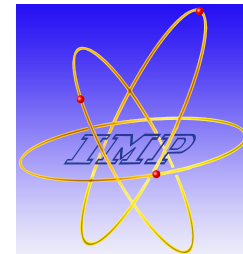


Positronium on the Light-front

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- Light-front Dynamics & Basis Light-front Quantization
- Positronium
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 - Nonperturbative renormalization
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- Heavy quarkonium
 - Developments based on the positronium project
 - Numerical Results
- Summary and Outlook

Why Positronium

Positronium is a test bed for

- Relativistic bound state structure **beyond** leading Fock-sector
 $|\text{Ps}\rangle = a|e\bar{e}\rangle + b|e\bar{e}\gamma\rangle + c|\gamma\rangle + d|e\bar{e}e\bar{e}\rangle + \dots$
- Basis Light-front Quantization on first-principle of QED, esp., **nonperturbative renormalization** procedure
- Connection with **one-photon-exchange effective theory**

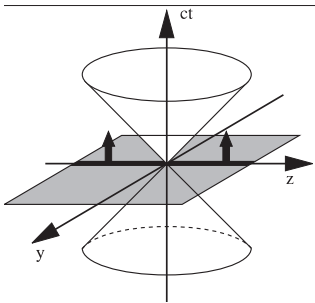
[Wiecki, et al, 2015]

Light-front Quantization

[Dirac, 1949]

Equal time quantization

$$t \equiv x^0$$



$$x^1, x^2, x^3$$

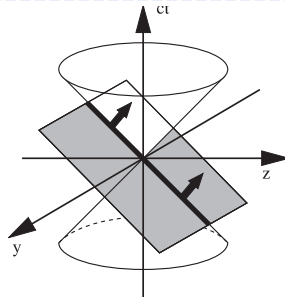
$$P^0, \vec{P}$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\varphi(t)\rangle = H |\varphi(t)\rangle$$

$$P^0 = \sqrt{m^2 + \vec{P}^2}$$

Light-front quantization

$$t \equiv x^+ = x^0 + x^3$$



$$x^- = x^0 - x^3, \\ x^\perp = x^{1,2}$$

$$P^- = P^0 - P^3, \\ P^+ = P^0 + P^3, P^\perp = P^{1,2}$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^+} |\varphi(x^+)\rangle = \frac{1}{2} P^- |\varphi(x^+)\rangle$$

$$P^- = \frac{m^2 + P_\perp^2}{P^+}$$

- not just a coordinate transformation.
- a new theory in a different quantization.

Why go to light front?

- Frame independent wavefunction
- Simple vacuum structure
- Boost invariant
- No square root in Hamiltonian P^-

Basis Light-front Quantization

[Vary et al, 2008]

- Nonperturbative eigenvalue problem

$$P^- |\beta\rangle = P_\beta^- |\beta\rangle$$

- P^- : light-front Hamiltonian
- $|\beta\rangle$: mass eigenstate
- P_β^- : eigenvalue for $|\beta\rangle$

See James Vary's talk on Thu

See Chandan Mondal's talk on Wed

- Evaluate observables for eigenstate

$$O \equiv \langle \beta | \hat{O} | \beta \rangle$$

- Fock sector expansion

- Eg. $|\mathbf{P}_s\rangle = a|e\bar{e}\rangle + b|e\bar{e}\gamma\rangle + c|\gamma\rangle + d|e\bar{e}e\bar{e}\rangle + \dots$

- Discretized basis

- Transverse: 2D harmonic oscillator basis: $\Phi_{n,m}^b(\vec{p}_\perp)$.
- Longitudinal: plane-wave basis, labeled by k .
- Basis truncation:

$$\sum_i (2n_i + |m_i| + 1) \leq N_{max},$$
$$\sum_i k_i = K.$$

N_{max}, K are basis truncation parameters.

Large N_{max} and K : High UV cutoff & low IR cutoff

Light-front QED Hamiltonian

- QED Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\Psi}(i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m_e)\Psi$

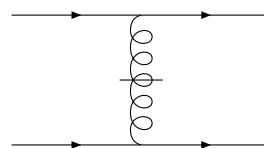
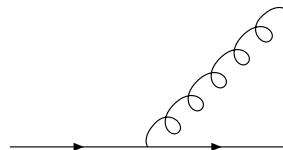
- Light-front QED Hamiltonian from standard Legendre transformation

$$P^- = \int d^2x^\perp dx^- F^{\mu+} \partial_+ A_\mu + i\bar{\Psi}\gamma^+ \partial_+ \Psi - \mathcal{L} \quad \text{Light-cone gauge: } (A^+ = 0)$$

$$= \int d^2x^\perp dx^- \frac{1}{2}\bar{\Psi}\gamma^+ \frac{m_e^2 + (i\partial^\perp)^2}{i\partial^+} \Psi + \frac{1}{2}A^j (i\partial^\perp)^2 A^j$$

kinetic energy terms

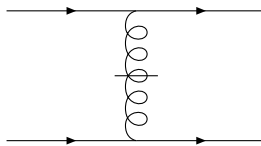
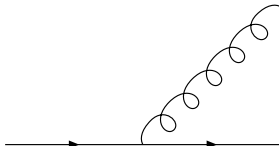
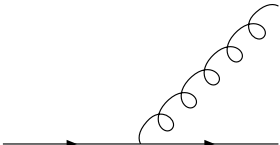
$$+ \underbrace{e j^\mu A_\mu}_{\text{vertex interaction}} + \frac{e^2}{2} \underbrace{j^+ \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} j^+}_{\text{instantaneous photon interaction}}$$



Interaction Part Of Hamiltonian

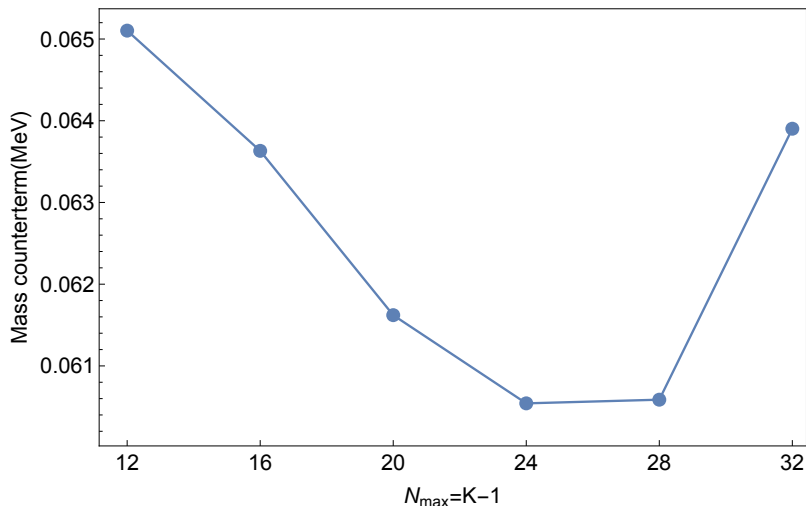
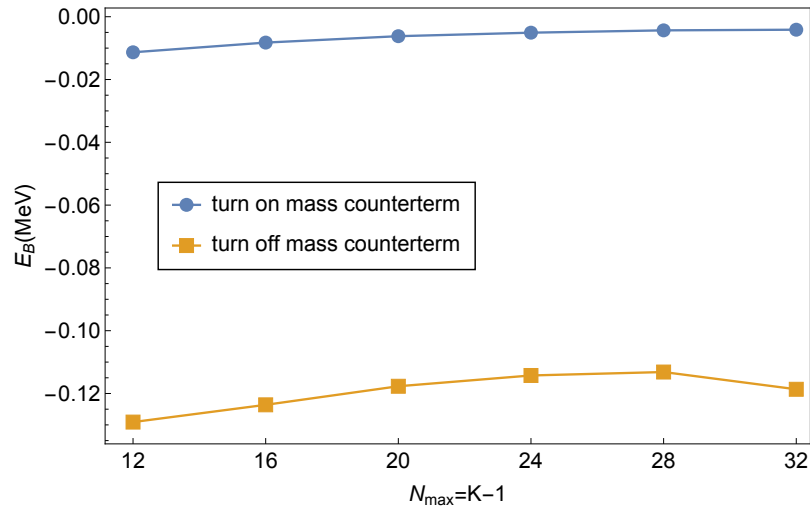
$$|\mathbf{Ps}\rangle = a|e\bar{e}\rangle + b|e\bar{e}\gamma\rangle + c|\gamma\rangle + d|e\bar{e}e\bar{e}\rangle + \dots$$

$$m_e = 1.0 \text{ MeV}$$

H_{int}	$ e\bar{e}\rangle$	$ e\bar{e}\gamma\rangle$
$\langle e\bar{e} $		
$\langle e\bar{e}\gamma $		0

Mass Renormalization

$\alpha=0.3$



- Mass renormalization is performed on the level **single physical electron**
- Mass counterterm is determined by **fitting single electron mass**
- **Plug** the physical electron and positron into the positronium.

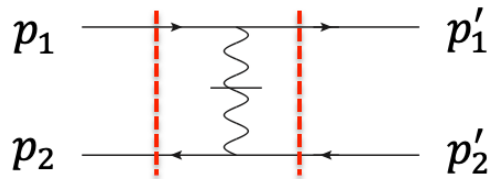
Mass counterterm is **much larger** than E_B

Ultraviolet Cutoff for Instantaneous Photon b_{inst}

- Mismatch between explicit and instantaneous photon interactions:

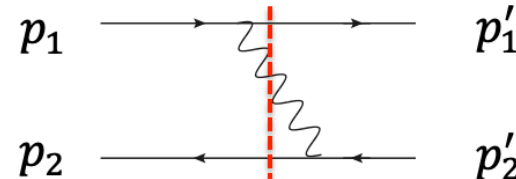
for instantaneous photon:

$p_{rel} = p_1 - p_2$ not limited



for explicit photon:

$p_{rel} = p_1 - p_2$ subject to N_{max} truncation



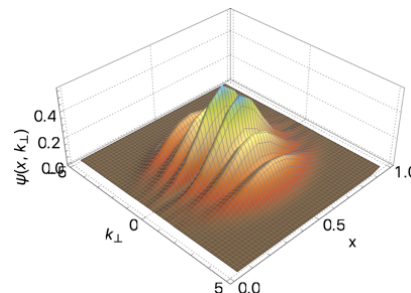
- Introduce cutoff parameter b_{inst} for instantaneous photon interaction:

$$V_{inst} \equiv \int d^2x^\perp dx^- \cdot j^+ \frac{1}{(i\partial^+)^2} j^+ \longrightarrow V_{inst} \times \exp\left(-\frac{p_\perp^2}{b_{inst}^2}\right)$$

- b_{inst} is chosen by maximizing the prob. of $n=m=0$ HO basis state in the ground state.

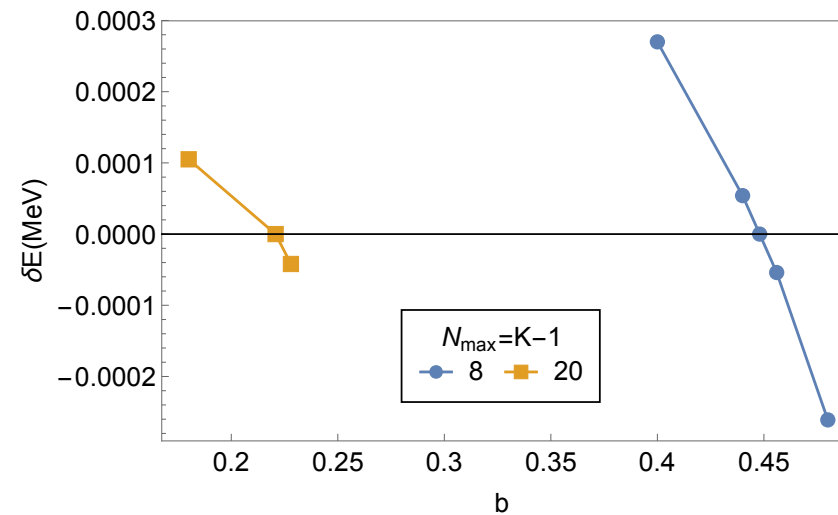
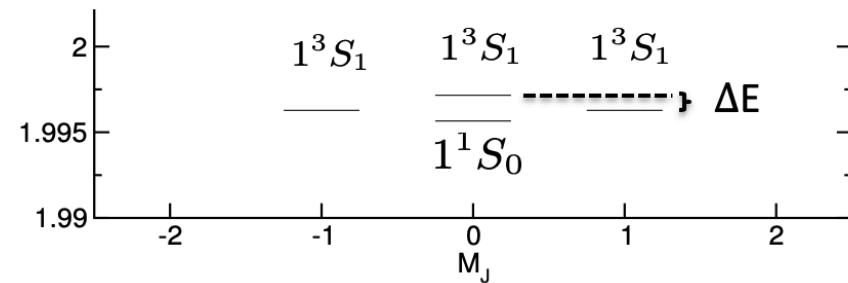
$$|n_1 = 0, n_2 = 0, m_1 = 0, m_2 = 0\rangle$$

Since without b_{inst}



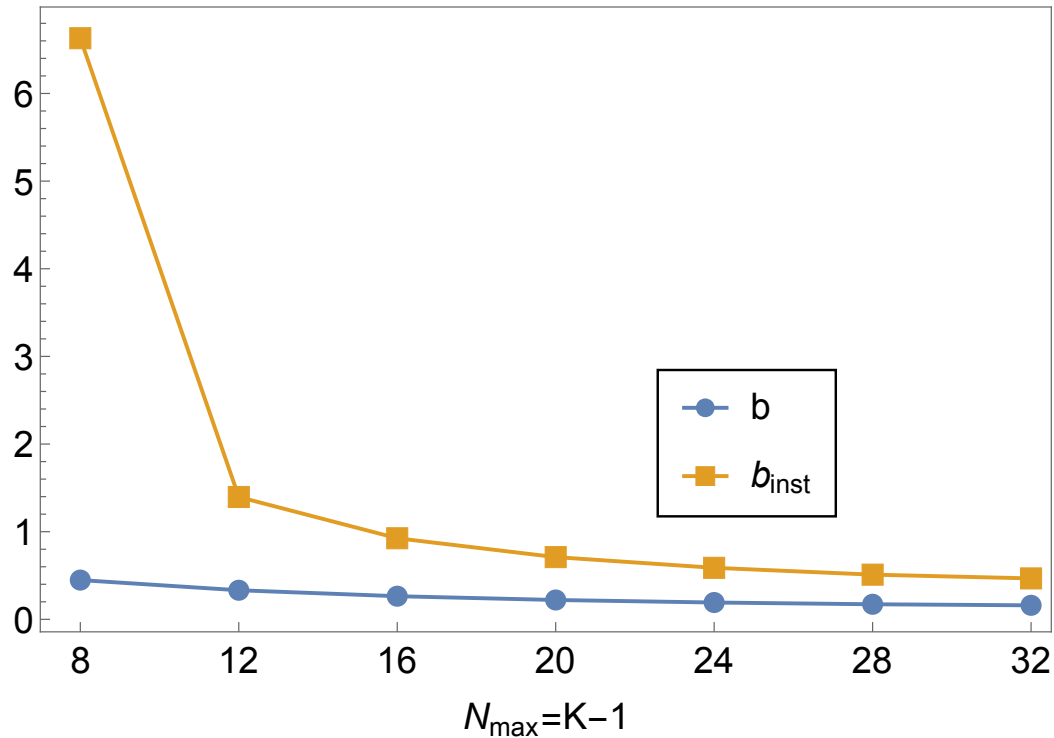
Basis b

- Suitable basis scale would make results easier to converge
- Rotational symmetry as an indicator



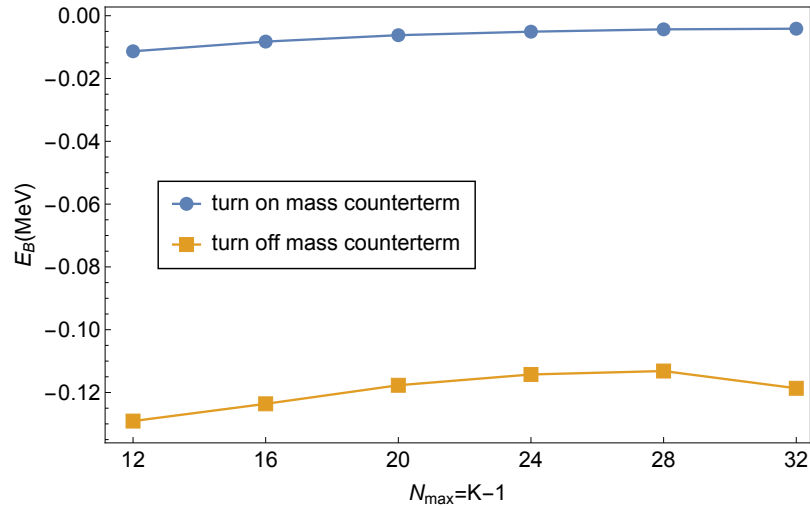
A good choice will minimize the energy difference within the triplet 1^3S_1

b_{inst} and Basis b dependence



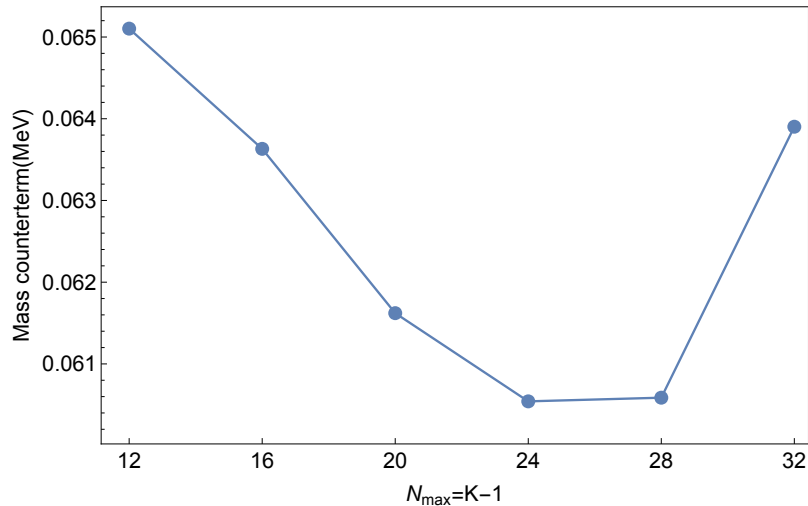
- For **each basis truncation**, we chose a suitable b_{inst} and b
- As N_{max} increases, the b_{inst} seems converge with b ?
- We may only need to deal with the photon that binds fermions when suppressing the mismatch ?

Mass Renormalization



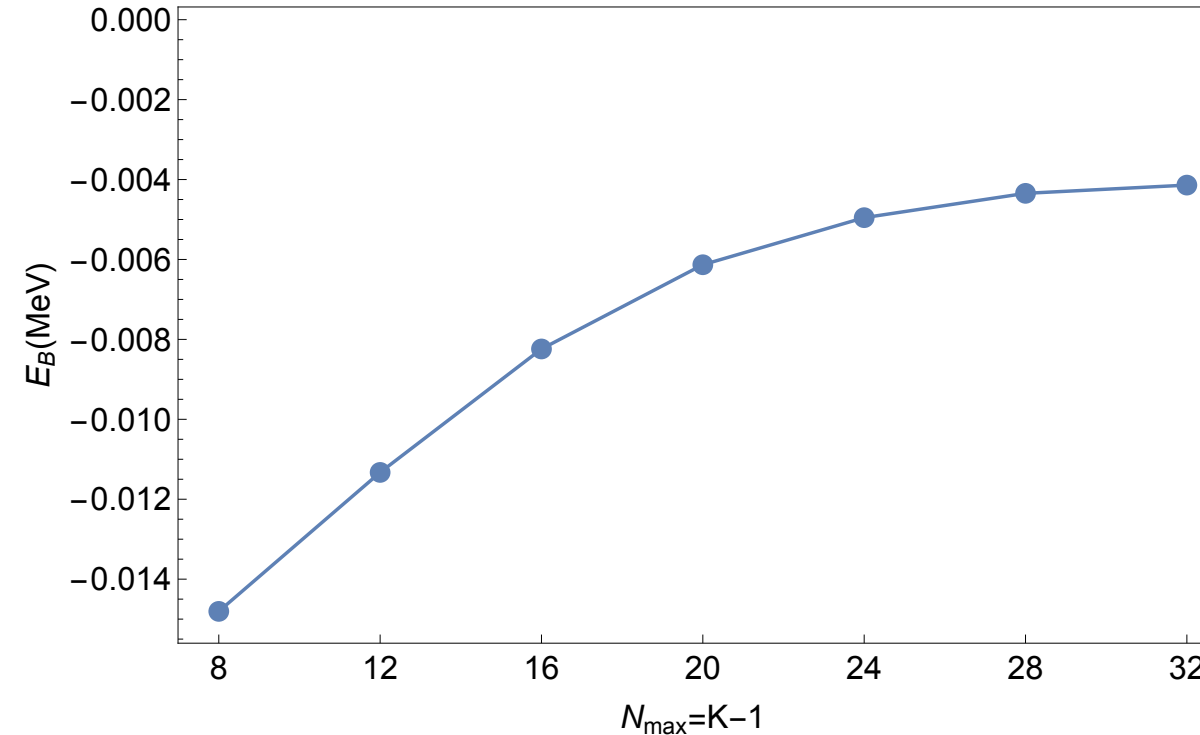
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Ground State Binding Energy



$$E_B = M_P - 2M_e$$

- E_B : binding energy of positronium
- M_P : Invariant mass of **positronium**
- M_e : Invariant mass of **free electron**

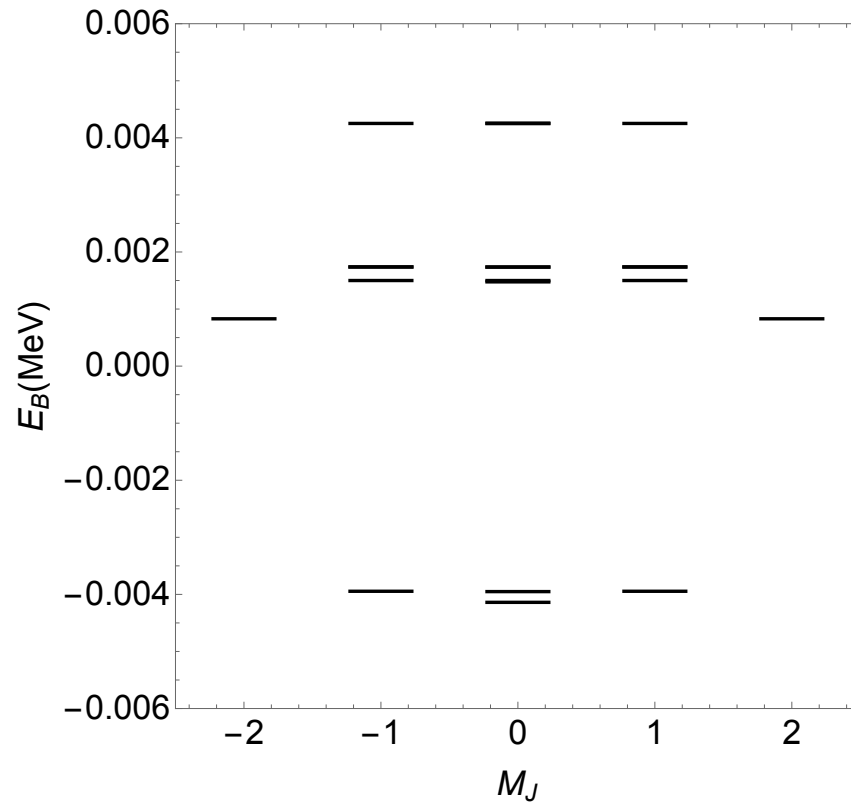
$$\alpha = 0.3$$

Binding energy looks convergent. **nontrivial**

[Kaiyu Fu et al, in preparation]

Energy spectrum

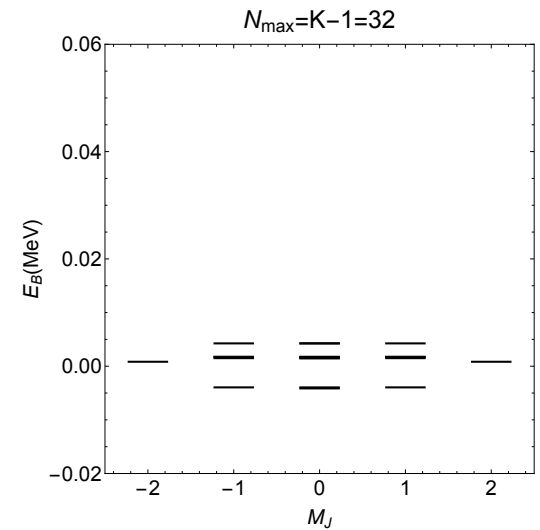
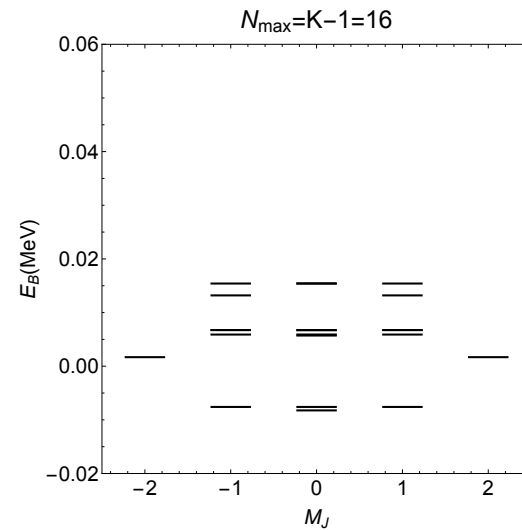
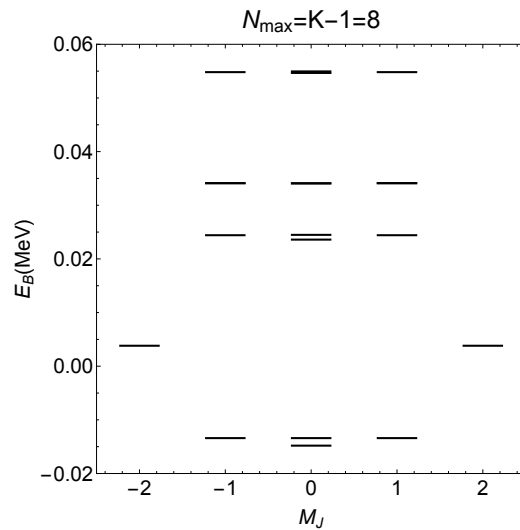
$N_{max} = 32, K = 33$



$\alpha=0.3$

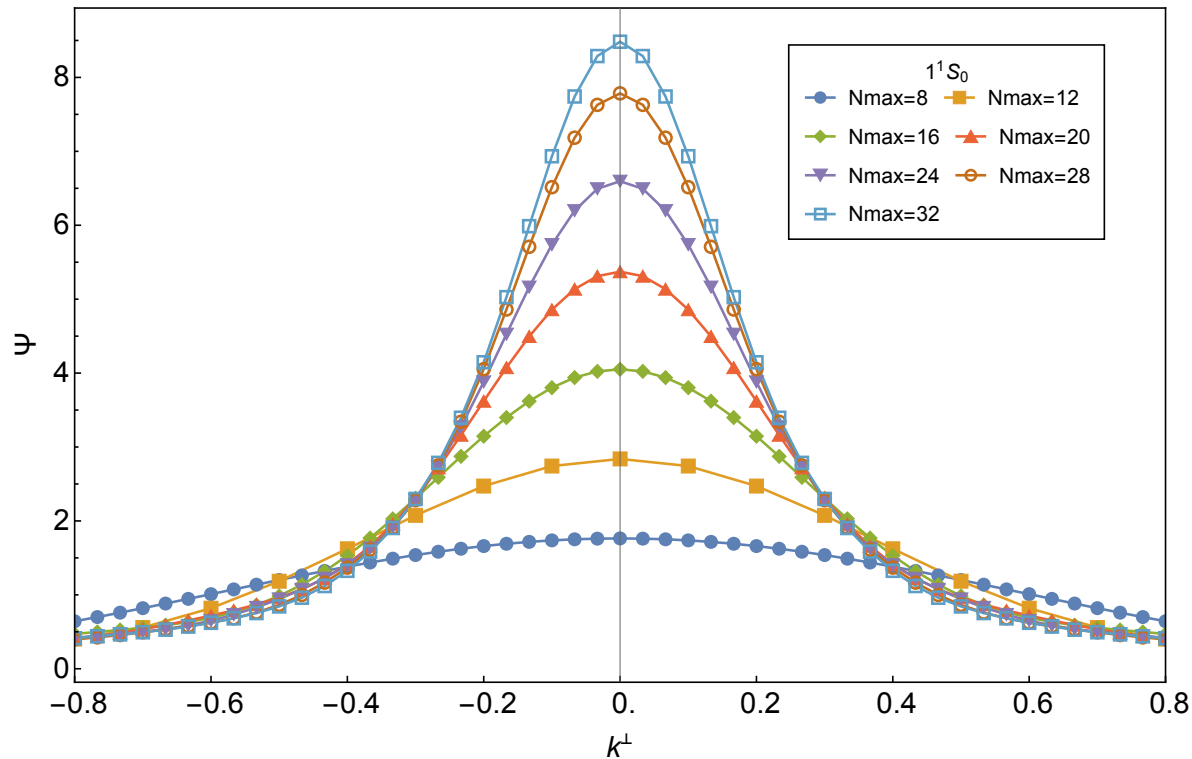
lowest 8 states of $M_J=0$: **parity** and **charge conjugation parity** agree with hydrogen atom.

$$\alpha = 0.3$$



- The highest state in each column is a component of 2^3P_2
- They have similar binding energy in large basis size
- Rotational symmetry is restoring

Wavefunction Projection



Wavefunction at $x=0$
 x : longitudinal momentum fraction

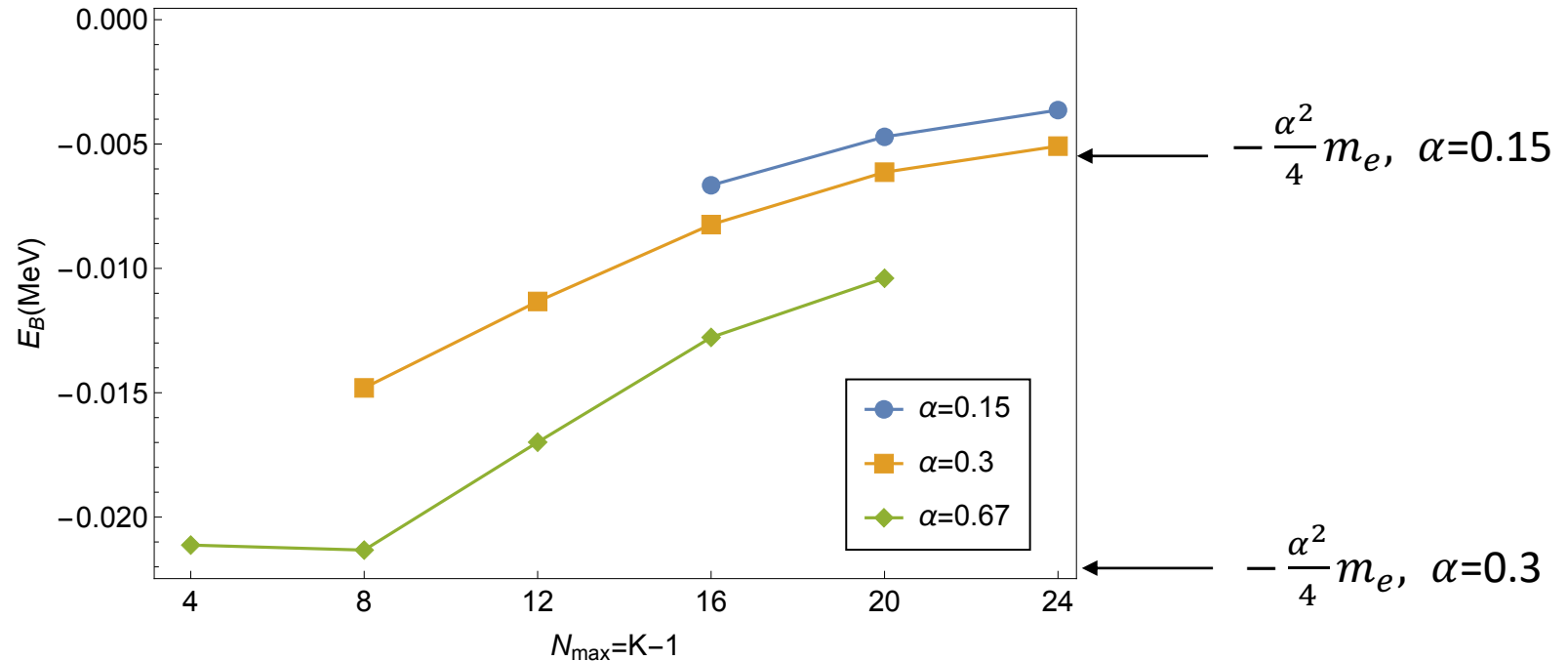
Dominant parity: $\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow$

$\alpha=0.3$

- The convergence of wavefunction looks promising.

Results of different α

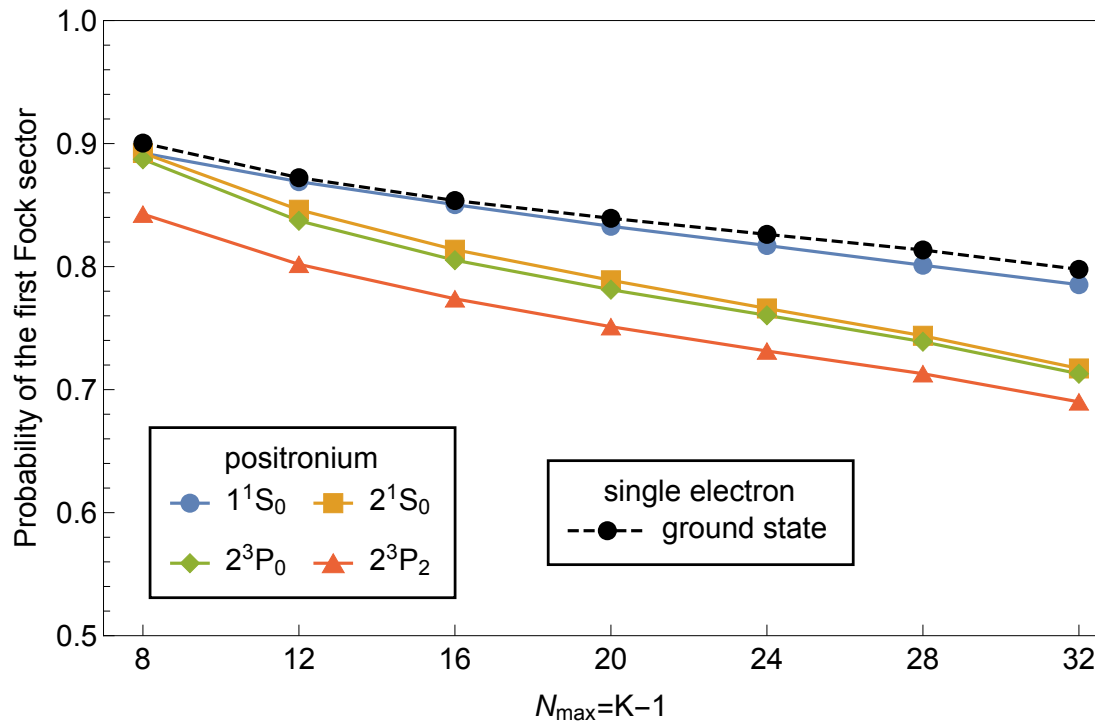
Binding energy



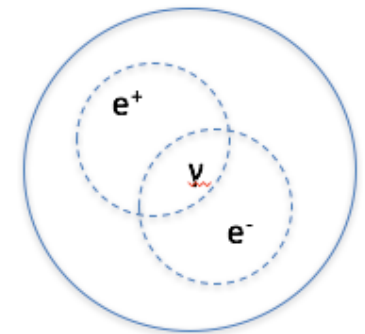
- Compare with hydrogen atom, our results are underbound
- But at small α , our results are closer to the prediction of hydrogen atom formula

Probability Of $|e^+ e^- \rangle$

$\alpha=0.3$



- Interaction mediated through photon.
- Finite probability to find photon



1 – probability of $|e^+ e^- \rangle$: the probability to find photon
 Excited states have larger $|e\bar{e}\gamma \rangle$ component

Photon Distribution In Positronium

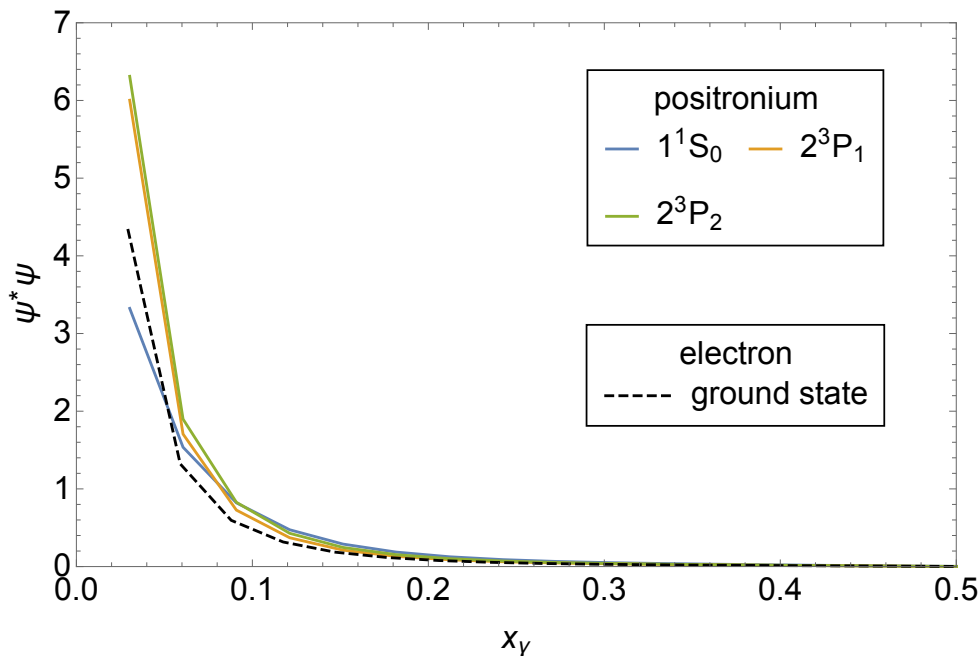
Positronium: $N_{max} = 32, K = 33$

$$\alpha = 0.3, b = 0.16$$

electron: $N_{max} = 32, K = 17$

$$\alpha = 0.3, b = 0.16/\sqrt{2}$$

$x/2$ and $2f(x/2)$ for electron



Normalization:

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx = norm2$$

$norm2$ is the probability of the second Fock sector

in this case,

$$norm2_{Ps} = 0.215$$

$$norm2_e = 0.21$$

[Kaiyu Fu et al, in preparation]

- In **excited states** photons have larger probability at small- x region
- Photon is massless, so **peak is at small- x region**

Wavefunction

This work

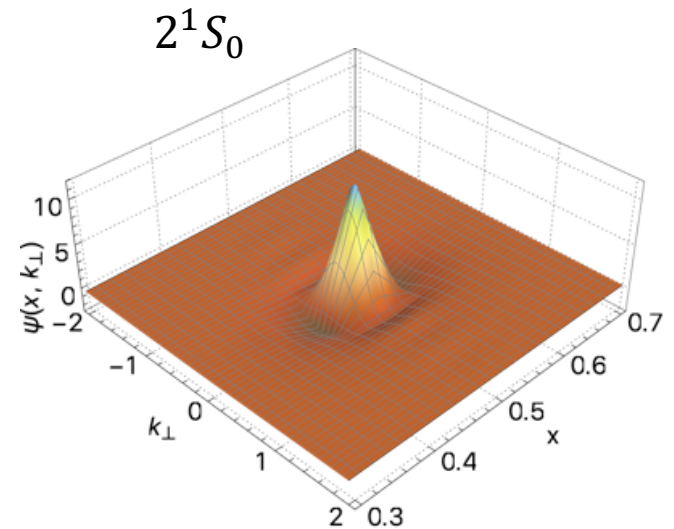
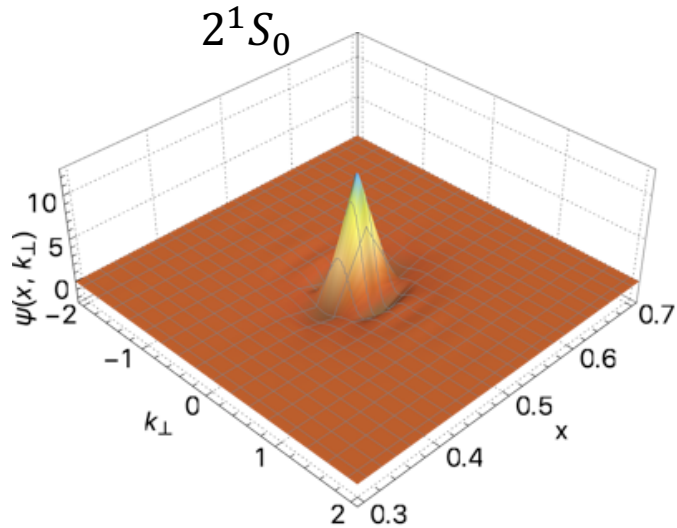
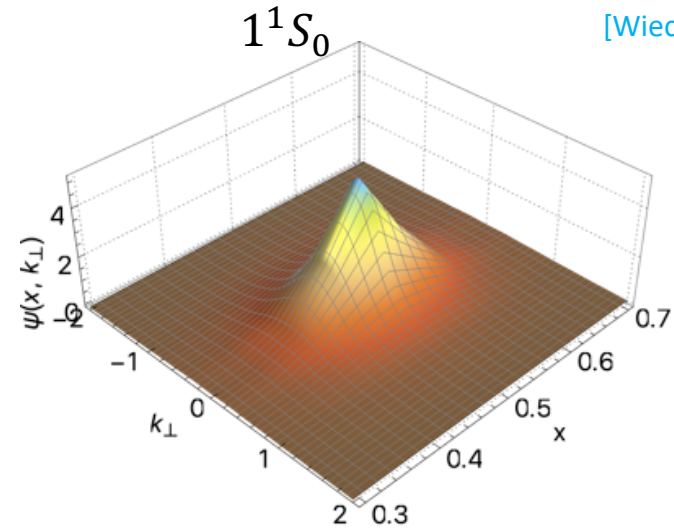
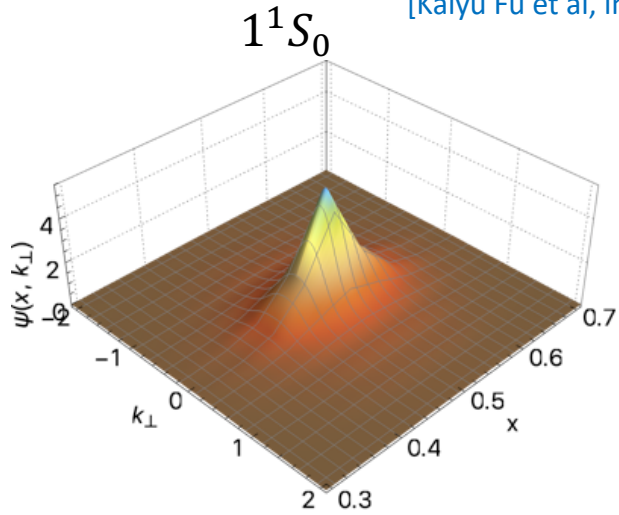
$$N_{max} = 20, K = 21, M_J = 0$$

[Kaiyu Fu et al, in preparation]

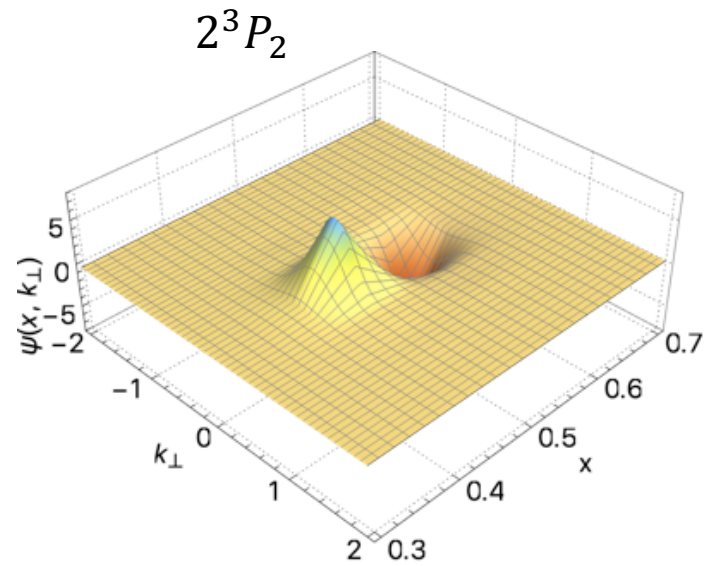
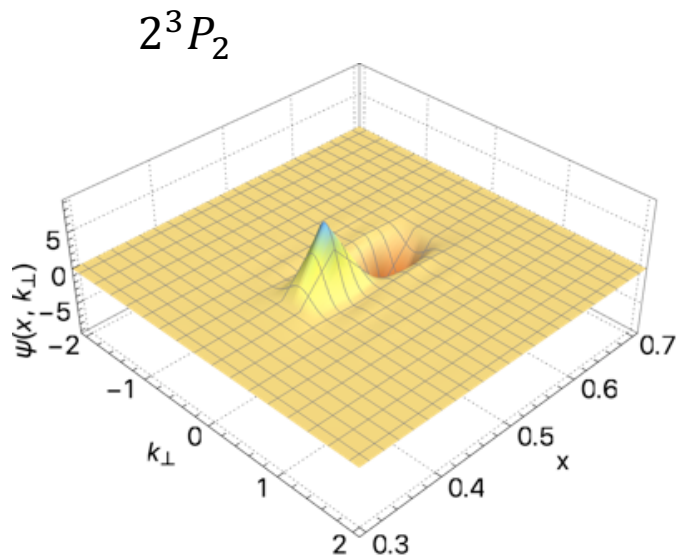
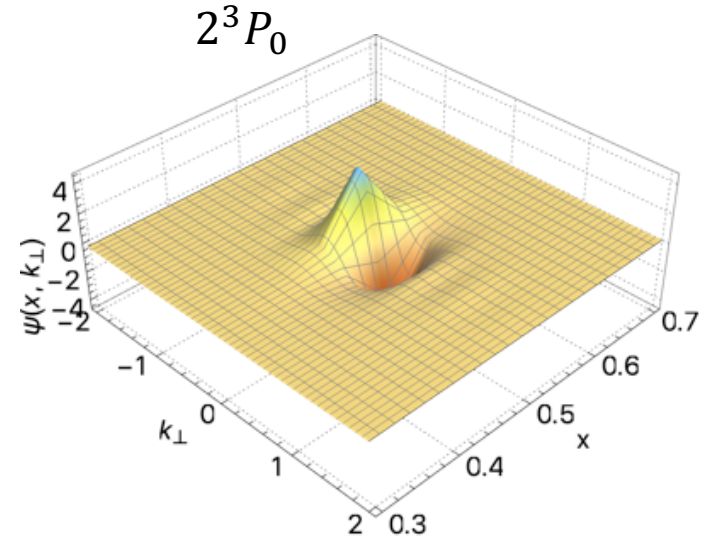
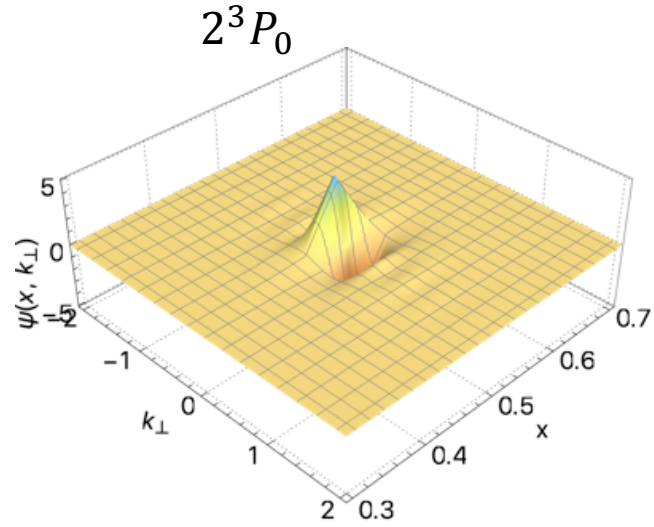
The effective one-photon-exchange

$$N_{max} = 20, K = 19, M_J = 0$$

[Wiecki, et al, 2015]



Nodal structure in radial direction



Nodal structure in angular direction

Heavy quarkonium

Light-front QCD Hamiltonian + effective confining potential:

$$H = P^- + V_{conf}$$

$$m_q = m_{\bar{q}} = 1.5\text{GeV}$$

$$\alpha = 0.9$$

$$\kappa_T = 0.2$$

$$\kappa_L = 0.3$$

Confining potential:

$$V_{conf} = \underbrace{\kappa_T^4 x(1-x)\vec{r}_\perp^2}_{\text{LFHQCD}} - \overbrace{\frac{\kappa_L^4}{(m_q + m_{\bar{q}})^2} \partial_x(x(1-x)\partial_x)}^{\text{Long-distance}} \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{Longitudinal confinement}}$$

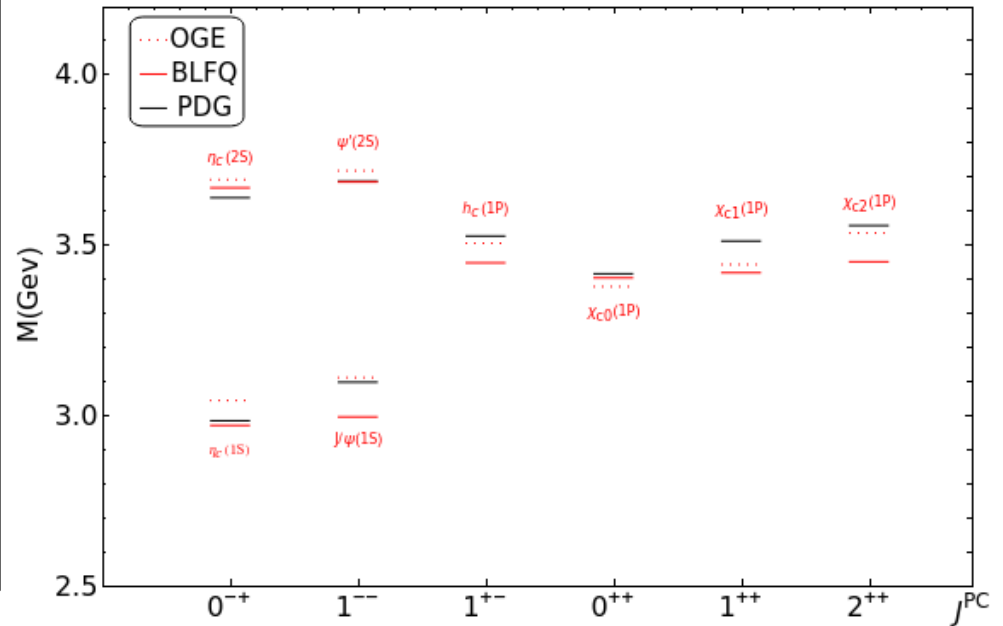
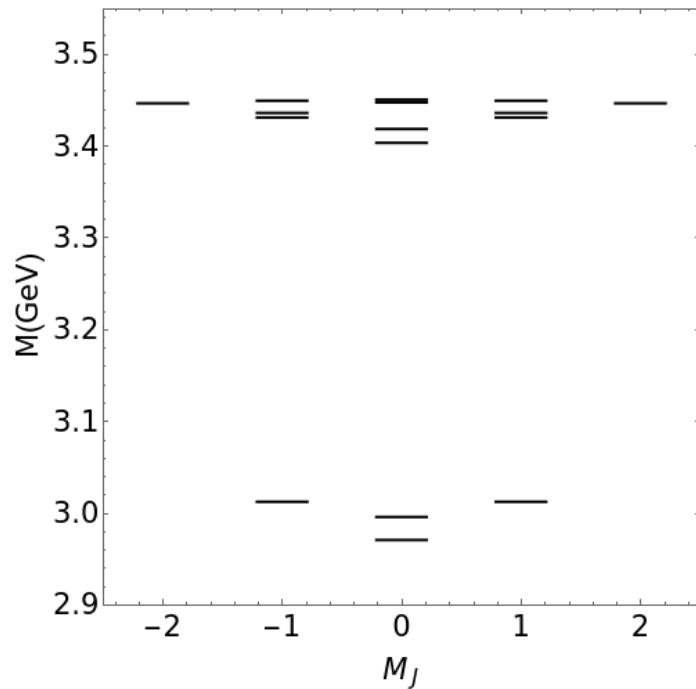
[Yang Li, et al, 2017]

- Color factor as the coefficient of Hamiltonian
- effective confining potential including quark mass
- New parameters are introduced like κ_T, κ_L , transverse and longitudinal confining strength

Mass spectrum

$N_{max} = 12, K = 13$

Preliminary



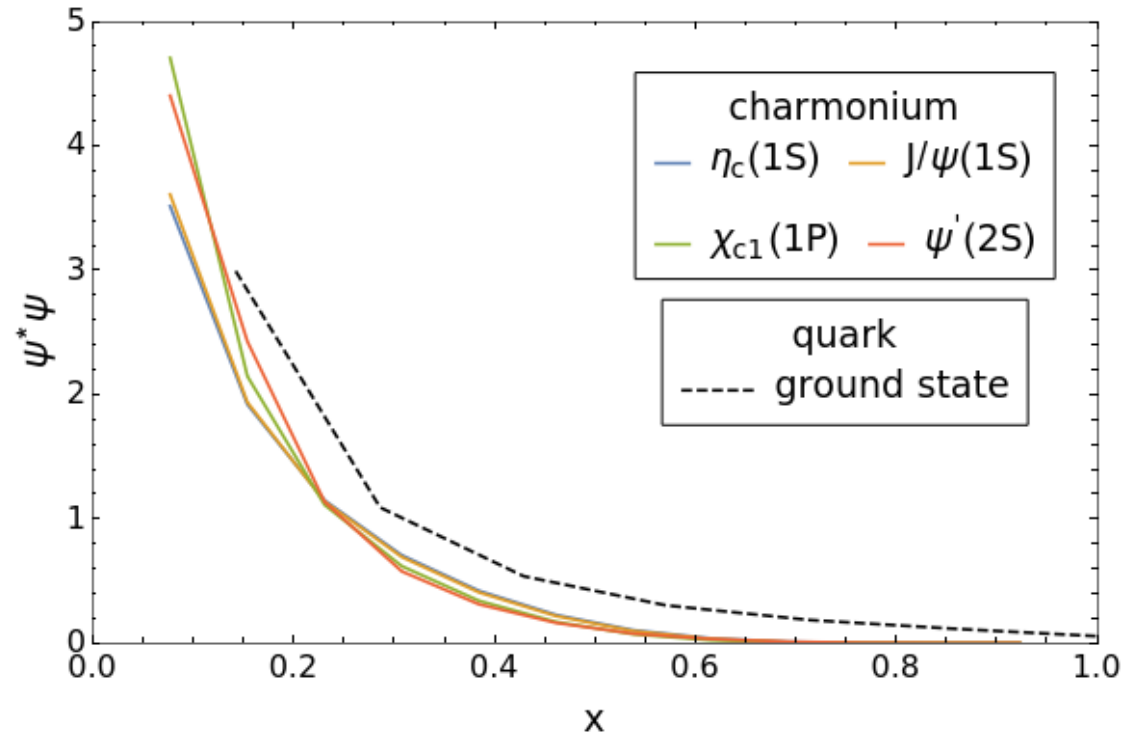
Left : a representative charmonium mass spectrum.

Right : identified particle states in $M_J = 0$ sector compare with the OGE result and the PDG data.

Gluon Distribution In Charmonium

$N_{max} = 12, K = 13$

Preliminary



Normalization:

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx = norm2$$

$$norm2_{charm} = 0.753$$

$$norm2_q = 0.247$$

$$\alpha = 0.9$$

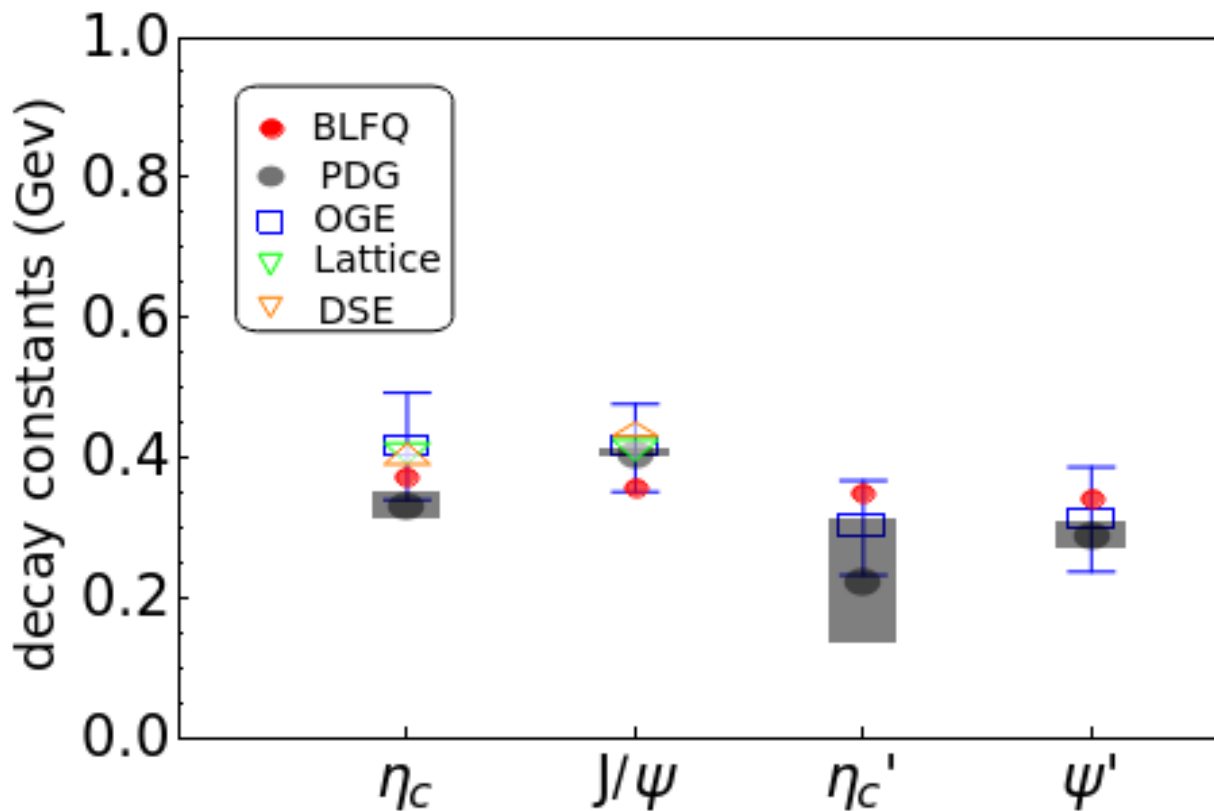
- P-wave gluons have larger probability at small-x region
- Since gluon is massless, peak is at small-x region

[Hengfei Zhao et al, in preparation]

Decay constants

Wave function at the origin – probe short-distance physics in LFWF representation :

$$\frac{f_{P,V}}{2\sqrt{2N_c}}\phi_{P,V}(x;\mu) = \lim_{\Lambda_{UV}\rightarrow\infty} Z_2(\mu, \Lambda_{UV}) \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}} \int \frac{d^2k_\perp}{2(2\pi)^3} \Psi_{\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow}^{\lambda=0}(x, \vec{k}_\perp)$$



Preliminary

OGE : [Yang Li, et al, 2017]

Lattice : [C. McNeile et al, 2012]

Results near the PDG's data

Dyson-Schwinger equations : [M. Blank, et al, 2011]

Distribution amplitudes

$\alpha = 0.9$

DAs Control exclusive process at large momentum transfer

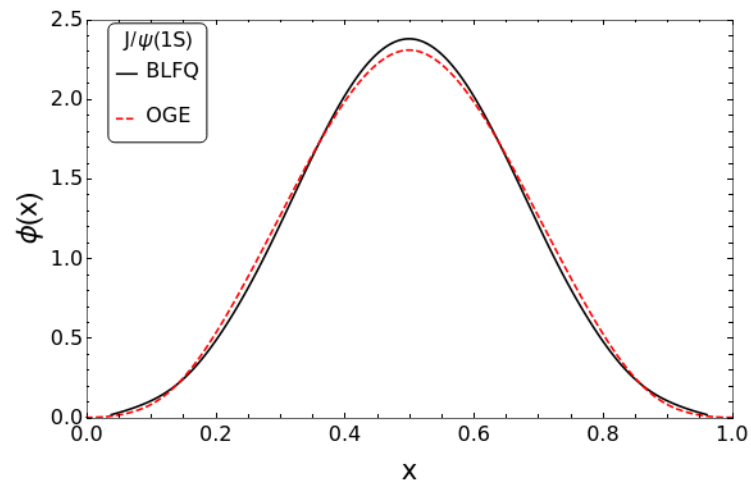
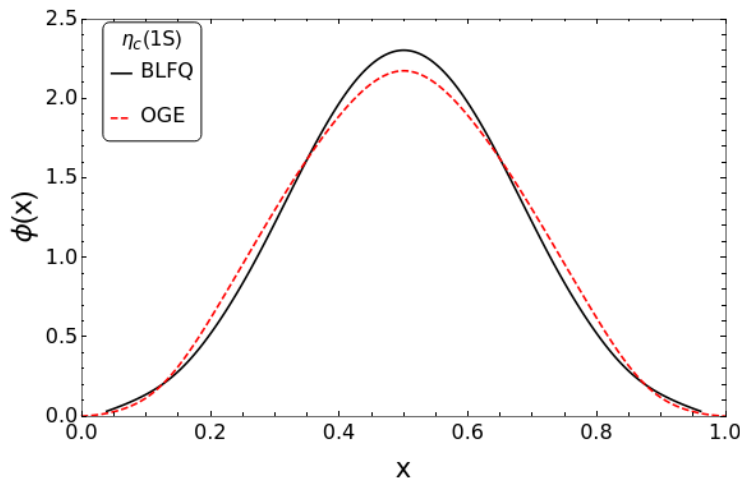
[e.g. Lepage '80]

$$\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}(z) \gamma^+ \gamma^5 \psi(-z) | P(p) \rangle_\mu = i p^+ f_p \int_0^1 dx e^{i p^+ z^- (x - \frac{1}{2})} \phi_P(x; \mu) |_{z^+, \vec{z}_\perp = 0},$$

In LFWF representation:

$$\frac{f_{P,V}}{2\sqrt{2N_c}} \phi_{P,V}(x; \mu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}} \int_{\leq \mu^2} \frac{d^2 k_\perp}{2(2\pi)^3} \Psi_{\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow}^{\lambda=0}(x, \vec{k}_\perp) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \Psi_{\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow}^{\lambda=0}(x, \vec{r} = 0_\perp)$$

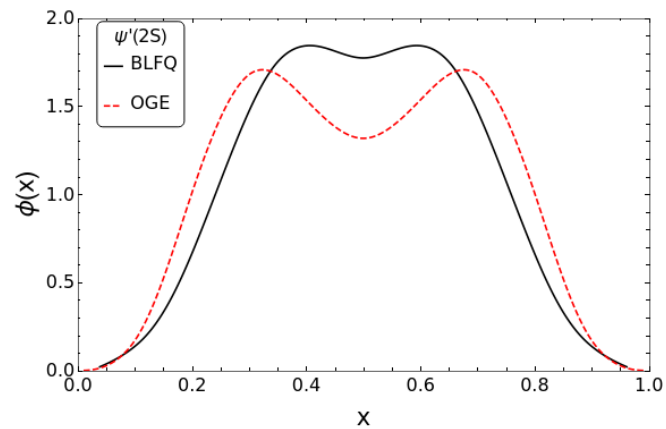
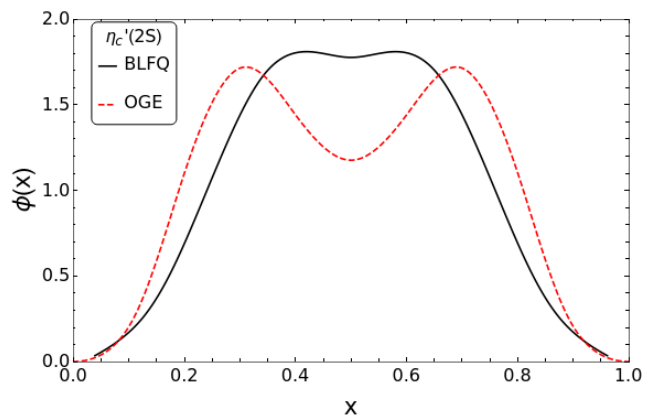
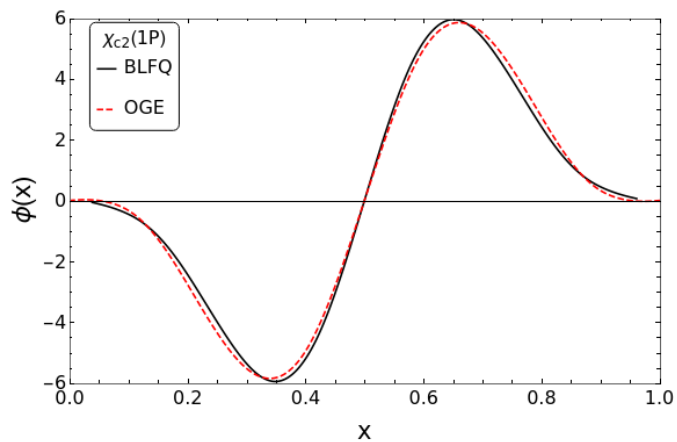
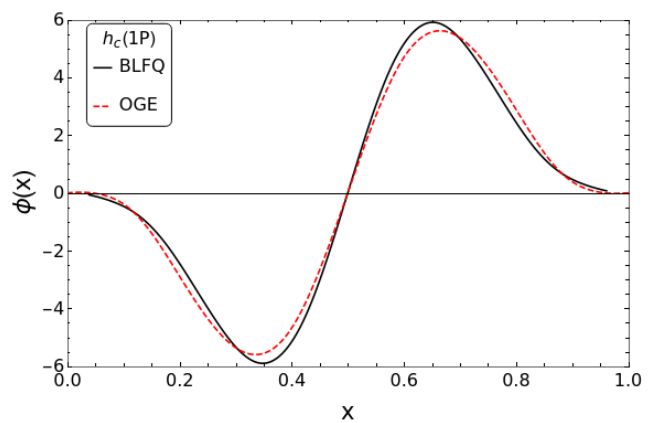
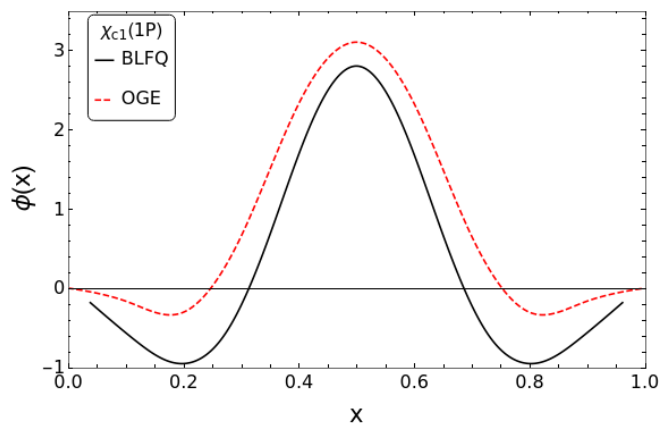
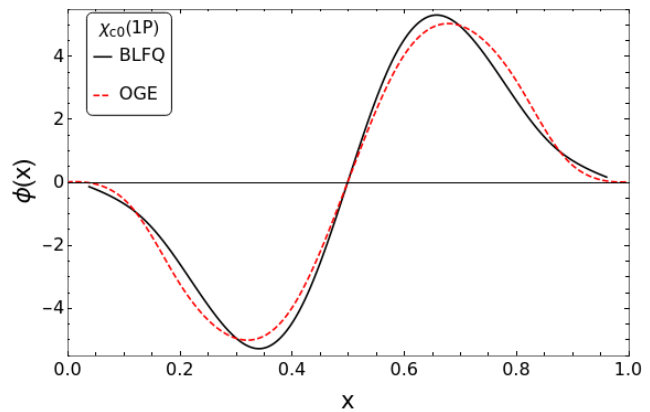
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DAs agree with the OGE results. Especially for low lying state, like J/ψ and η_c

BLFQ: [Hengfei Zhao et al, in preparation]

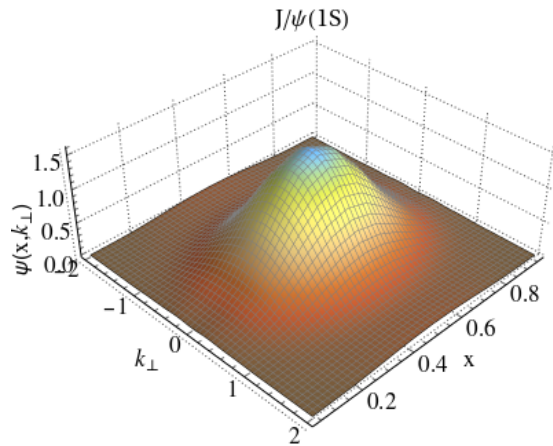
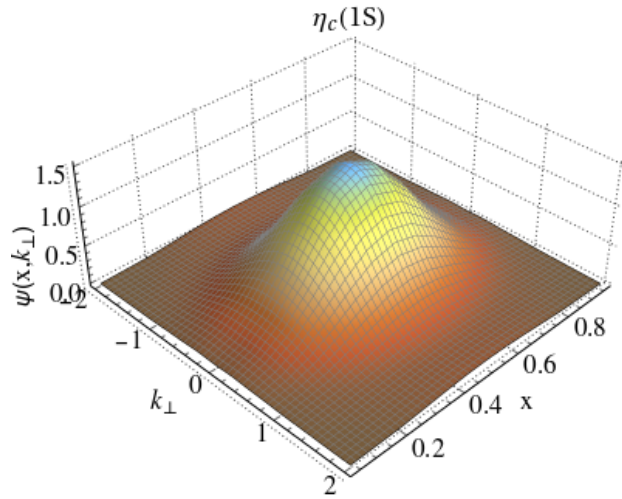
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Preliminary Wavefunction

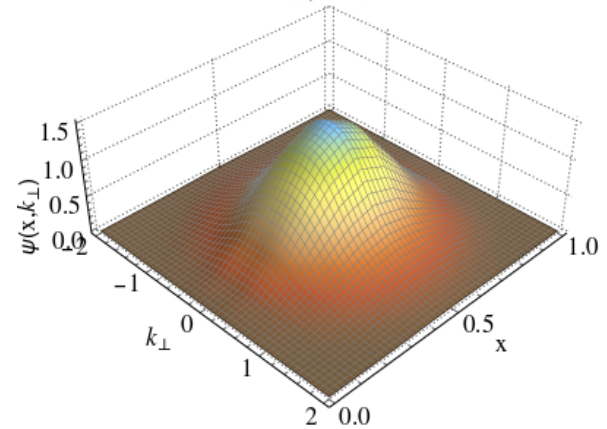
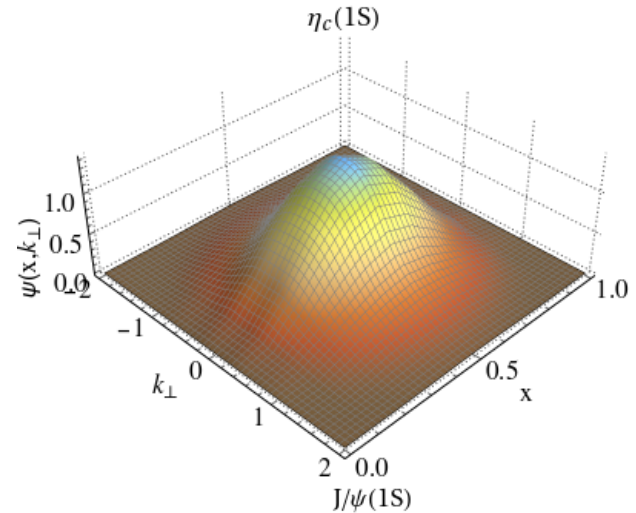
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The effective one-gluon-exchange

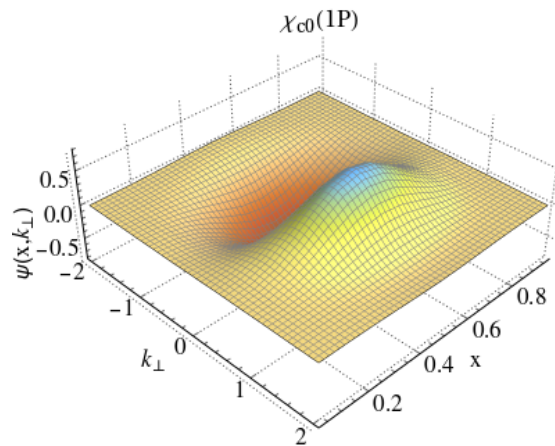
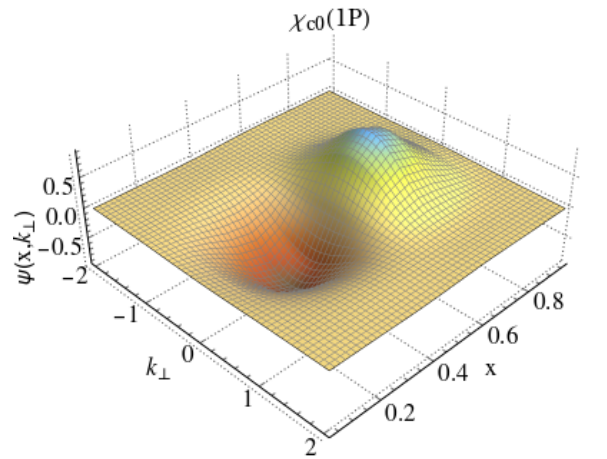
$$N_{max} = 8, L = 8, M_J = 0$$



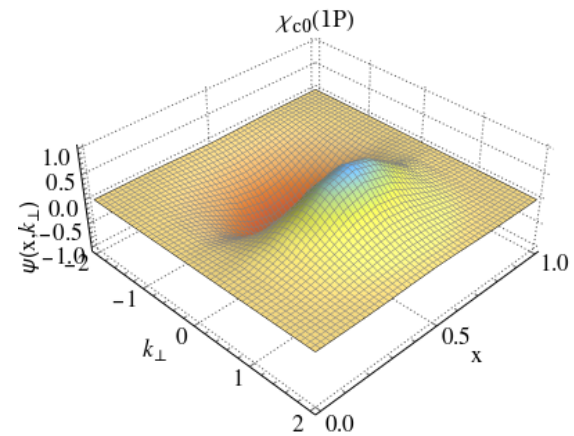
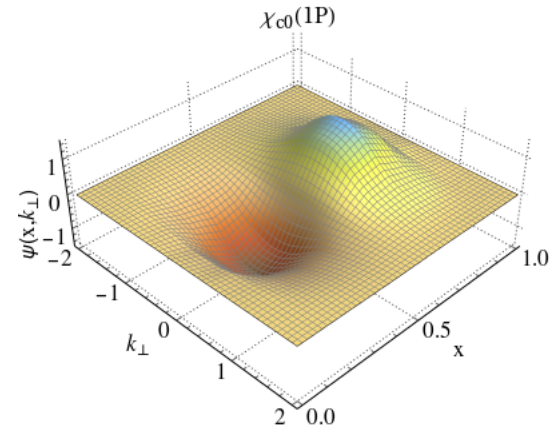
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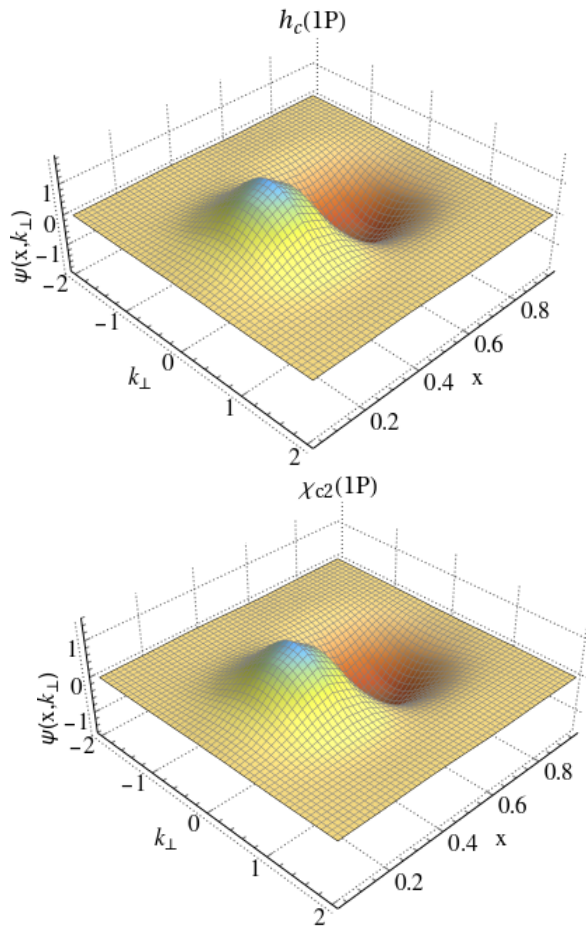


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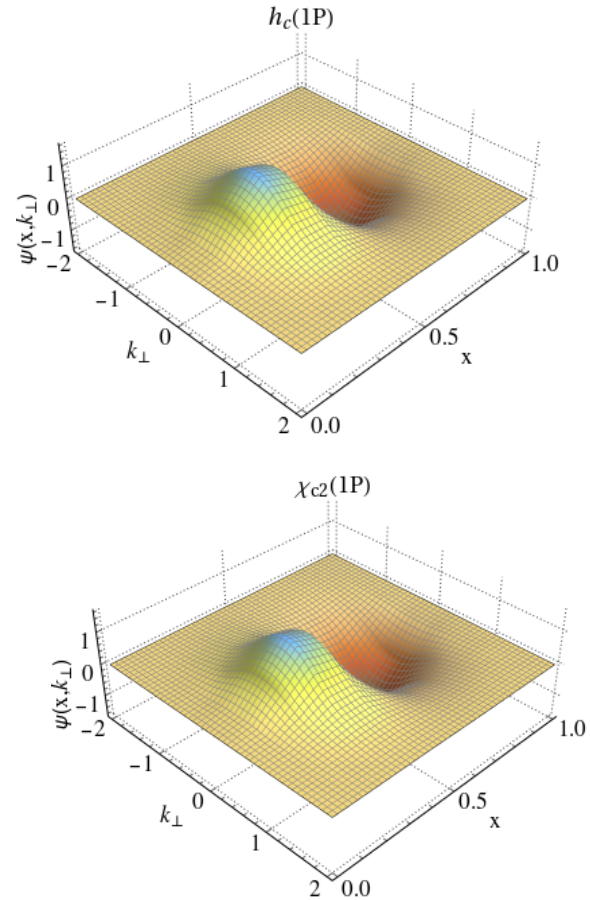


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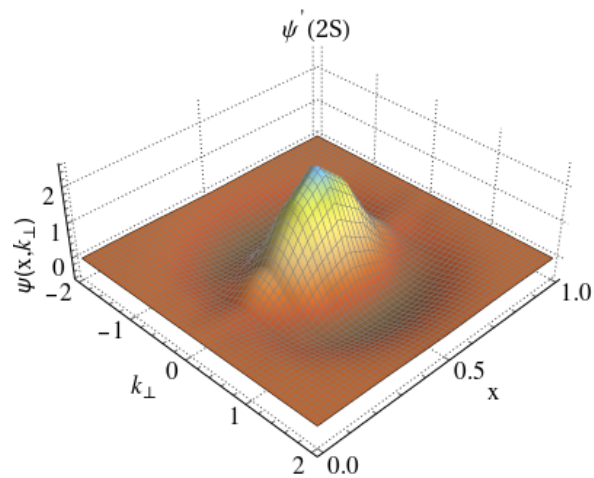
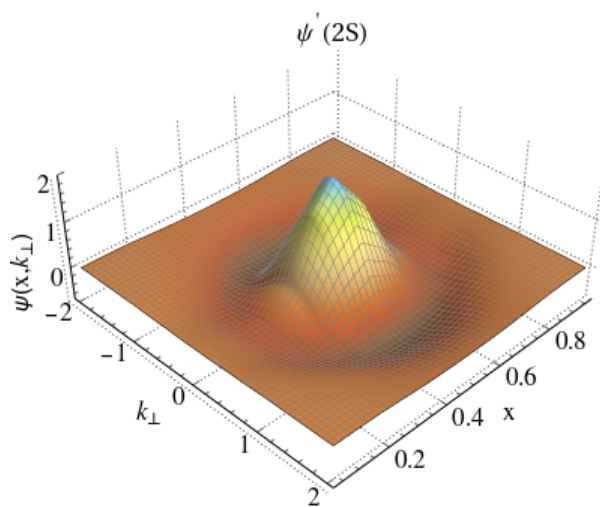
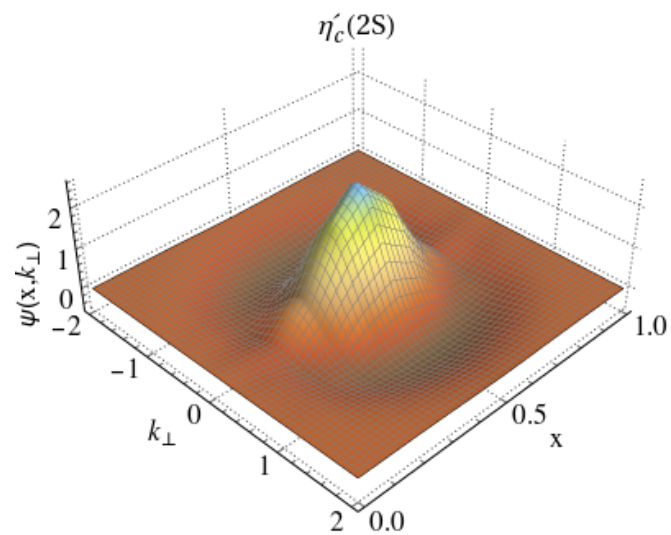
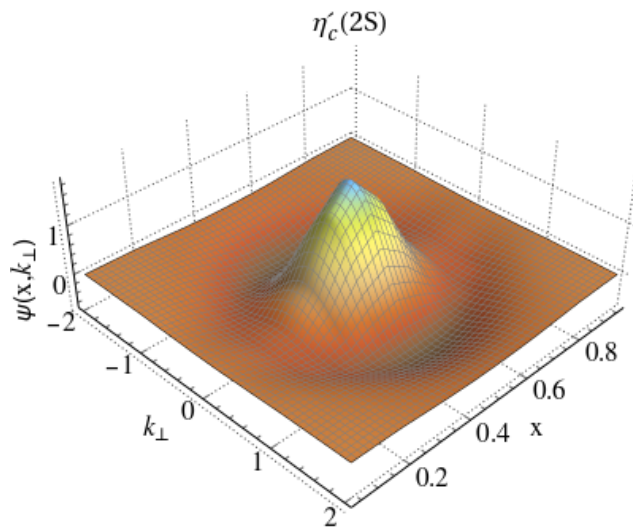
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Nodal structure in radial direction

Conclusions

- Calculation based on **first-principle** (additional **effective potential** for quarkonium)
- Direct access to **photon(gluon) content**
- **Rotation Symmetry** is restoring as basis size increase
- **Mass renormalization** is performed on the level of electron
- **Wave function** and **energy spectrum** for low-lying states reasonably agree with those from the effective one-photon(gluon)-exchange approach
- **The convergence** of positronium results looks promising

Outlook

- Further convergence study for both systems
- More observables: PDF, GPD, TMD, GTMD, Wigner distribution, double parton distribution function...
- Light meson systems
- Exotic hadron states