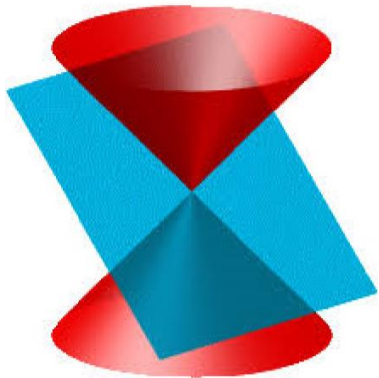


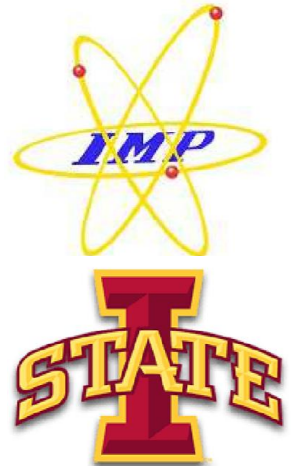
# Light Meson Structure from Basis Light-front Quantization

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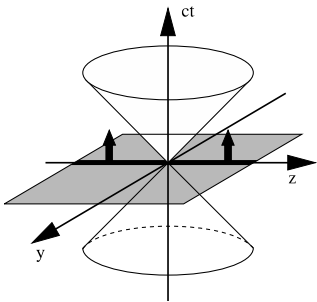
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# Light-front Quantization

[Dirac, 1949]

Equal time quantization

$$t \circ x^0$$



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

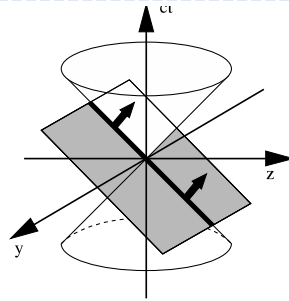
$$P^0, \vec{P}$$

$$i \frac{\delta}{\delta t} |j(t)\rangle = H |j(t)\rangle$$

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

Light-front quantization

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



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

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

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

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

- **Not** just a coordinate transformation
- **Different** quantization surface
- Profound consequences?

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
- $P_\beta^-$ : eigenvalue for  $|\beta\rangle$

- Evaluate observables for eigenstate

$$0 \equiv \langle\beta|\hat{O}|\beta\rangle$$

- 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:

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

$N_{max}, K$  are basis truncation parameters.

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

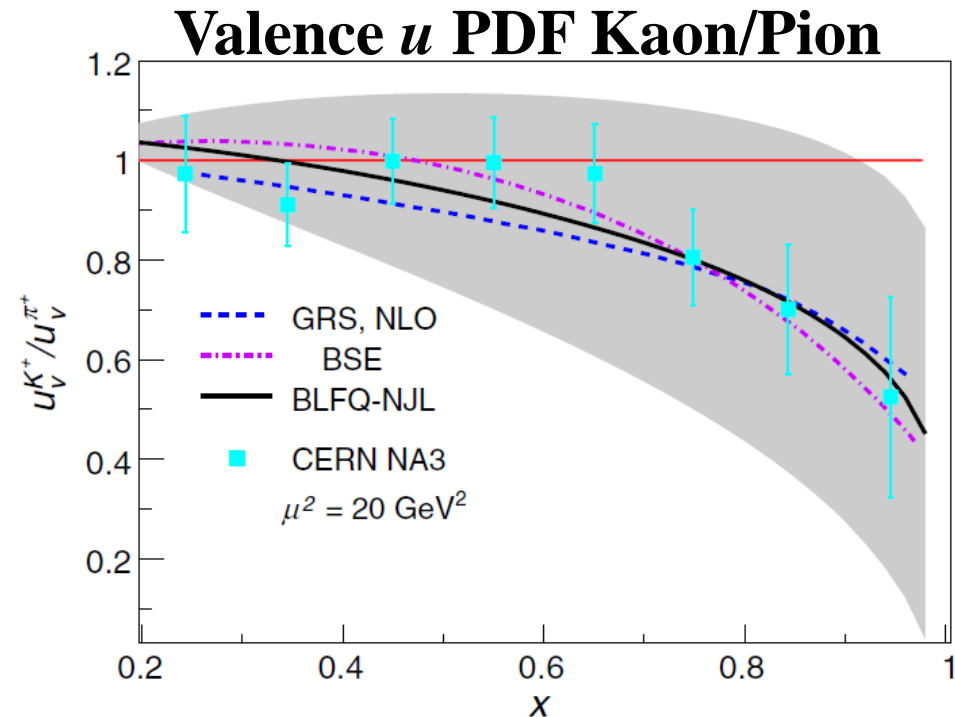
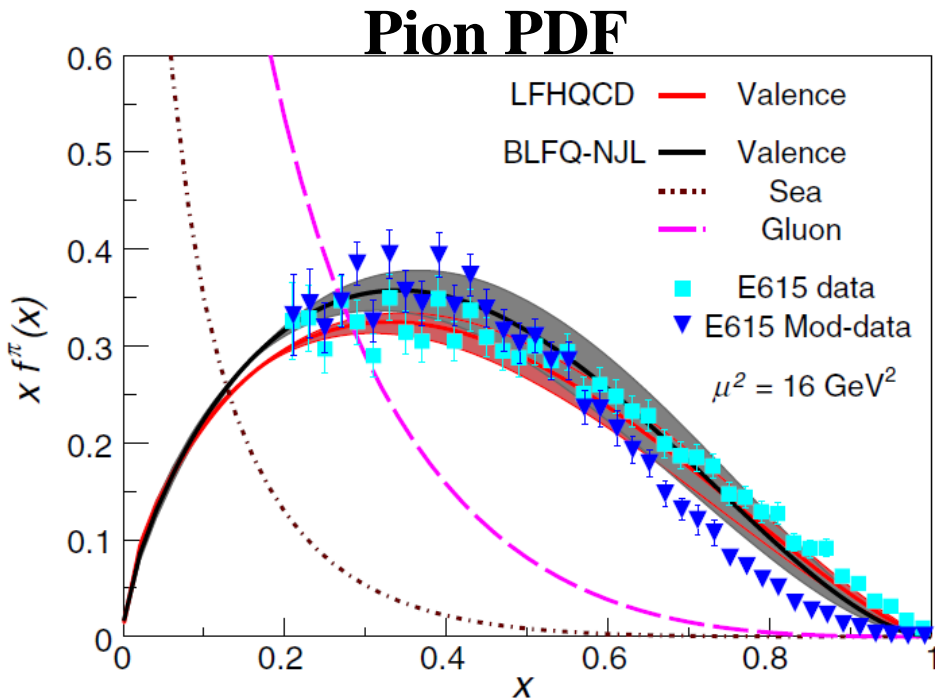
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# PDF from BLFQ and QCD Evolution for Light Mesons

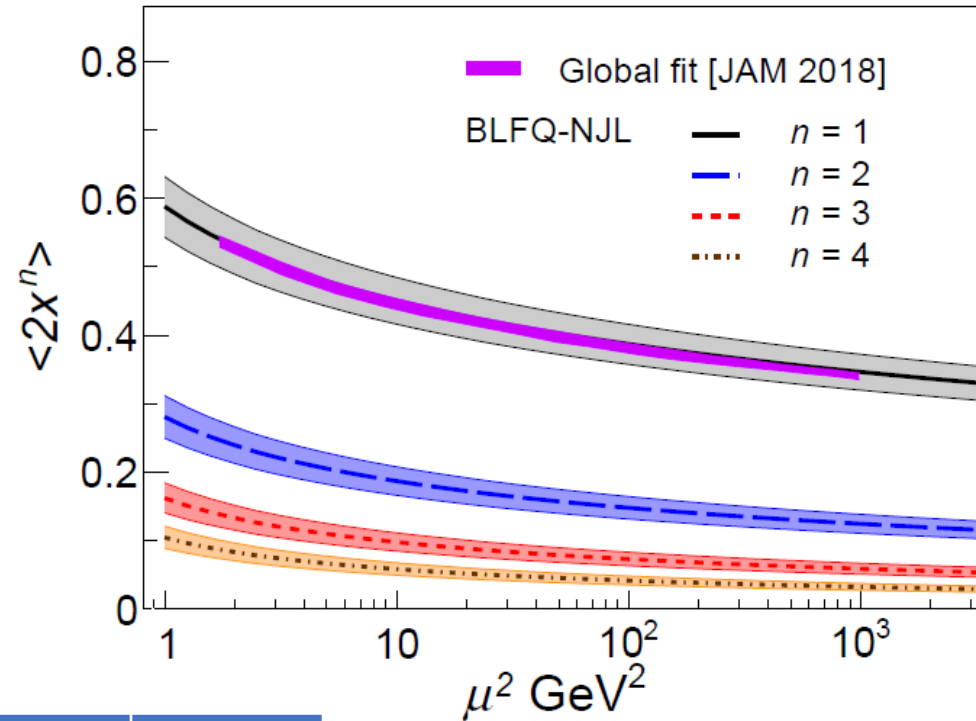
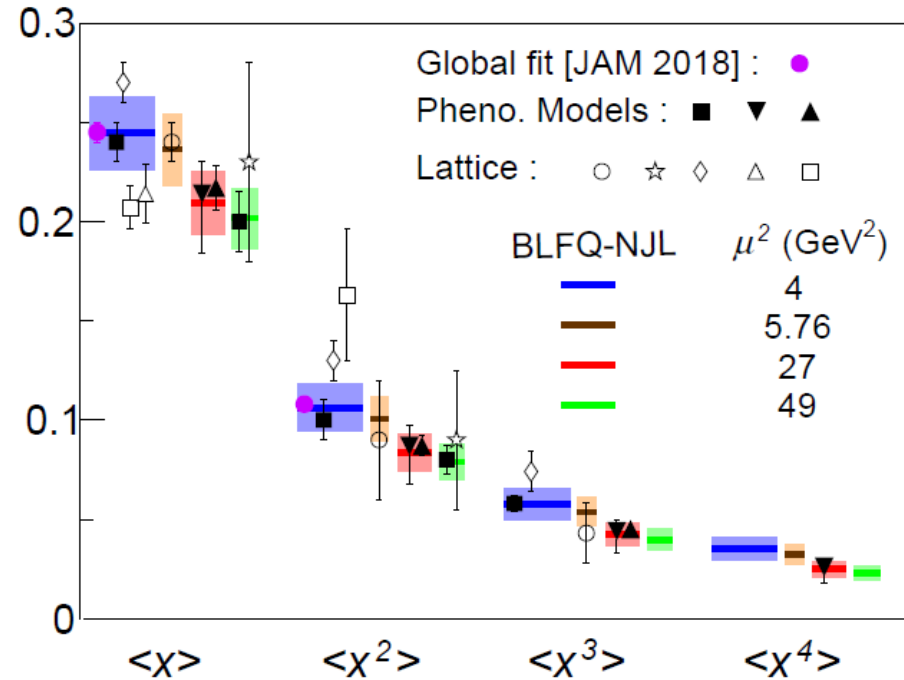
$$H_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_q^2}{x} + \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} + \kappa^4 x(1-x) \vec{r}_{\perp}^2 - \frac{\kappa^4}{(m_q + m_{\bar{q}})^2} \partial_x (x(1-x) \partial_x) + H_{\text{eff}}^{\text{NJL}}$$

**PDF** for the valence quark result from the light-front wave functions obtain by diagonalizing the effective Hamiltonian.



# The moments of pion valence quark PDF

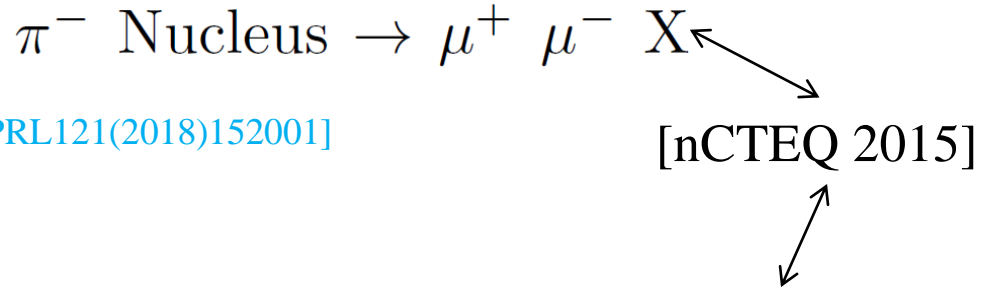
$$\langle x^n \rangle = \int_0^1 dx x^n f_v^{\pi/K}(x, \mu^2), \quad n = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$



$\langle x \rangle @ 4 \text{ GeV}^2$	Valence	Gluon	Sea
BLFQ-NJL	<b>0.489</b>	<b>0.398</b>	<b>0.113</b>
[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

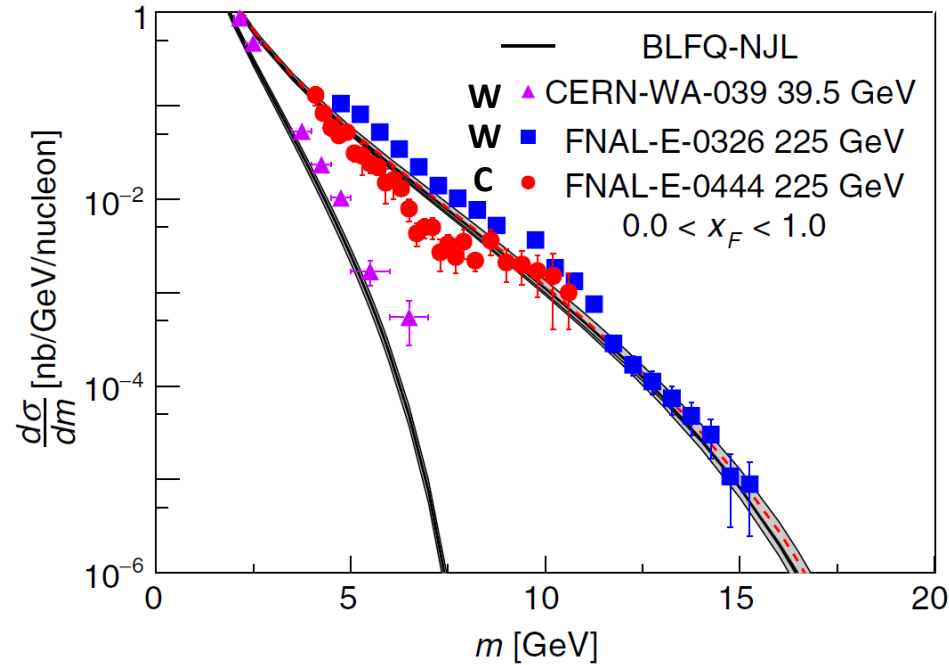
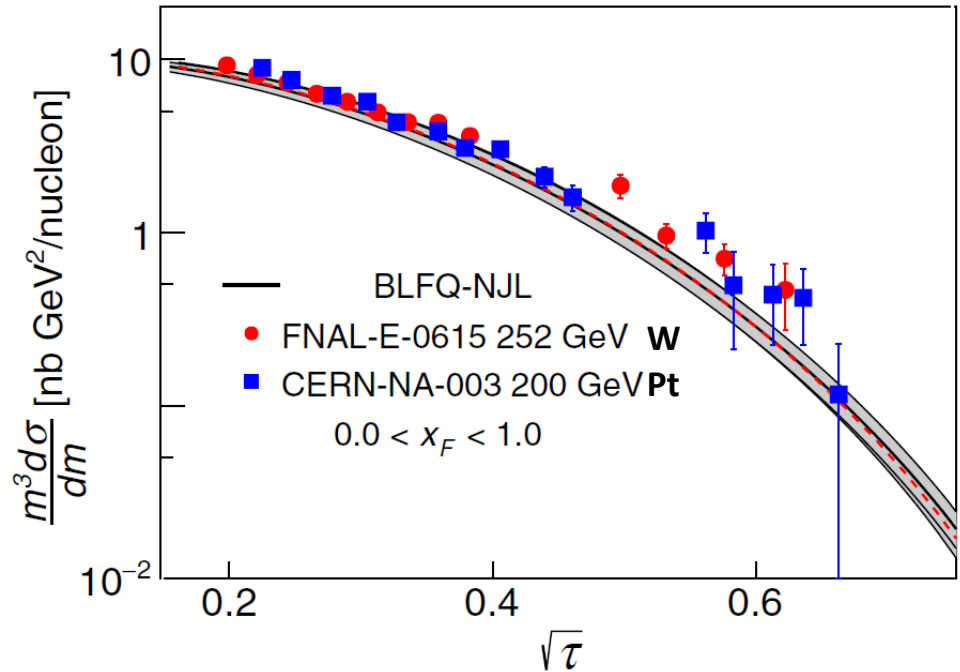


[S. D. Drell and T.-M. Yan, PRL (1970)]

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

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

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



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

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



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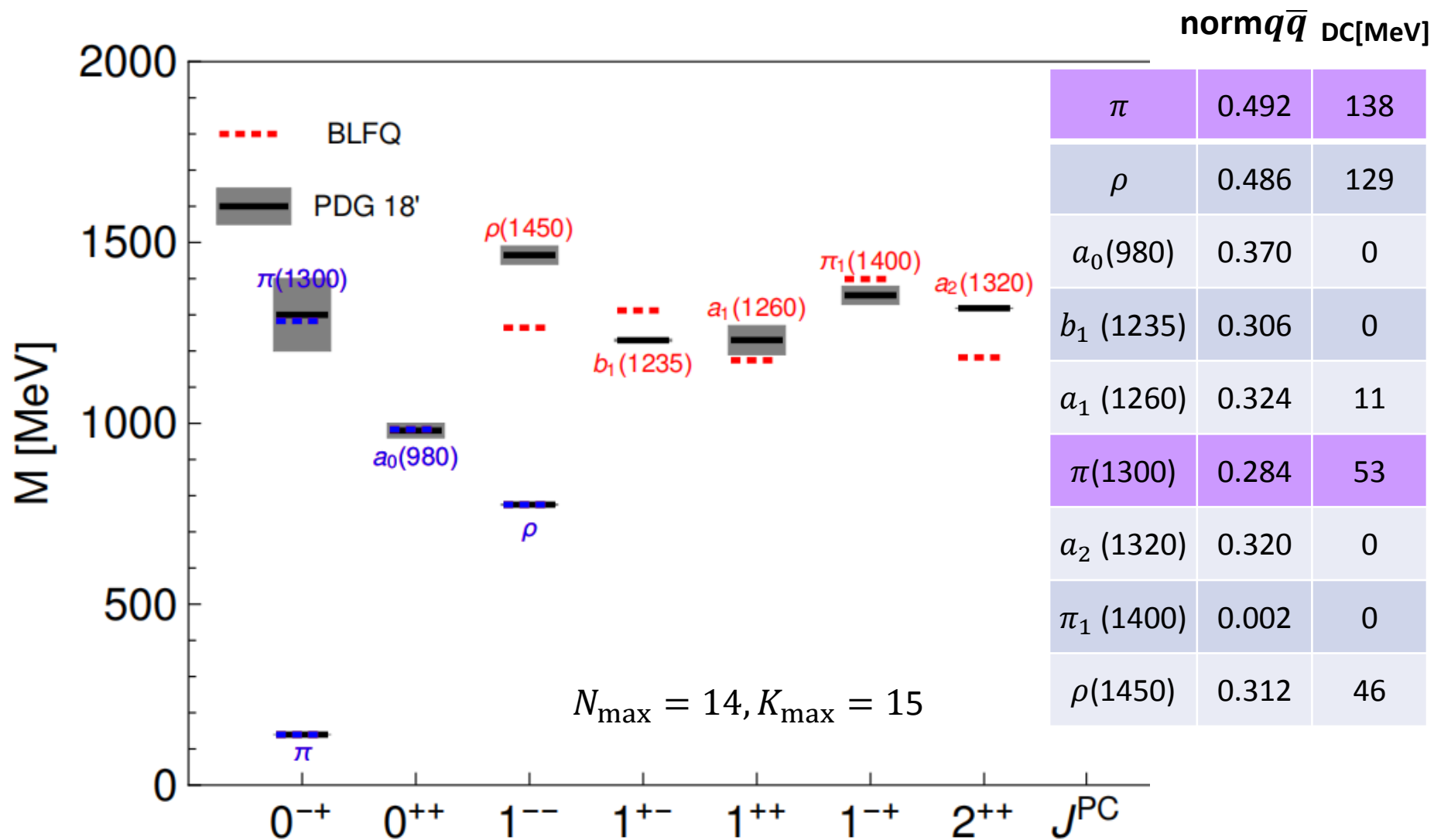
# Interaction Part of Hamiltonian

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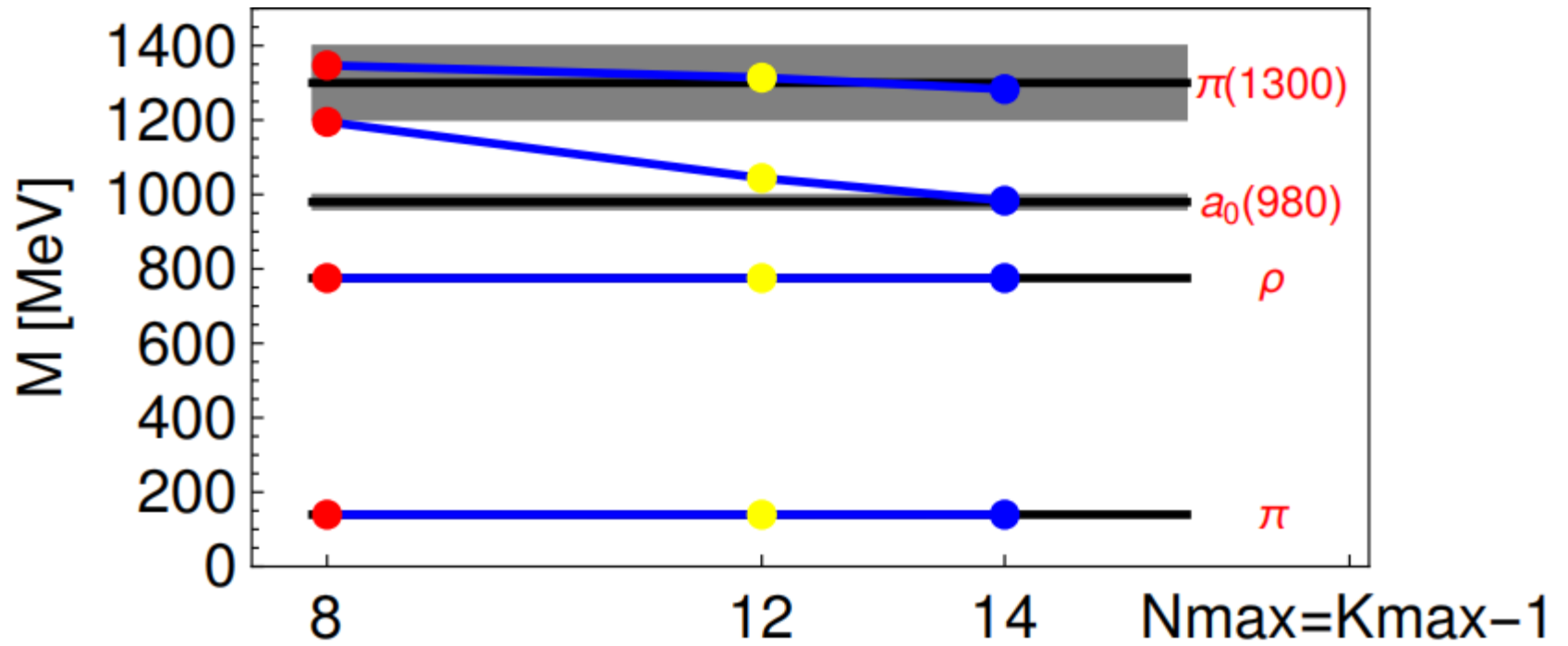
$H_{\text{int}}$	$ q\bar{q}\rangle$	$ q\bar{q}g\rangle$
$\langle q\bar{q} $		
$\langle q\bar{q}g $		0

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# Mass spectrum



Preliminary



# Pion mass, DC, Radii

$$\langle r_c^2 \rangle = -6 \frac{\partial}{\partial Q^2} F(Q^2) |_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0}$$

$$F(Q^2) = \sum_i \int dx_i H(x_i, 0, Q^2)$$

$$\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \gamma_5 \psi(0) | P(p) \rangle = i p^+ f_P,$$

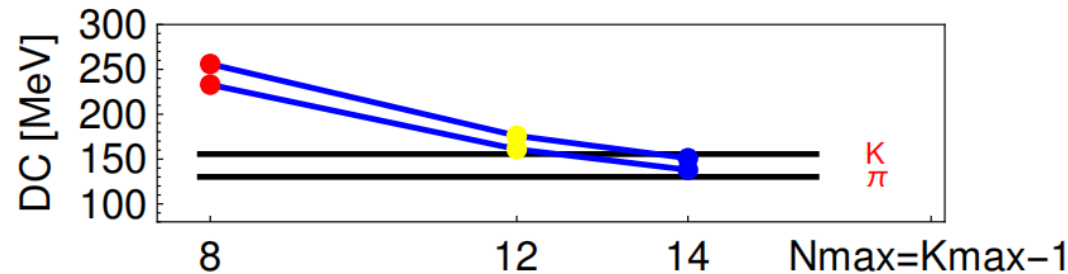
$$\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}(0) \gamma^+ \psi(0) | V(p, \lambda) \rangle = e_\lambda^+ M_V f_V.$$

	$m_{\pi^+}$ [MeV]	$m_{\rho^+}$ [MeV]	$f_{\pi^+}$ [MeV]	$f_{\rho^+}$ [MeV]	$\sqrt{\langle r_c^2 \rangle}  _{\pi^+}$ [fm]	norm $q\bar{q}$
<b>BLFQ</b>	<b>139.57</b>	<b>775.26</b>	138.2	129.0	0.516~?	<b>0.492</b>
<b>PDG</b> <i>[Tanabashi, et al, PRD(2018)]</i>	<b>139.57</b>	<b>775.26±0.25</b>	<b>130.2±1.7</b>	<b>221±2</b>	<b>0.672±0.008</b>	
<i>BLFQ-NJL</i> <i>[Jia, Vary, PRC(2018)]</i>	139.57	775.23±0.04	202.10	100.12	0.68±0.05	

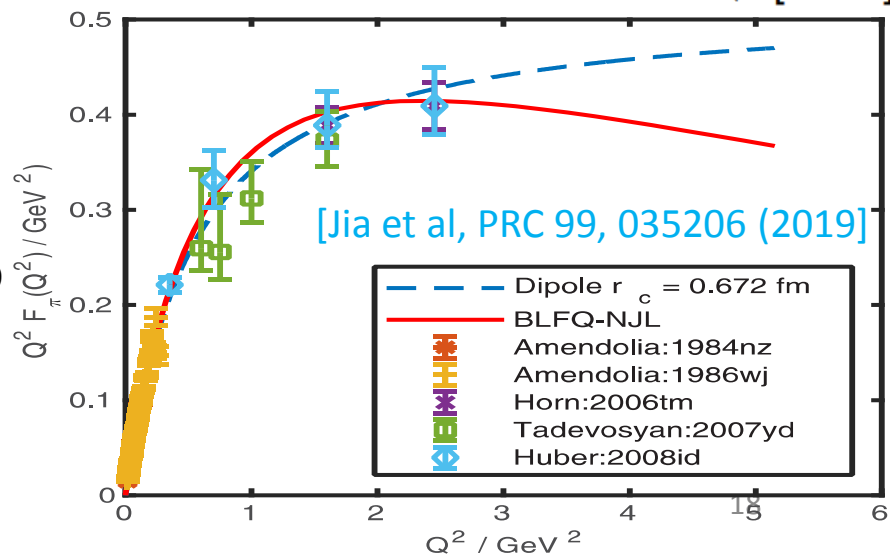
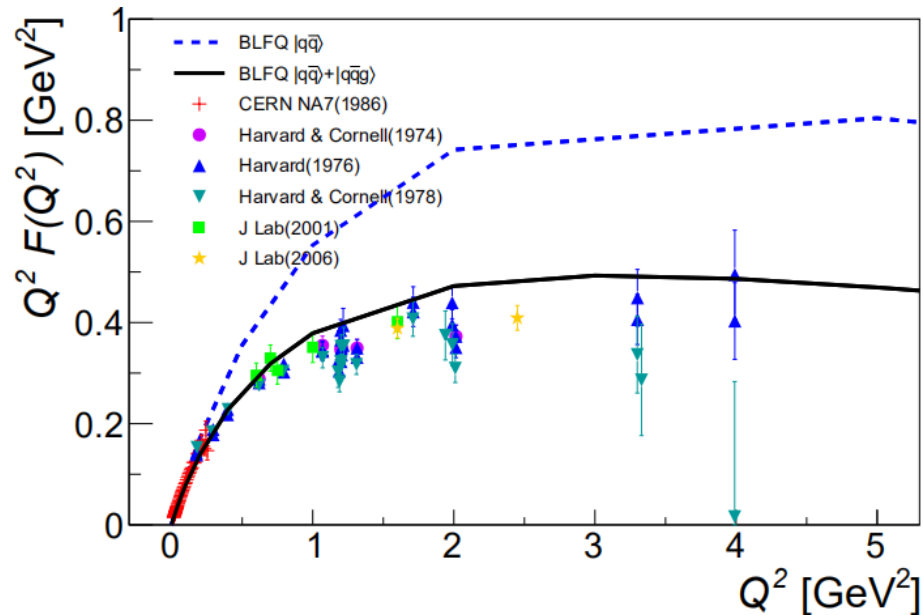
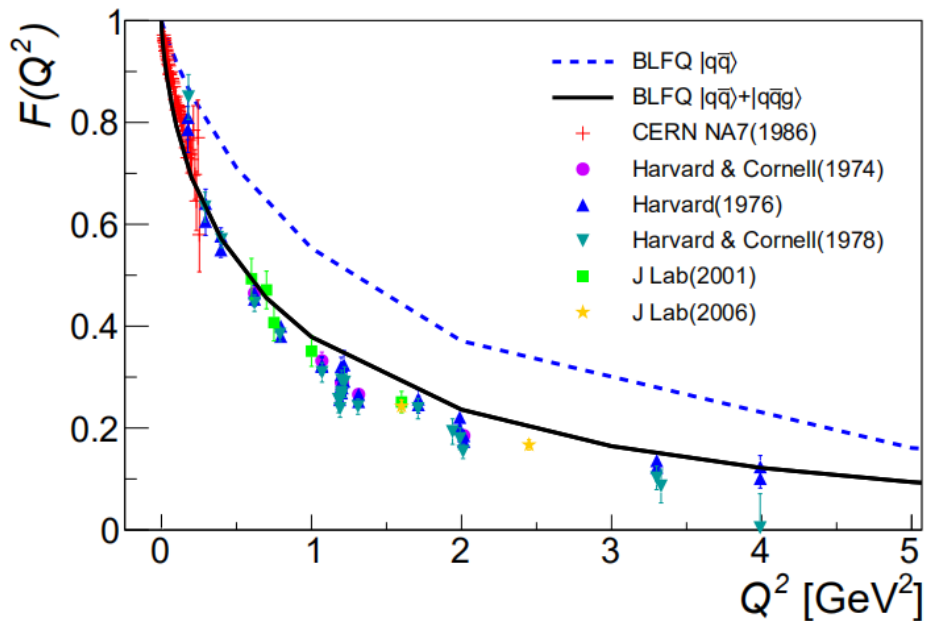
Preliminary

## BLFQ

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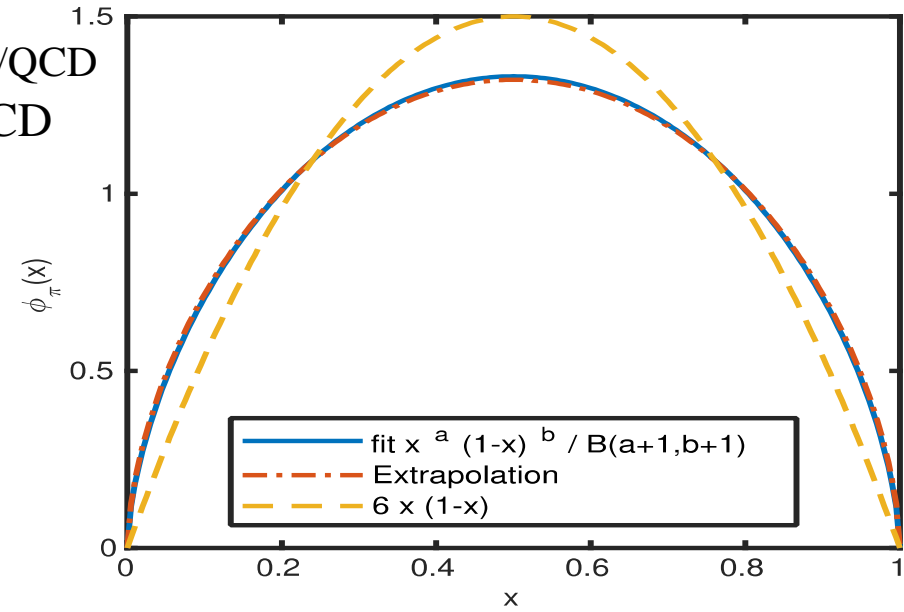
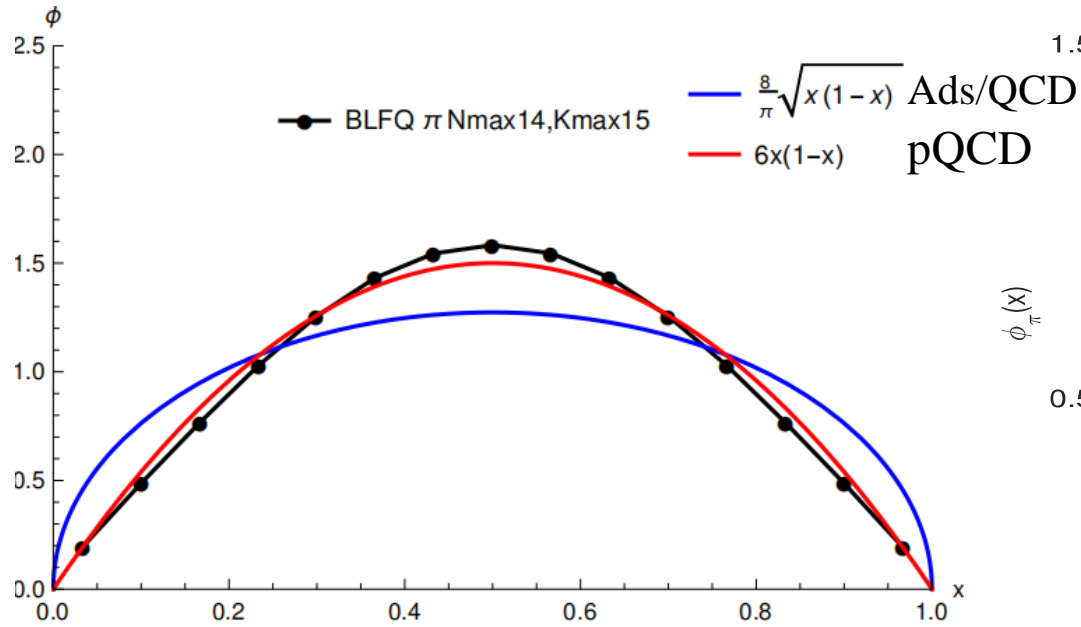
# Pion Electromagnetic Form Factor



- $F(Q^2) \propto 1/Q^2$  for large  $Q^2$ , consistent with pQCD

[Lan, et al, in preparation ]

# Pion PDA

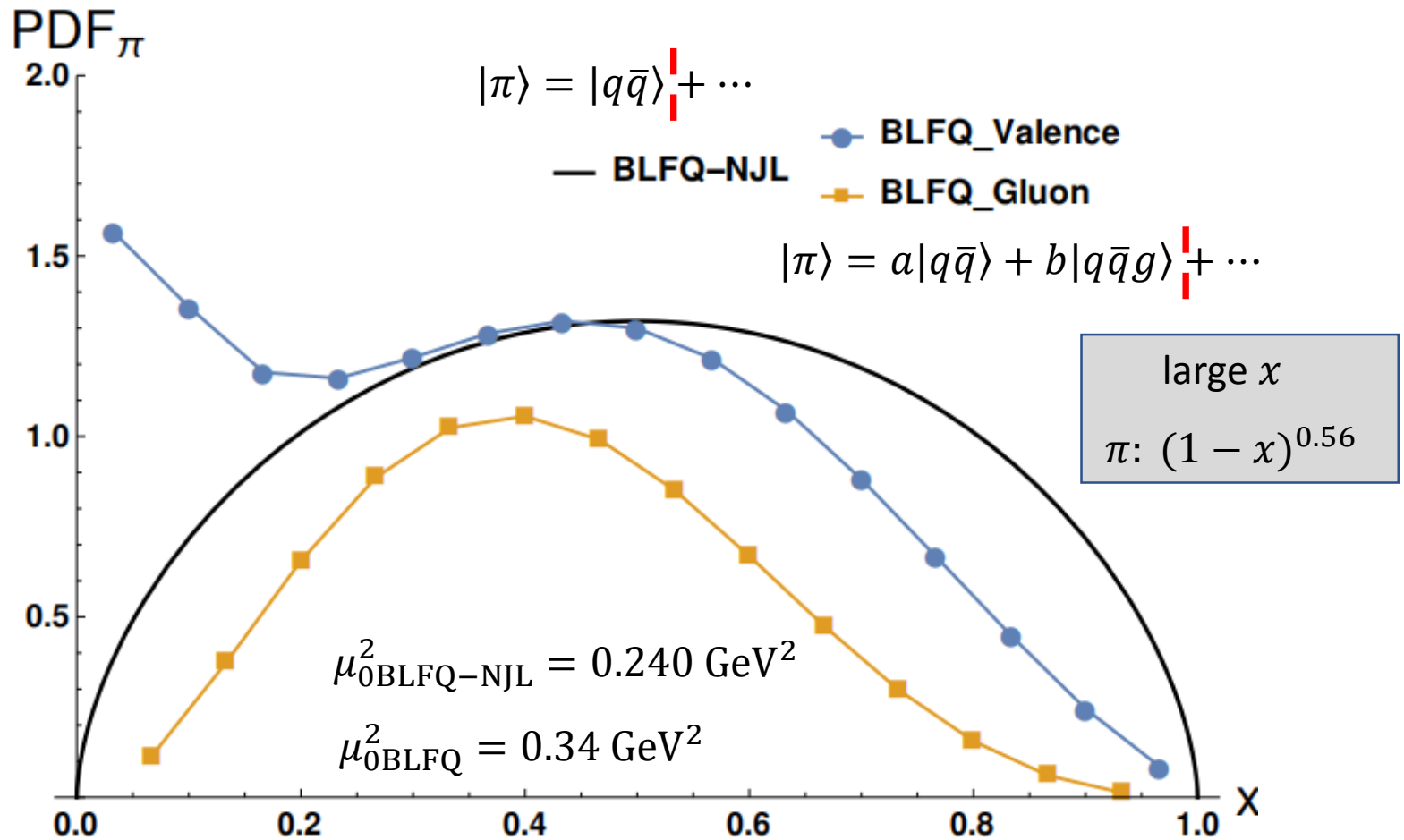


[Jia and Vary, PRC 99, 035206 (2019)]

- Endpoint behavior agrees with pQCD



# Pion initial PDF



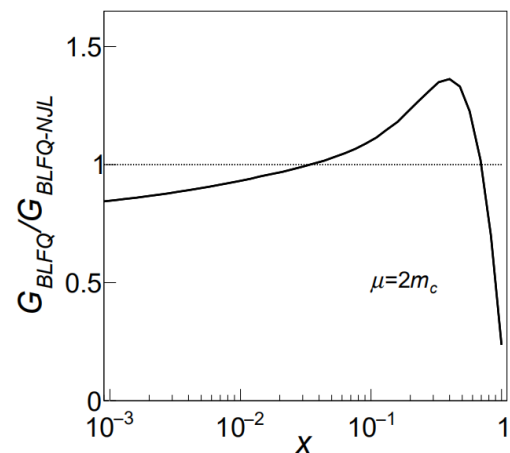
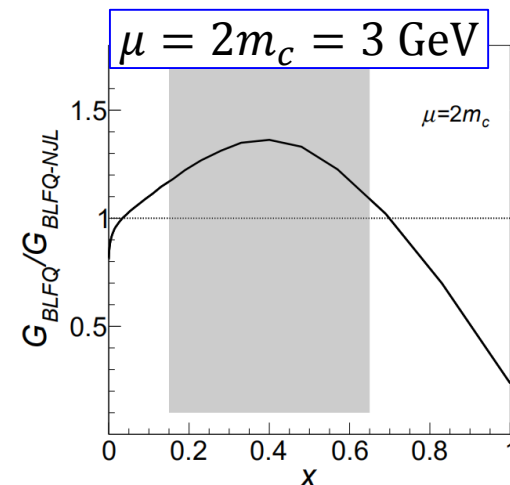
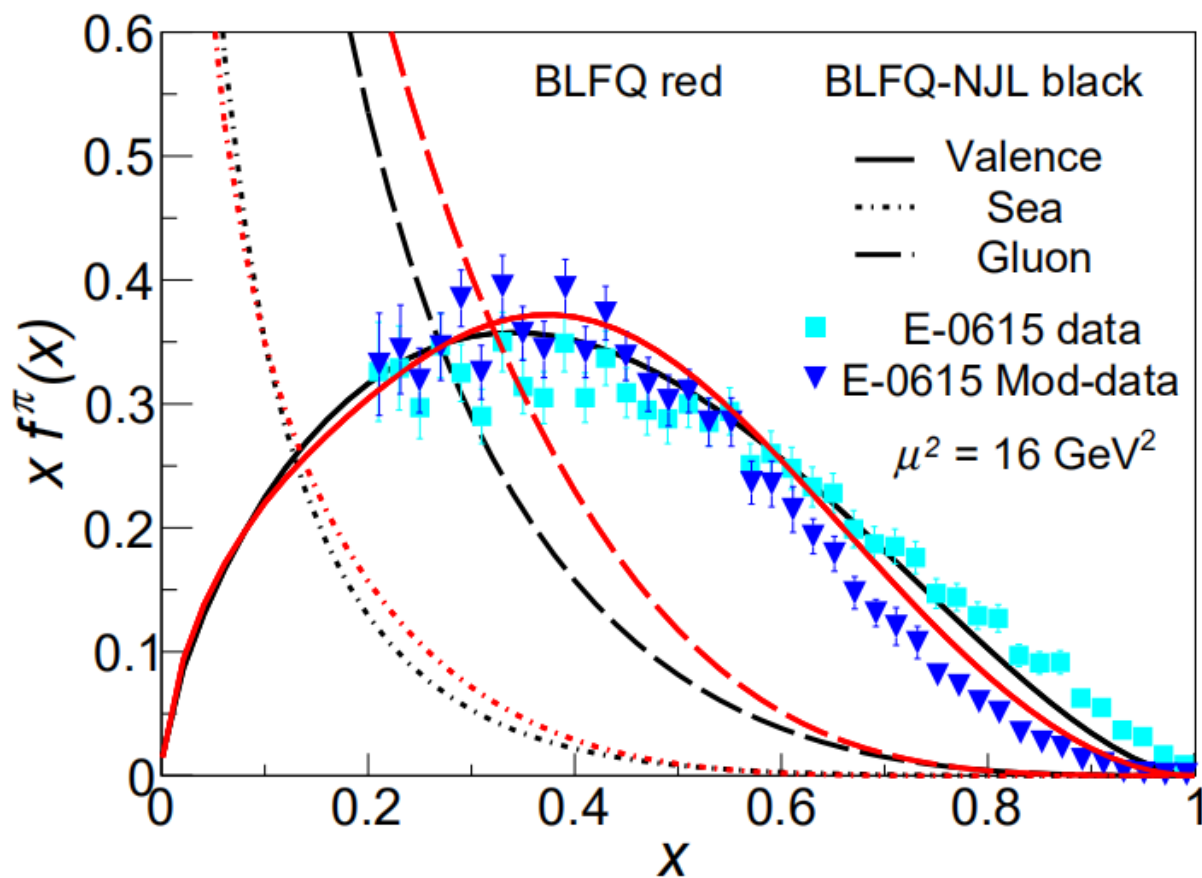
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Valence close to BLFQ-NJL result at large  $x$ , more than BLFQ-NJL result at small  $x$ ; we have gluon in initial PDF.

# Pion PDF

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- Large-x behavior closer to Mod-data **Preliminary**

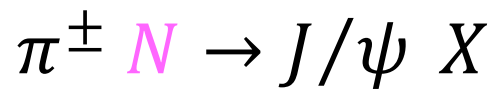
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# $J/\psi$ production cross section

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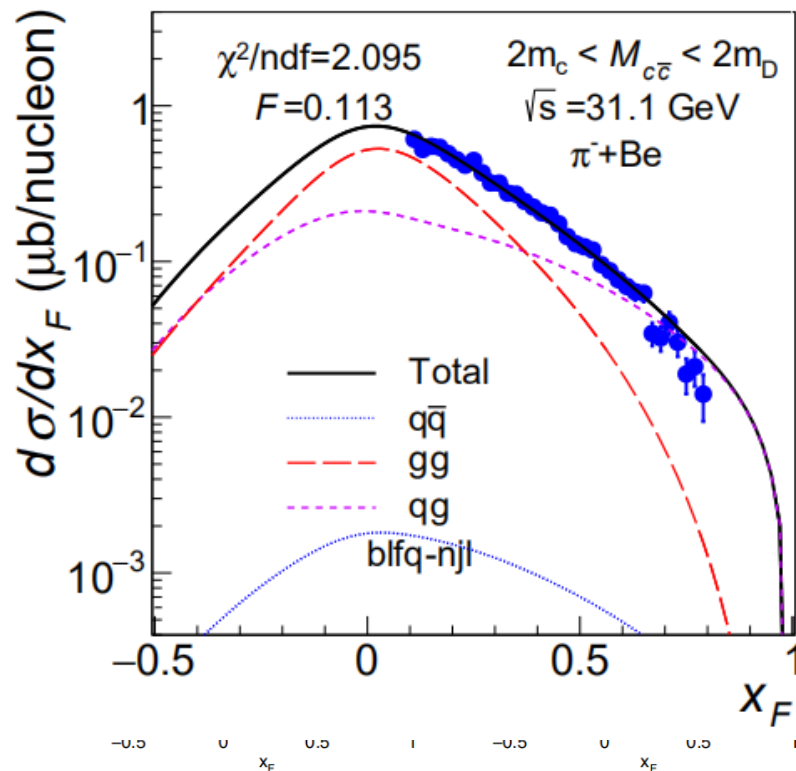
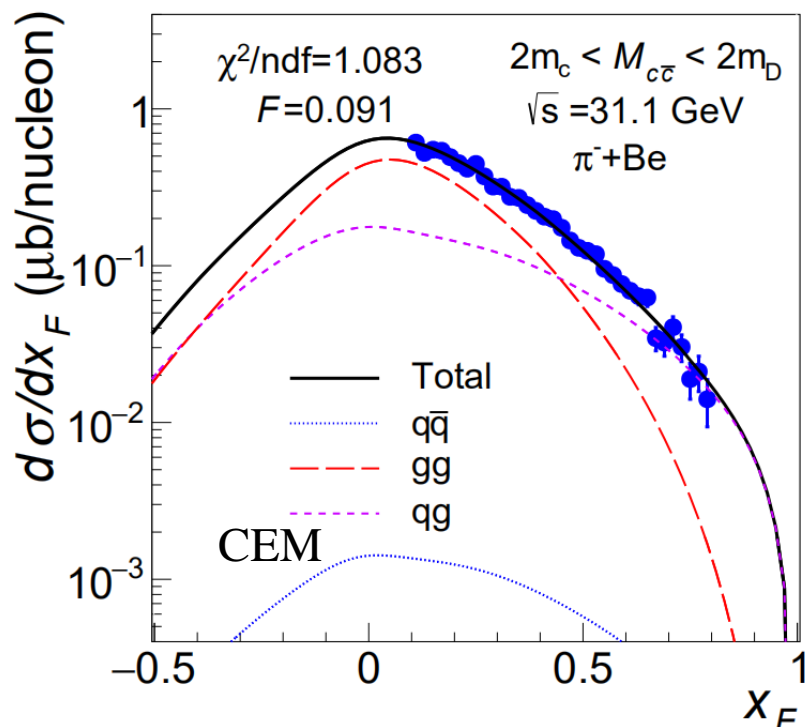
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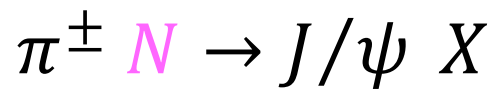
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Agree with experimental data (FNAL E672, E706).

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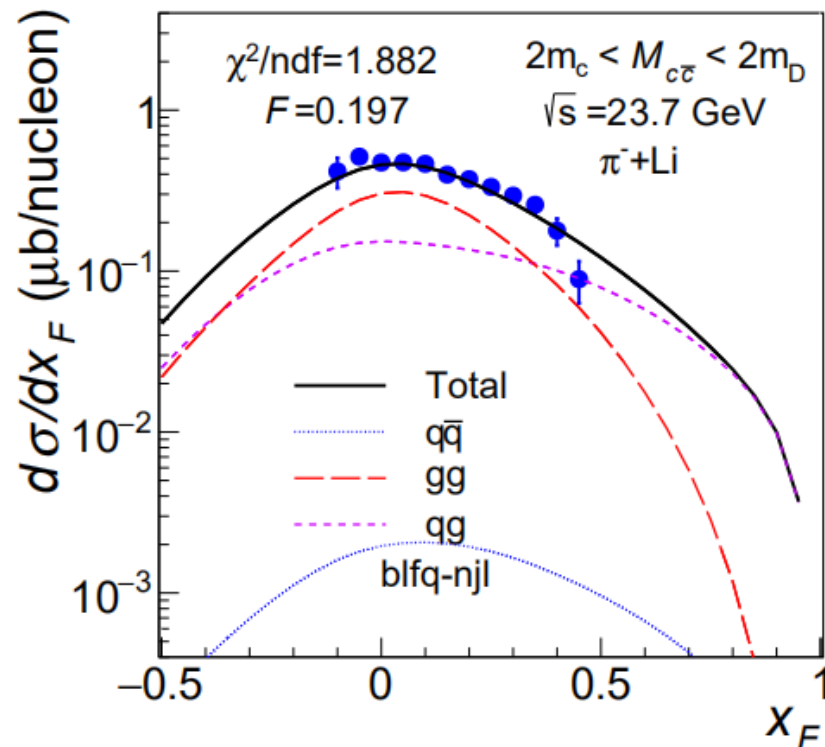
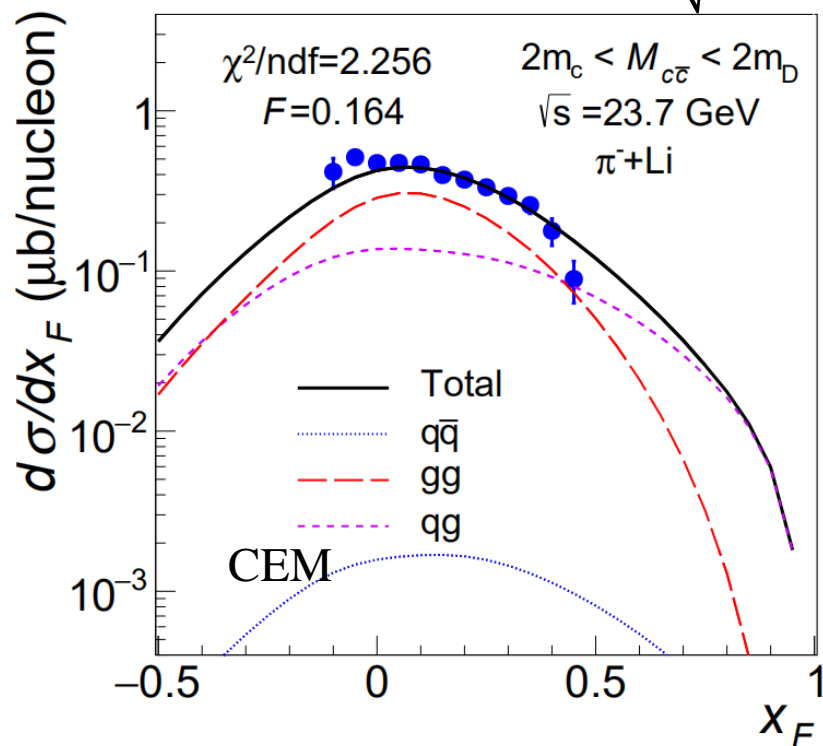
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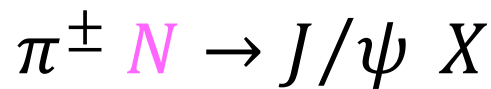


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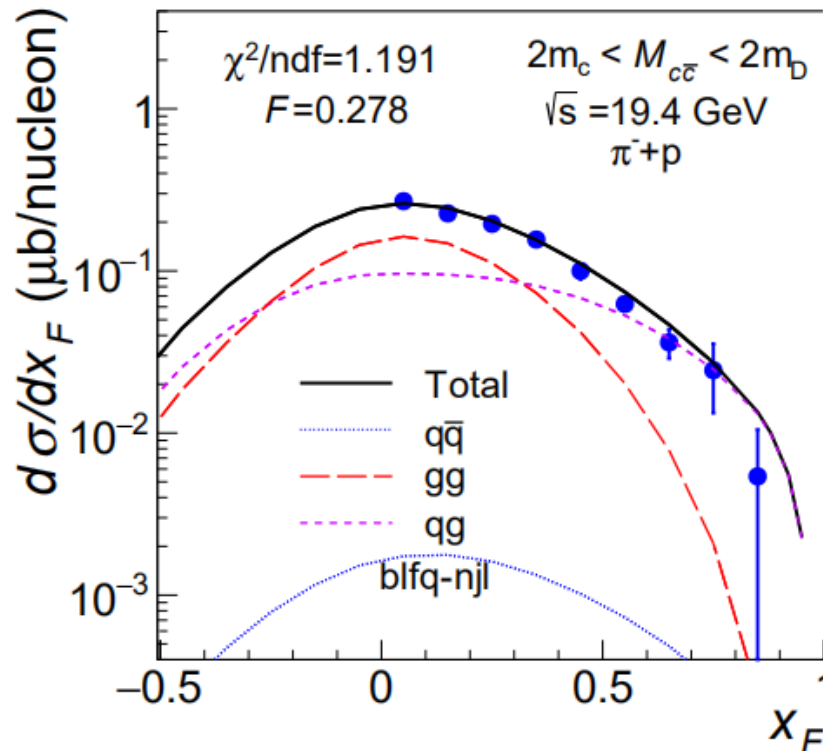
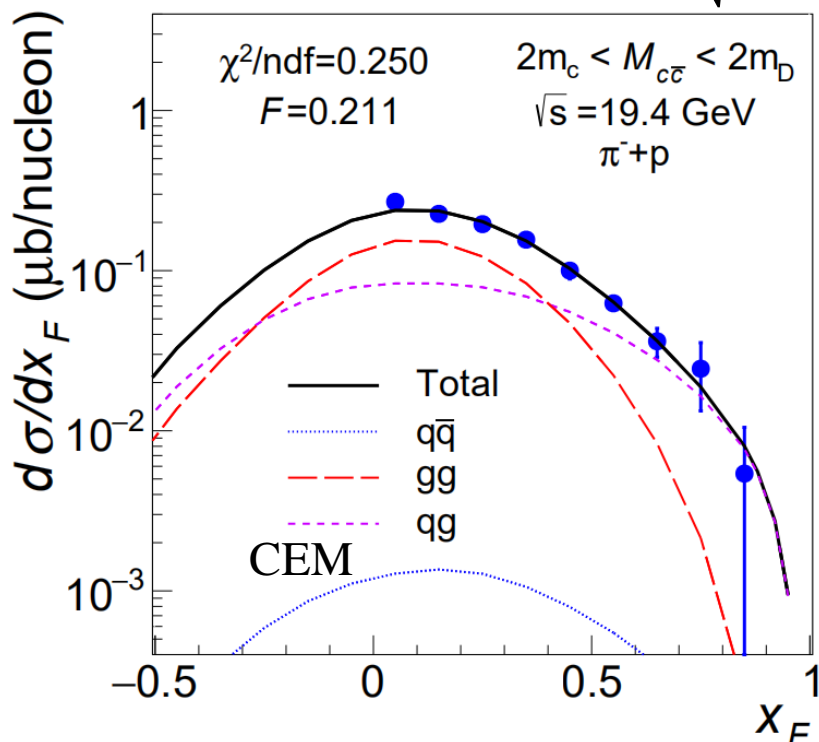
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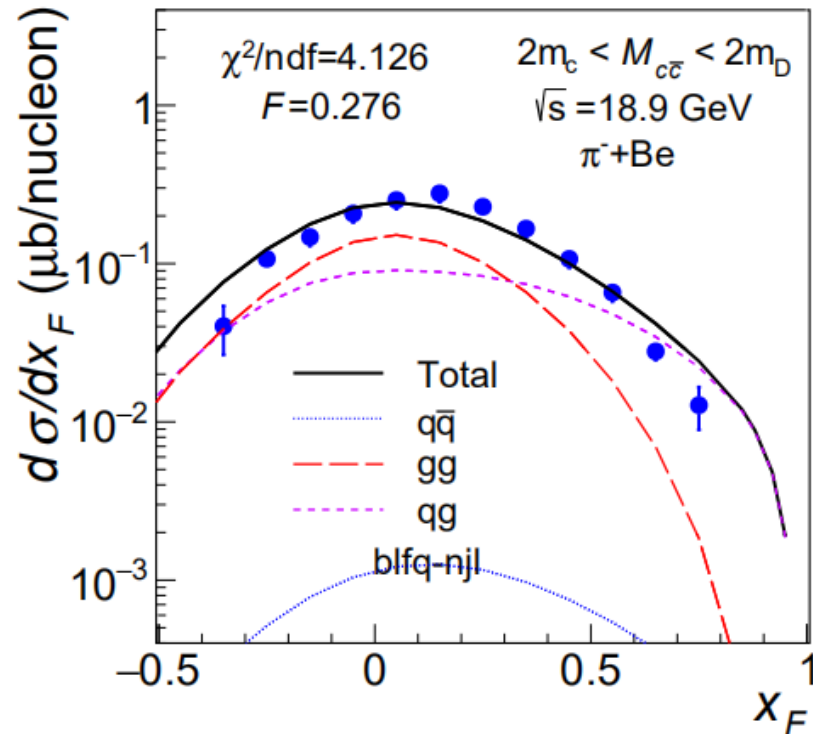
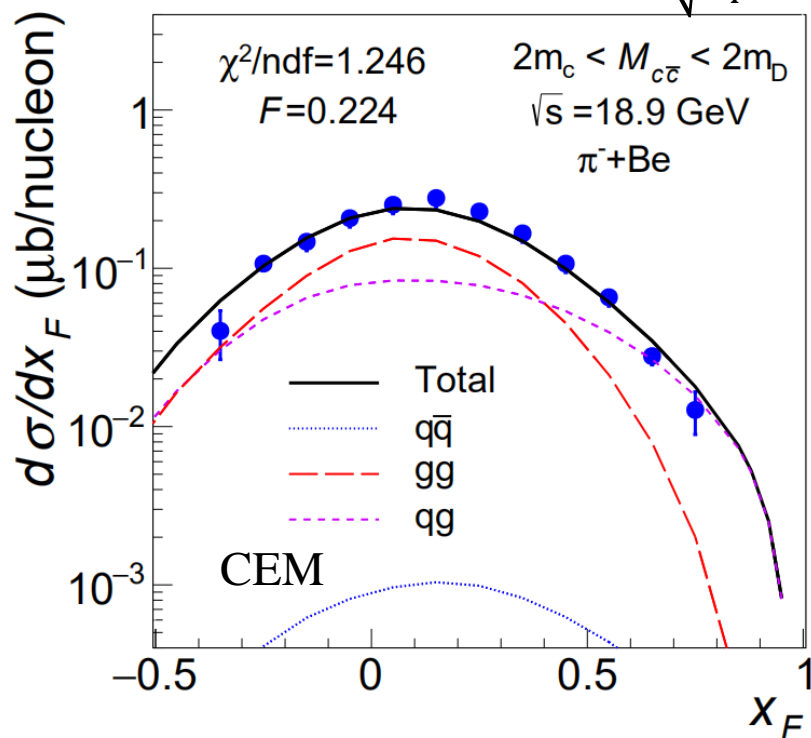
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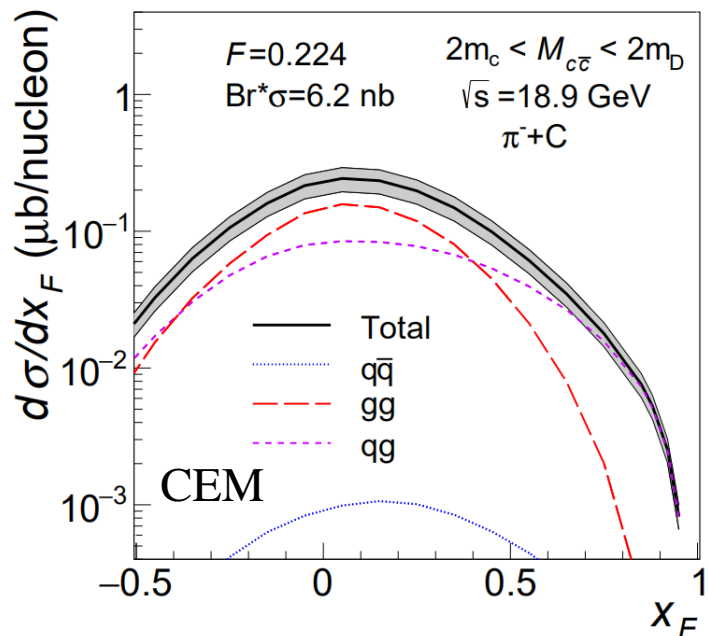
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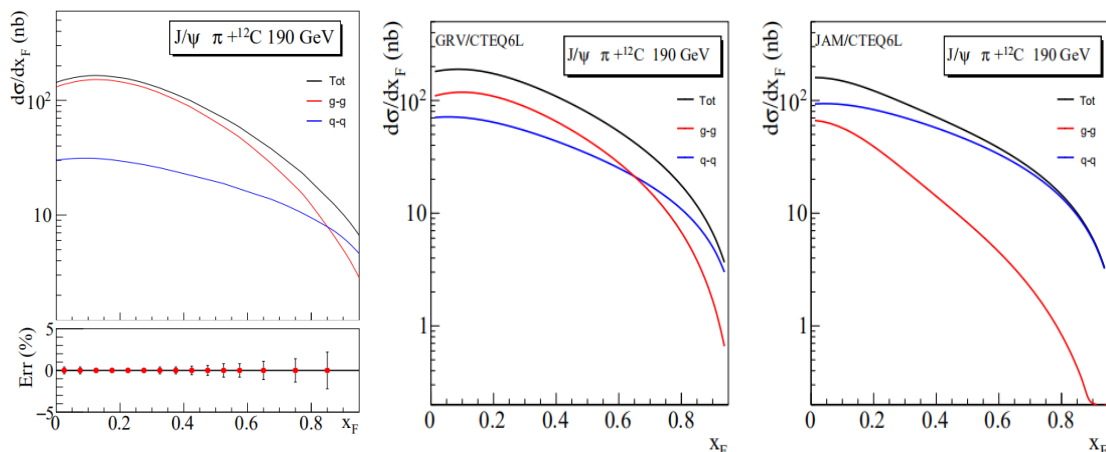
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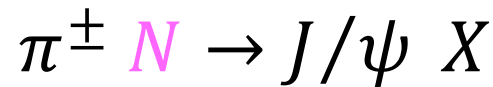
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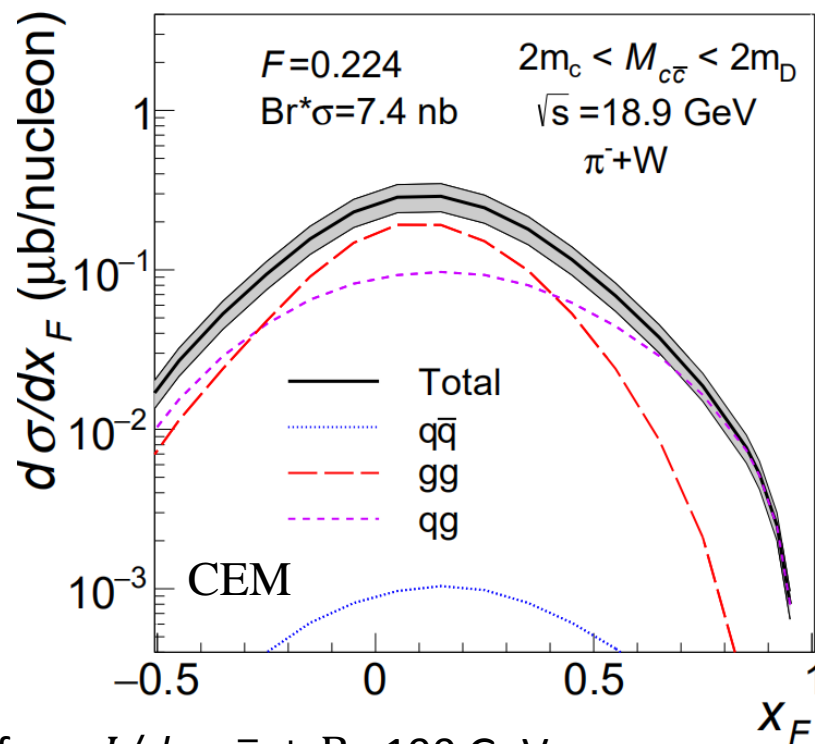
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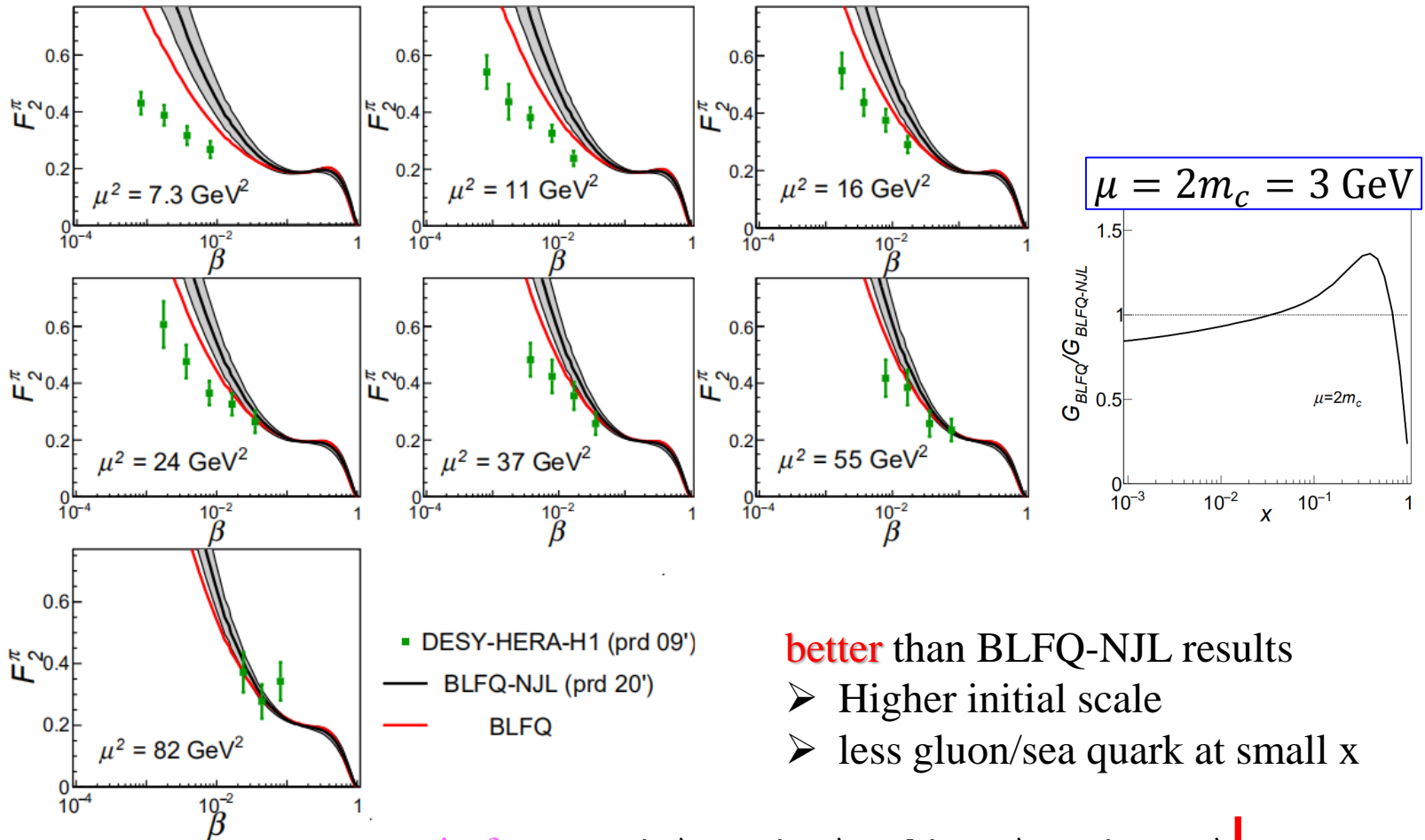


# Pion Structure function

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

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

$$F_2^\pi(\beta, \mu^2) = \sum_{q,g} e_q^2 \beta \{f_q^\pi(\beta, \mu^2) + f_{\bar{q}}^\pi(\beta, \mu^2) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} [C_{q,2} \otimes (f_q^\pi + f_{\bar{q}}^\pi) + 2C_{g,2} \otimes f_g^\pi]\}$$

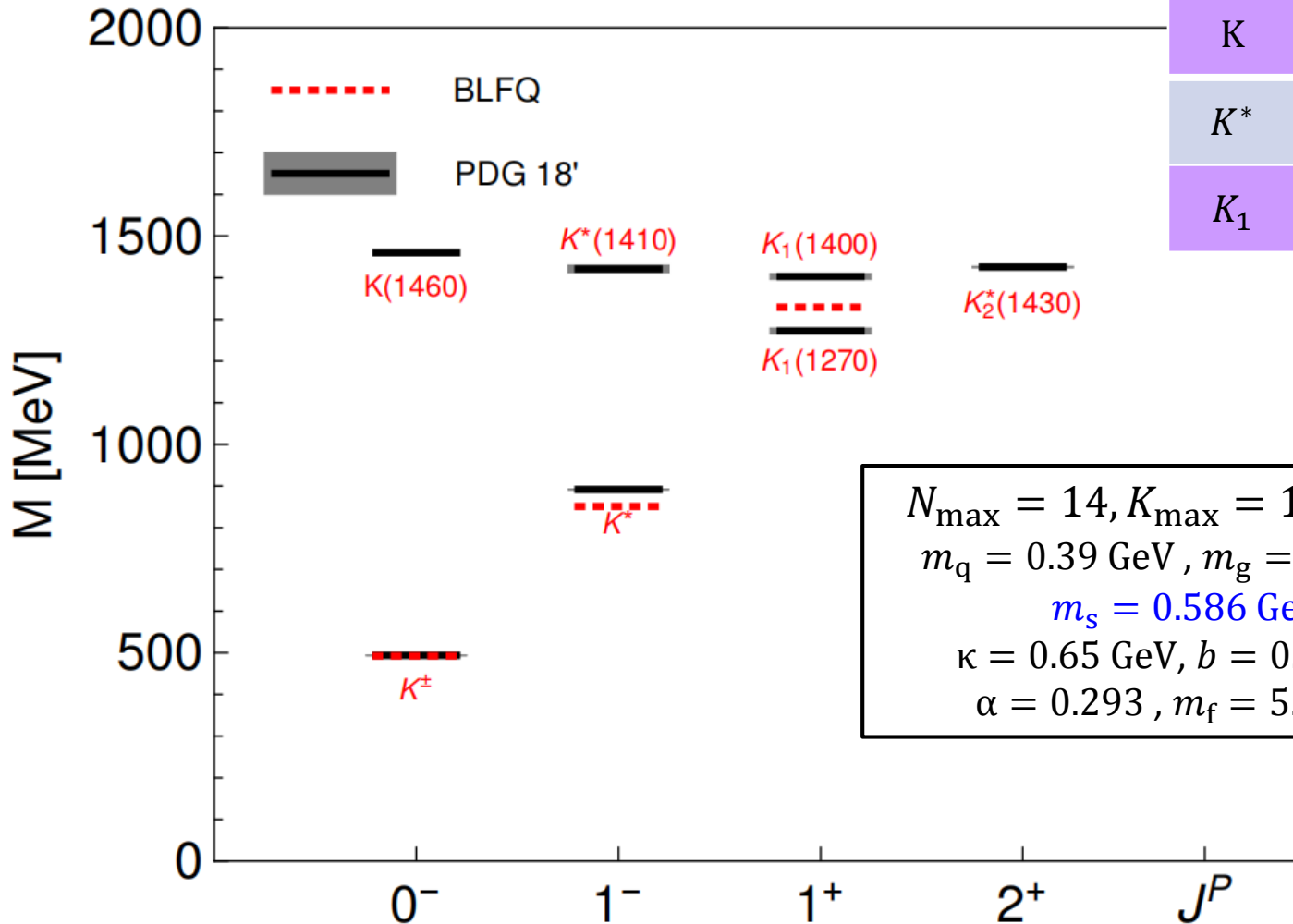


in future

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

# Kaon Spectrum

$$|K\rangle = a|u\bar{s}\rangle + b|u\bar{s}g\rangle + \dots$$



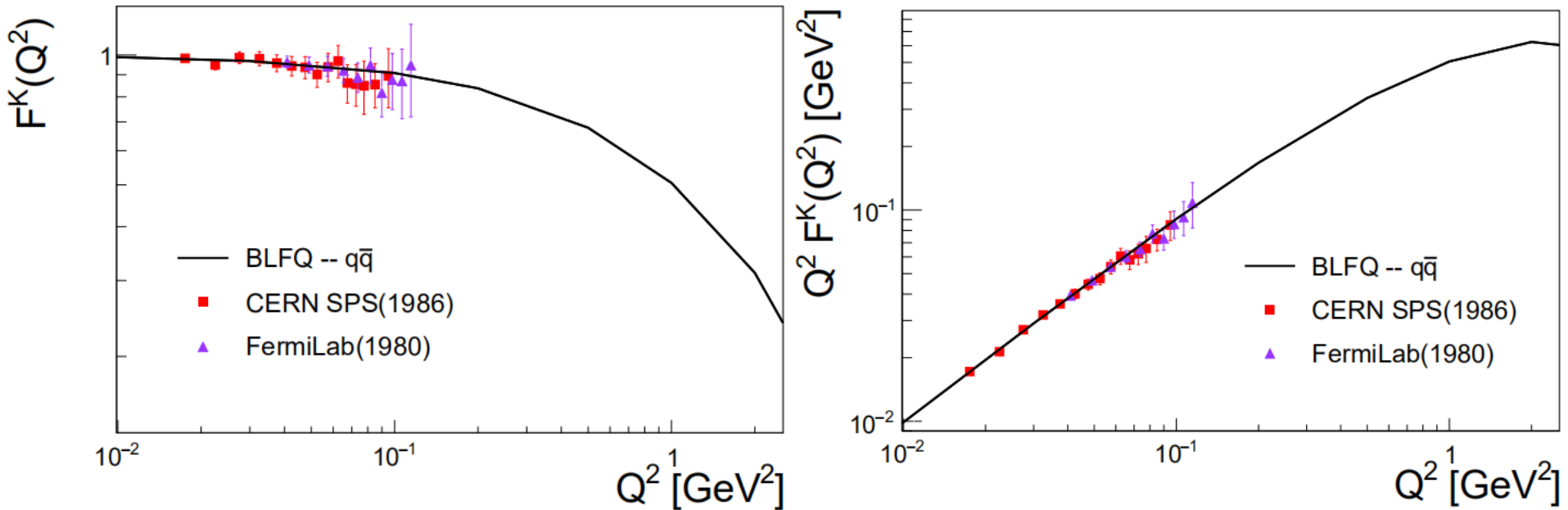
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Preliminary

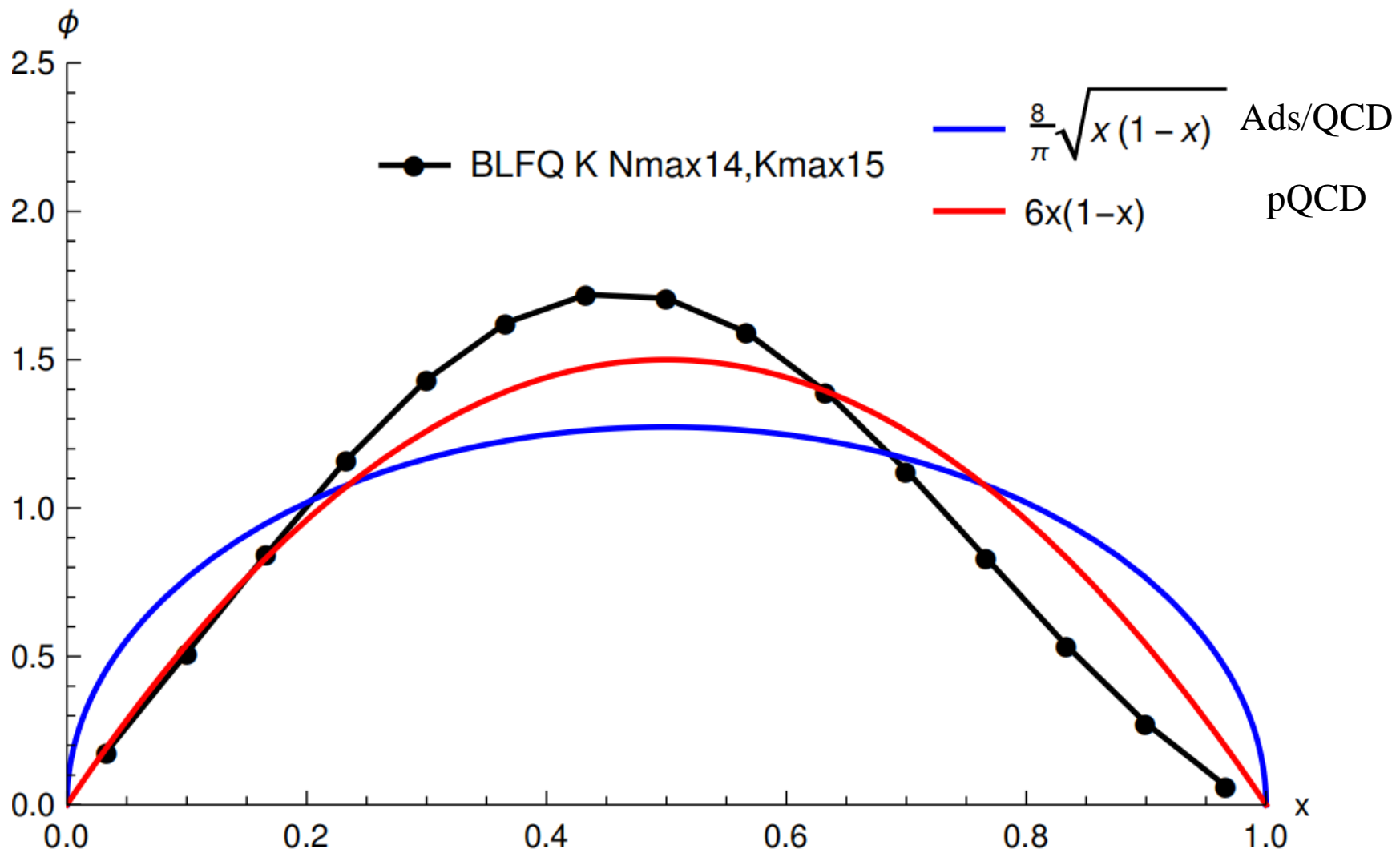
# Kaon Form Factor

$$F(Q^2) = \sum_i \int dx_i H(x_i, 0, Q^2)$$



*Preliminary: based on leading Fock Sector WF*

# Kaon PDA

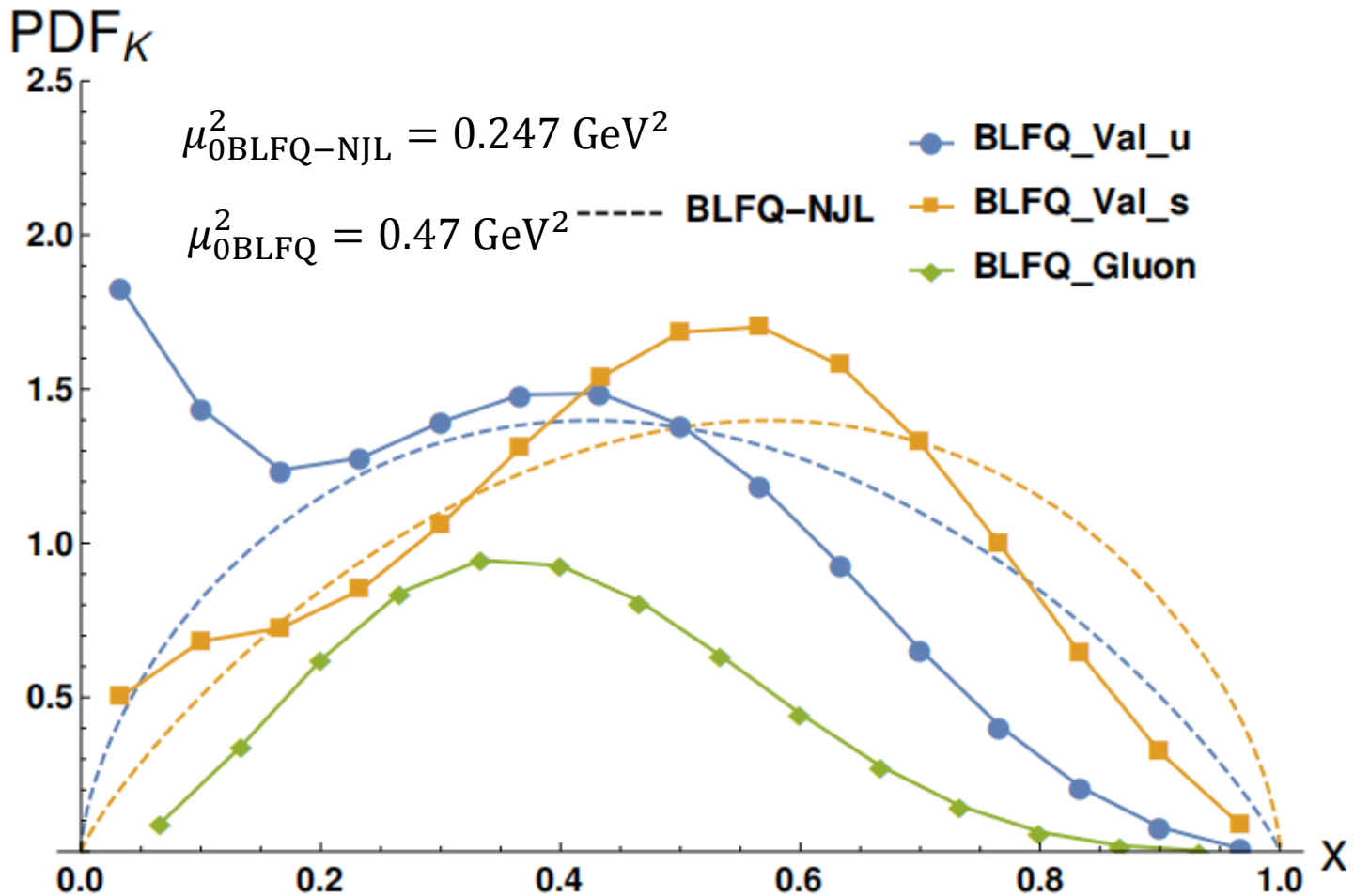


# Kaon initial PDF

$$|K\rangle = |u\bar{s}\rangle + \dots$$

vs

$$|K\rangle = a|u\bar{s}\rangle + b|u\bar{s}g\rangle + \dots$$

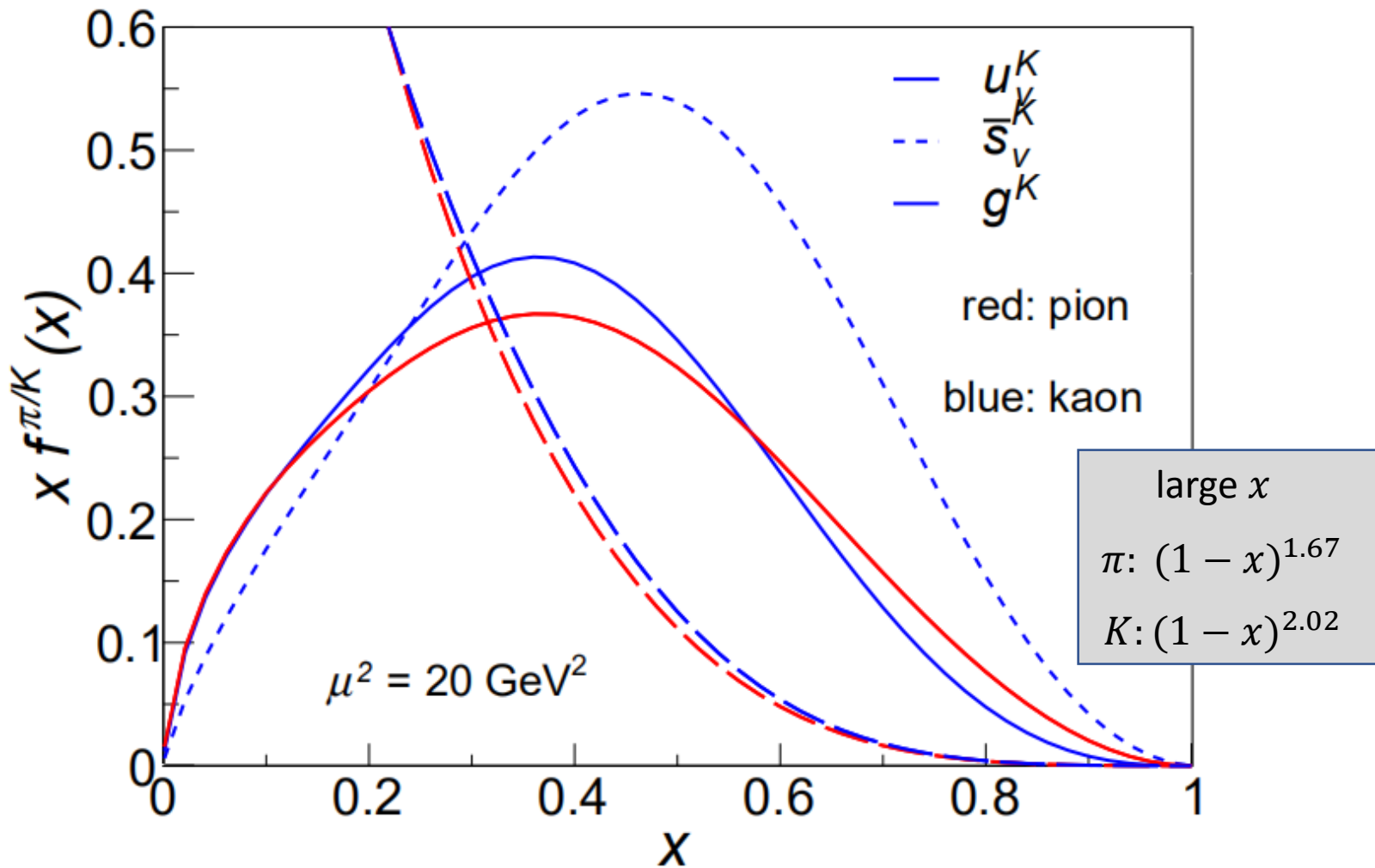


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large x  
 $K: (1 - x)^{0.96}$

# Kaon PDF

$$|K\rangle = a|u\bar{s}\rangle + b|u\bar{s}g\rangle + \dots$$



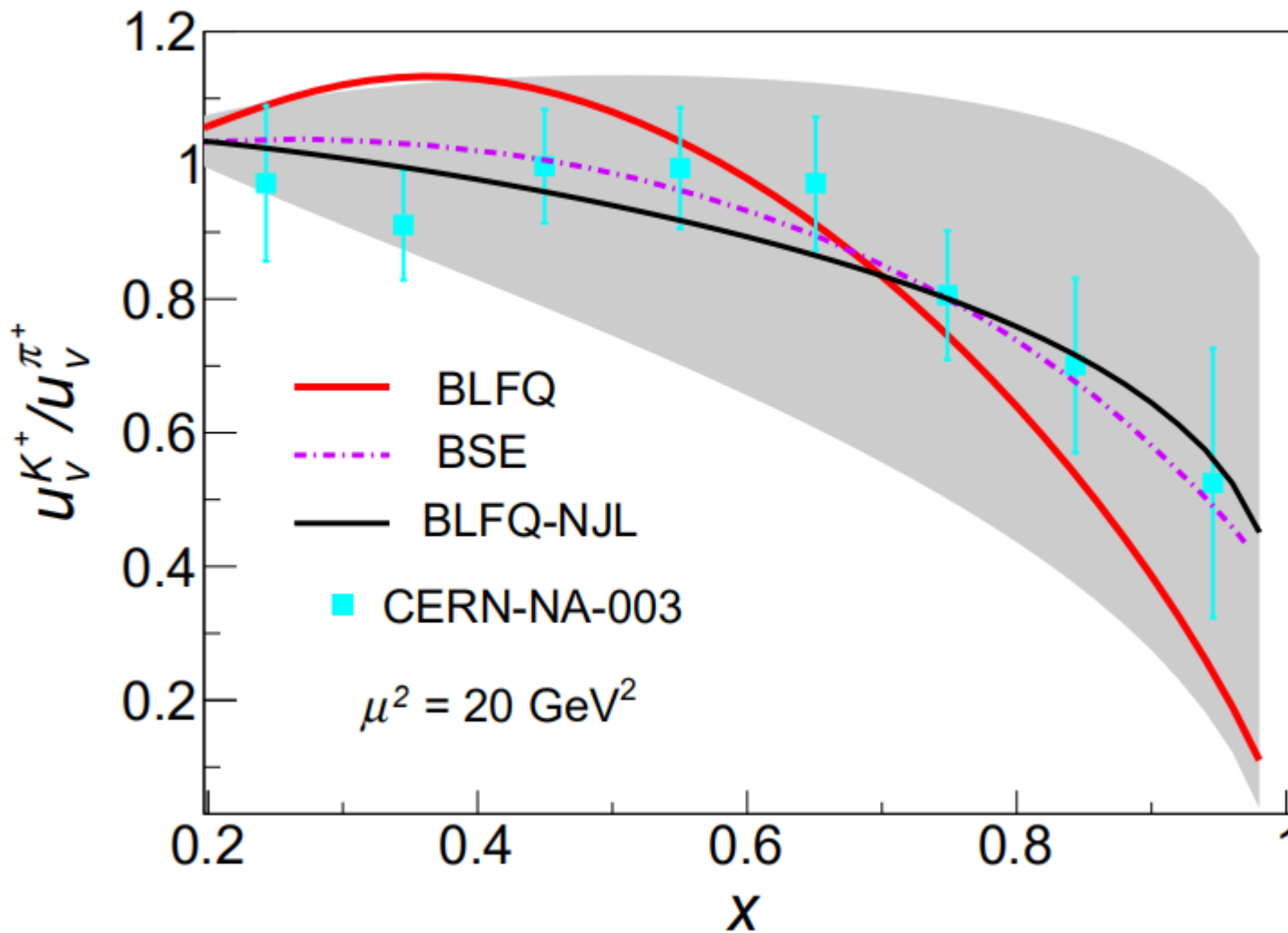
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$$|K\rangle = a|u\bar{s}\rangle + b|u\bar{s}g\rangle + \dots$$



$$\chi^2 / \text{d.o.f} \sim 3.4$$

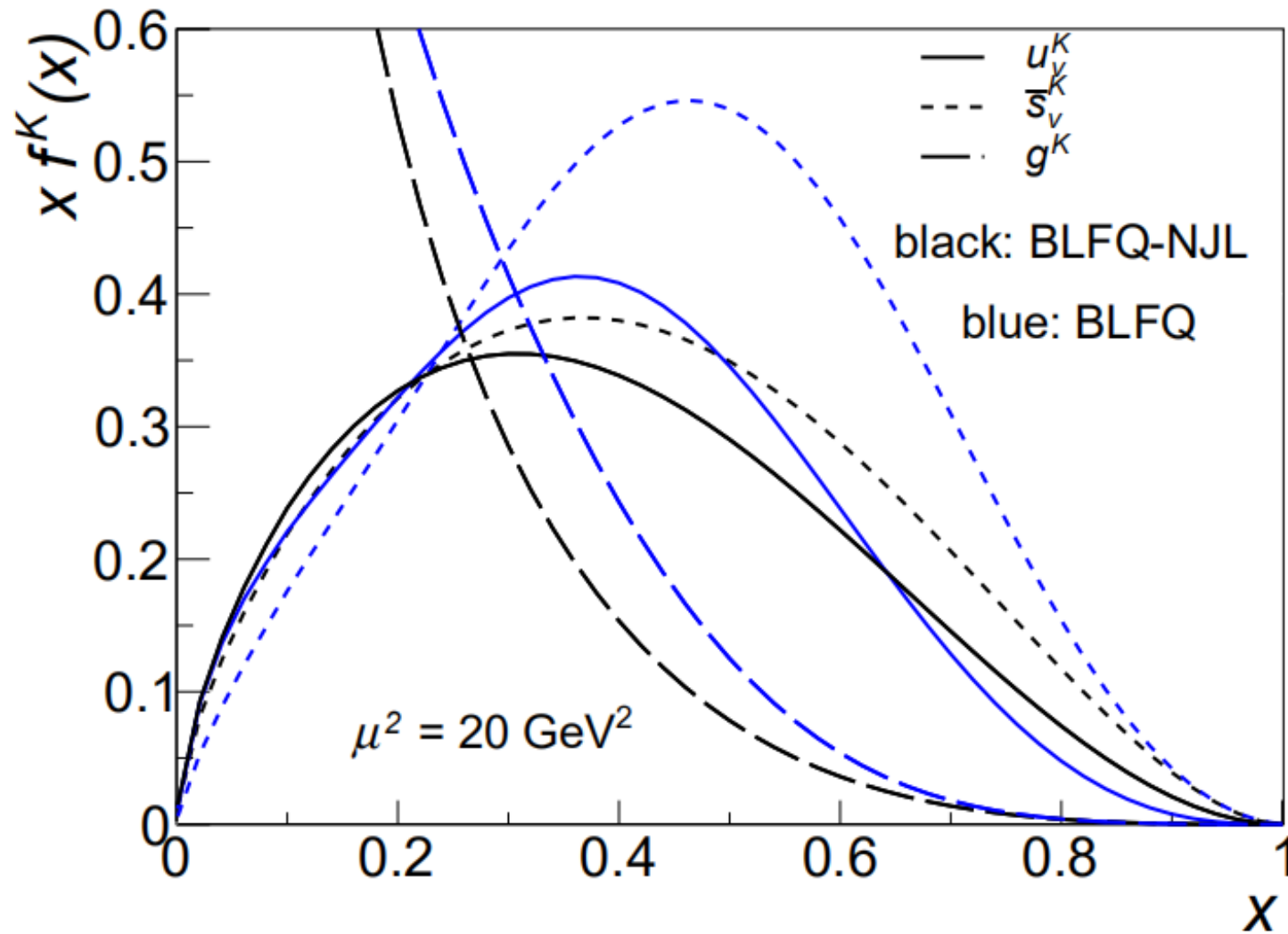
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Preliminary



# $J/\psi$ production cross section

$$K^\pm C(W) \rightarrow J/\psi X$$

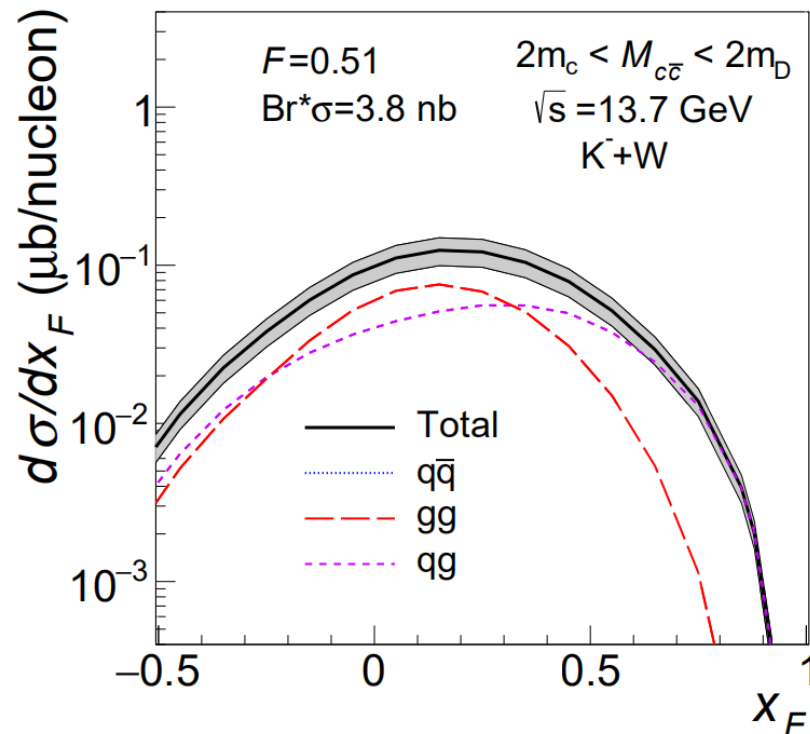
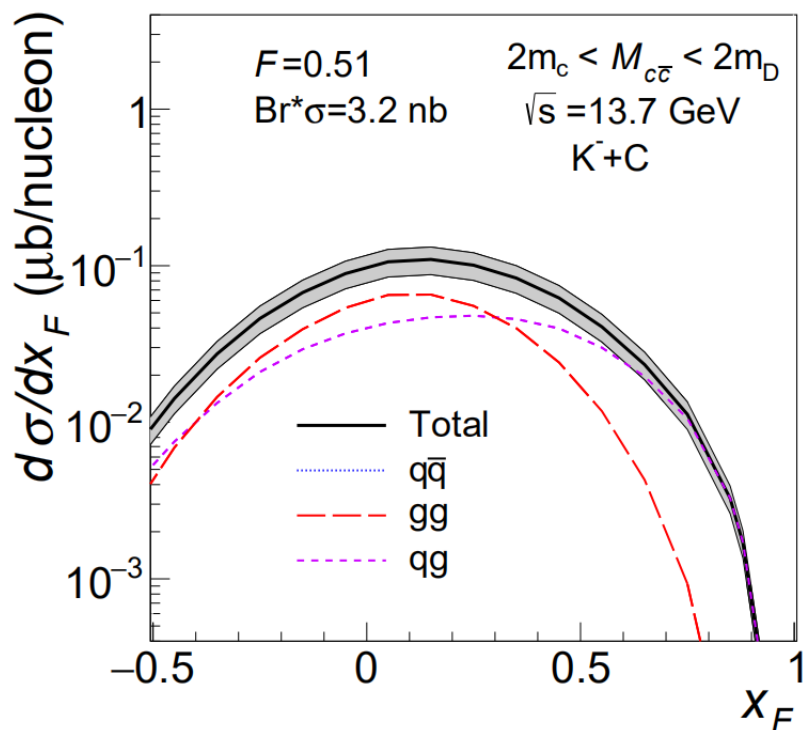
[Wen-Chen Chang, et al, PRD 102 (2020) 054024];

[P. Nason, et al, NPB 303 (1988) 607];

[M. L. Mangano, et al, NPB 405 (1993) 507]

[nCTEQ 2015]

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_F} |J/\psi = F \sum_{i,j=q,\bar{q},g} \int_{2m_c}^{2m_D} dM_{c\bar{c}} \frac{2M_{c\bar{c}}}{s \sqrt{x_F^2 + \frac{4M_{c\bar{c}}^2}{s}}} \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(s, M_{c\bar{c}}^2, \mu_R^2) f_i^{K^\pm}(x_1, \mu_F) f_j^N(x_2, \mu_F)$$



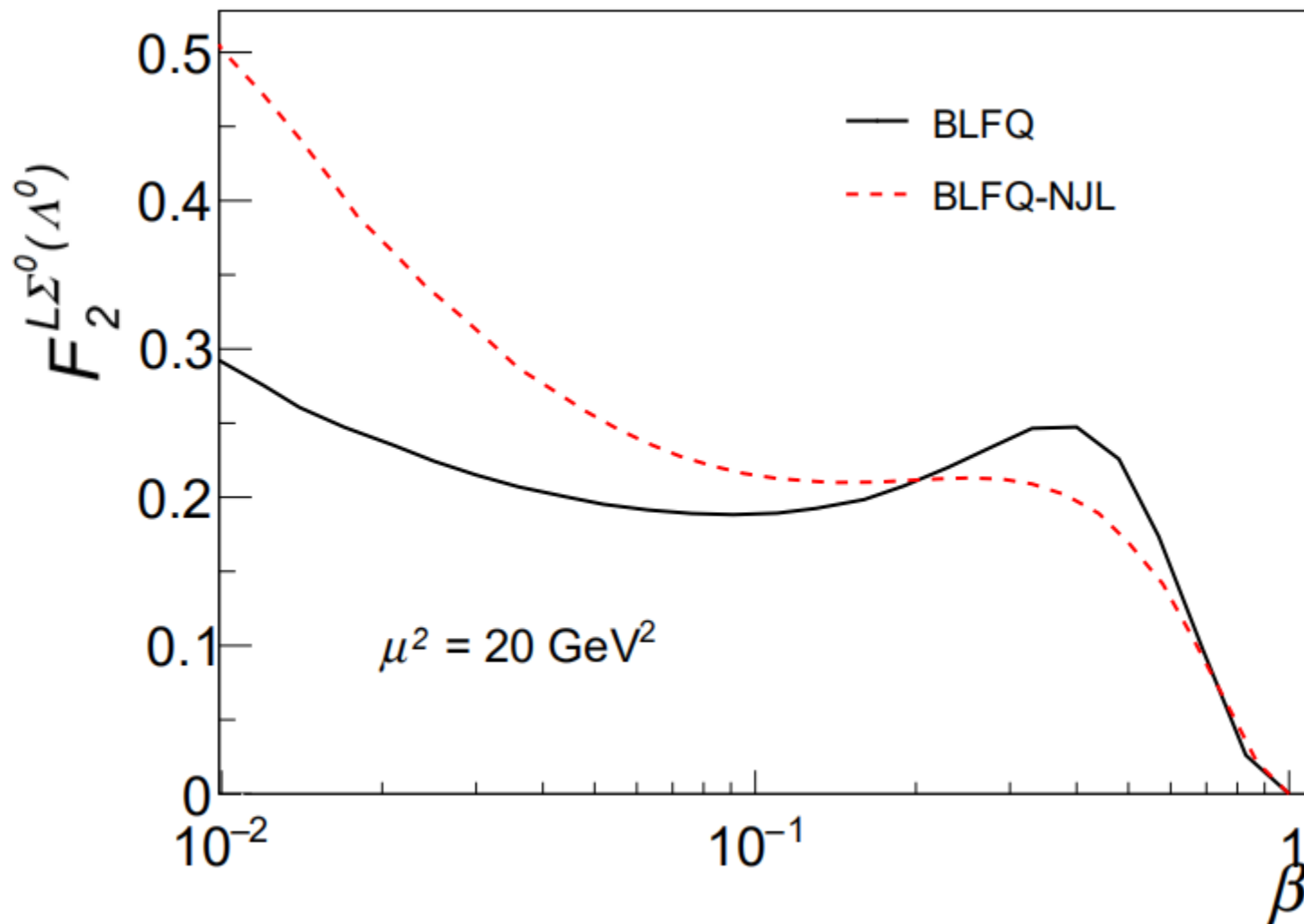
➤ F: set  $Br * \sigma = 3.2 \text{ nb}$  from  $J/\psi, K^- + C$  100 GeV

➤ Band: F with  $\pm 20\%$

[Lan, et al, in progress]

# Kaon Structure function

$$ep \rightarrow e' X \Sigma^0(\Lambda^0)$$



**EicC ?**

# Conclusions

- Compared to NJL interaction, dynamical gluon in light meson:
    - ✓ Explains the properties of excited/exotic states such as  $\pi(1300)$ ,  $\pi_1(1400)$
    - ✓ Improves endpoint behavior in PDF/PDA
    - ✓ Generates more gluon at moderate  $x$ /less gluon at small  $x$
    - ✓ Improves agreement on  $J/\psi$  production cross section with experimental data
    - ✓ Improves  $\pi$  structure function at small  $x$
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- Systematically expandable by including higher Fock sectors

$$|\text{Meson}\rangle = |q\bar{q}\rangle + |q\bar{q}g\rangle + |q\bar{q}q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

**Thank you !**

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