

Light Meson Structure from a Basis Light-front Approach

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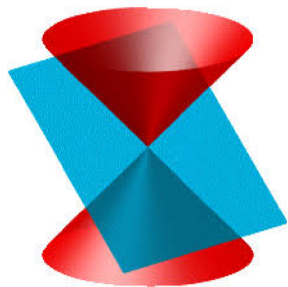
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Outline

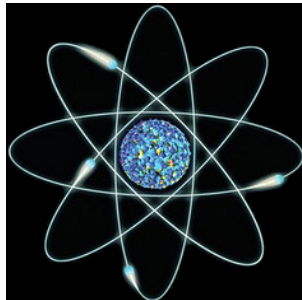
- Basis Light-front Quantization approach
- Application to π/K
 - Valence Fock section only $|q\bar{q}\rangle$
 - With one dynamical gluon $|q\bar{q}\rangle + |q\bar{q}g\rangle$
- **Observables** sensitive to **valence** contribution in π/K
- Summary and Future Plan

Hamiltonian Formalism



- Schrödinger equation universally describes different physics:

$$H|\psi\rangle = E|\psi\rangle$$



atom

Nonrelativistic, few-body



nucleus

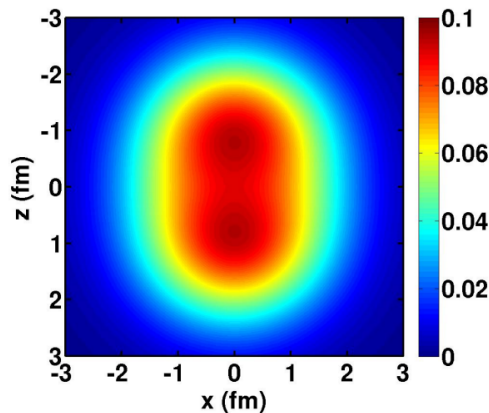
Nonrelativistic, many-body



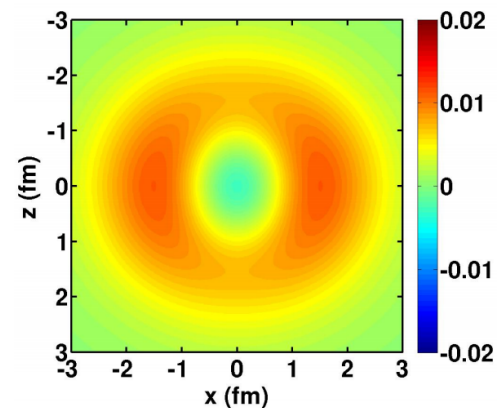
hadron

Relativistic, many-body

- Wave functions encode full information of the system



Proton density



Neutron – proton density

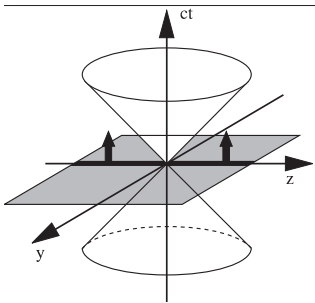
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Light-front Quantization

[Dirac, 1949]

Equal time quantization

$$t \equiv x^0$$



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

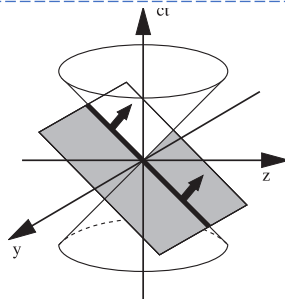
$$P^0, \vec{P}$$

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

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

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.
- **New theory !!!**

Advantages:

- **Frame-independent wave functions**
- Simple vacuum structure
- 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 $|\beta\rangle$

- Evaluate observables for eigenstate

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

- Fock sector expansion

- Eg. $|\pi\rangle = a|q\bar{q}\rangle + b|q\bar{q}g\rangle + c|q\bar{q}gg\rangle + d|q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$

- Discretized basis

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

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

N_{max}, K are basis truncation parameters.

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

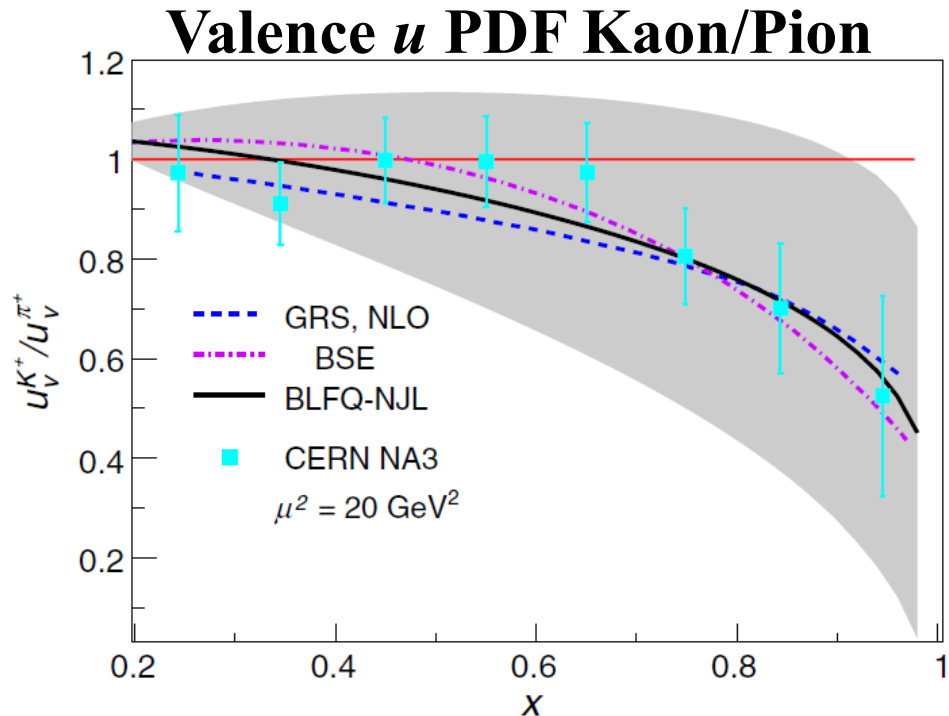
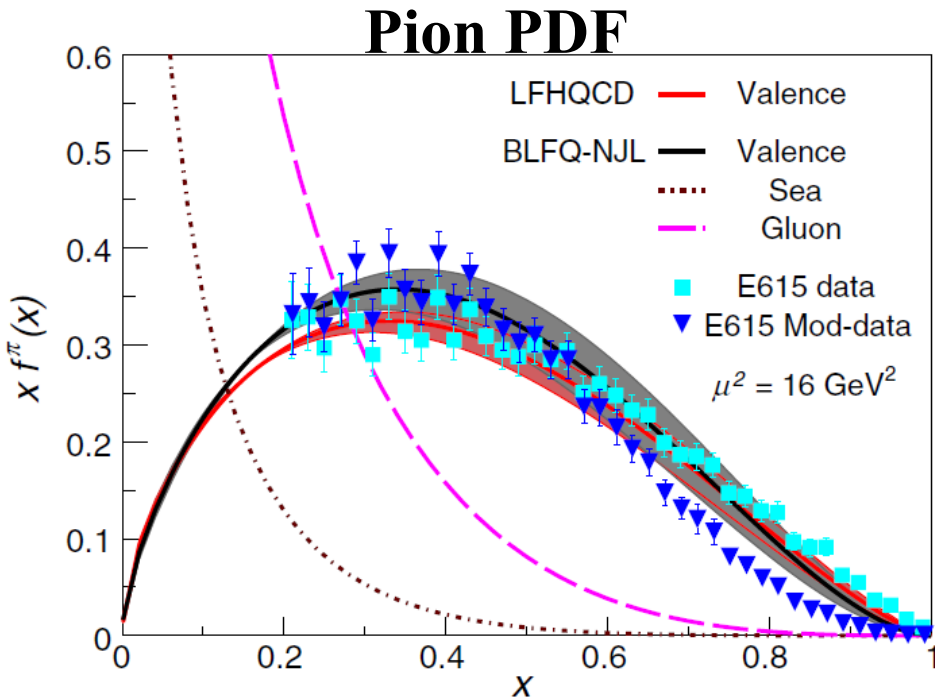
***Application to
Light Mesons***

$$|\pi/K\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

PDF with QCD Evolution

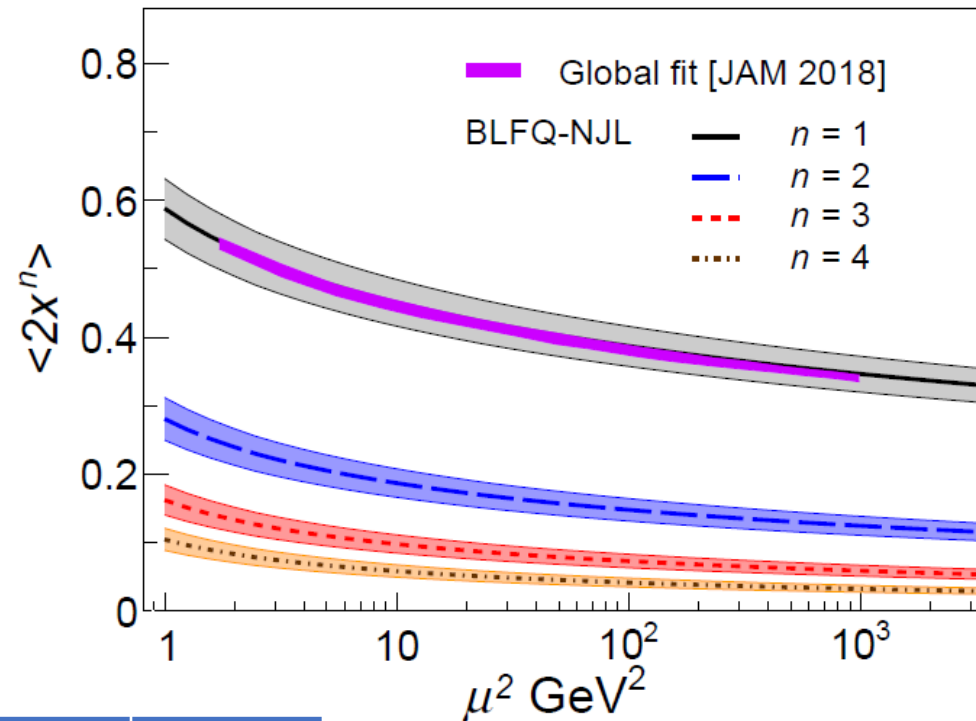
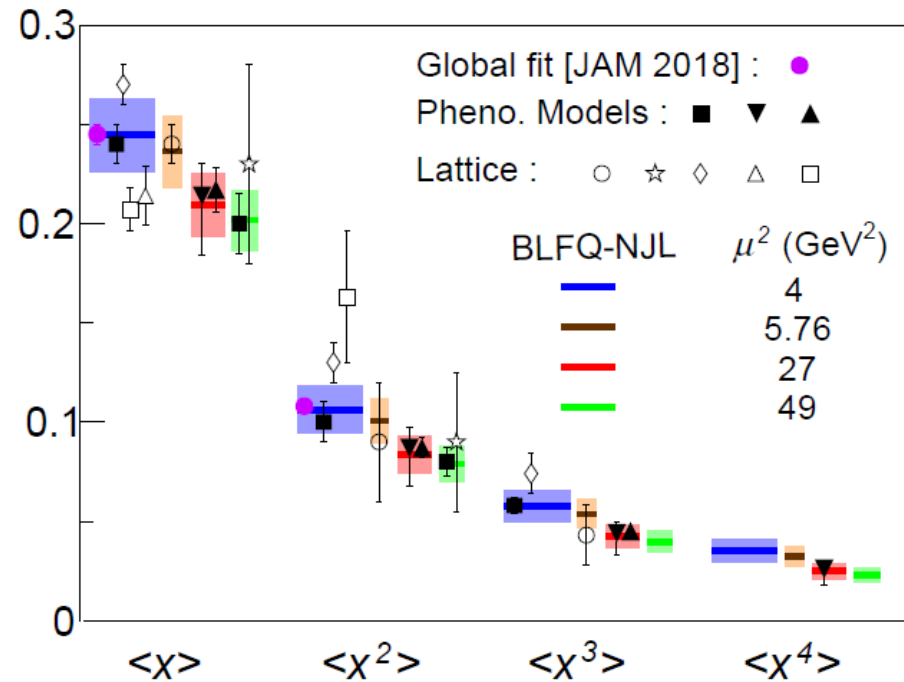
$$H_{\text{LF}} = \underbrace{\frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_q^2}{x} + \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x}}_{\text{LF Kinetic energy}} + \underbrace{\kappa^4 x(1-x)\vec{r}_{\perp}^2}_{\text{Transverse}} - \underbrace{\frac{\kappa^4}{(m_q + m_{\bar{q}})^2} \partial_x (x(1-x)\partial_x)}_{\text{Longitudinal}} + H_{\text{NJL}}^{\text{eff}}$$

- Diagonalizing H_{LF} \rightarrow LF wavefunctions \rightarrow PDFs



The moments of pion valence quark PDF

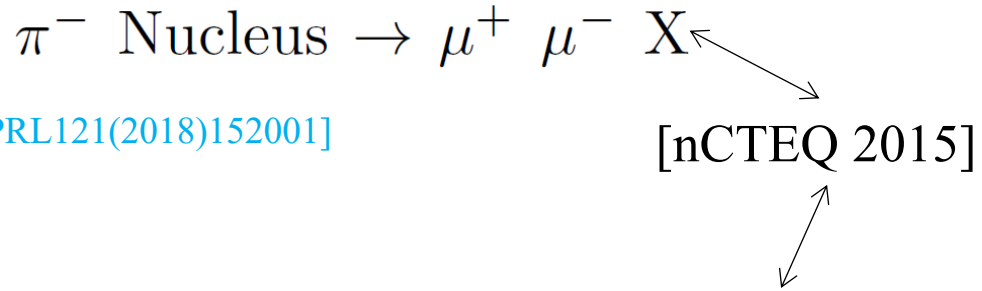
$$\langle x^n \rangle = \int_0^1 dx x^n f_v^{\pi/K}(x, \mu^2), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$



$\langle x \rangle$ @ 4 GeV ²	Valence	Gloun	Sea
BLFQ-NJL	0.489	0.398	0.113
[Ding <i>et. al.</i> , BSE model 2019']	0.48(3)	0.41(2)	0.11(2)

Agree with other results

Drell-Yan cross section

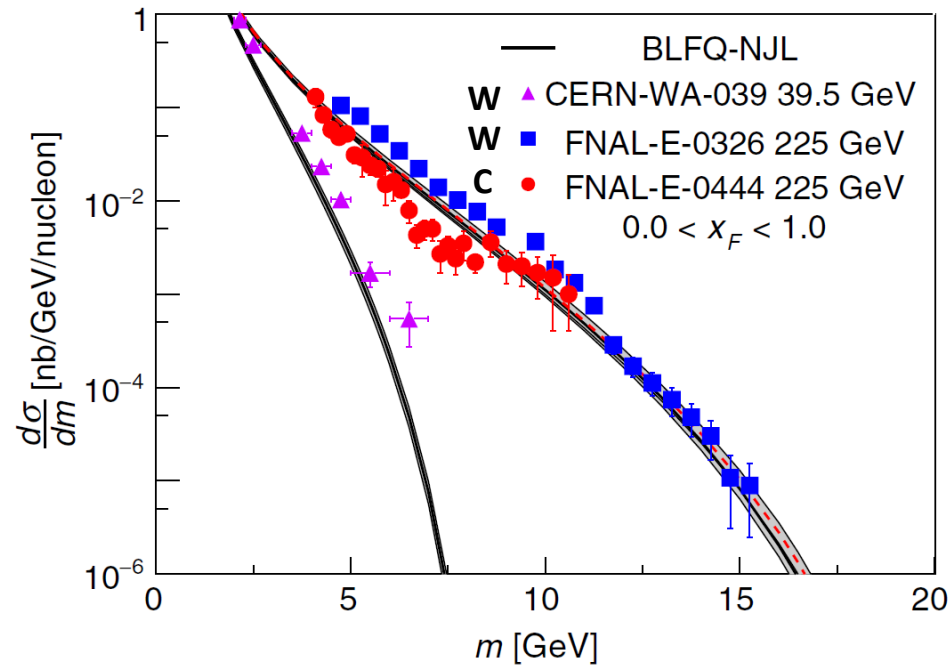
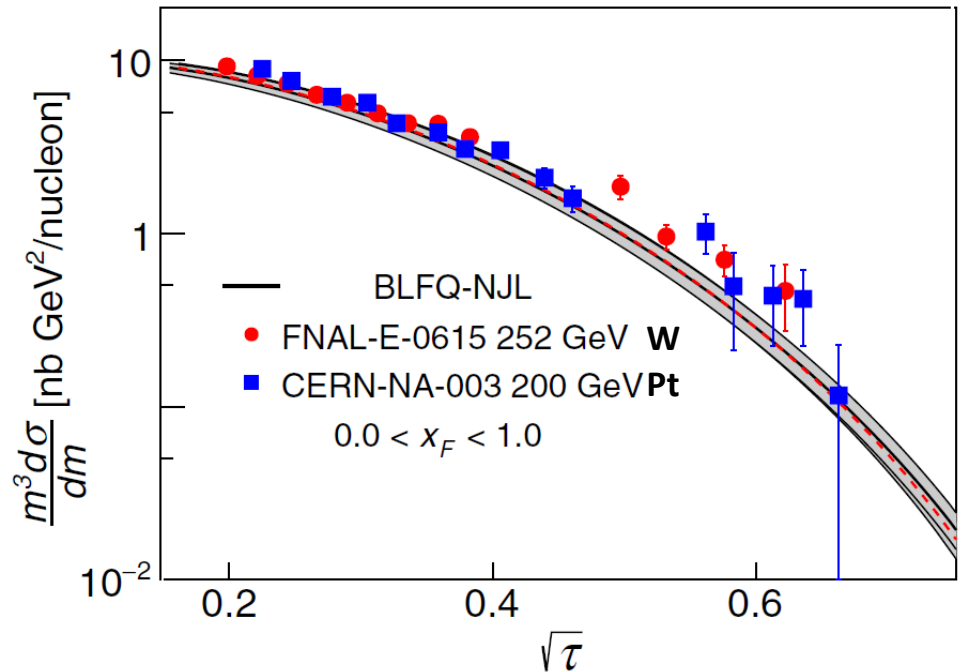


[S. D. Drell and T.-M. Yan, PRL (1970)]

[T. Becher et al, JKEP07(2008)030]; [P. C. Barry et al, PRL121(2018)152001]

[C. Anastasiou et al, PRL91(2003)182002]

$$\frac{m^3 d^2 \sigma}{dmdY} = \frac{8\pi\alpha^2 m^2}{9 s} \sum_{ij} dx_1 dx_2 \tilde{C}_{ij}(x_1, x_2, s, m, \mu_f) f_{i/\pi}(x_1, \mu_f) f_{j/N}(x_2, \mu_f)$$



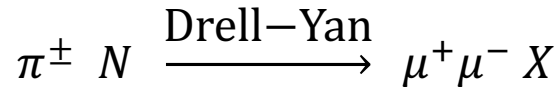
Agree with experimental data (FNAL E615, 326, 444, & CERN NA3, WA-039).

πN Drell-Yan cross section

$$u_{val}^{\pi^+} = u^{\pi^+} - \bar{u}^{\pi^+} \quad d_{val}^{\pi^-} = d^{\pi^-} - \bar{d}^{\pi^-}$$

$$u_{val}^{\pi^+} = \bar{d}_{val}^{\pi^+} = \bar{u}_{val}^{\pi^-} = d_{val}^{\pi^-}$$

$$\bar{u}_{sea}^{\pi^+} = u_{sea}^{\pi^+} = \bar{d}_{sea}^{\pi^+} = d_{sea}^{\pi^+} = \bar{s}_{sea}^{\pi^+} = s_{sea}^{\pi^+}$$



$$\sigma_{\pi^+ N} \sim \frac{4}{9} (u_{vs}^{\pi^+} \bar{u}_s^N + \bar{u}_s^{\pi^+} u_{vs}^N) + \frac{1}{9} (\bar{d}_{vs}^{\pi^+} d_{vs}^N + d_s^{\pi^+} \bar{d}_s^N + \bar{s}_s^{\pi^+} s_s^N + s_s^{\pi^+} \bar{s}_s^N)$$

$$\sigma_{\pi^- N} \sim \frac{4}{9} (u_s^{\pi^-} \bar{u}_s^N + \bar{u}_{vs}^{\pi^-} u_{vs}^N) + \frac{1}{9} (\bar{d}_s^{\pi^-} d_{vs}^N + d_{vs}^{\pi^-} \bar{d}_s^N + \bar{s}_s^{\pi^-} s_s^N + s_s^{\pi^-} \bar{s}_s^N)$$

Target with nucleus of $A=2Z$:

$$\sigma_{\pi^- N} - \sigma_{\pi^+ N} \sim \frac{4}{9} \bar{u}_v^{\pi^-} u_v^N - \frac{1}{9} \bar{d}_v^{\pi^-} d_v^N \xrightarrow{\text{for } C \text{ target}} \sim \frac{3}{9} \bar{u}_v^{\pi^-} u_v^N$$

contribution from Valence

$$4\sigma_{\pi^+ N} - \sigma_{\pi^- N}$$

Contribution from Valence cancel out!

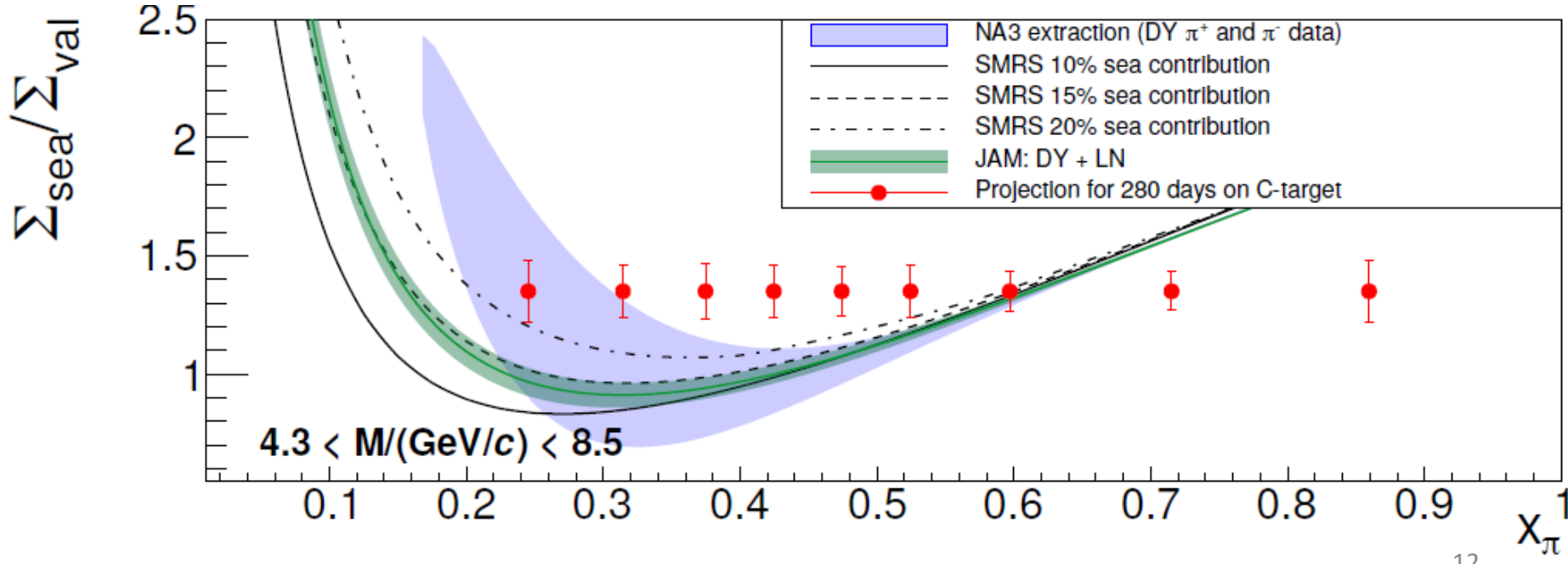
Table 6: PYTHIA Drell-Yan cross sections in LO, for the dimuon mass range $4.3 < M_{\mu\mu}/(\text{GeV}/c^2) < 8.5$.

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Proposal

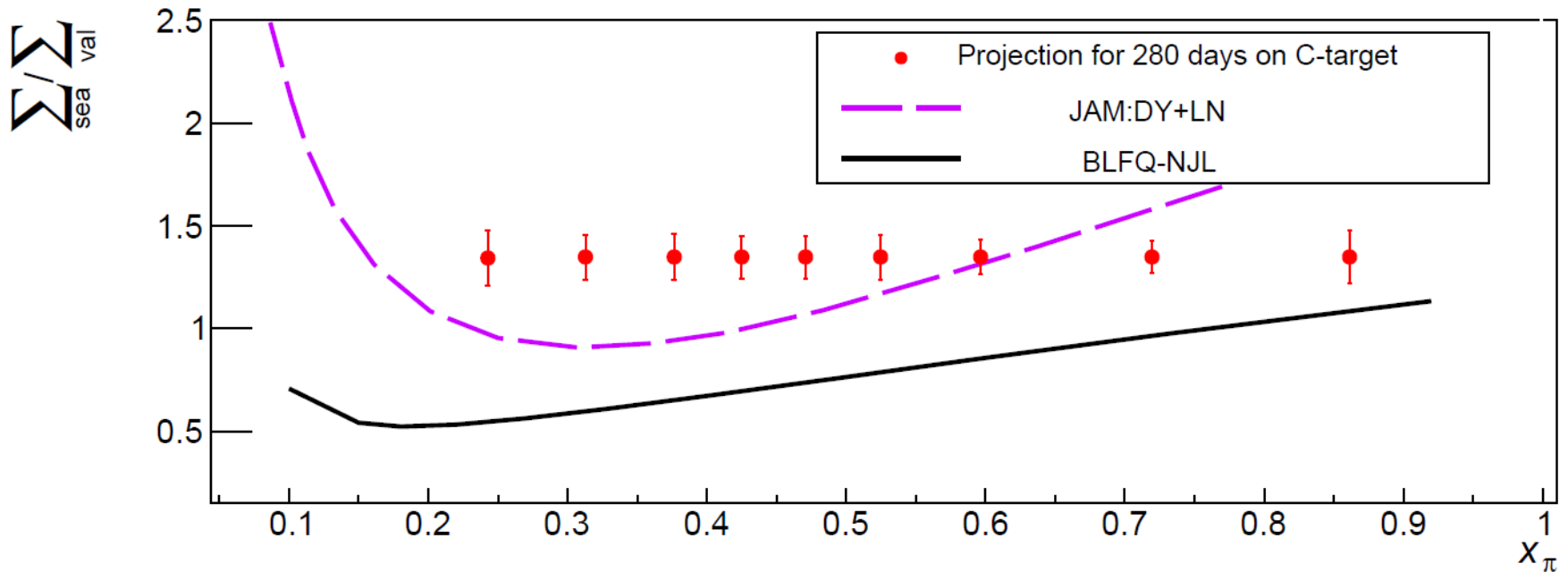
beam and target	$\sigma_{\text{LO}}^{\text{DY} \rightarrow \mu\mu}$ (nb)
$\pi^+ p$	0.026
$\pi^+ n$	0.039
$\pi^- p$	0.106
$\pi^- n$	0.051

$$\Sigma_{val}^{\pi D} = -\sigma^{\pi^+ D} + \sigma^{\pi^- D}$$

$$\Sigma_{sea}^{\pi D} = 4\sigma^{\pi^+ D} - \sigma^{\pi^- D}$$



BLFQ-NJL result



$$|\pi\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

- Only consider the valence Fock sector.
- Smaller sea contribution compared to JAM global fit
- Valence Fock sector **not enough?**

$$|\pi/K\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$



$$|\pi/K\rangle = a|q\bar{q}\rangle + b|q\bar{q}g\rangle + \dots$$

Interaction Part of Hamiltonian

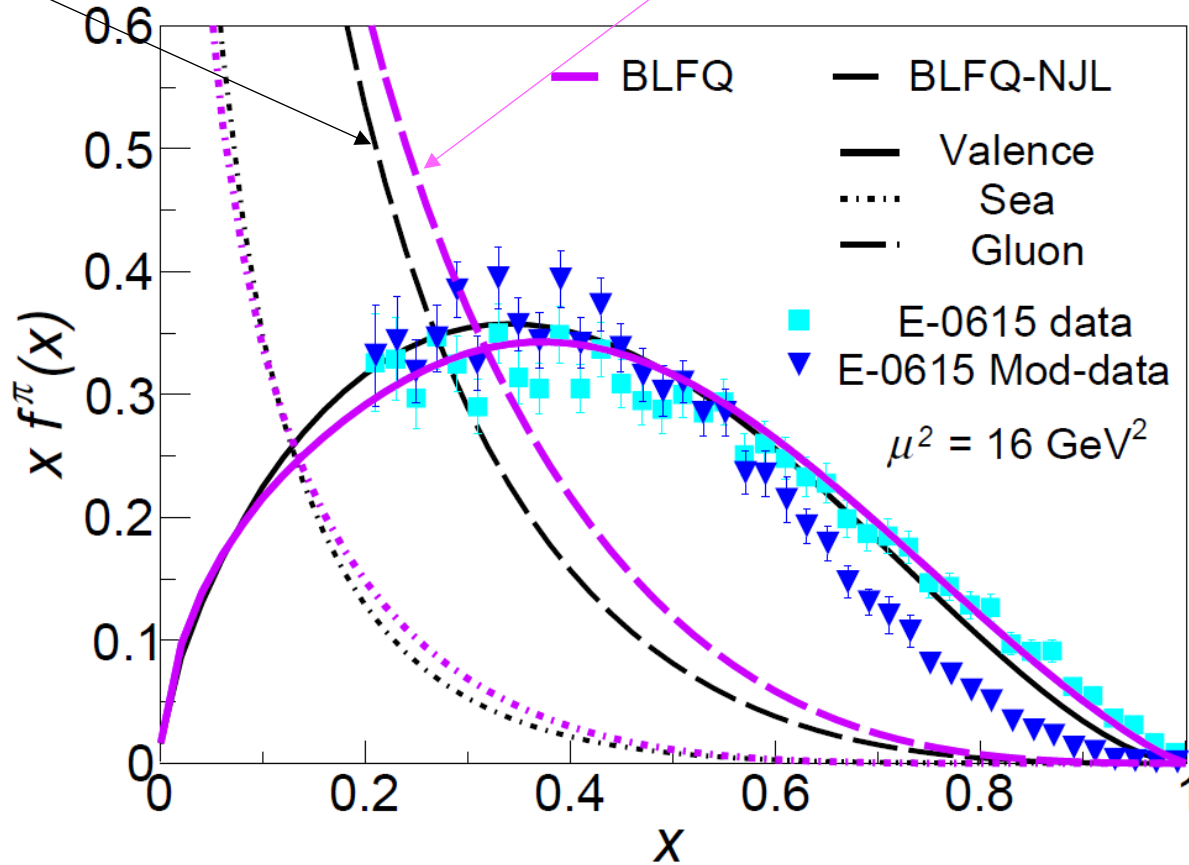
$$|\boldsymbol{\pi}/\mathbf{K}\rangle = a|q\bar{q}\rangle + b|q\bar{q}g\rangle + c|q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_q^2}{x} + \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} + \kappa^4 x(1-x) \vec{r}_{\perp}^2 - \frac{\kappa^4}{(m_q + m_{\bar{q}})^2} \partial_x (x(1-x) \partial_x) + H_{\text{int}}$$

H_{int}	$ q\bar{q}\rangle$	$ q\bar{q}g\rangle$
$\langle q\bar{q} $		
$\langle q\bar{q}g $		0

Pion PDF with high Fock sector

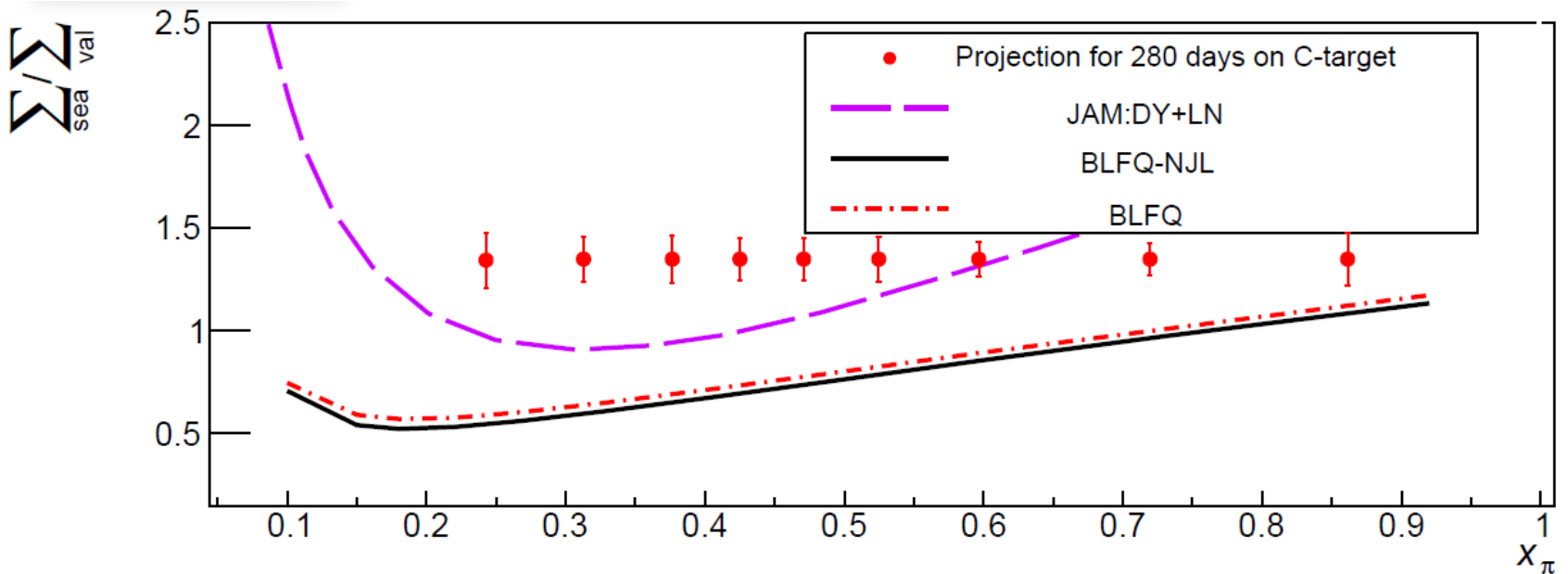
$$|\pi\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots \quad \longrightarrow \quad |\pi\rangle = a|q\bar{q}\rangle + b|q\bar{q}g\rangle + \dots$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 N_{\max} &= 8, K_{\max} = 9, M_J = 0, m_e = 0.33 \text{ GeV}, \\
 m_g &= 0.60 \text{ GeV}, \kappa = 0.77 \text{ GeV}, b = 0.49 \text{ GeV}, \\
 \alpha &= 1.74 \text{ GeV}, m_f = 3.38 \text{ GeV}, \text{binst} = 28 \text{ GeV}
 \end{aligned}$$

Ratio of cross section with high Fock sector

$$|\pi\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots \quad \longrightarrow \quad |\pi\rangle = a|q\bar{q}\rangle + b|q\bar{q}g\rangle + \dots$$

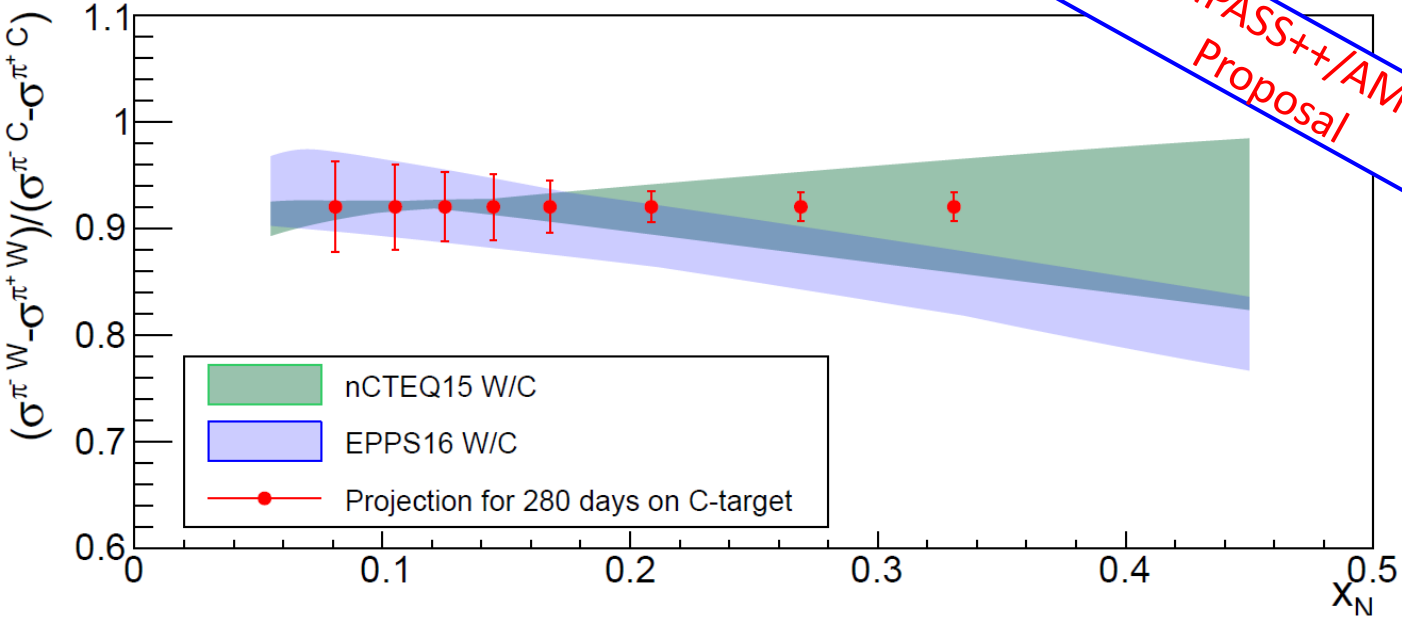


With $|q\bar{q}g\rangle$, the contribution from sea quark increases, but still not enough?

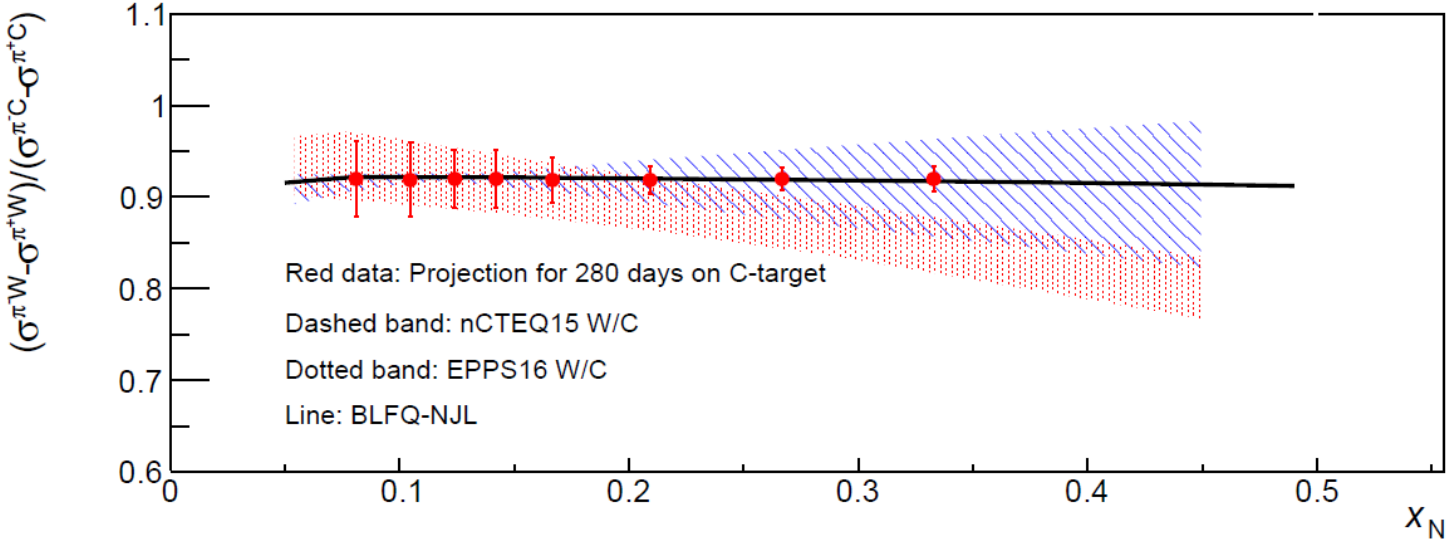
$|q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle$ sector is needed?

$$|\pi\rangle = a|q\bar{q}\rangle + b|q\bar{q}g\rangle + c|q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

Valence contribution



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Our results agree well with data.

***Observables
discriminating the valence
distribution between π/K***

KN Drell-Yan cross section

Relations between cross sections and the valence PDFs



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$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{3}{4} \frac{\sigma_{K^-C} - \sigma_{K^+C}}{\sigma_{\pi^-C} - \sigma_{\pi^+C}} \sim \bar{u}_v^K / \bar{u}_v^\pi$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{\sigma_{\pi^-C} - \sigma_{K^+C}}{\sigma_{\pi^-C} - \sigma_{\pi^+C}} \sim \frac{4}{3} + \frac{4\bar{u}_s^C(u_v^\pi - u_v^K) + \bar{d}_s^C(d_v^\pi - s_v^K)}{3\bar{u}_v^\pi u_v^C}$$

The detail expressions for the cross sections

$$\sigma_{\pi^+N} \sim \frac{4}{9} (u_{vs}^\pi \bar{u}_s^N + \bar{u}_s^\pi u_{vs}^N) + \frac{1}{9} (\bar{d}_{vs}^\pi d_{vs}^N + d_s^\pi \bar{d}_s^N + \bar{s}_s^\pi s_s^N + s_s^\pi \bar{s}_s^N)$$

$$\sigma_{\pi^-N} \sim \frac{4}{9} (u_s^\pi \bar{u}_s^N + \bar{u}_{vs}^\pi u_{vs}^N) + \frac{1}{9} (\bar{d}_s^\pi d_{vs}^N + d_{vs}^\pi \bar{d}_s^N + \bar{s}_s^\pi s_s^N + s_s^\pi \bar{s}_s^N)$$

$$\sigma_{K^+N} \sim \frac{4}{9} (u_{vs}^K \bar{u}_s^N + \bar{u}_s^K u_{vs}^N) + \frac{1}{9} (\bar{s}_{vs}^K s_s^N + s_s^K \bar{s}_s^N + \bar{d}_s^K d_{vs}^N + d_s^K \bar{d}_s^N)$$

$$\sigma_{K^-N} \sim \frac{4}{9} (u_s^K \bar{u}_s^N + \bar{u}_{vs}^K u_{vs}^N) + \frac{1}{9} (\bar{s}_s^K s_s^N + s_{vs}^K \bar{s}_s^N + \bar{d}_s^K d_{vs}^N + d_s^K \bar{d}_s^N)$$

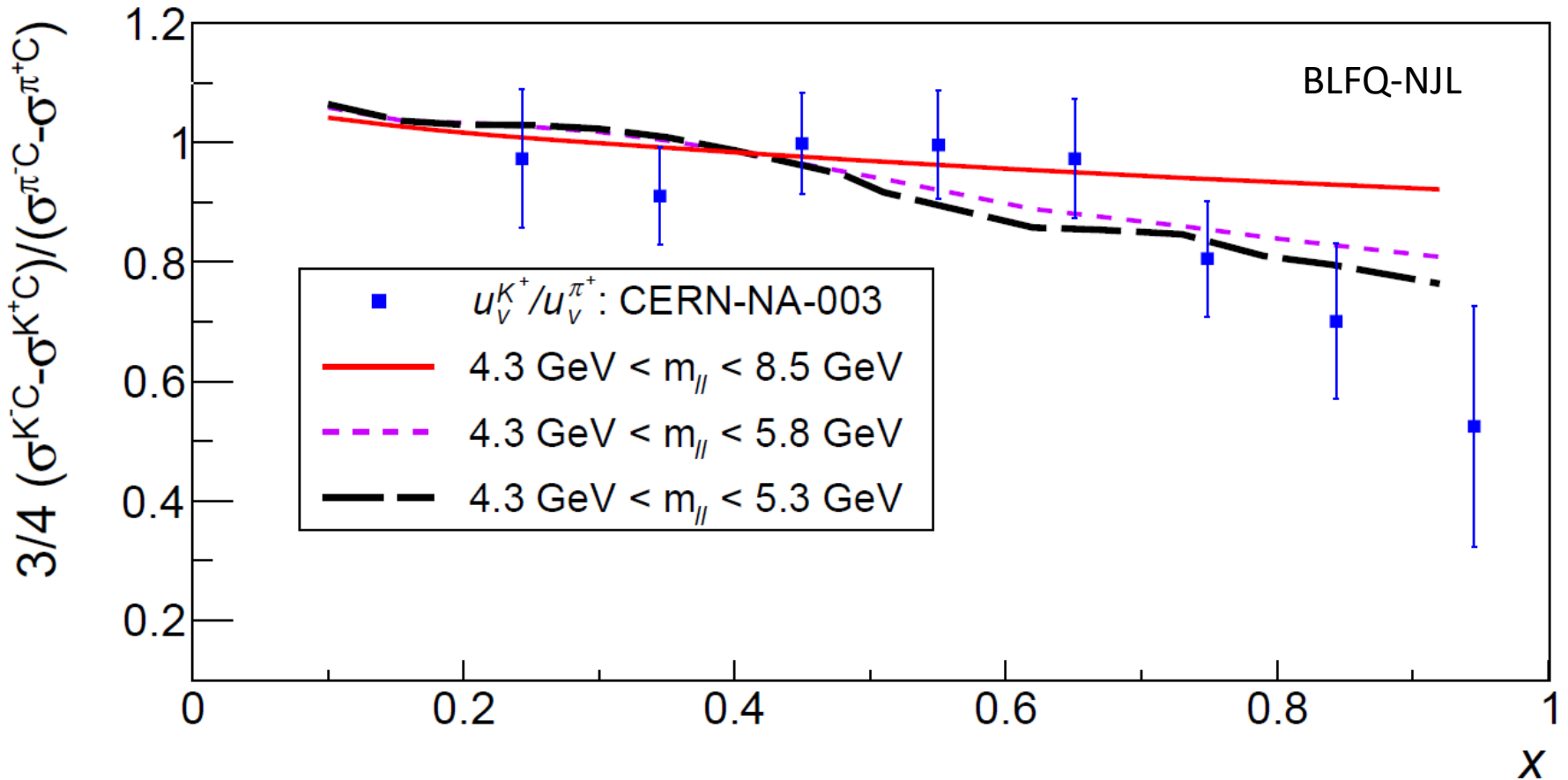
$$\pi^\pm N \xrightarrow{\text{Drell-Yan}} \mu^+ \mu^- X$$

$$K^\pm N \xrightarrow{\text{Drell-Yan}} \mu^+ \mu^- X$$

$$\sigma_{\pi^-N} - \sigma_{\pi^+N} \sim \frac{4}{9} \bar{u}_v^\pi u_v^N - \frac{1}{9} \bar{d}_v^\pi d_v^N \xrightarrow{\text{for } C \text{ target}} \sim \frac{3}{9} \bar{u}_v^\pi u_v^C \quad \sigma_{K^-N} - \sigma_{K^+N} \sim \frac{4}{9} \bar{u}_v^K u_v^C$$

First relation

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \frac{3}{4} \frac{\sigma_{K^- C^-} - \sigma_{K^+ C^+}}{\sigma_{\pi^- C^-} - \sigma_{\pi^+ C^+}} \sim \bar{u}_v^K / \bar{u}_v^\pi$$



With decreasing the range of invariant mass of leptonic pair, our results tend to agree with extracted data.

Second relation

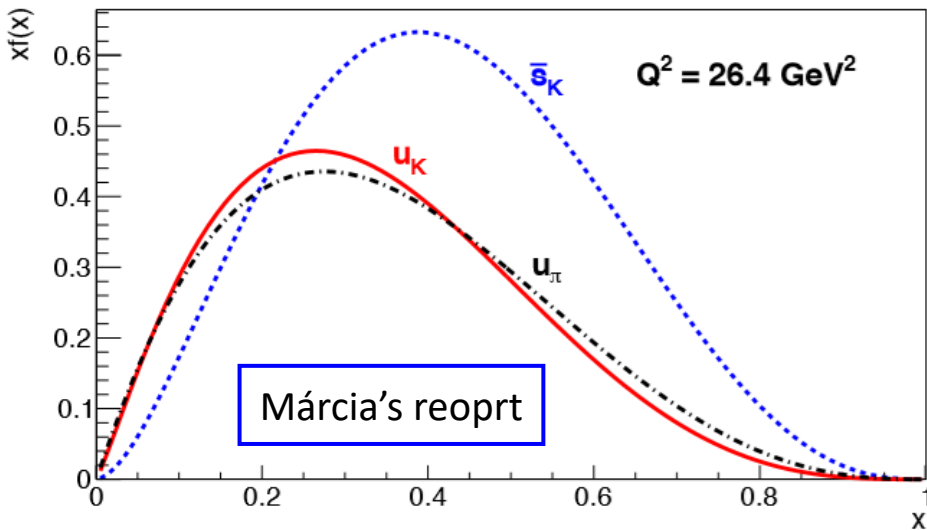
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$$\frac{\sigma_{\pi^- C} - \sigma_{K^+ C}}{\sigma_{\pi^- C} - \sigma_{\pi^+ C}} \sim \frac{4}{3} + \frac{4\bar{u}_s^C (u_v^\pi - u_v^K) + \bar{d}_s^C (d_v^\pi - s_v^K)}{3\bar{u}_v^\pi u_v^C}$$

How much difference for $\langle x_v \rangle$ between valence u and valence s in the kaon?

$$\langle x_v^u \rangle : \langle x_v^s \rangle \sim 2:3$$

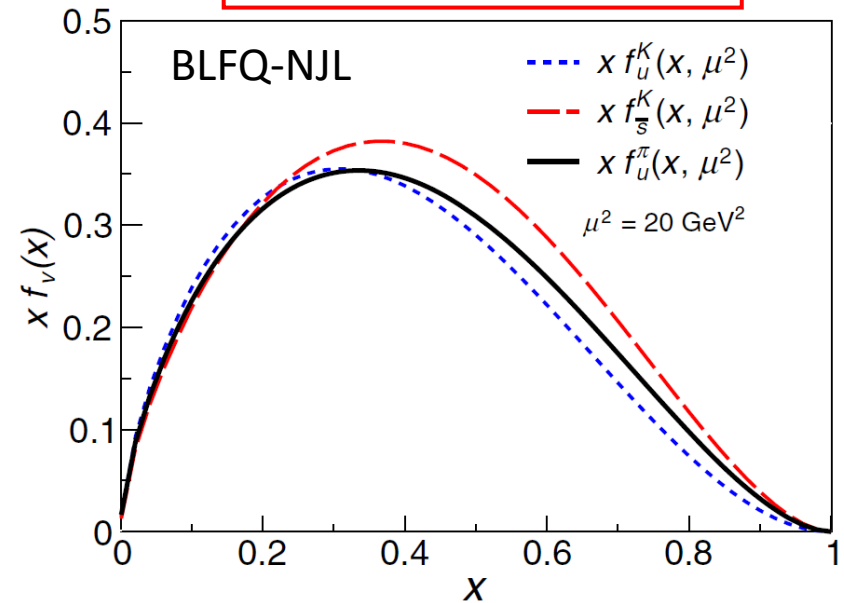
$$\langle x_v^u \rangle : \langle x_v^s \rangle \sim 7:8$$



distributions calculated in the framework of the Dyson-Schwinger Equations (DSE)

[Phys. Rev. D93 \(7\) \(2016\) 074021](#)

DSE: momentum carried by $\bar{s}^K > u^K$
 u^K and u^π are almost same



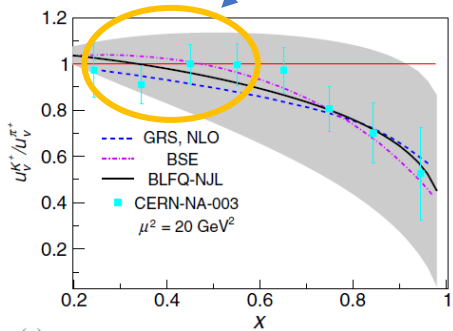
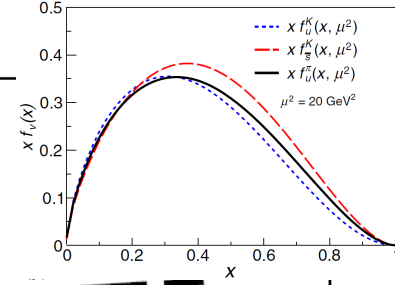
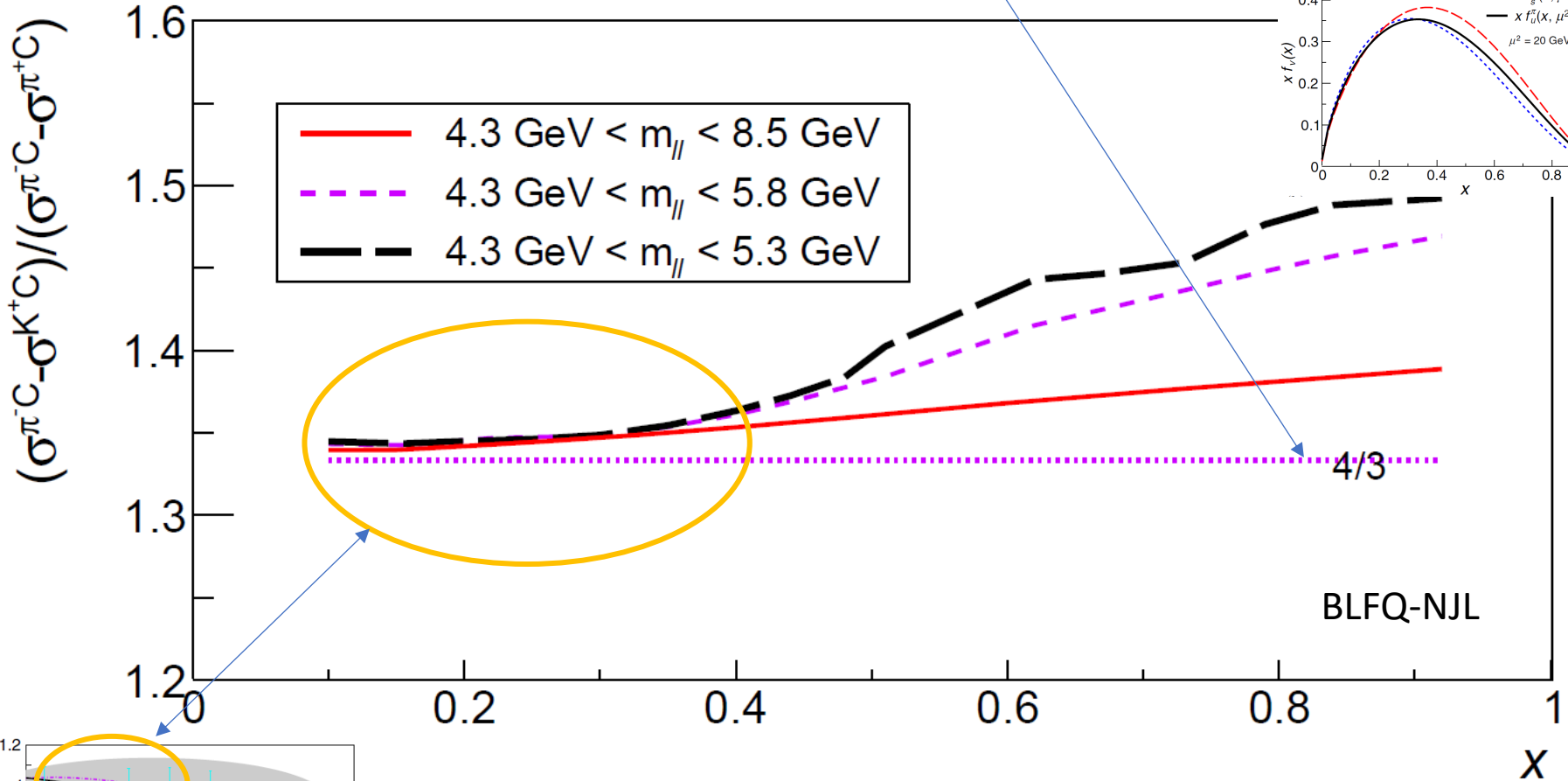
[Lan, Mondal, Jia, Zhao, Vary, PRD101,034024(2020)]

BLFQ-NJL: momentum carried by valence quarks of pion and kaon are comparable

Second relation

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$$\frac{\sigma_{\pi^- C} - \sigma_{K^+ C}}{\sigma_{\pi^- C} - \sigma_{\pi^+ C}} \sim \frac{4}{3} + \frac{4\bar{u}_s^C(u_v^\pi - u_v^K) + \bar{d}_s^C(d_v^\pi - s_v^K)}{3\bar{u}_v^\pi u_v^C}$$



$(u_v^\pi - u_v^K) \sim 0$ within $0.2 < x < 0.4$

- Large difference between d_v^π and s_v^K
 - Small difference between d_v^π and s_v^K
- ➔ Second relation $< 4/3$
 Second relation $> 4/3$

Conclusions

- Basis Light-front Quantization: **nonperturbative** approach to **relativistic** bound states
- **Light-front Hamiltonian** \longrightarrow **Wavefunction** \longrightarrow **Observables**
- Systematically expandable by including higher Fock sectors

$$|\pi/K\rangle = a|q\bar{q}\rangle + b|q\bar{q}g\rangle + c|q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

Future Plans

- Meson: heavy quarkonia \rightarrow heavy-light meson \rightarrow strange meson
- Baryon: nucleon \rightarrow excited nucleon \rightarrow baryons with s, b, c quarks...
- Expansion in Fock sectors:
 - $|\text{Baryon}\rangle = |qqq\rangle + |qqqg\rangle + |qqqq\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$
 - $|\text{Meson}\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + |q\bar{q}g\rangle + |q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$
 - $|\text{Exotic hadrons}\rangle = |q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$
- Evaluation of observables: FF, PDF, DY cross section, PDA, GPD, TMD, GTMD...
- Tremendous amount of possibilities...

Thank you !