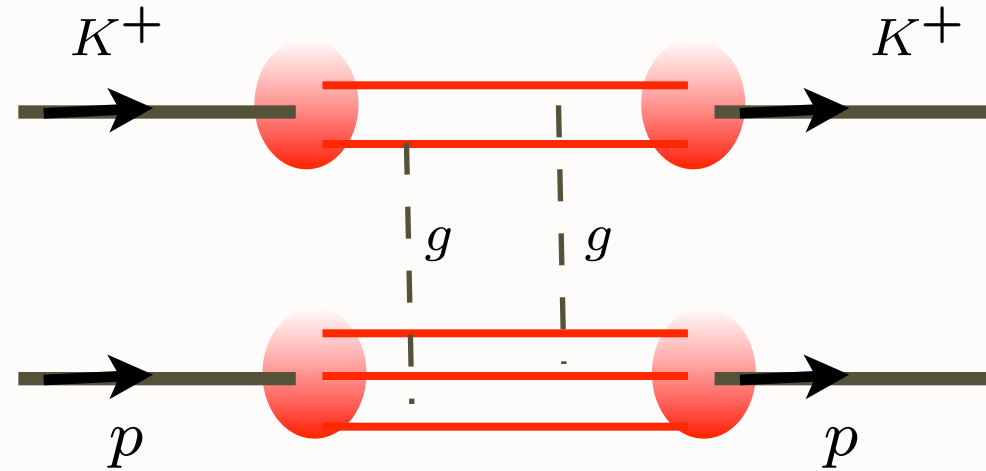
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New Perspectives for QCD from AdS/CFT

- LFWFs: Fundamental frame-independent description of hadrons at amplitude level
- Holographic Model from AdS/CFT : Confinement at large distances and conformal behavior at short distances
- Model for LFWFs, meson and baryon spectra: many applications!
- New basis for diagonalizing Light-Front Hamiltonian
- Physics similar to MIT bag model, but covariant. No problem with support $0 < x < 1$.
- Quark Interchange dominant force at short distances



*Quark Interchange
(Spin exchange in atom-atom scattering)*



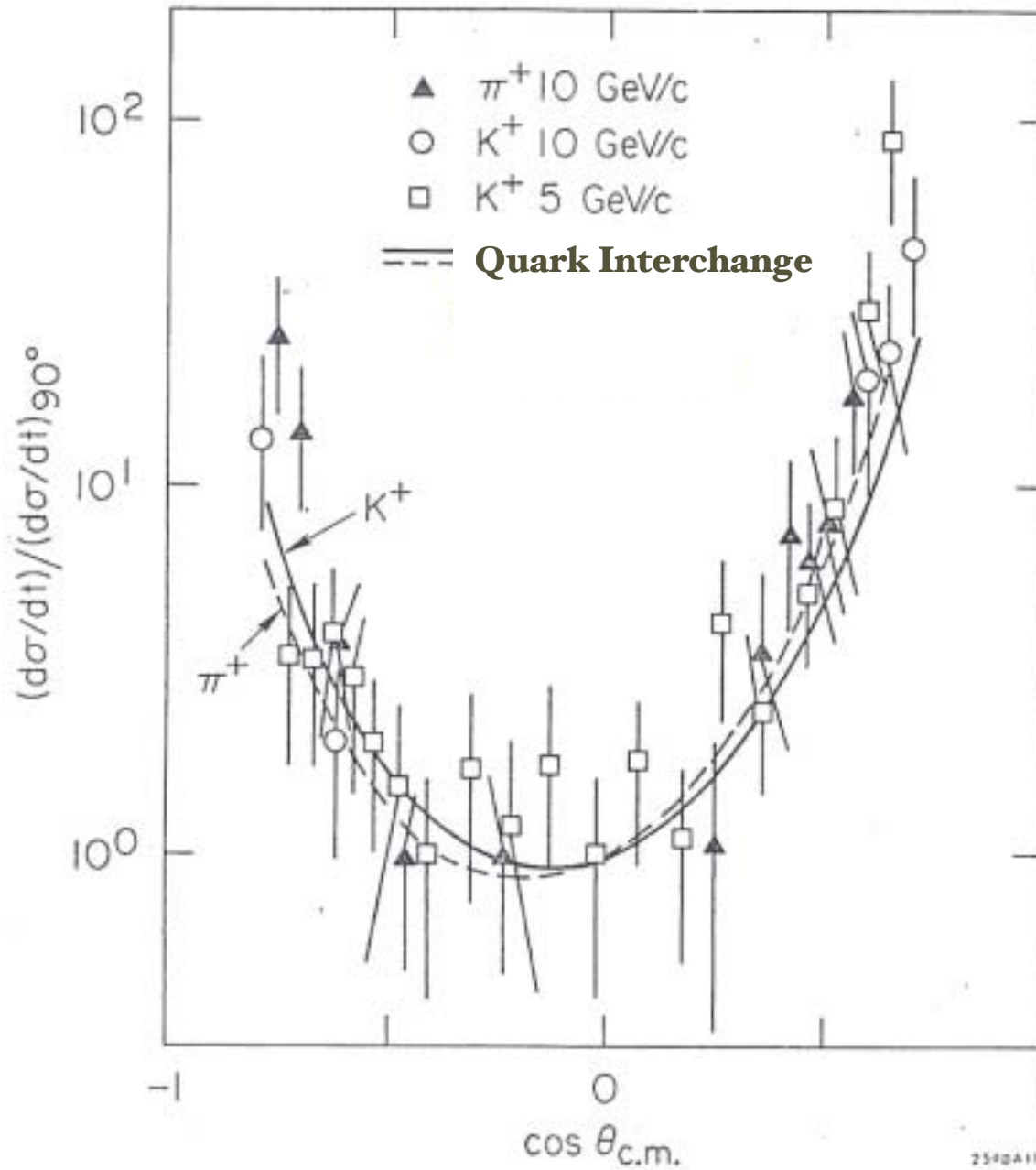
*Gluon Exchange
(Van der Waal -- Landshoff)*

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{|M(s,t)|^2}{s^2}$$

$$M(t, u)_{\text{interchange}} \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$$

$$M(s, t)_{\text{gluonexchange}} \propto sF(t)$$

*MIT Bag Model (de Tar), large N_c , ('t Hooft), AdS/CFT
all predict dominance of quark interchange:*



AdS/CFT explains why quark interchange is dominant interaction at high momentum transfer in exclusive reactions

$$M(t, u)_{\text{interchange}} \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$$

Non-linear Regge behavior:

$$\alpha_R(t) \rightarrow -1$$

Why is quark-interchange dominant over gluon exchange?

Example: $M(K^+ p \rightarrow K^+ p) \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$

Exchange of common u quark

$$M_{QIM} = \int d^2k_{\perp} dx \psi_C^{\dagger} \psi_D^{\dagger} \Delta \psi_A \psi_B$$

Holographic model (Classical level):

Hadrons enter 5th dimension of AdS_5

Quarks travel freely within cavity as long as separation $z < z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$

LFWFs obey conformal symmetry producing quark counting rules.

Comparison of Exclusive Reactions at Large t

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Cross sections or upper limits are reported for twelve meson-baryon and two baryon-baryon reactions for an incident momentum of 9.9 GeV/c, near 90° c.m.: $\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\pi^\pm, p\rho^\pm, \pi^+\Delta^\pm, K^+\Sigma^\pm, (\Lambda^0/\Sigma^0)K^0, K^\pm p \rightarrow pK^\pm; p^\pm p \rightarrow pp^\pm$. By studying the flavor dependence of the different reactions, we have been able to isolate the quark-interchange mechanism as dominant over gluon exchange and quark-antiquark annihilation.

$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\pi^\pm,$$

$$K^\pm p \rightarrow pK^\pm,$$

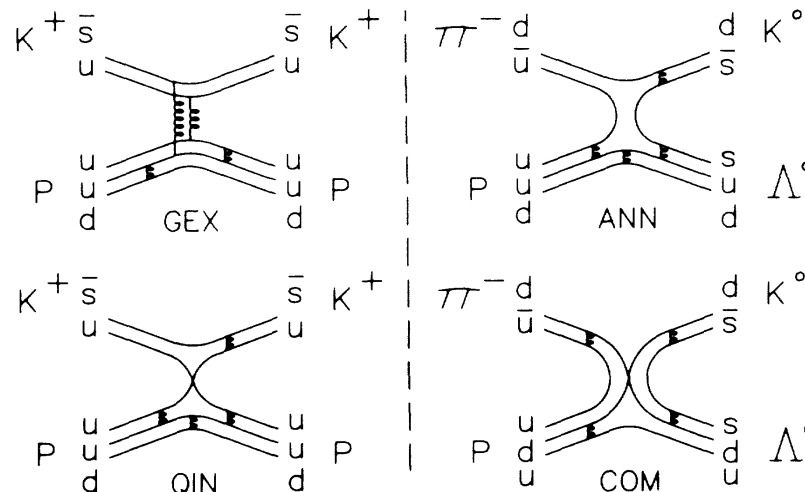
$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\rho^\pm,$$

$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow \pi^+\Delta^\pm,$$

$$\pi^\pm p \rightarrow K^+\Sigma^\pm,$$

$$\pi^- p \rightarrow \Lambda^0 K^0, \Sigma^0 K^0,$$

$$p^\pm p \rightarrow pp^\pm.$$



Features of Light-Front Formalism

- *Hidden Color* Of Nuclear Wavefunction
- *Color Transparency, Opaqueness*
- Simple proof of Factorization theorems for hard processes (Lepage, sjb)
- *Direct mapping to AdS/CFT* (de Teramond, sjb)
- New Effective LF Equations (de Teramond, sjb)
- Light-Front Amplitude Generator

Applications of Light-Front Wavefunctions

- Exact formulae for form factors, quark and gluon distributions; vanishing anomalous gravitational moment; edm connection to anm
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering, generalized parton distributions, angular momentum sum rules
- Exclusive weak decay amplitudes
- Single spin asymmetries: Role of ISI and FSI
- Factorization theorems, DGLAP, BFKL, ERBL Evolution
- Quark interchange amplitude
- Relation of spin, momentum, and other distributions to physics of the hadron itself.

AdS/CFT and QCD

*Mapping of Poincare' and
Conformal $SO(4,2)$ symmetries of
 $3+1$ space to AdS_5 space*

- Representation of Semi-Classical QCD
- Confinement at Long Distances and Conformal Behavior at short distances
- Non-Perturbative Derivation of Dimensional Counting Rules
- Hadron Spectra, Regge Trajectories, Light-Front Wavefunctions; QCD at the amplitude level
- Goal: A first approximant to physical QCD

*Use AdS/CFT orthonormal LFWFs
as a basis for diagonalizing
the QCD LF Hamiltonian*

- Good initial approximant
- Better than plane wave basis
- DLCQ discretization -- highly successful I+I
- Use independent HO LFWFs, remove CM motion
- Similar to Shell Model calculations

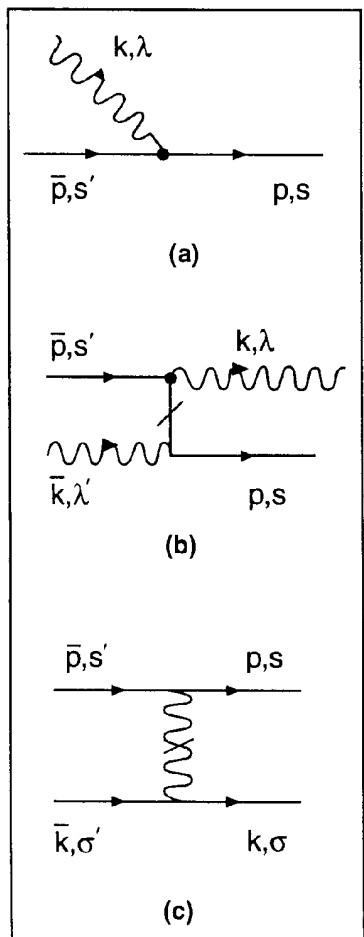
Vary, Harinandrath, sjb

Light-Front QCD Heisenberg Equation

$$H_{LC}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

DLCQ

n	Sector	1 q \bar{q}	2 gg	3 q \bar{q} g	4 q \bar{q} q \bar{q}	5 gg g	6 q \bar{q} gg	7 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} g	8 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q}	9 gg gg	10 q \bar{q} gg g	11 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} gg	12 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q} g	13 q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q} q \bar{q}
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Use AdS/QCD basis functions

Pauli, Pinsky, sjb

AdS/CFT and Hadron Formation in QCD

AdS/QCD

- New initial approximation to QCD based on conformal invariance, and confinement
- Underlying principle: Semi-Classical QCD
- AdS₅: Mathematical representation of conformal gauge theory
- Chiral symmetry, heavy quark masses
R. Apera, J. Erdmenger, D. Lust, C. Seig, hep-th/0610276
- Systematically improve using DLCQ
- Successes: Hadron spectra, LFWFs, dynamics
- QCD at the Amplitude Level

Outlook

- Only one scale Λ_{QCD} determines hadronic spectrum (slightly different for mesons and baryons).
- Ratio of Nucleon to Delta trajectories determined by zeroes of Bessel functions.
- String modes dual to baryons extrapolate to three fermion fields at zero separation in the AdS boundary.
- Only dimension $3, \frac{9}{2}$ and 4 states $\bar{q}q, qqq$, and gg appear in the duality at the classical level!
- Non-zero orbital angular momentum and higher Fock-states require introduction of quantum fluctuations.
- Simple description of space and time-like structure of hadronic form factors.
- Dominance of quark-interchange in hard exclusive processes emerges naturally from the classical duality of the holographic model. Modified by gluonic quantum fluctuations.
- Covariant version of the bag model with confinement and conformal symmetry.

AdS/CFT and QCD

Bottom-Up Approach

- Nonperturbative derivation of dimensional counting rules of hard exclusive glueball scattering for gauge theories with mass gap dual to string theories in warped space:

Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0109174.

- Deep inelastic structure functions at small x :

Polchinski and Strassler, hep-th/0209211.

- Derivation of power falloff of hadronic light-front Fock wave functions, including orbital angular momentum, matching short distance behavior with string modes at AdS boundary:

Brodsky and de Téramond, hep-th/0310227. [E. van Beveren and Rupp, hep-th 0610199](#)

- Low lying hadron spectra, chiral symmetry breaking and hadron couplings in AdS/QCD:

Boschi-Filho and Braga, hep-th/0212207; de Téramond and Brodsky, hep-th/0501022; Erlich, Katz, Son and Stephanov, hep-ph/0501128; Hong, Yong and Strassler, hep-th/0501197; Da Rold and Pomarol, hep-ph/0501218; Hirn and Sanz, hep-ph/0507049; Boschi-Filho, Braga and Carrion, arXiv:hep-th/0507063; Katz, Lewandowski and Schwartz, arXiv:hep-ph/0510388.

[R. Apreda, J. Erdmenger, D. Lust, C. Seig, hep-th/0610276](#)

- Gluonium spectrum (top-bottom):

Csaki, Ooguri, Oz and Terning, hep-th/9806021; de Mello Kock, Jevicki, Mihailescu and Nuñez, hep-th/9806125; Csaki, Oz, Russo and Terning, hep-th/9810186; Minahan, hep-th/9811156; Brower, Mathur and Tan, hep-th/0003115, Caceres and Nuñez, hep-th/0506051.

- D3/D7 branes (top-bottom):

Karch and Katz, hep-th/0205236; Karch, Katz and Weiner, hep-th/0211107; Kruczenski, Mateos, Myers and Winters, hep-th/0311270; Sakai and Sonnenschein, hep-th/0305049; Babington, Erdmenger, Evans, Guralnik and Kirsch, hep-th/0312263; Nuñez, Paredes and Ramallo, hep-th/0311201; Hong, Yoon and Strassler, hep-th/0312071; hep-th/0409118; Kruczenski, Pando Zayas, Sonnenschein and Vaman, hep-th/0410035; Sakai and Sugimoto, hep-th/0412141; Paredes and Talavera, hep-th/0412260; Kirsh and Vaman, hep-th/0505164; Apreda, Erdmenger and Evans, hep-th/0509219; Casero, Paredes and Sonnenschein, hep-th/0510110.

- Other aspects of high energy scattering in warped spaces:

Giddings, hep-th/0203004; Andreev and Siegel, hep-th/0410131; Siopsis, hep-th/0503245.

- Strongly coupled quark-gluon plasma ($\eta/s = 1/4\pi$):

Policastro, Son and Starinets, hep-th/0104066; Kang and Nastase, hep-th/0410173 ...

A Theory of Everything Takes Place

String theorists have broken an impasse and may be on their way to converting this mathematical structure -- physicists' best hope for unifying gravity and quantum theory -- into a single coherent theory.

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