Hadron PDFs in the valence region A DSE viewpoint

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DSEs + Pion PDFs

- DSE prediction [Hecht (2001); etc] that $q_{\pi}(x) \simeq (1-x)^2$ as $x \to 1$
 - related to $1/k^2$ dependence of BSE kernel at large relative momentum
- Previous DSE PDF calculations have used Ward-identity ansatz (WIA)

$$\Lambda_q(z, p, n) \to \Lambda_q^{\text{WIA}}(z, p, n) = \delta (1 - z) \ n^{\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial p^{\mu}} S_q^{-1}(p)$$

- WIA respects baryon sum rule but not higher moments e.g. momentum sum rule
- momentum is not distributed correctly between quarks and gluons

Inconsistencies in Aicher & DSE results





Pion / Kaon + High-priority science questions

- The NAS Assessment of a U.S. based Electron-Ion Collider identified three high-priority science questions
 - How does the mass of the nucleon arise?
 - How does the spin of the nucleon arise?
 - What are the emergent properties of dense systems of gluons?
- The pion and kaon can be understood as a bound state of a dressed-quark and a dressed-antiquark in QFT, but are also Goldstone modes associated with DCSB in QCD
- The dynamical breaking of chiral symmetry (DCSB) in QCD gives rise to ~ 500 MeV mass splittings in hadron spectrum & massless Goldstone bosons in chiral limit (π, K, η)





Hadron Masses in QCD

Quark/gluon contributions to masses (& angular momentum) are accessed via matrix elements of QCD's (symmetric) energy-momentum tensor

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T^{\nu\mu}, \qquad \partial_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu}_{q} + \partial_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu}_{g} = 0, \qquad T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\overline{T}^{\mu\nu}}{[\text{trace]ess}]} + \frac{\widehat{T}^{\mu\nu}}{[\text{trace]}}$$

The trace piece of $T^{\mu\nu}$ takes the form (un-renormalized)



At zero momentum transfer

$$\langle p | T^{\mu\nu} | p \rangle = 2 p^{\mu} p^{\nu} \implies \langle p | T^{\mu}_{\mu} | p \rangle = 2 m^2$$

• in chiral limit entire hadron mass from gluons!

• e.g., Dmitri Kharzeev – Proton Mass workshops at Temple University and ECT*

Understanding difference in pion/kaon and proton is key to hadron masses:

$$\left\langle \pi \left| T^{\mu}_{\mu} \right| \pi \right\rangle = 2 \, m_{\pi}^2 \stackrel{\text{chiral limit}}{\to} 0, \qquad \qquad \left\langle N \left| T^{\mu}_{\mu} \right| N \right\rangle = 2 \, m_N^2$$

Rest Frame Hadron Mass Decompositions

Xiangdong Ji proposed hadron mass decomposition [PRL 74, 1071 (1995); PRD 52, 271 (1995)]

$$m_{p} = \frac{\left\langle p \left| \int d^{3}x \, T^{00}(0, \vec{x}) \right| p \right\rangle}{\left\langle p \right| p \right\rangle} \bigg|_{\text{at rest}} = \underbrace{M_{q} + M_{g}}_{\text{quark and gluon energies}} + \underbrace{M_{m}}_{\text{quark mass}} + \underbrace{M_{a}}_{\text{trace anomaly}}$$
$$M_{q} = \frac{3}{4} \left(a - b \right) m_{p}, \quad M_{g} = \frac{3}{4} \left(1 - a \right) m_{p}, \quad M_{m} = b \, m_{p}, \quad M_{a} = \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - b \right) m_{p},$$
$$a = \text{quark momentum fraction}, \quad b \text{ related to sigma-term or anomaly contribution}$$

• [See Cédric Lorcé, EPJC 78, (2018) for decomposition with pressure effects]



In chiral limit $(m_q \to 0)$ pion has no rest frame $(m_\pi = 0)$ – how to interpret Ji's pion mass decomposition? Limit as $m_q \to 0$ is likely well behaved.

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Pion & Kaon Structure at JLab and an EIC



- At Jefferson Lab and an EIC pion and kaon structure can be accessed via the so-called *Sullivan* processes
 - initial pion/kaon is off mass-shell need extrapolation to pole
 - existing results for form factors what about quark and gluon PDFs, TMDs, GPDs, *etc*, at an EIC?
- Explored this ideal at a series of workshops on "Pion and Kaon Structure at an Electron-Ion Collider" (PIEIC)
 - 1–2 June 2017, Argonne National Laboratory www.phy.anl.gov/theory/pieic2017/
 - 24-25 May 2018, The Catholic University of America www.jlab.org/conferences/pieic18/
- Drell-Yan also very nice way to measure pion/kaon structure

QCD's Dyson-Schwinger Equations

- The equations of motion of QCD \iff QCD's Dyson–Schwinger equations
 - an infinite tower of coupled integral equations
 - tractability \implies must implement a symmetry preserving truncation
- The most important DSE is QCD's gap equation \implies quark propagator

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• ingredients - dressed gluon propagator & dressed quark-gluon vertex

$$S(p) = \frac{Z(p^2)}{i \not p + M(p^2)}$$

- Mass function, M(p²), exhibits dynamical mass generation, even in chiral limit
 - mass function is gauge dependent and therefore NOT an observable!
- Hadron masses are generated by dynamical chiral symmetry breaking – caused by a cloud of gluons dressing the quarks and gluons



Calculating and Predicting Pion Structure

In QFT a two-body bound state (e.g., a pion, kaon, etc) is described by the Bethe-Salpeter equation (BSE):





- the kernel must yield a solution that encapsulates the consequences of DCSB, e.g., in chiral limit $m_{\pi} = 0 \& m_{\pi}^2 \propto m_u + m_d$
- Pion Bethe-Salpeter vertex

$$\Gamma_{\pi}(p,k) = \gamma_5 \Big[E_{\pi}(p,k) + \not p F_{\pi}(p,k) \\ + \not k k \cdot p G_{\pi}(p,k) + i \sigma^{\mu\nu} k_{\mu} p_{\nu} H_{\pi}(p,k) \Big]$$

- $\chi_{\text{BSE}} = S(k + \frac{1}{2}p) \Gamma_{\pi}(p,k) S(k \frac{1}{2}p)$
- large relative momentum: $E_{\pi} \sim F_{\pi} \sim 1/k^2$
- Challenging to go beyond rainbow-ladder trunction and maintain symmetries

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Pion & Kaon PDFs



Pion PDFs – Self-Consistent DSE Calculations

To self-consistently determine hadron PDFs in rainbow-ladder must sum all planar diagrams

$$q(x) \propto \operatorname{Tr} \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \,\overline{\Gamma}_M(p,P) \, S(p)$$
$$\times \,\Gamma_q(x,p,n) \, S(p) \,\Gamma_M(p,P) \, S(p-P)$$



- **OSEs** are formulated in Euclidean space evaluate q(x) by taking moments
- The *hadron dependent* vertex $\Gamma_q(x, p, n)$ satisfies an inhomogeneous BSE
- Solution However can define a *hadron independent* vertex $\Lambda_q(x, p, n)$

$$\Gamma_q(x, p, n) = \iint dy \, dz \, \delta(x - yz) \, \delta\left(y - \frac{p \cdot n}{P \cdot n}\right) \Lambda_q(z, p, n)$$

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$$\begin{split} \Lambda_q(z,p,n) &= i Z_2 \not n \, \delta(1-z) - \iint du \, dw \, \delta(z-uw) \int \frac{d^4\ell}{(2\pi)^4} \delta\!\left(w - \frac{\ell \cdot n}{p \cdot n}\right) \\ & \times \gamma_\mu \, \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}(p-\ell) \, S(\ell) \, \Lambda_q(u,\ell,n) \, S(\ell) \, \gamma_\nu \end{split}$$



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Self-Consistent DSE Results

- For pion and kaon PDFs included for first time gluons self-consistently
 - correct RL-DSE pion PDFs in excellent agreement with Conway *et al.* data and recent JAM analysis
 - agrees with $x \to 1$ pQCD prediction
- Treating non-perturbative gluon contributions correctly pushes support of $q_{\pi}(x)$ to larger x
 - gluons remove strength from $q_{\pi}(x)$ at low to intermediate x – baryon number then demands increased support at large x
 - cannot be replicated by DGLAP DSE splitting functions are dressed
- Immediate consequence of gluon dressing is that gluons carry 35% of pion's and 30% of kaon's momentum



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Pion & Kaon LF Wave Functions

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- numerous features inherited from LFWFs: TMDs are broad functions as a result of DCSB and peak at zero relative momentum (x = 1/2)
- evolution from model scale ($\mu = 0.52 \text{ GeV}$) to $\mu = 6 \text{ GeV}$ results in significant broadening in $\langle \boldsymbol{k}_T^2 \rangle$, from 0.16 GeV² to 0.69 GeV²
- Need careful treatment of gauge link to study pion Boer-Mulders function

Kaon's T-even TMD



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- **TMDs satisfy:** $f_K^s(x, k_T^2) = f_K^u(1 x, k_T^2); \quad f(x, k_T^2) \to x^2(1 x)^2/k_T^4$
- In general both pion and kaon LFWFs do not factorize in x and k_T^2

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DSEs + Higher Fock States

- From existing DSE ingredients can project out higher Fock states
- For example, the $|q\bar{q}g\rangle$ Fock state is given by

 $\psi_{\lambda_1\lambda_2\lambda_3}(x_1,x_2,\boldsymbol{k}_{1T},\boldsymbol{k}_{2T}) \sim \int \frac{dk_1^- dk_2^-}{(2\pi)^2} \bar{u}(x_1P^+,\boldsymbol{k}_{1T},\lambda_1)\gamma^+\chi^\mu(k_1,k_2;P)\gamma^+v(x_2P^+,\boldsymbol{k}_{2T},\lambda_2) \varepsilon^*_\mu(\lambda_3)$

• for a pion there are nine 5-dimensional LFWFs associated with $|q\bar{q}\,g
angle$ Fock state

Key question: When is a leading Fock-state approximation reliable?

- leading Fock state dominates at (very) large x and (very) large Q^2
- can generate numerous higher Fock states using, e.g., DGLAP evolution however non-perturbative content is missing
- Increasing difficult to calculate these higher Fock-state LFWFs and their impact on observables *need to use full BSE solutions*

Nucleon PDFs



Spin-Independent PDFs

Solve Poincaré covariant Faddeev eqn for nucleon bound state:



- key approximation is that the nucleon consists of quark + dynamical diquark
- approximation is known to work extremely well, e.g., masses, form factors, etc
- QCD predicts $q(x) \sim (1-x)^3$ as $x \to 1$; our result is $q(x) \sim (1-x)^5$
 - quark-diquark approximation breaks down at (very) large *x*
- Find d/u in good agreement with CJ15 0.05
 ratio is very sensitive to diquark correlations
 At what x does q + qq break down?



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Conclusions

- For pion and kaon PDFs included for first time gluons self-consistently
 - correct RL-DSE pion PDFs in excellent argeement with Conway *et al.* data and recent JAM analysis
 - agrees with $x \to 1$ pQCD prediction
- Using DSE solutions to the BSE we determined the leading Fock-state LFWFs for the pion and kaon
 - using these LFWFs straightforward to determine FFs, PDFs, TMDs, GPDs, etc
 - key advantage of DSE method is BSE sums an infinite number of Fock states ⇒ LFWFs encapsulate effects from emergent phenomena: confinement & DCSB
- Much work remains in experiment and theory to understand the pion and kaon



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