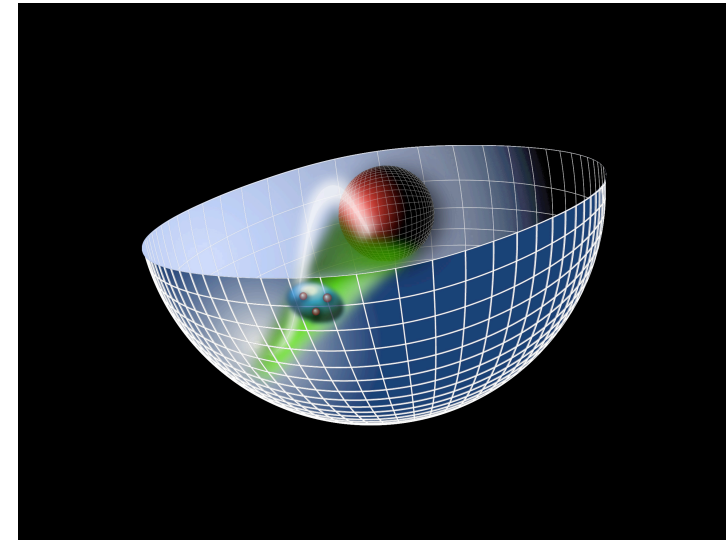
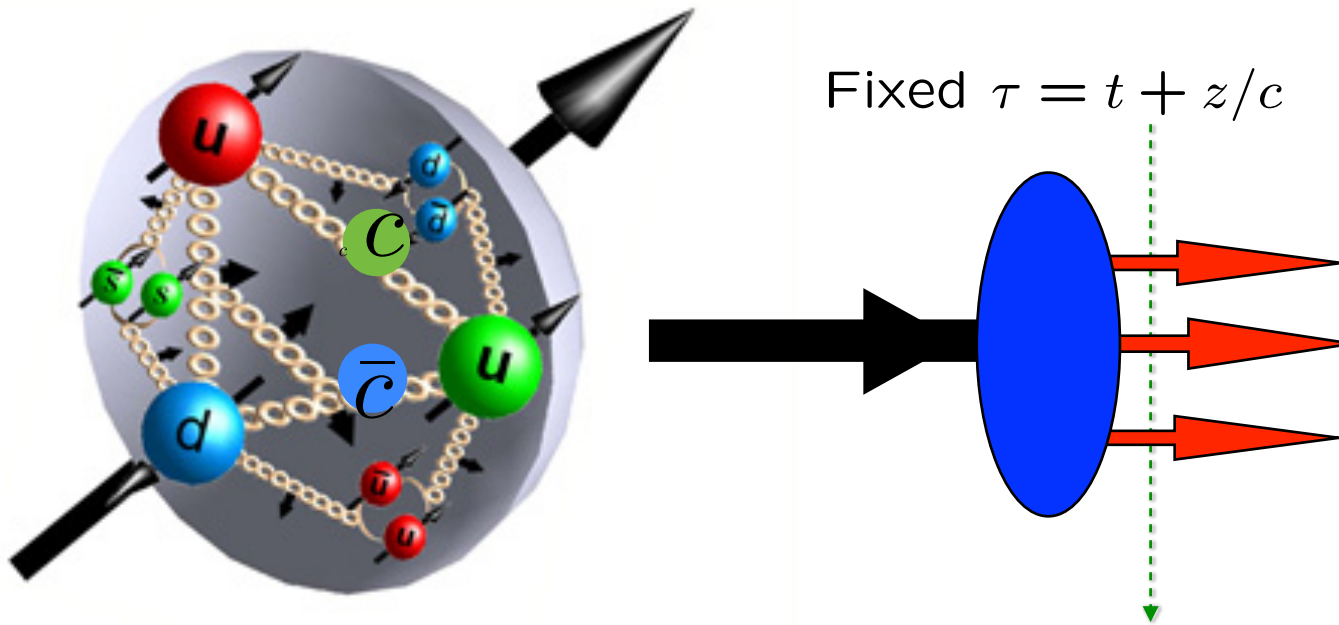


# Novel QCD Features of Hadrons and Nuclei



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# Remarkable, Fundamental Features of Hadrons, Nuclei

- **Color confinement: Quarks and Gluons permanently confined in hadrons!**
- **Origin of the hadron mass scale: what determines the proton mass?**
- **Pion is a quark-antiquark bound state, but it is massless if the quark mass is zero!**
- **The QCD coupling at all scales, beyond asymptotic freedom**
- **How does one set the renormalization scale? QCD  $\rightarrow$  QED if  $N_c \rightarrow 0$**
- **Poincare invariance: Physics independent of observer motion — no Lorentz contraction!**
- **Causality: No correlations exceeding the speed of light**
- **Relativity: Relativistic Bound State Dynamics**
- **Mesons and Baryons display supersymmetry!**
- **Exotic Phenomena: Color Transparency, Intrinsic Charm, Hidden Color, Exotic Hadrons (Octoquark)**
- **Cosmological Constant is Zero!**

*Light-Front Dynamics*

# Foundations of Light-Front Holography

- **The QCD Lagrangian for  $m_q = 0$  has no mass scale.**
- **What determines the hadron mass scale?**
- **DAFF principle: add terms linear in  $D$  and  $K$  to Conformal Hamiltonian: Mass scale  $\kappa$  appears, but action remains scale invariant  $\rightarrow$  unique harmonic oscillator potential**
- **Apply DAFF to the Poincare' invariant LF Hamiltonian: Unique color-confining potential**
- **Fixes  $AdS_5$  dilaton: predicts Spin and Spin-Orbit Interactions**
- **Apply DAFF to Superconformal representation of the Lorentz group**
- **Predicts Meson, Baryon, Tetraquark spectroscopy, dynamics**
- **Supersymmetric Features of Spectrum**





# An analytic first approximation to QCD

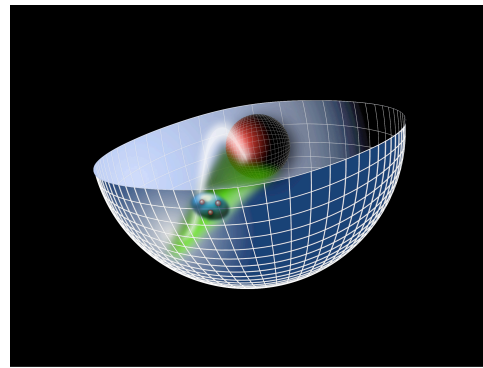
## *AdS/QCD + Light-Front Holography*

- **As Simple as Schrödinger Theory in Atomic Physics**
- **LF radial variable  $\zeta$  conjugate to invariant mass squared**
- **Relativistic, Frame-Independent, Color-Confining**
- **Unique confining potential!**
- **QCD Coupling at all scales: Essential for Gauge Link phenomena**
- **Hadron Spectroscopy and Dynamics from one parameter**
- **Wave Functions, Form Factors, Hadronic Observables, Constituent Counting Rules**
- **Insight into QCD Condensates: Zero cosmological constant!**
- **Systematically improvable with DLCQ-BLFQ Methods**



*AdS/QCD  
Soft-Wall Model*

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$



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

*Light-Front Holography*

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{4L^2-1}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta^2) \right] \psi = M^2 \psi$$



***Light-Front Schrödinger Equation***

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L+S-1)$$

*Single variable  $\zeta$*

***Confinement scale:***

$$\kappa \simeq 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

***Unique  
Confinement Potential!***

*Conformal Symmetry  
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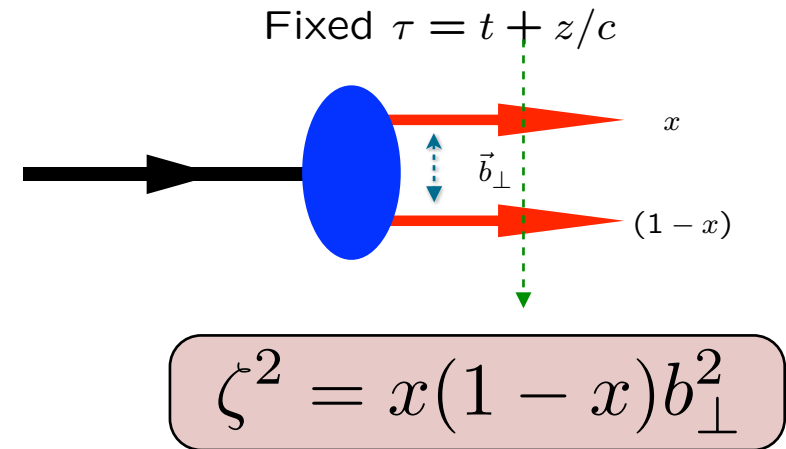
● **Fubini, Rabinovici**

**Scale can appear in Hamiltonian and EQM  
without affecting conformal invariance of action!**

# Underlying Principles

- **Poincaré Invariance: Independent of the observer's Lorentz frame**
- **Quantization at Fixed Light-Front Time  $\tau$**
- **Causality: Information within causal horizon**
- **Light-Front Holography:  $AdS_5 = LF (3+1)$**

$$z \leftrightarrow \zeta \text{ where } \zeta^2 = b_{\perp}^2 x(1-x)$$



- **Single fundamental hadronic mass scale  $\kappa$ : but retains the Conformal Invariance of the Action (dAFF)!**
- **Unique dilaton and color-confining LF Potential!**
- **Superconformal Algebra: Mass Degenerate 4-Plet:**

$$U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$$

$$e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

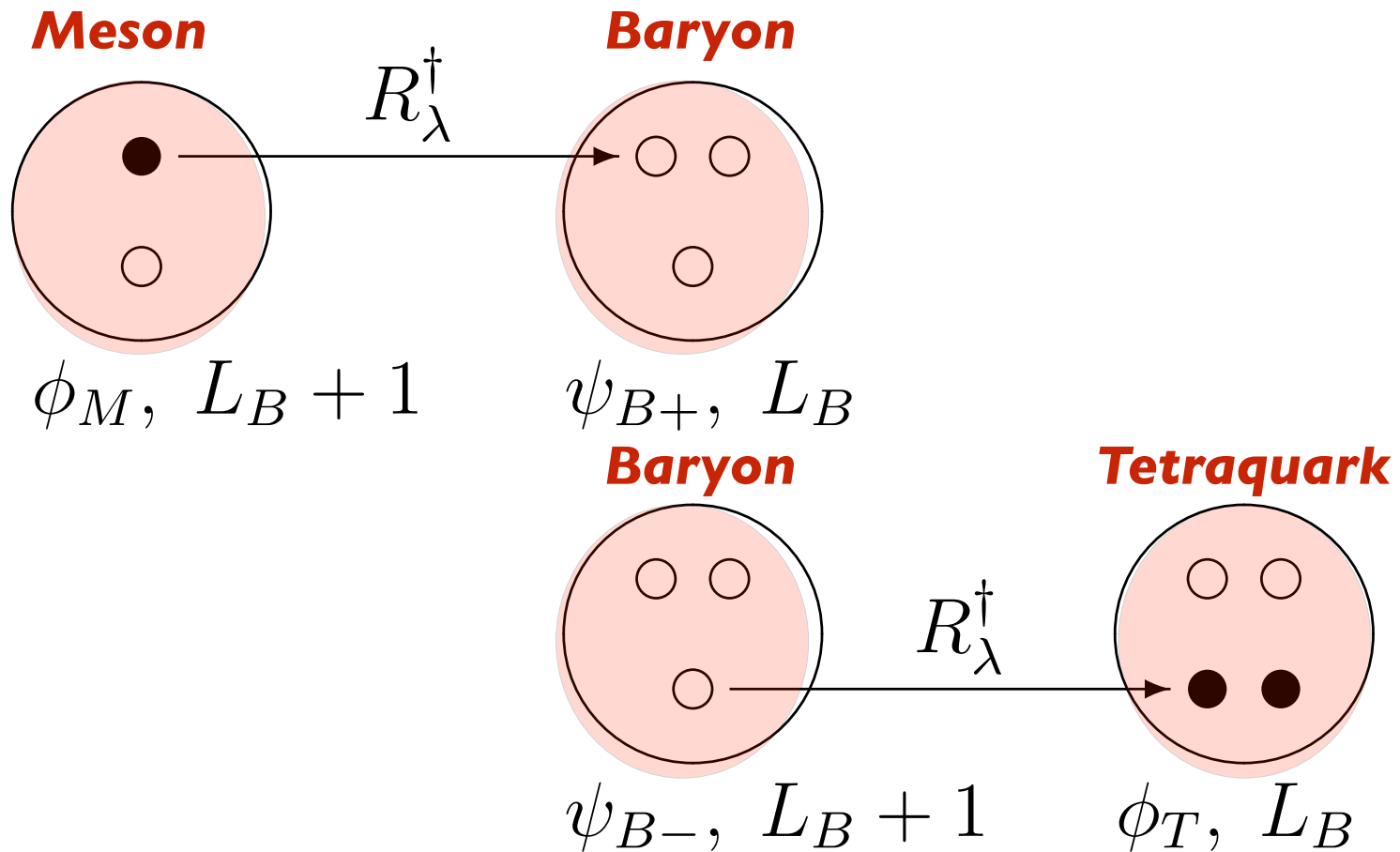
$$\text{Meson } q\bar{q} \leftrightarrow \text{Baryon } q[qq] \leftrightarrow \text{Tetraquark } [qq][\bar{q}\bar{q}]$$



# Superconformal Algebra

## 2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

*Bosons, Fermions with Equal Mass!*



Proton: quark + scalar diquark  $|q(qq) \rangle$   
(Equal weight:  $L = 0, L = 1$ )

# Light-Front QCD

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} \rightarrow H_{QCD}^{LF}$$

$$(H_{LF}^0 + H_{LF}^I) |\Psi\rangle = M^2 |\Psi\rangle$$

$$\left[ \frac{\vec{k}_\perp^2 + m^2}{x(1-x)} + V_{\text{eff}}^{LF} \right] \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_\perp) = M^2 \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_\perp)$$

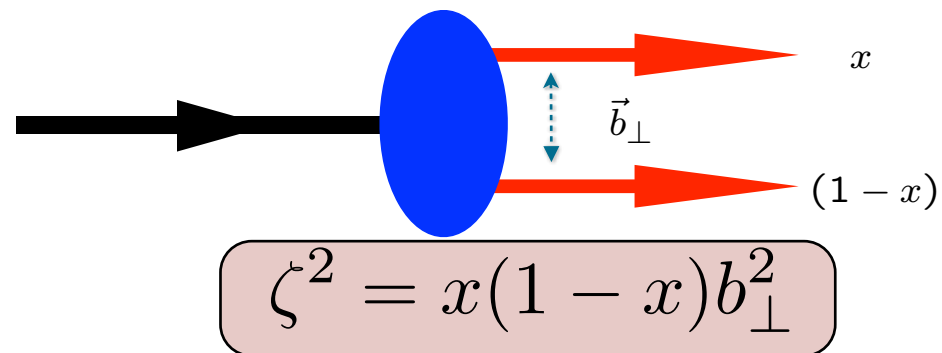
$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{m^2}{x(1-x)} + \frac{-1 + 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta, S, L) \right] \psi_{LF}(\zeta) = M^2 \psi_{LF}(\zeta)$$

## AdS/QCD:

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

*Semiclassical first approximation to QCD*

Fixed  $\tau = t + z/c$



*Coupled Fock states*

*Eliminate higher Fock states  
and retarded interactions*

*Effective two-particle equation*

*Azimuthal Basis*

$\zeta, \phi$

*Confining AdS/QCD  
potential!*

*Sums an infinite # diagrams*



# Derivation of the Light-Front Radial Schrodinger Equation directly from LF QCD

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}^2 &= \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \frac{\vec{k}_\perp^2}{x(1-x)} \left| \psi(x, \vec{k}_\perp) \right|^2 + \text{interactions} \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x(1-x)} \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp \psi^*(x, \vec{b}_\perp) \left( -\vec{\nabla}_{\vec{b}_\perp}^2 \right) \psi(x, \vec{b}_\perp) + \text{interactions}.\end{aligned}$$

**Change variables**

$$(\vec{\zeta}, \varphi), \quad \vec{\zeta} = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \vec{b}_\perp: \quad \nabla^2 = \frac{1}{\zeta} \frac{d}{d\zeta} \left( \zeta \frac{d}{d\zeta} \right) + \frac{1}{\zeta^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \varphi^2}$$

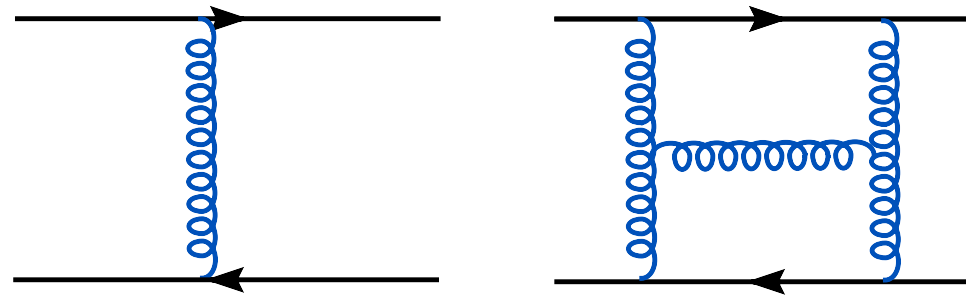
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}^2 &= \int d\zeta \phi^*(\zeta) \sqrt{\zeta} \left( -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1}{\zeta} \frac{d}{d\zeta} + \frac{L^2}{\zeta^2} \right) \frac{\phi(\zeta)}{\sqrt{\zeta}} \\ &\quad + \int d\zeta \phi^*(\zeta) U(\zeta) \phi(\zeta) \\ &= \int d\zeta \phi^*(\zeta) \left( -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta) \right) \phi(\zeta)\end{aligned}$$



# Static Heavy Quark Potential is IR Divergent in QCD

$$V(Q^2) = -\frac{(4\pi)^2 C_F}{Q^2} a(Q^2) \left[ 1 + (c_{2,0} + c_{2,1} N_f) a(Q^2) + (c_{3,0} + c_{3,1} N_f + c_{3,2} N_f^2) a(Q^2)^2 + (c_{4,0} + c_{4,1} N_f + c_{4,2} N_f^2 + c_{4,3} N_f^3) a(Q^2)^3 + 8\pi^2 C_A^3 \ln \frac{\mu_{IR}^2}{Q^2} a(Q^2)^3 \right]$$

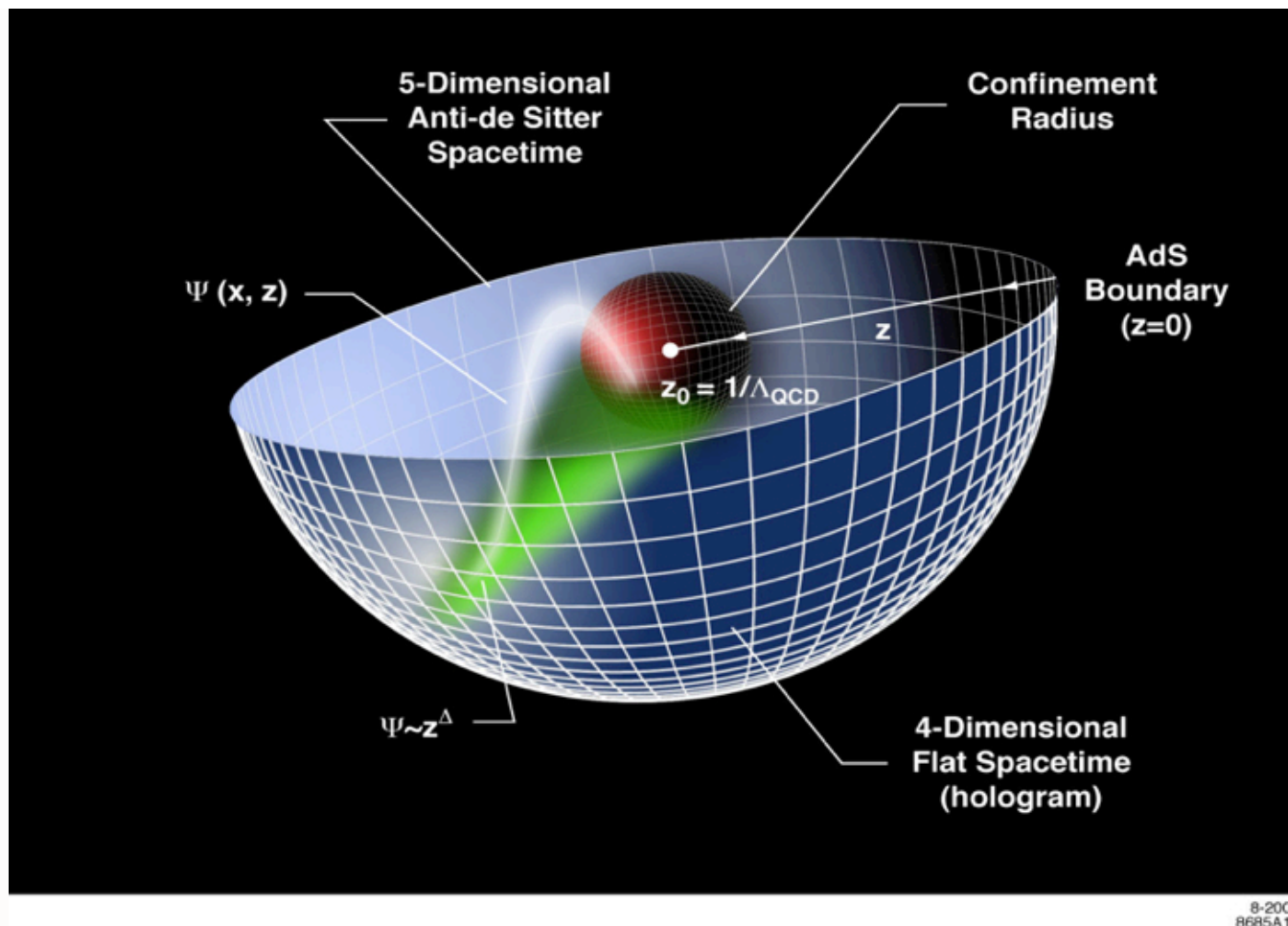
Smirnov, Smirnov, Steinhauser, 2010



$\log \kappa^2 \zeta^2$

**Summation of H graphs: confining potential?**  $U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$

*Confinement eliminates IR divergences  
Self-consistent mass scale?*



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

- Truncated AdS/CFT (Hard-Wall) model: cut-off at  $z_0 = 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  breaks conformal invariance and allows the introduction of the QCD scale (Hard-Wall Model) **Polchinski and Strassler (2001)**.
- Smooth cutoff: introduction of a background dilaton field  $\varphi(z)$  – usual linear Regge dependence can be obtained (Soft-Wall Model) **Karch, Katz, Son and Stephanov (2006)**.




# AdS/CFT

- 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.



# Dilaton-Modified AdS/QCD

$$ds^2 = e^{\varphi(z)} \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} x^\mu x^\nu - dz^2)$$

- **Soft-wall dilaton profile breaks conformal invariance**  $e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$
- **Color Confinement**
- **Introduces confinement scale**  $\kappa$
- **Uses AdS<sub>5</sub> as template for conformal theory**





$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

**Positive-sign dilaton**

• Dosch, de Teramond, sjb

*AdS Soft-Wall Schrodinger Equation for bound state of two scalar constituents:*

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4z^2} + U(z) \right] \Phi(z) = \mathcal{M}^2 \Phi(z)$$

$$U(z) = \kappa^4 z^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

*Derived from variation of Action for Dilaton-Modified  
AdS<sub>5</sub>*

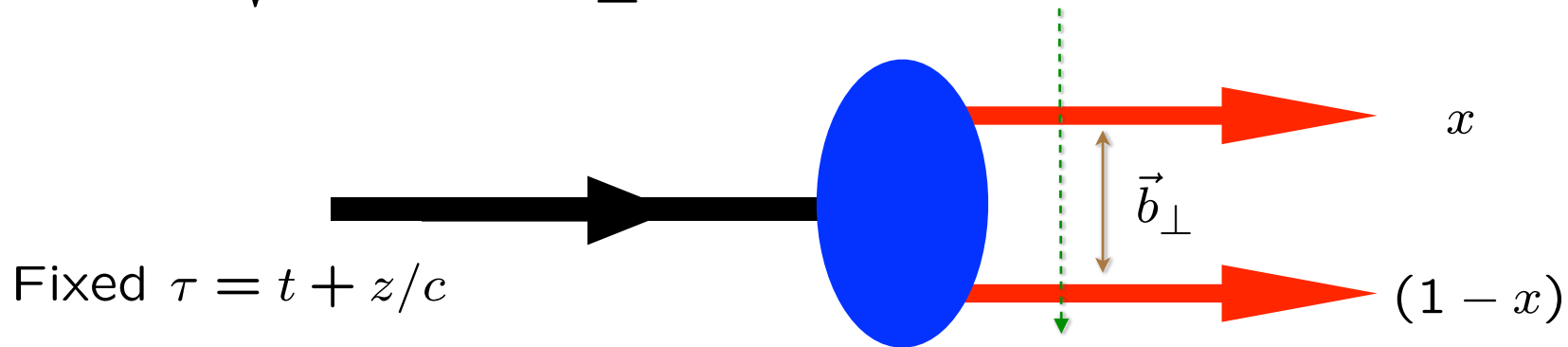
***Identical to Light-Front Bound State Equation!***

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

$$LF(3+1) \longleftrightarrow AdS_5$$

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

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



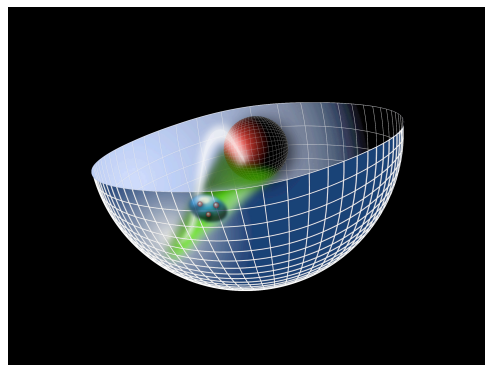
$$\psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \zeta^{-1/2} \phi(\zeta)$$

$$(\mu R)^2 = L^2 - (J - 2)^2$$

**Light-Front Holography:** Unique mapping derived from equality of LF and AdS formula for EM and gravitational current matrix elements and identical equations of motion

*AdS/QCD  
Soft-Wall Model*

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$



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

*Light-Front Holography*

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{4L^2-1}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta^2) \right] \psi = M^2 \psi$$



***Light-Front Schrödinger Equation***

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L+S-1)$$

*Single variable  $\zeta$*

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● **de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan:**

● **Fubini, Rabinovici**

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## Meson Spectrum in Soft Wall Model

*Pion: Negative term for  $J=0$  cancels positive terms from LFKÉ and potential*



- Effective potential:  $U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1)$

- LF WE

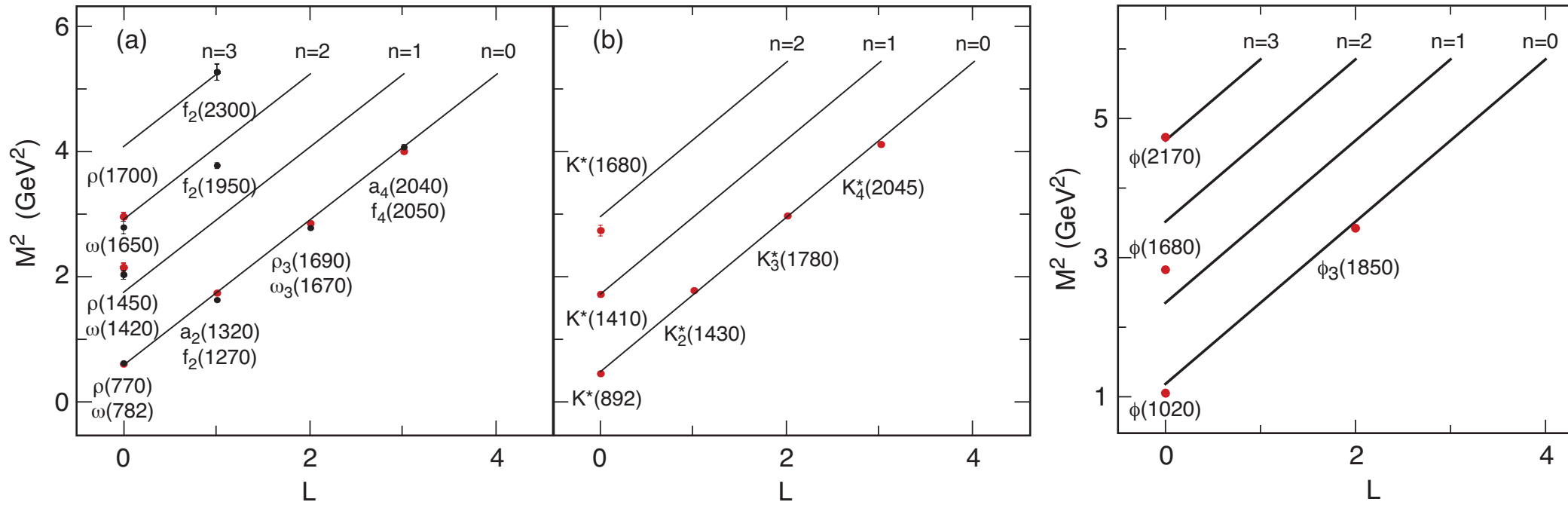
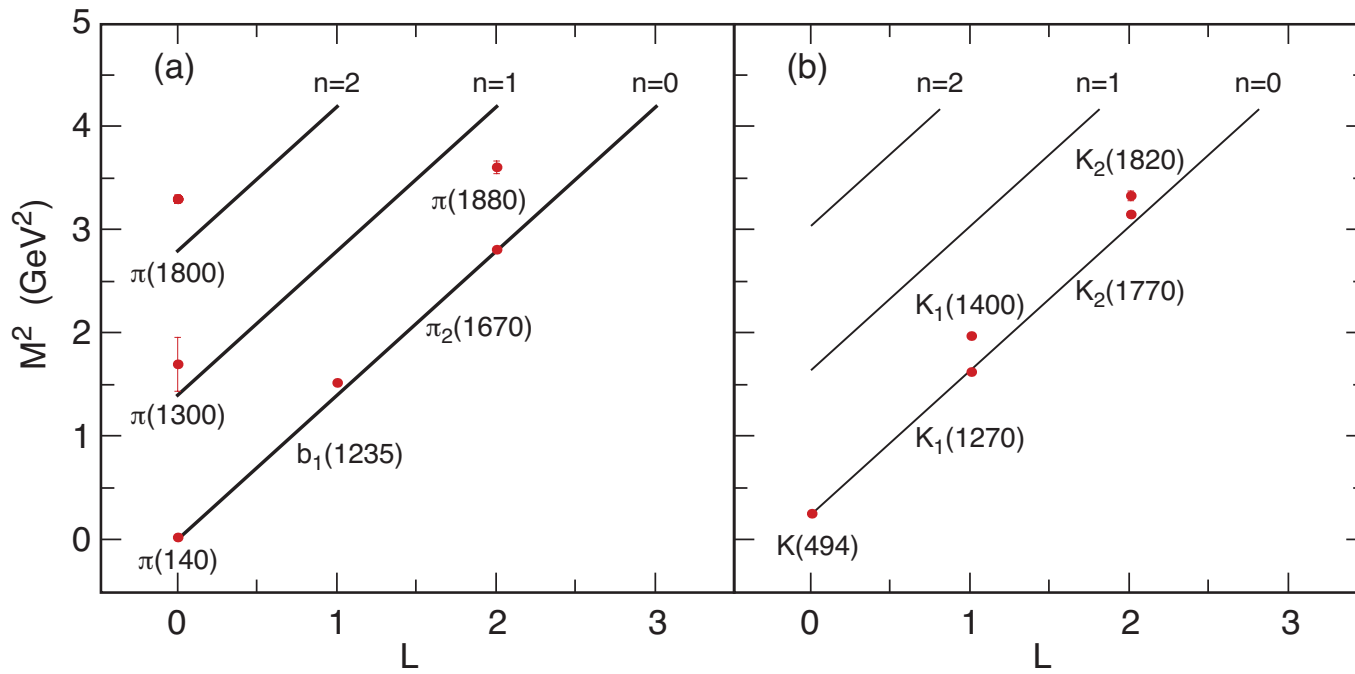
$$\left( -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1) \right) \phi_J(\zeta) = M^2 \phi_J(\zeta)$$

- Normalized eigenfunctions  $\langle \phi | \phi \rangle = \int d\zeta \phi^2(z)^2 = 1$

$$\phi_{n,L}(\zeta) = \kappa^{1+L} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} \zeta^{1/2+L} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^L(\kappa^2 \zeta^2)$$

- Eigenvalues

$$\mathcal{M}_{n,J,L}^2 = 4\kappa^2 \left( n + \frac{J+L}{2} \right)$$



$$M^2(n, L, S) = 4\kappa^2(n + L + S/2)$$

*Orbital and Radial Pseudoscalar and Vector Meson Excitations*



# Universal Hadronic Features

- **Universal quark light-front kinetic energy**

$$\Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFKE}^2 = \kappa^2(1 + 2n + L)$$

**Equal:  
Virial  
Theorem!**

- **Universal quark light-front potential energy**

$$\Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFPE}^2 = \kappa^2(1 + 2n + L)$$

- **Universal Constant Term**

$$\mathcal{M}_{spin}^2 = 2\kappa^2(S + L - 1 + 2n_{diquark})$$

$$M^2 = \Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFKE}^2 + \Delta\mathcal{M}_{LFPE}^2 + \Delta\mathcal{M}_{spin}^2$$

$$+ \left\langle \sum_i \frac{m_i^2}{x_i} \right\rangle$$

# Remarkable Features of Light-Front Schrödinger Equation

## Dynamics + Spectroscopy!

- **Relativistic, frame-independent**
- **QCD scale appears - unique LF potential**
- **Reproduces spectroscopy and dynamics of light-quark hadrons with one parameter**
- **Zero-mass pion for zero mass quarks!**
- **Regge slope same for  $n$  and  $L$  -- not usual HO**
- **Splitting in  $L$  persists to high mass -- contradicts conventional wisdom based on breakdown of chiral symmetry**
- **Phenomenology: LFWFs, Form factors, electroproduction**
- **Extension to heavy quarks**

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$



# Connection to the Linear Instant-Form Potential

Linear instant nonrelativistic form  $V(r) = Cr$  for heavy quarks



Harmonic Oscillator  $U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$  LF Potential for relativistic light quarks

A.P. Trawinski, S.D. Glazek, H. D. Dosch, G. de Teramond, sjb

# Connection to the Linear Instant-Form Potential

- Compare invariant mass in the instant-form in the hadron center-of-mass system  $\mathbf{P} = 0$ ,

$$M_{q\bar{q}}^2 = 4 m_q^2 + 4\mathbf{p}^2$$

with the invariant mass in the front-form in the constituent rest frame,  $\mathbf{k}_q + \mathbf{k}_{\bar{q}} = 0$

$$M_{q\bar{q}}^2 = \frac{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_q^2}{x(1-x)}$$

obtain

$$U = V^2 + 2\sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_q^2} V + 2V\sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + m_q^2}$$

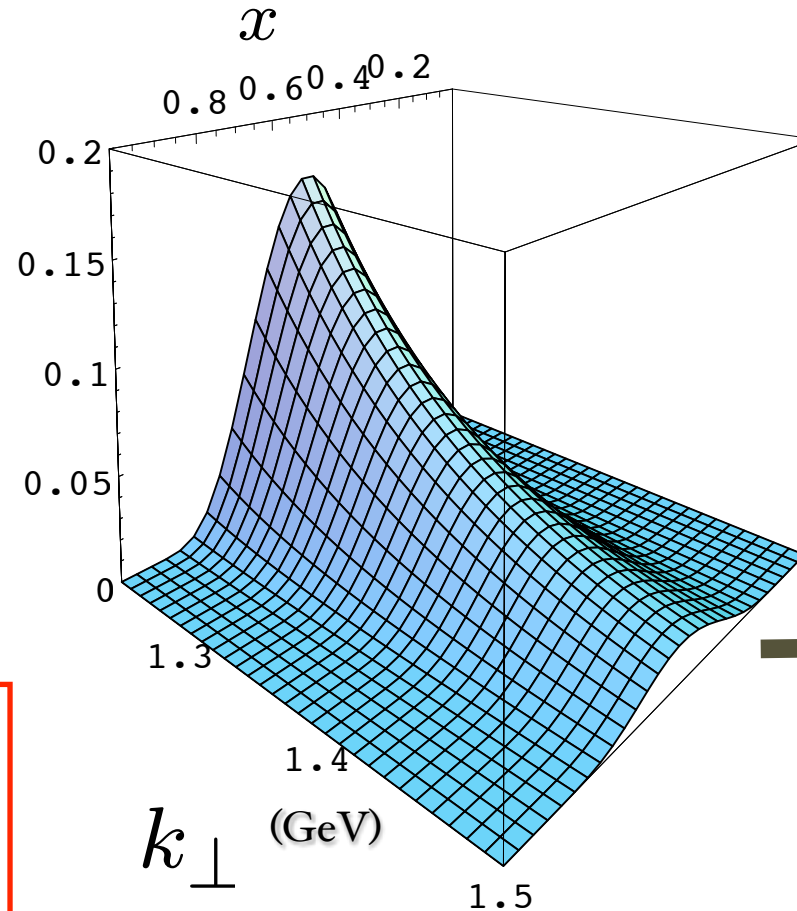
where  $\mathbf{p}_{\perp}^2 = \frac{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2}{4x(1-x)}$ ,  $p_3 = \frac{m_q(x-1/2)}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}}$ , and  $V$  is the effective potential in the instant-form

- For small quark masses a linear instant-form potential  $V$  implies a harmonic front-form potential  $U$  and thus linear Regge trajectories

# Prediction from AdS/QCD: Meson LFWF

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z}$$

$$\psi_M(x, k_\perp^2)$$

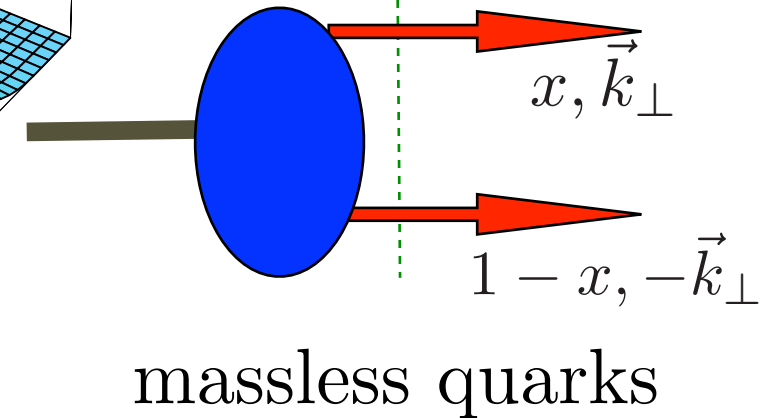


**Note coupling**

$$k_\perp^2, x$$

**de Teramond,  
Cao, sjb**

**“Soft Wall”  
model**



$$\psi_M(x, k_\perp) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_\perp^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

$$\phi_\pi(x) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}\pi} f_\pi \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

$$f_\pi = \sqrt{P_{q\bar{q}}} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} \kappa = 92.4 \text{ MeV}$$

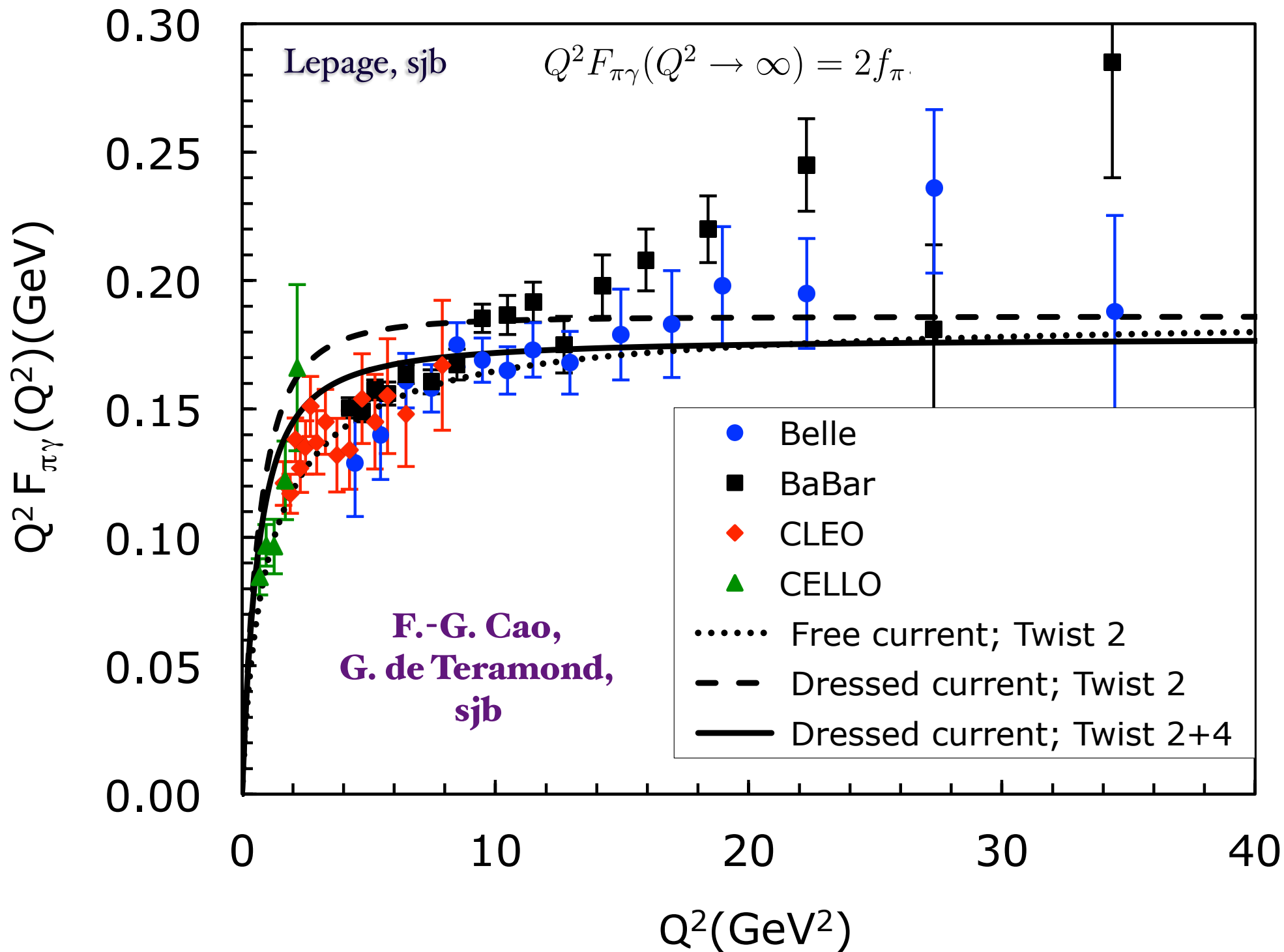
**Same as DSE!**

**C. D. Roberts et al.**

*Provides Connection of Confinement to Hadron Structure*



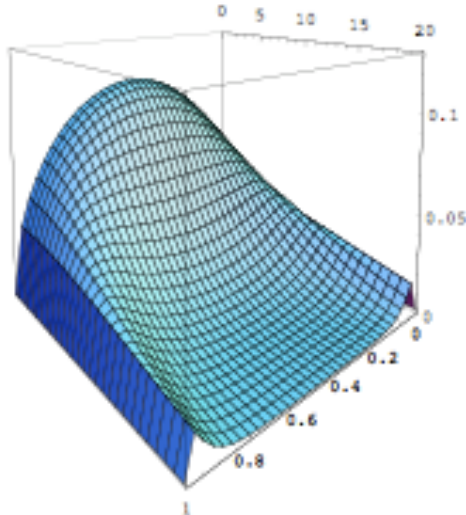
# Photon-to-pion transition form factor



$$|\pi^+ \rangle = |u\bar{d} \rangle$$

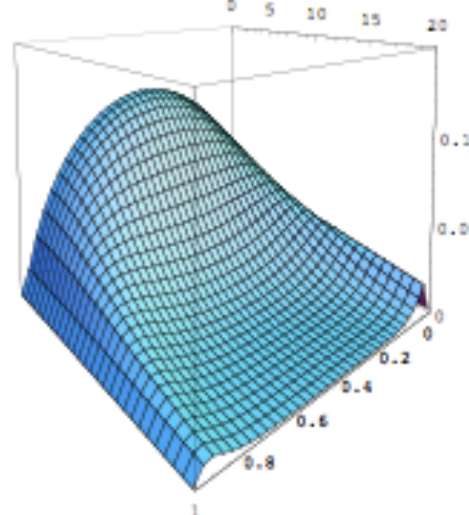
$$m_u = 2 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_d = 5 \text{ MeV}$$



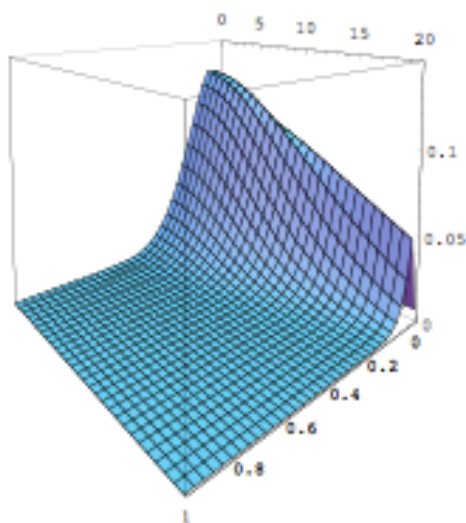
$$|K^+ \rangle = |u\bar{s} \rangle$$

$$m_s = 95 \text{ MeV}$$

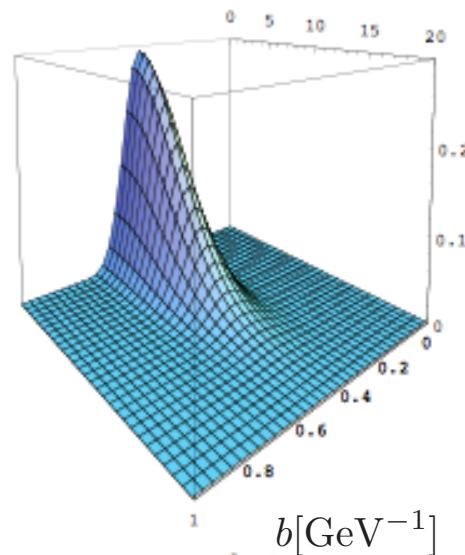


$$|D^+ \rangle = |c\bar{d} \rangle$$

$$m_c = 1.25 \text{ GeV}$$

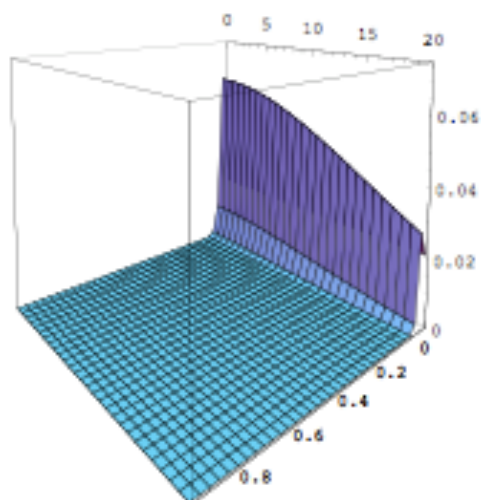


$$|\eta_c \rangle = |c\bar{c} \rangle$$

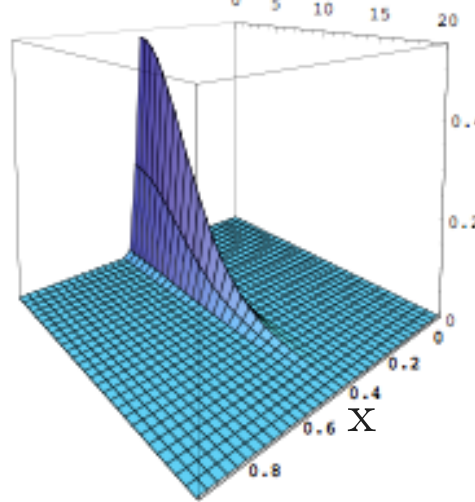


$$|B^+ \rangle = |u\bar{b} \rangle$$

$$m_b = 4.2 \text{ GeV}$$

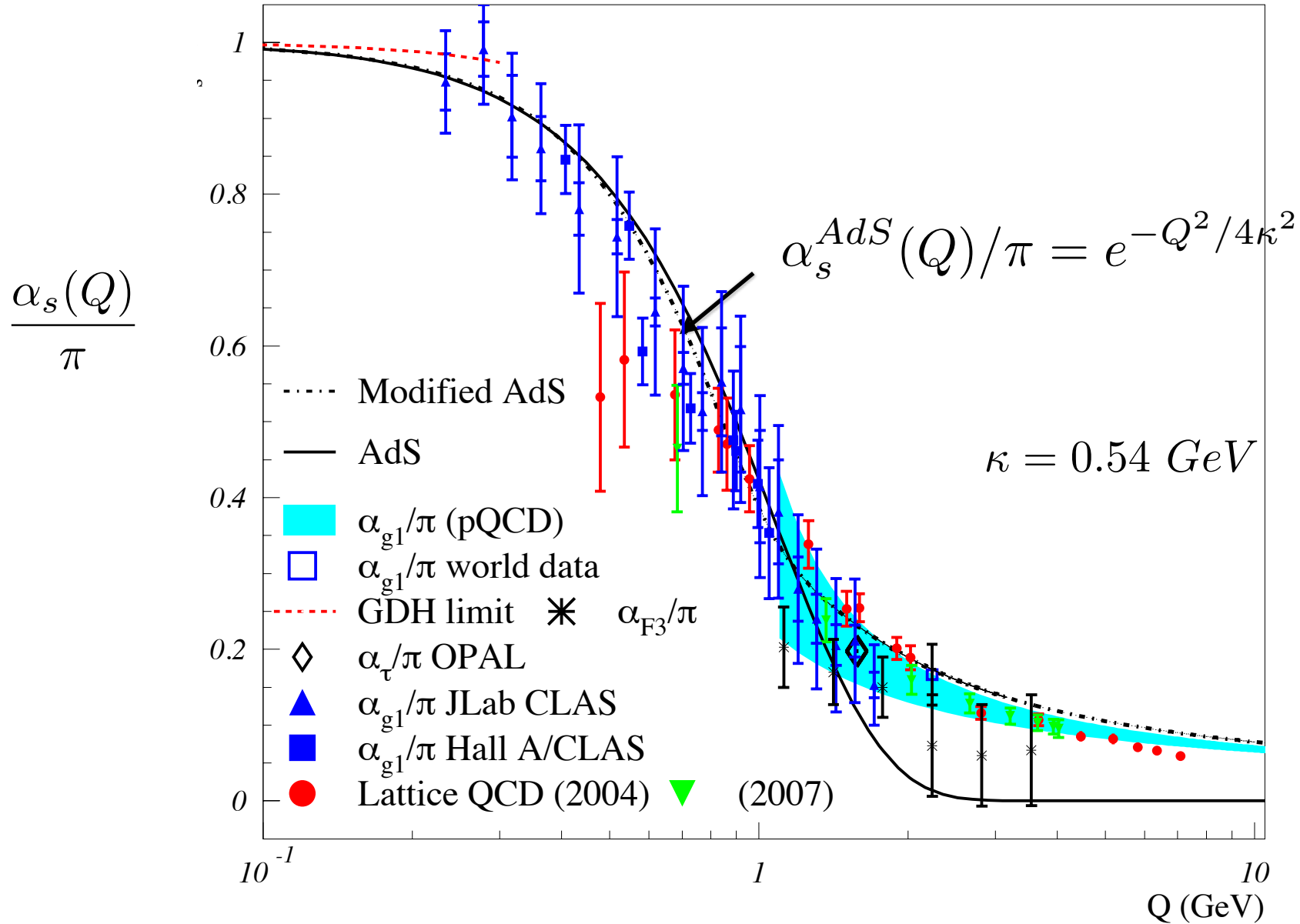


$$|\eta_b \rangle = |b\bar{b} \rangle$$



$$\kappa = 375 \text{ MeV}$$

# Analytic, defined at all scales, IR Fixed Point



**AdS/QCD dilaton captures the higher twist corrections to effective charges for  $Q < 1 \text{ GeV}$**

$$e^\varphi = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

**Deur, de Teramond, sjb**

$$m_\rho = \sqrt{2}\kappa$$

$$m_p = 2\kappa$$

**All-Scale QCD Coupling**

**Fit to Bj + DHG Sum Rules:**

$$\kappa = 0.513 \pm 0.007 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\frac{\alpha_{g_1}^s(Q^2)}{\pi}$$

$$e^{-\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}}$$

**World Data:**

$$\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 0.332 \pm 0.017 \text{ GeV}$$

Use  $Q_0$  for  
starting  
DGLAP  
and ERBL  
Evolution

**Perturbative QCD  
(Asymptotic Freedom)**

**Prediction**

$$\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 0.339 \pm 0.019 \text{ GeV}$$

**Transition scale  $Q_0$**

$$Q_0 = 0.87 \pm 0.08 \text{ GeV}$$

$\overline{MS}$  scheme

$$\lambda \equiv \kappa^2$$

$10^{-1}$

1

10

Q (GeV)

## Holographic Mapping of AdS Modes to QCD LFWFs

*Drell-Yan-West: Form Factors are  
Convolution of LFWFs*

- Integrate Soper formula over angles:

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

with  $\tilde{\rho}(x, \zeta)$  QCD effective transverse charge density.

- Transversality variable

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

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

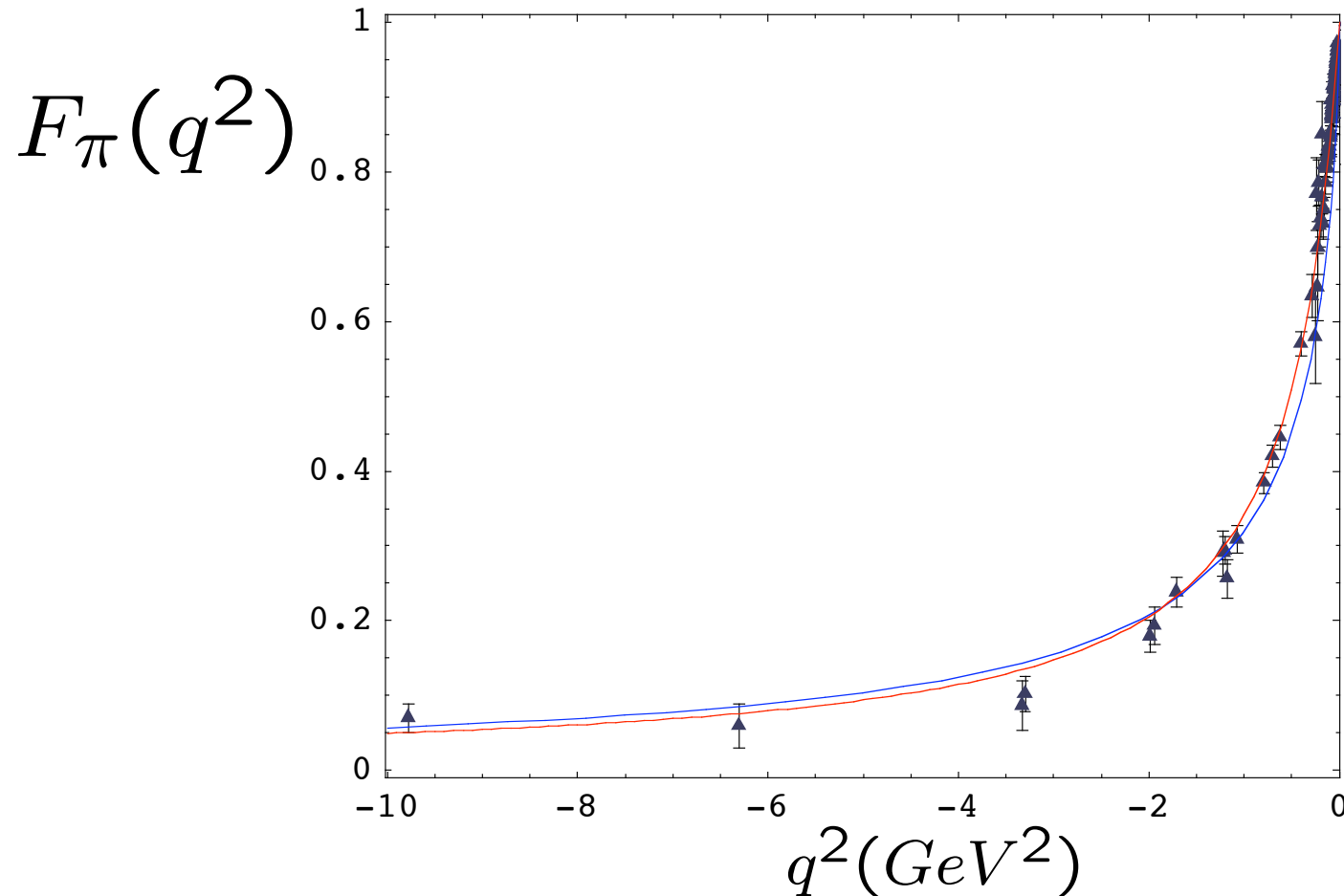
$$\int_0^1 dx J_0 \left( \zeta Q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q),$$

the solution for  $J(Q, \zeta) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q)$  !

**de Teramond, sjb**

*Identical to Polchinski-Strassler Convolution of AdS Amplitudes*

# Spacelike pion form factor from AdS/CFT



Data Compilation  
Baldini, Kloe and Volmer

Soft Wall: Harmonic Oscillator Confinement

Hard Wall: Truncated Space Confinement

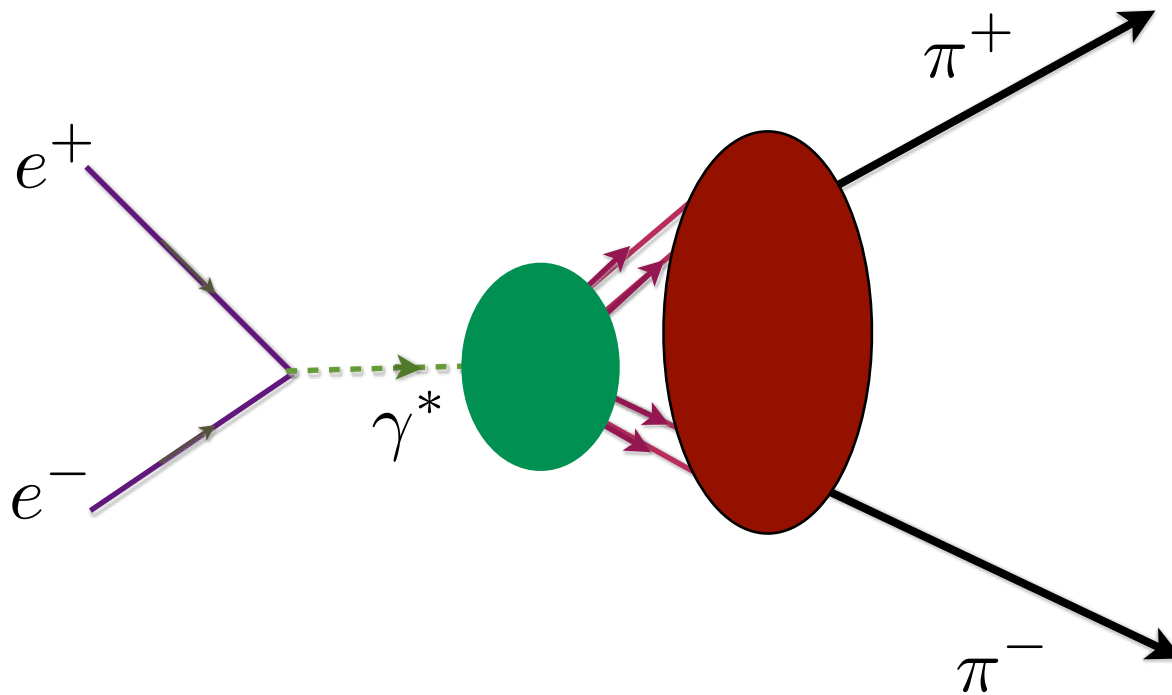
*One parameter - set by pion decay constant*

de Teramond, sjb  
See also: Radyushkin



# Time-like pion form factor from AdS/CFT

*Dressed soft-wall current brings in higher Fock states and more vector meson poles*





- Propagation of external current inside AdS space described by the AdS wave equation

$$\left[ z^2 \partial_z^2 - z (1 + 2\kappa^2 z^2) \partial_z - Q^2 z^2 \right] J_\kappa(Q, z) = 0.$$

- Solution bulk-to-boundary propagator

$$J_\kappa(Q, z) = \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) U\left(\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}, 0, \kappa^2 z^2\right),$$

where  $U(a, b, c)$  is the confluent hypergeometric function

$$\Gamma(a)U(a, b, z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-zt} t^{a-1} (1+t)^{b-a-1} dt.$$

- Form factor in presence of the dilaton background  $\varphi = \kappa^2 z^2$

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} \Phi(z) J_\kappa(Q, z) \Phi(z).$$

- For large  $Q^2 \gg 4\kappa^2$

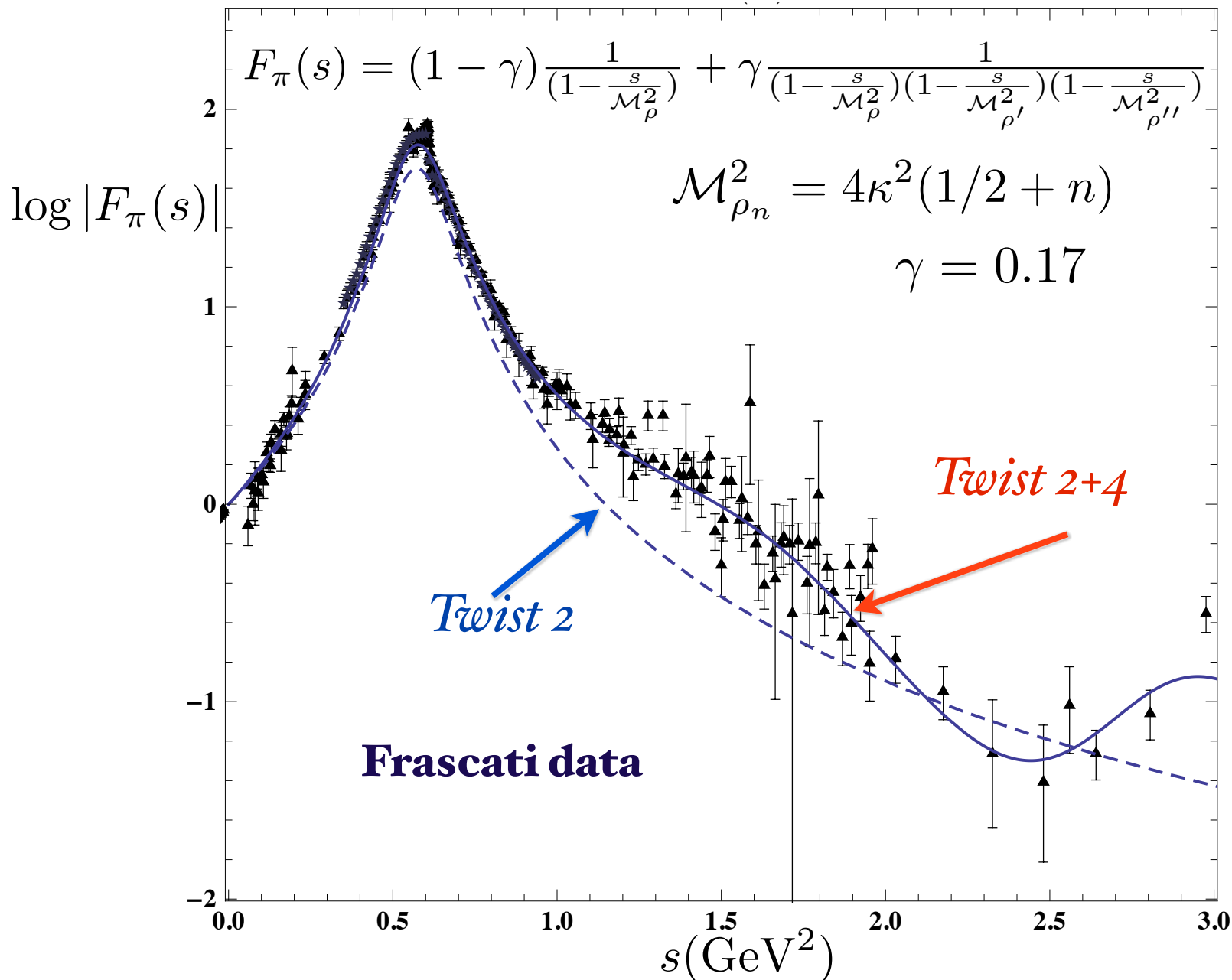
$$J_\kappa(Q, z) \rightarrow zQ K_1(zQ) = J(Q, z),$$

the external current decouples from the dilaton field.

*Dressed  
Current  
in Soft-Wall  
Model*



# Timelike Pion Form Factor from AdS/QCD and Light-Front Holography

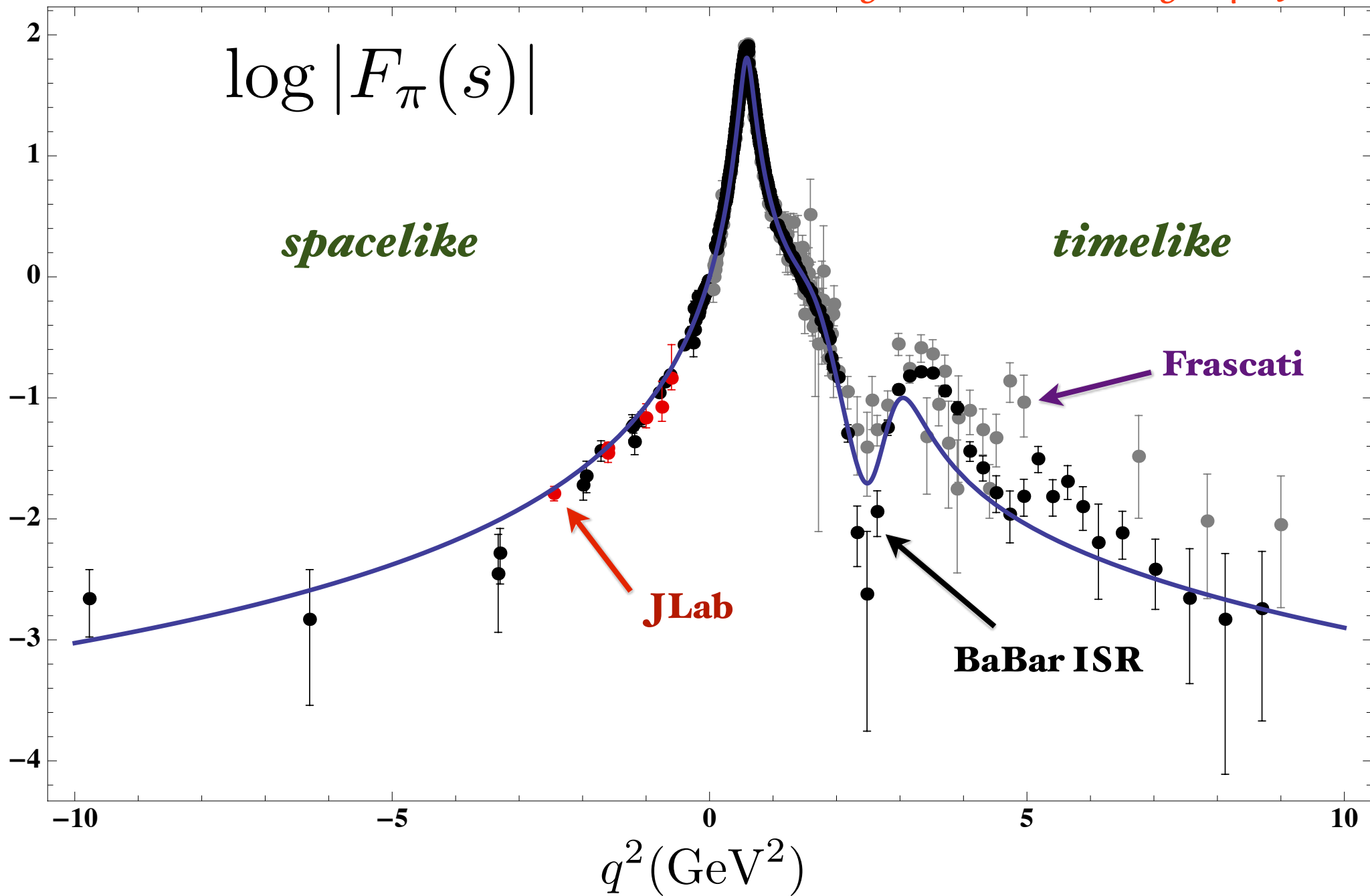


*Prescription for  
Timelike poles :*

$$\frac{1}{s - M^2 + i\sqrt{s}\Gamma}$$

**14% four-quark  
probability**

# Pion Form Factor from AdS/QCD and Light-Front Holography



# Form Factors in AdS/QCD

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}}, \quad N = 2,$$

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right)}, \quad N = 3,$$

...

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right) \cdots \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho^{N-2}}^2}\right)}, \quad N,$$

Positive Dilaton Background  $\exp(+\kappa^2 z^2)$        $\mathcal{M}_n^2 = 4\kappa^2 \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow (N-1)! \left[ \frac{4\kappa^2}{Q^2} \right]^{(N-1)}$$

$$Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$$

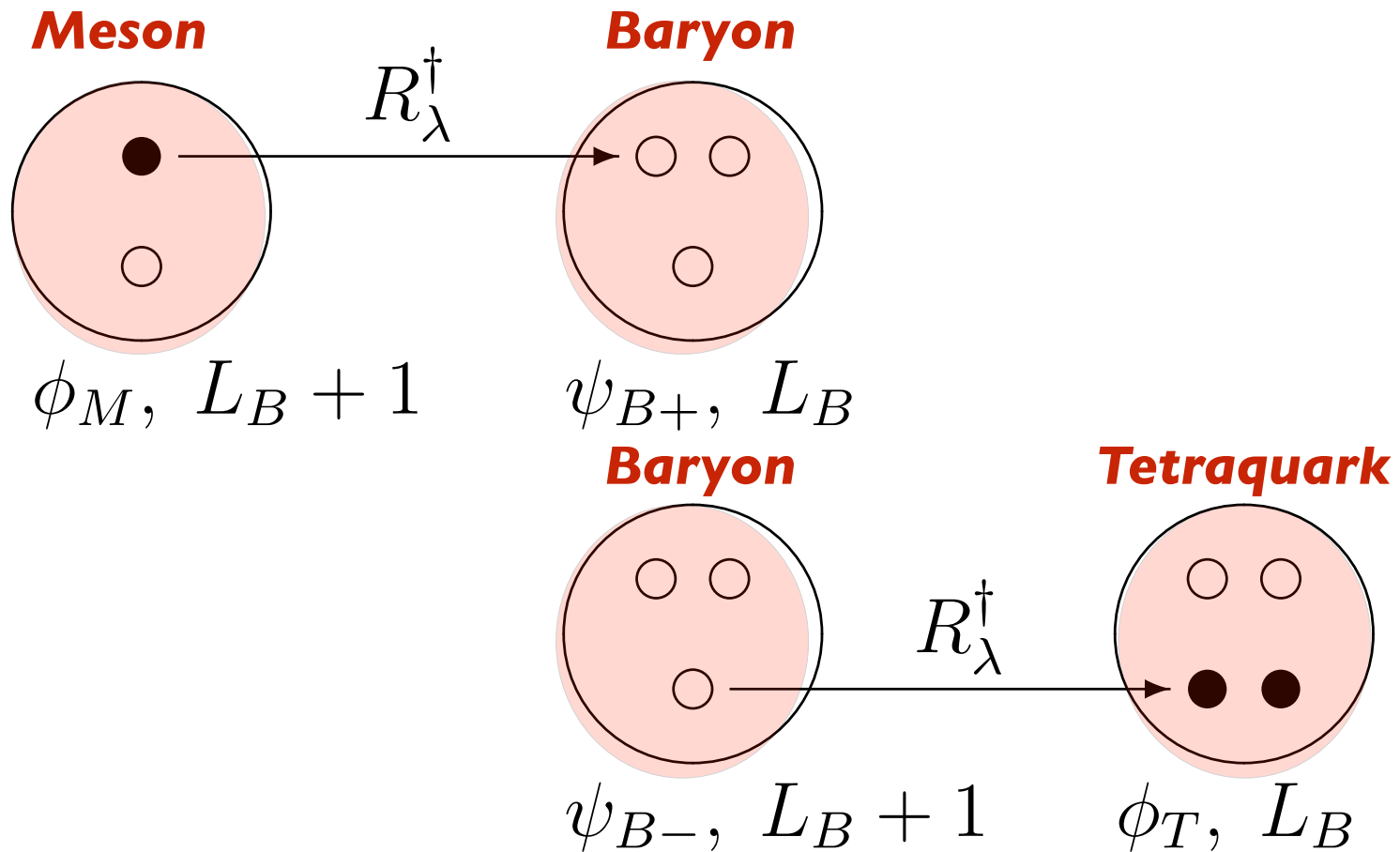
*Constituent Counting*



# Superconformal Algebra

## 2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

*Bosons, Fermions with Equal Mass!*



Proton: quark + scalar diquark  $|q(qq) \rangle$   
(Equal weight:  $L = 0, L = 1$ )

# Superconformal Quantum Mechanics

*Fubini and  
Rabinovici*

**Baryon Equation**  $Q \simeq \sqrt{H}, \quad S \simeq \sqrt{K}$

Consider  $R_w = Q + wS;$   $w$ : dimensions of mass squared

$$G = \{R_w, R_w^+\} = 2H + 2w^2 K + 2wfI - 2wB \quad 2B = \sigma_3$$

Retains Conformal Invariance of Action

*Fubini and Rabinovici*

*New Extended Hamiltonian  $G$  is diagonal:*

$$G_{11} = \left( -\partial_x^2 + w^2 x^2 + 2wf - w + \frac{4(f + \frac{1}{2})^2 - 1}{4x^2} \right)$$

$$G_{22} = \left( -\partial_x^2 + w^2 x^2 + 2wf + w + \frac{4(f - \frac{1}{2})^2 - 1}{4x^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Identify } f - \frac{1}{2} = L_B, \quad w = \kappa^2$$

Eigenvalue of  $G$ :  $M^2(n, L) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$

$$\left( -\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L_B + 1) + \frac{4L_B^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \psi_J^+ = M^2 \psi_J^+$$

$$\left( -\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 L_B + \frac{4(L_B + 1)^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \psi_J^- = M^2 \psi_J^-$$

$$M^2(n, L_B) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$$

**S=1/2, P=+**

*both chiralities*

## Meson Equation

$$\left( -\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1) + \frac{4L_M^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \phi_J = M^2 \phi_J$$

$$M^2(n, L_M) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_M)$$

*Same  $\kappa$ !*

**S=0, I=I Meson is superpartner of S=1/2, I=I Baryon**  
**Meson-Baryon Degeneracy for  $L_M=L_B+1$**



- We write the Dirac equation

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

in terms of the matrix-valued operator  $\Pi$

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

and its adjoint  $\Pi^\dagger$ , with commutation relations

$$\left[ \Pi_\nu(\zeta), \Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta) \right] = \left( \frac{2\nu + 1}{\zeta^2} - 2\kappa^2 \right) \gamma_5.$$

- Solutions to the Dirac equation

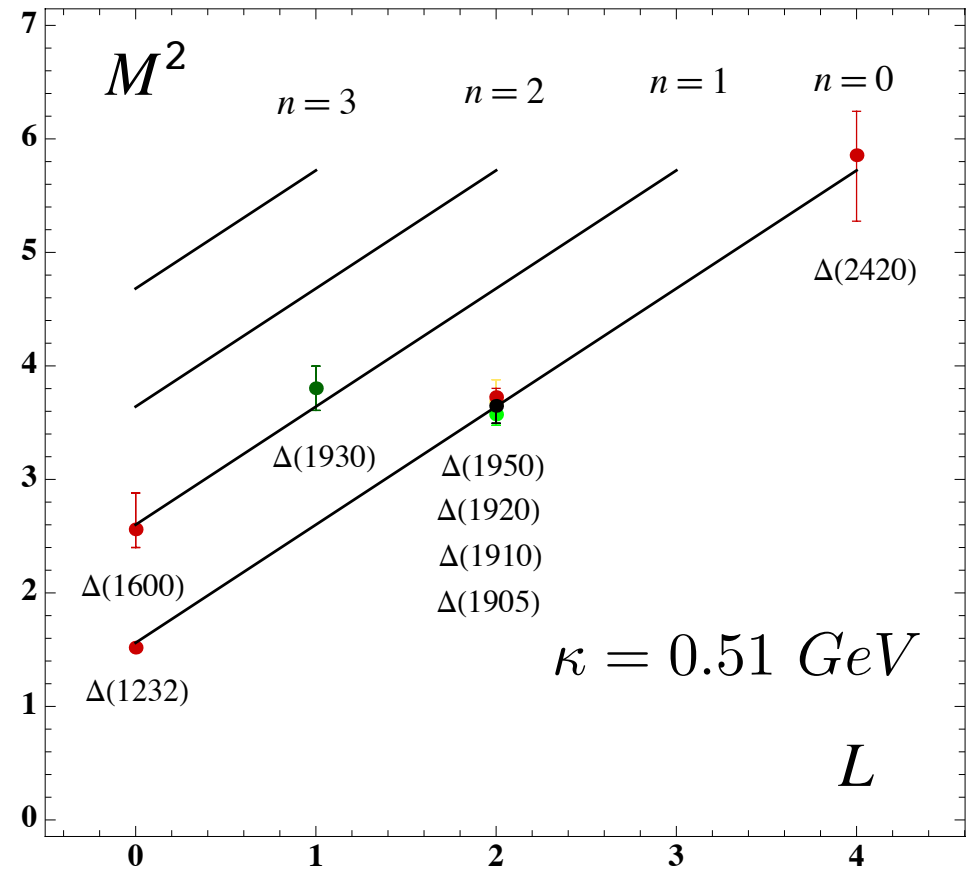
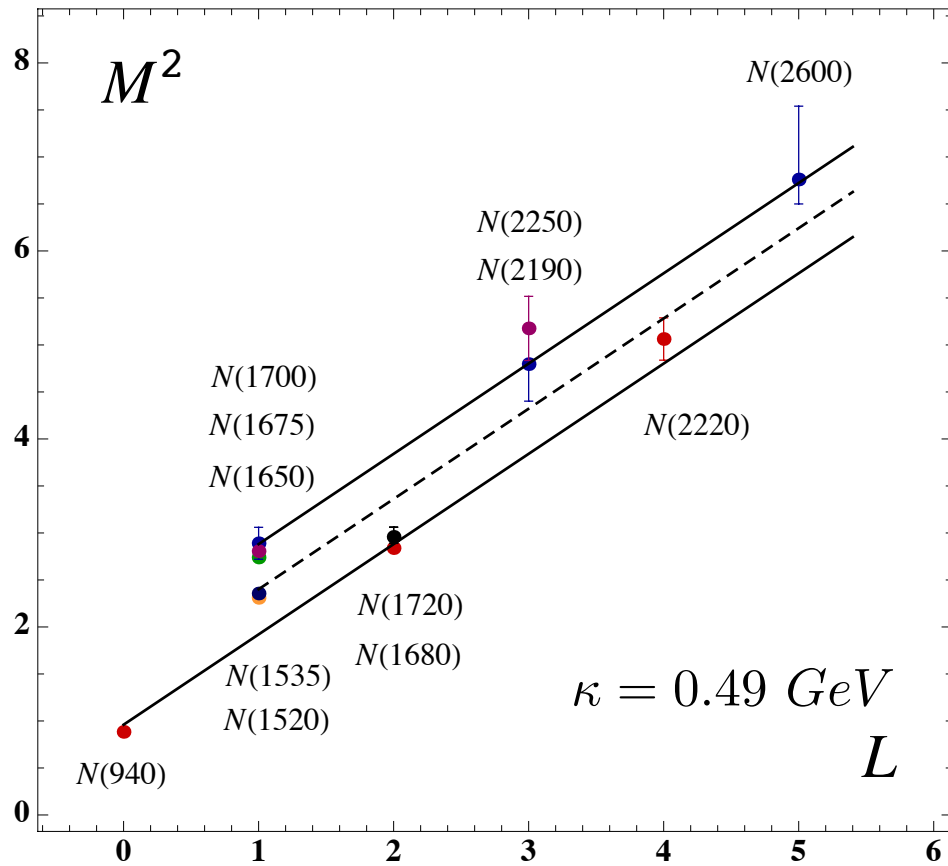
$$\begin{aligned} \psi_+(\zeta) &\sim z^{\frac{1}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^\nu(\kappa^2 \zeta^2), \\ \psi_-(\zeta) &\sim z^{\frac{3}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^{\nu+1}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2). \end{aligned} \quad \nu = L + 1$$

- Eigenvalues

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



# Baryon Spectroscopy from AdS/QCD and Light-Front Holography



de Teramond, sjb

$$\mathcal{M}_{n,L,S}^{2(+)} = 4\kappa^2 \left( n + L + \frac{S}{2} + \frac{3}{4} \right),$$

positive parity

**All confirmed  
resonances  
from PDG**

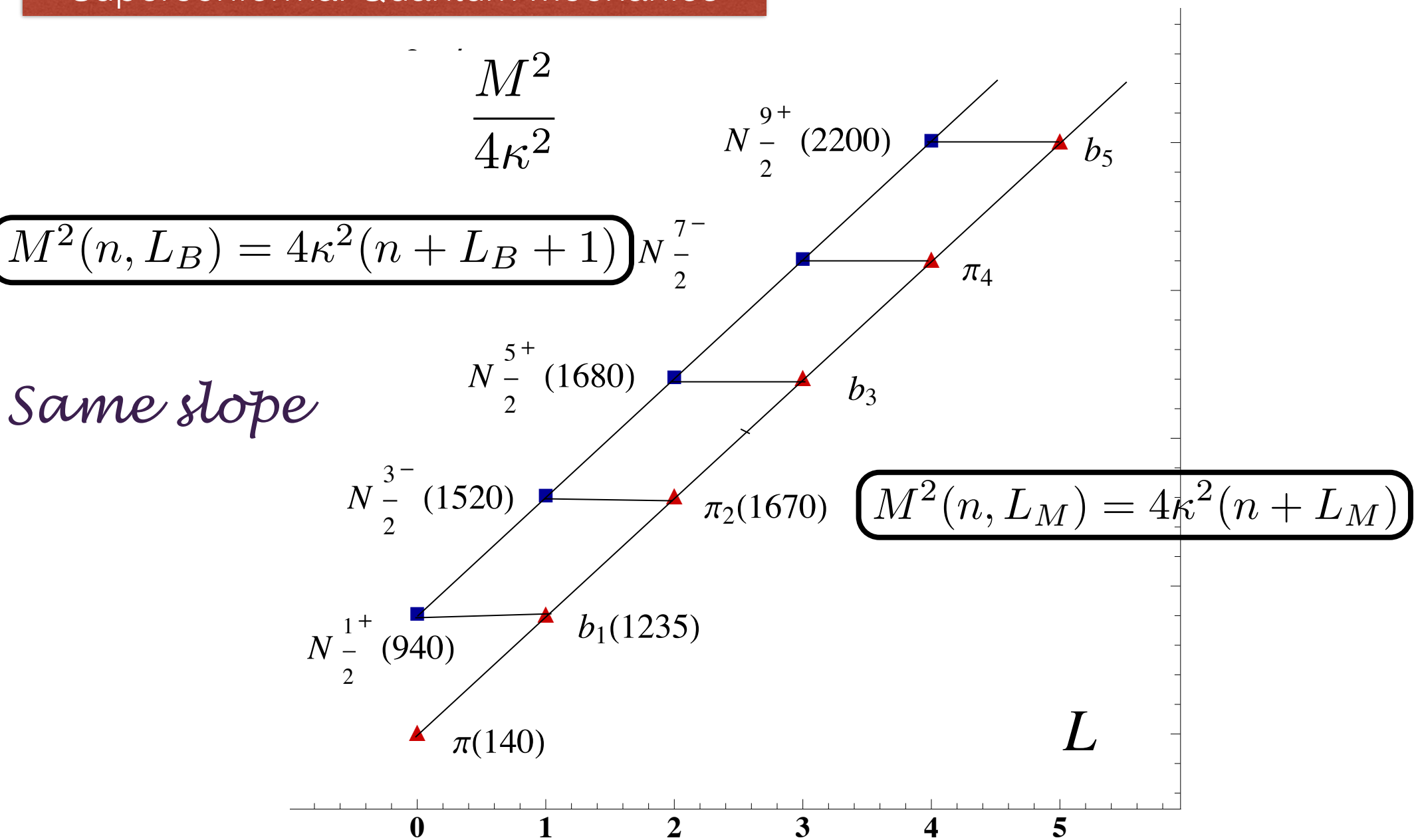
$$\mathcal{M}_{n,L,S}^{2(-)} = 4\kappa^2 \left( n + L + \frac{S}{2} + \frac{5}{4} \right),$$

negative parity

**2012**

See also Forkel, Beyer, Federico, Klempt





$$\frac{M_{meson}^2}{M_{nucleon}^2} = \frac{n + L_M}{n + L_B + 1}$$

**Meson-Baryon  
Mass Degeneracy  
for  $L_M = L_B + 1$**

$M^2 \text{ (GeV}^2\text{)}$

$\rho - \Delta$  superpartner trajectories

bosons

fermions

6

5

4

3

2

1

0

MESONS

$[q\bar{q}]$

SUPERSYMMETRY!

$a_4, f_4$

$\rho_3, \omega_3$

$a_2, f_2$

$\rho, \omega$

$\Delta_{\frac{11}{2}}^{+}$

$\Delta_{\frac{1}{2}}^{+}, \Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{+}, \Delta_{\frac{5}{2}}^{+}, \Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^{+}$

$\Delta_{\frac{1}{2}}^{-}, \Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{-}$

$\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{+}$

BARYONS

$[qqq]$

$$L_M = L_B + 1$$

0

1

2

3

4

5

$L \text{ (Orbital Angular Momentum)}$

Meson			Baryon			Tetraquark		
$q$ -cont	$J^{P(C)}$	Name	$q$ -cont	$J^P$	Name	$q$ -cont	$J^{P(C)}$	Name
$\bar{q}q$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi(140)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}q$	$1^{+-}$	$h_1(1170)$	$[ud]q$	$(1/2)^+$	$N(940)$	$[ud][\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$0^{++}$	$\sigma(500)$
$\bar{q}q$	$2^{-+}$	$\eta_2(1645)$	$[ud]q$	$(3/2)^-$	$N_{\frac{3}{2}}^-(1520)$	$[ud][\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^{-+}$	—
$\bar{q}q$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(770), \omega(780)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}q$	$2^{++}$	$a_2(1320), f_2(1270)$	$(qq)q$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Delta(1232)$	$(qq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^{++}$	$a_1(1260)$
$\bar{q}q$	3	$\rho_3(1690), \omega_3(1670)$	$(qq)q$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^-(1700)$	$(qq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^{-+}$	$\pi_1(1600)$
$\bar{q}q$	$4^{++}$	$a_4(2040), f_4(2050)$	$(qq)q$	$(7/2)^+$	$\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^+(1950)$	$(qq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	—	—
$\bar{q}s$	$0^-$	$\bar{K}(495)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}s$	$1^+$	$\bar{K}_1(1270)$	$[ud]s$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Lambda(1115)$	$[ud][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$0^+$	$K_0^*(1430)$
$\bar{q}s$	$2^-$	$K_2(1770)$	$[ud]s$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Lambda(1520)$	$[ud][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^-$	—
$\bar{s}q$	$0^-$	$K(495)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}q$	$1^+$	$K_1(1270)$	$[sq]q$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Sigma(1190)$	$[sq][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$0^{++}$	$a_0(980)$ $f_0(980)$
$\bar{s}q$	$1^-$	$K^*(890)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}q$	$2^+$	$K_2^*(1430)$	$(sq)q$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Sigma(1385)$	$(sq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^+$	$K_1(1400)$
$\bar{s}q$	$3^-$	$K_3^*(1780)$	$(sq)q$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Sigma(1670)$	$(sq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$2^-$	$K_2(1820)$
$\bar{s}q$	$4^+$	$K_4^*(2045)$	$(sq)q$	$(7/2)^+$	$\Sigma(2030)$	$(sq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$0^{-+}$	$\eta'(958)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$1^{+-}$	$h_1(1380)$	$[sq]s$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Xi(1320)$	$[sq][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$0^{++}$	$f_0(1370)$ $a_0(1450)$
$\bar{s}s$	$2^{-+}$	$\eta_2(1870)$	$[sq]s$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Xi(1620)$	$[sq][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^{-+}$	—
$\bar{s}s$	$1^{--}$	$\Phi(1020)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$2^{++}$	$f_2'(1525)$	$(sq)s$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Xi^*(1530)$	$(sq)[\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^{++}$	$f_1(1420)$ $a_1(1420)$
$\bar{s}s$	$3^{--}$	$\Phi_3(1850)$	$(sq)s$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Xi(1820)$	$(sq)[\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$2^{++}$	$f_2(1640)$	$(ss)s$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Omega(1672)$	$(ss)[\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^+$	$K_1(1650)$

Meson

Baryon

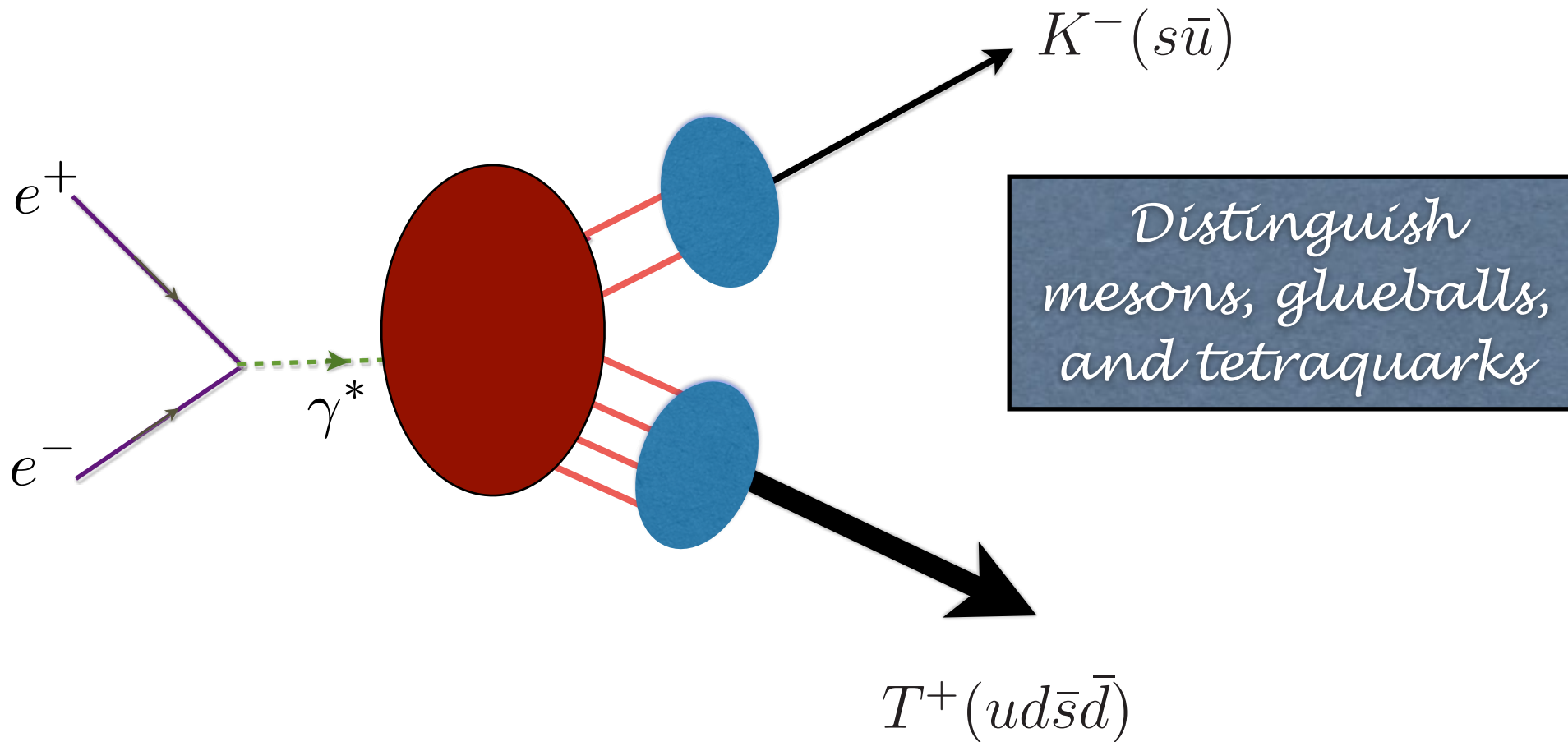
Tetraquark

*New Organization of the Hadron Spectrum*

*M. Nielsen, sjb*

# Use Counting Rules to Verify Composition of Tetraquark

$$\mathcal{A}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{M}(q\bar{q}) + T([qq][\bar{q}\bar{q}]) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}^{(2+4-1-1)}} = \frac{1}{s^2}$$



Same fall-off as  $\mathcal{A}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{B}(q[qq]) + B(q[\bar{q}\bar{q}]) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}^{(3+3-1-1)}} = \frac{1}{s^2}$

- Compute Dirac proton form factor using SU(6) flavor symmetry

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} V(Q, z) \Psi_+^2(z)$$

- Nucleon AdS wave function

$$\Psi_+(z) = \frac{\kappa^{2+L}}{R^2} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} z^{7/2+L} L_n^{L+1}(\kappa^2 z^2) e^{-\kappa^2 z^2/2}$$

- Normalization ( $F_1^p(0) = 1$ ,  $V(Q=0, z) = 1$ )

$$R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} \Psi_+^2(z) = 1$$

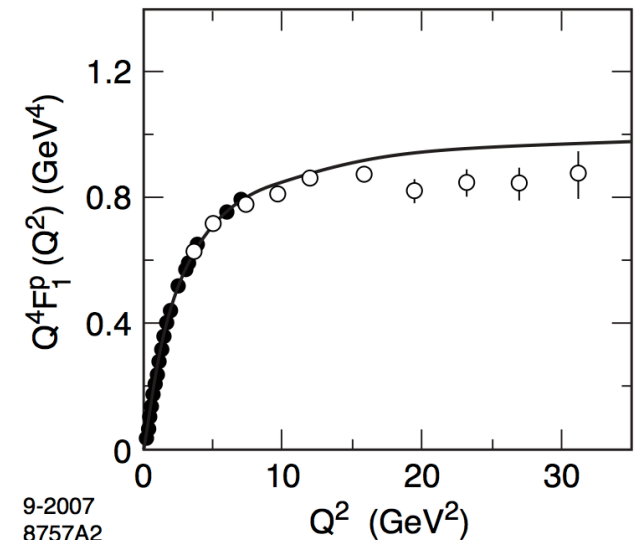
- Bulk-to-boundary propagator [Grigoryan and Radyushkin (2007)]

$$V(Q, z) = \kappa^2 z^2 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{(1-x)^2} x^{\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2 x/(1-x)}$$

- Find

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right)}$$

with  $\mathcal{M}_{\rho_n}^2 \rightarrow 4\kappa^2(n + 1/2)$





# Space-Like Dirac Proton Form Factor

- Consider the spin non-flip form factors

$$F_+(Q^2) = g_+ \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

$$F_-(Q^2) = g_- \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2,$$

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

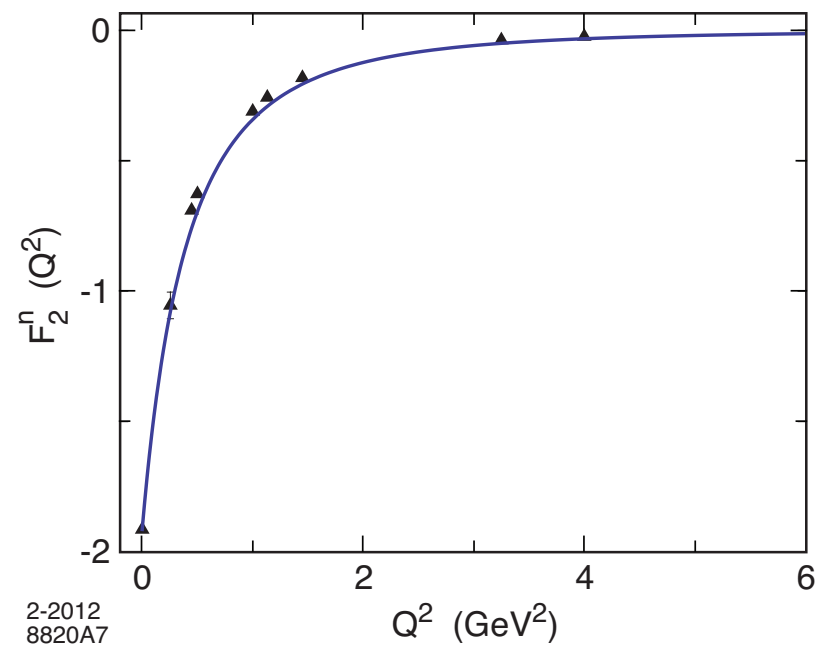
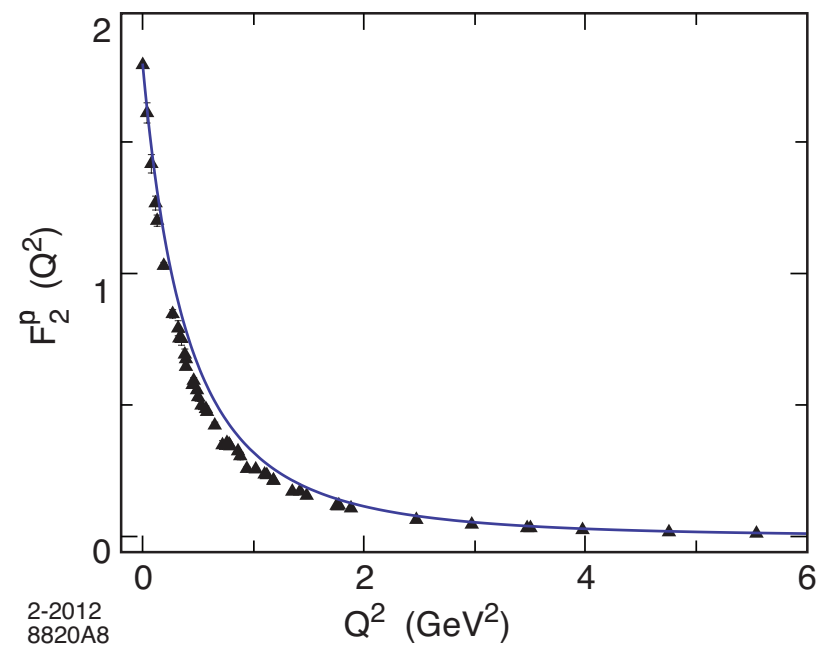
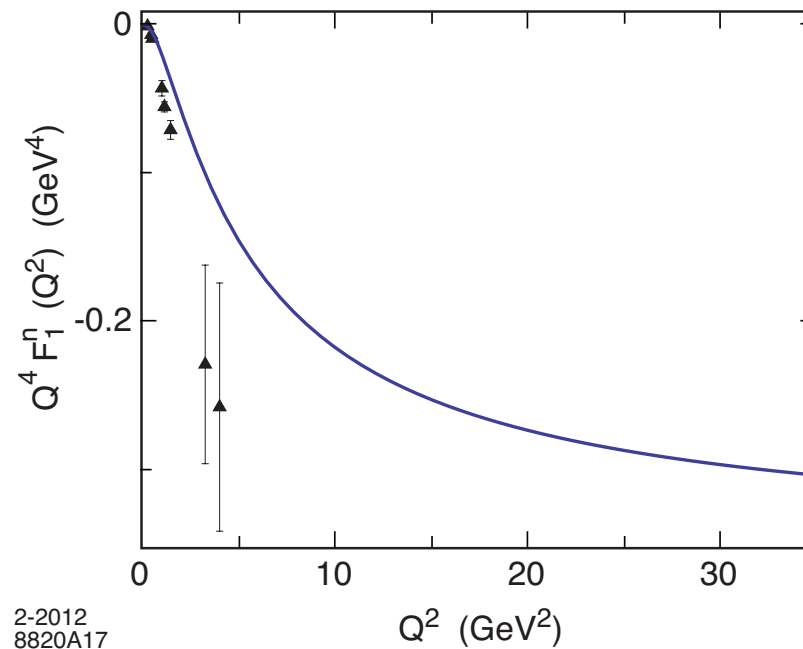
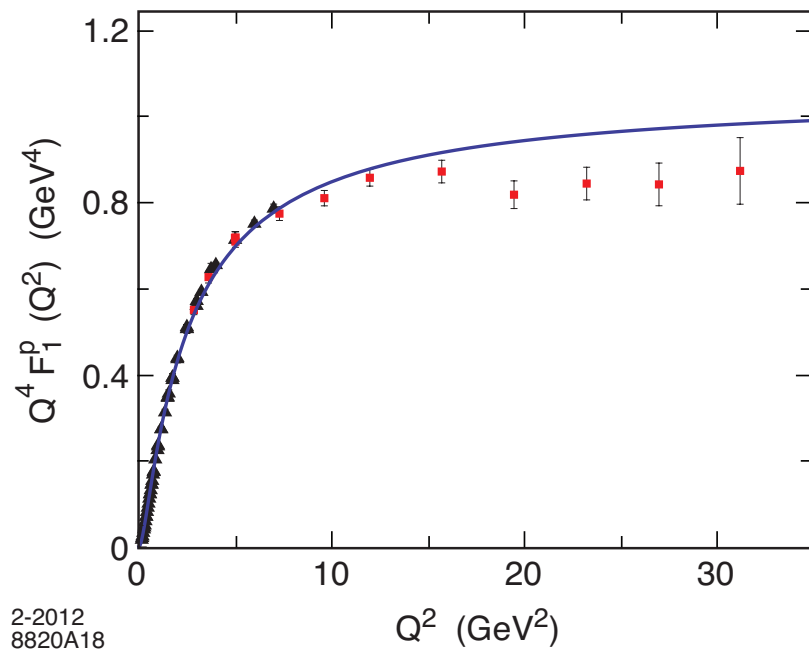
- Choose the struck quark to have  $S^z = +1/2$ . The two AdS solutions  $\psi_+(\zeta)$  and  $\psi_-(\zeta)$  correspond to nucleons with  $J^z = +1/2$  and  $-1/2$ .
- For  $SU(6)$  spin-flavor symmetry

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

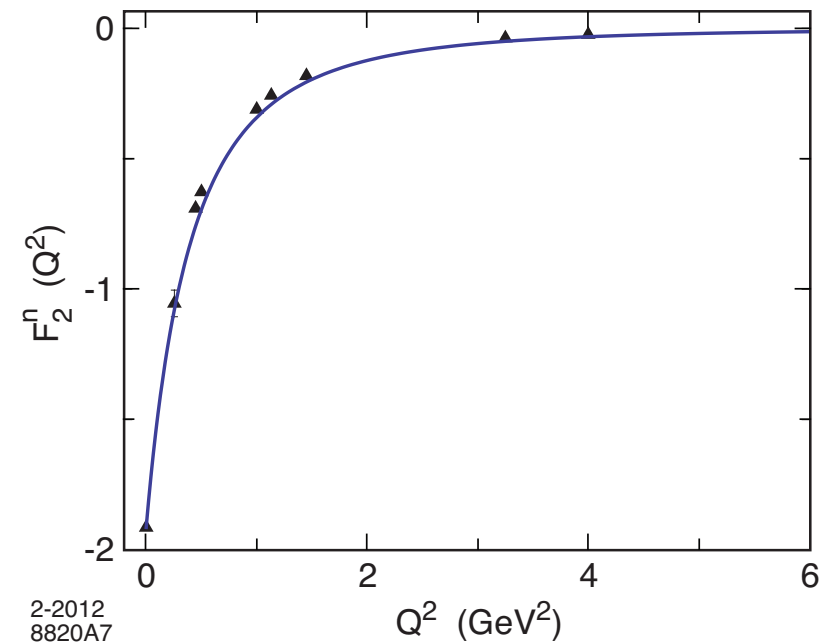
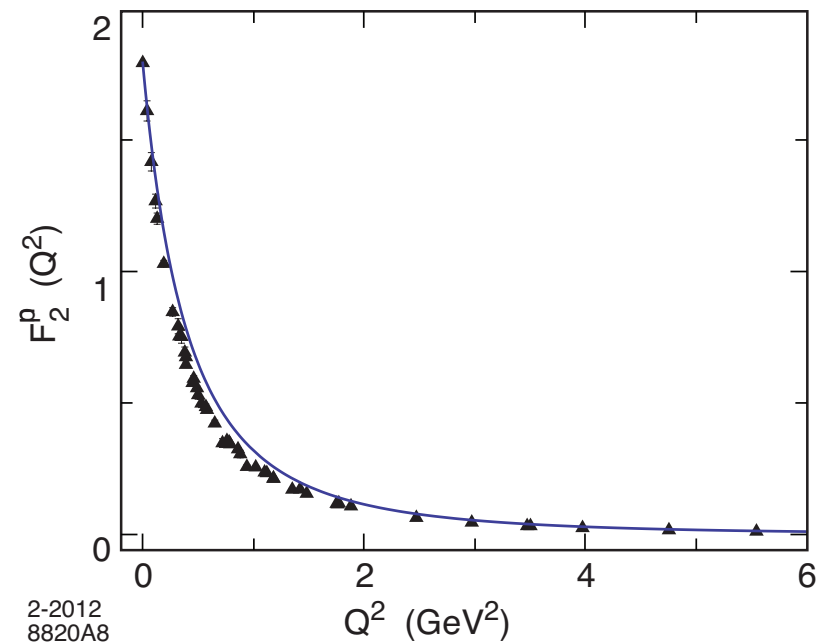
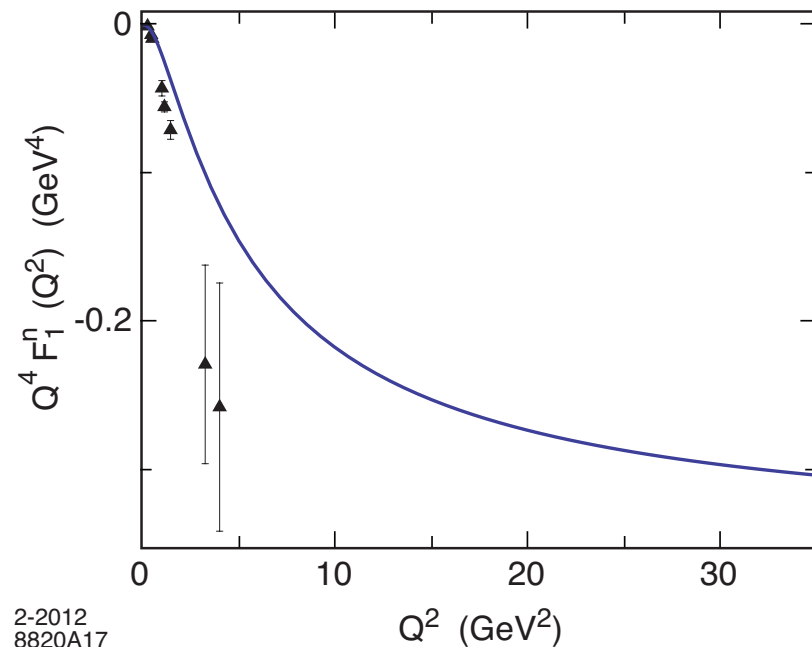
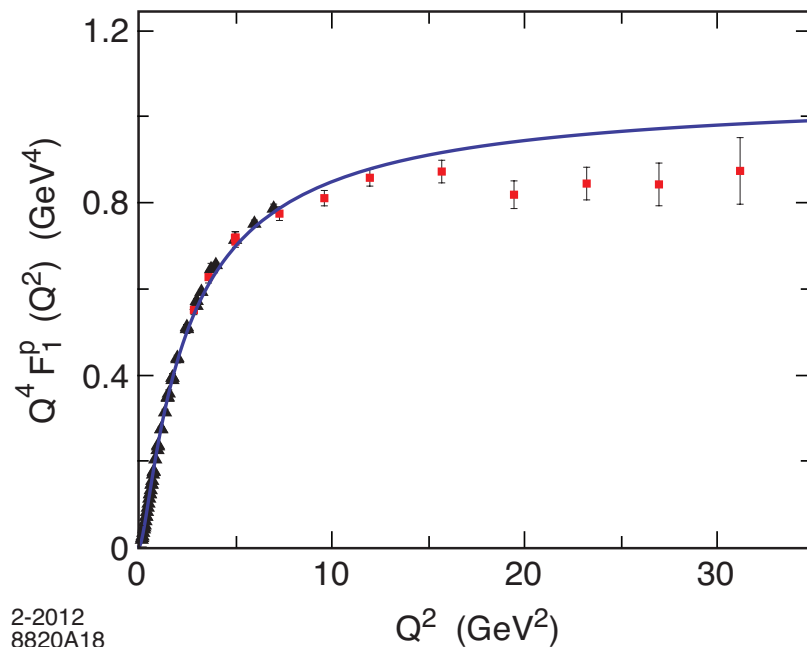
$$F_1^n(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{3} \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) [|\psi_+(\zeta)|^2 - |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2],$$

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

Using  $SU(6)$  flavor symmetry and normalization to static quantities

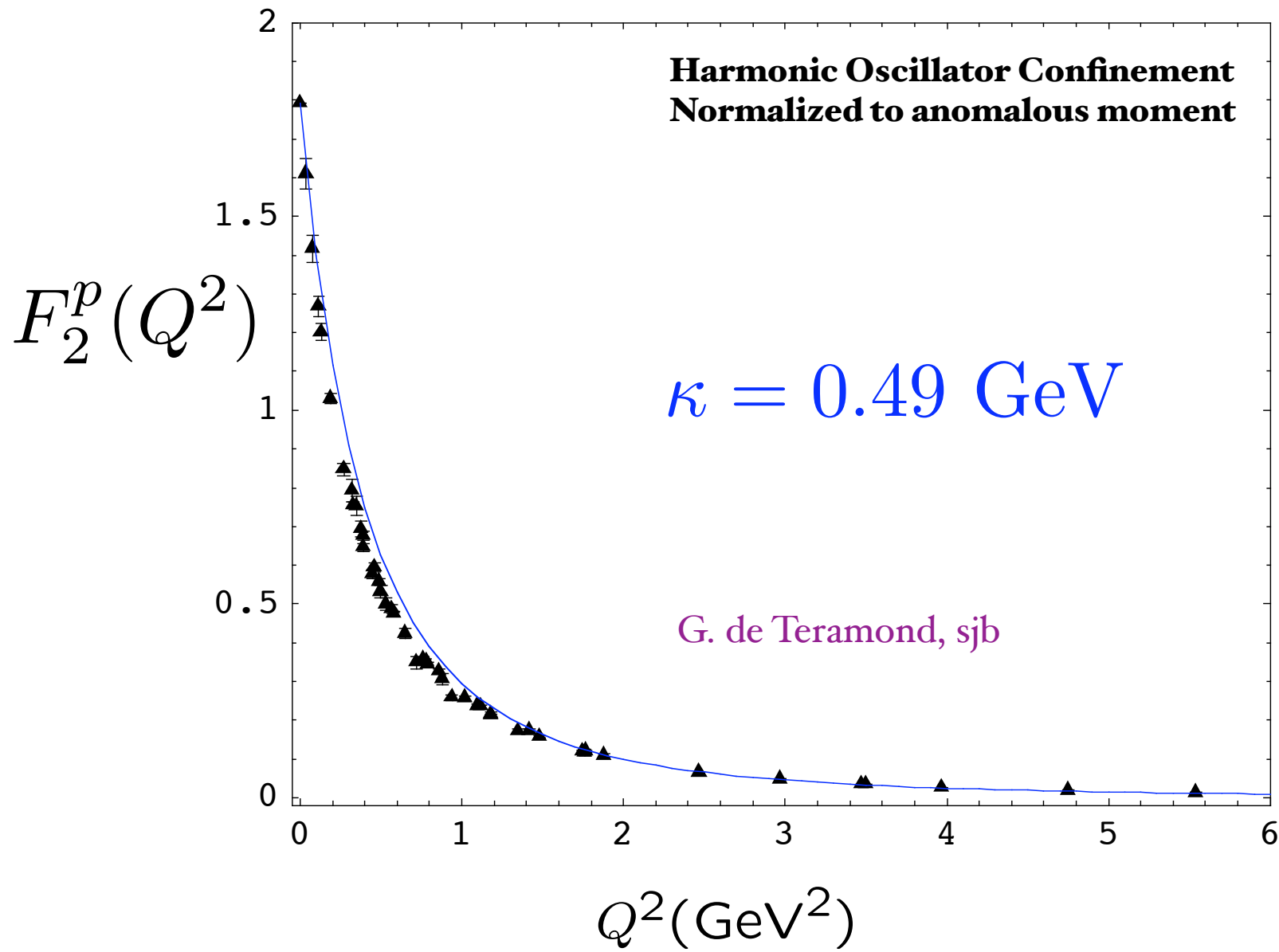


Using  $SU(6)$  flavor symmetry and normalization to static quantities



# Spacelike Pauli Form Factor

From overlap of  $L = 1$  and  $L = 0$  LFWFs



# Nucleon structure in a light-front quark model consistent with quark counting rules and data

Gutsche, Lyubovitskij, Schmidt Vega

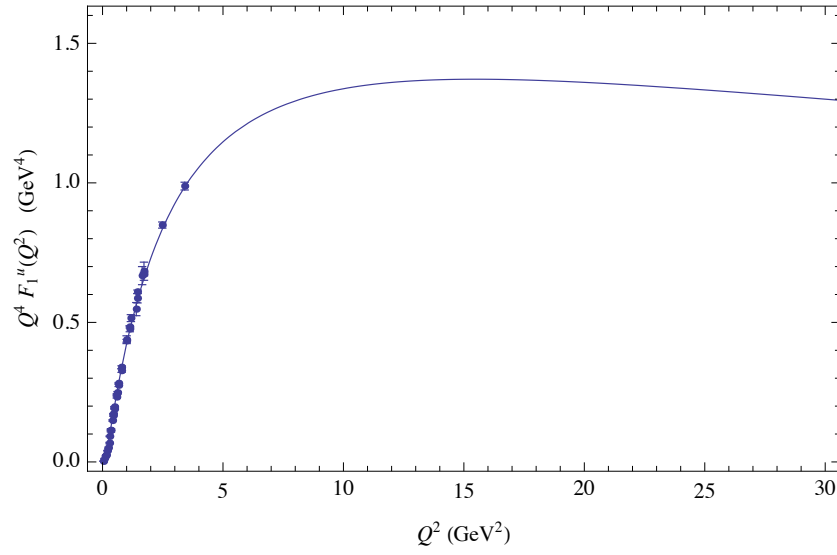


FIG. 9: Dirac  $u$  quark form factor multiplied by  $Q^4$ .

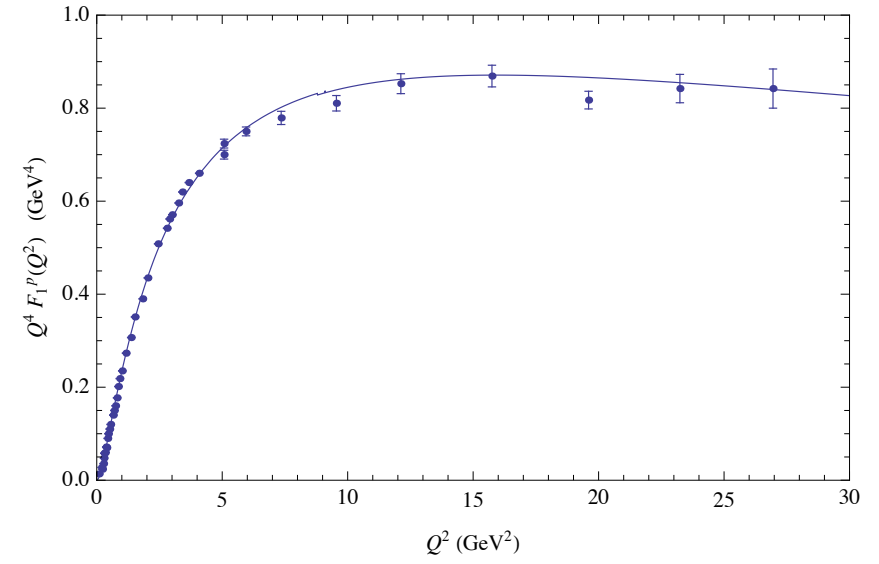


FIG. 13: Dirac proton form factor multiplied by  $Q^4$ .

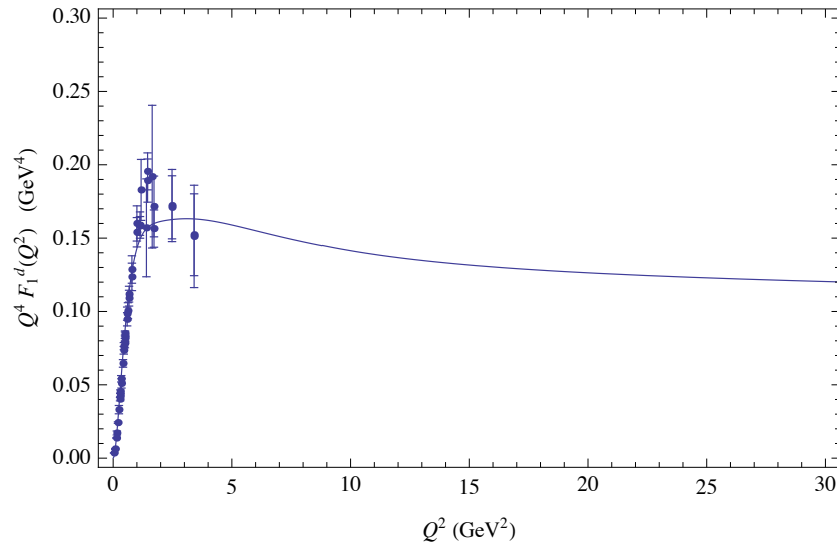


FIG. 10: Dirac  $d$  quark form factor multiplied by  $Q^4$ .

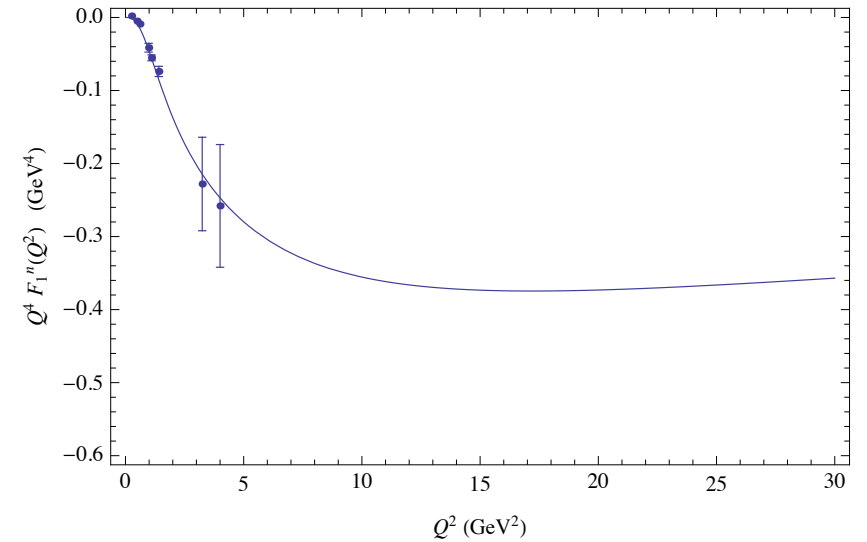
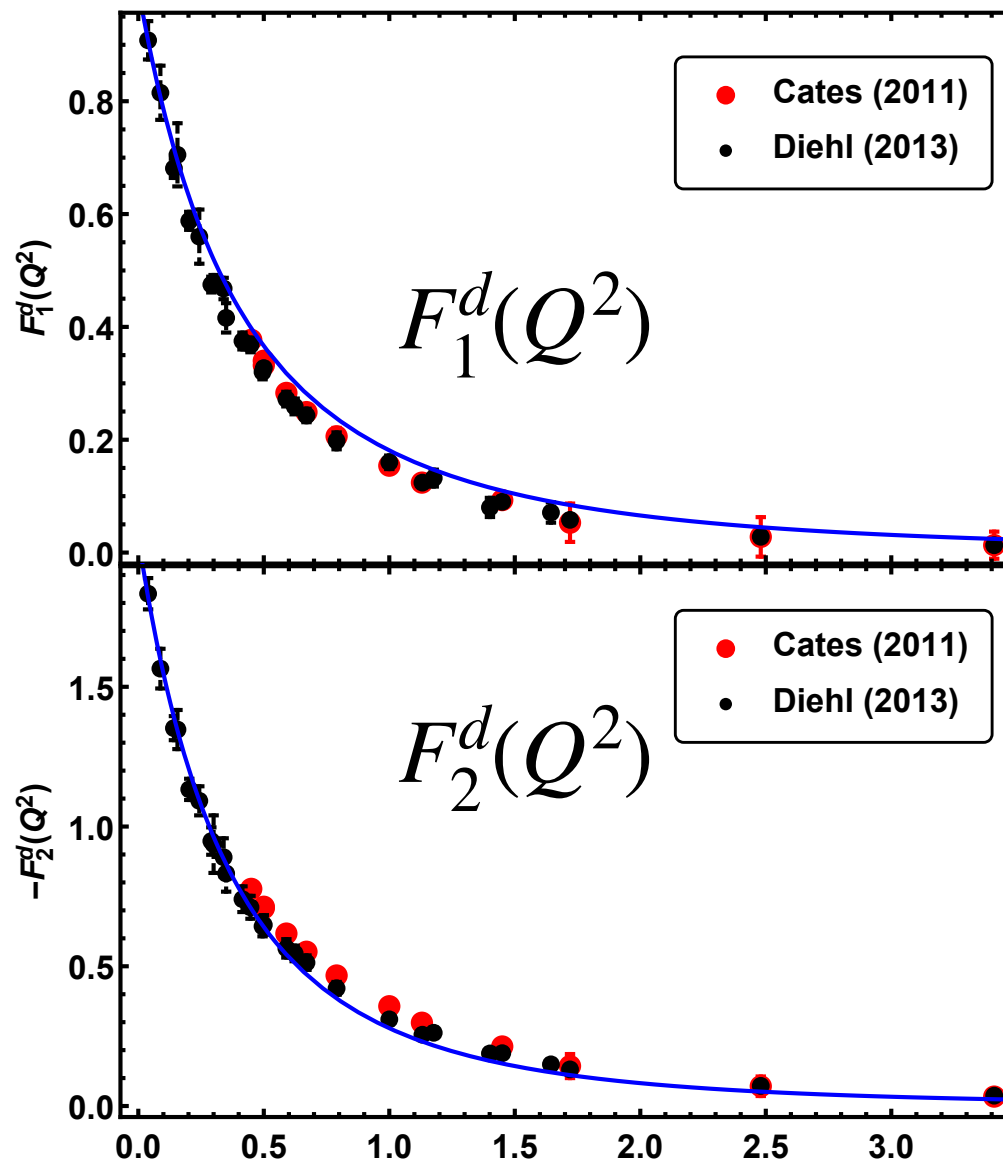
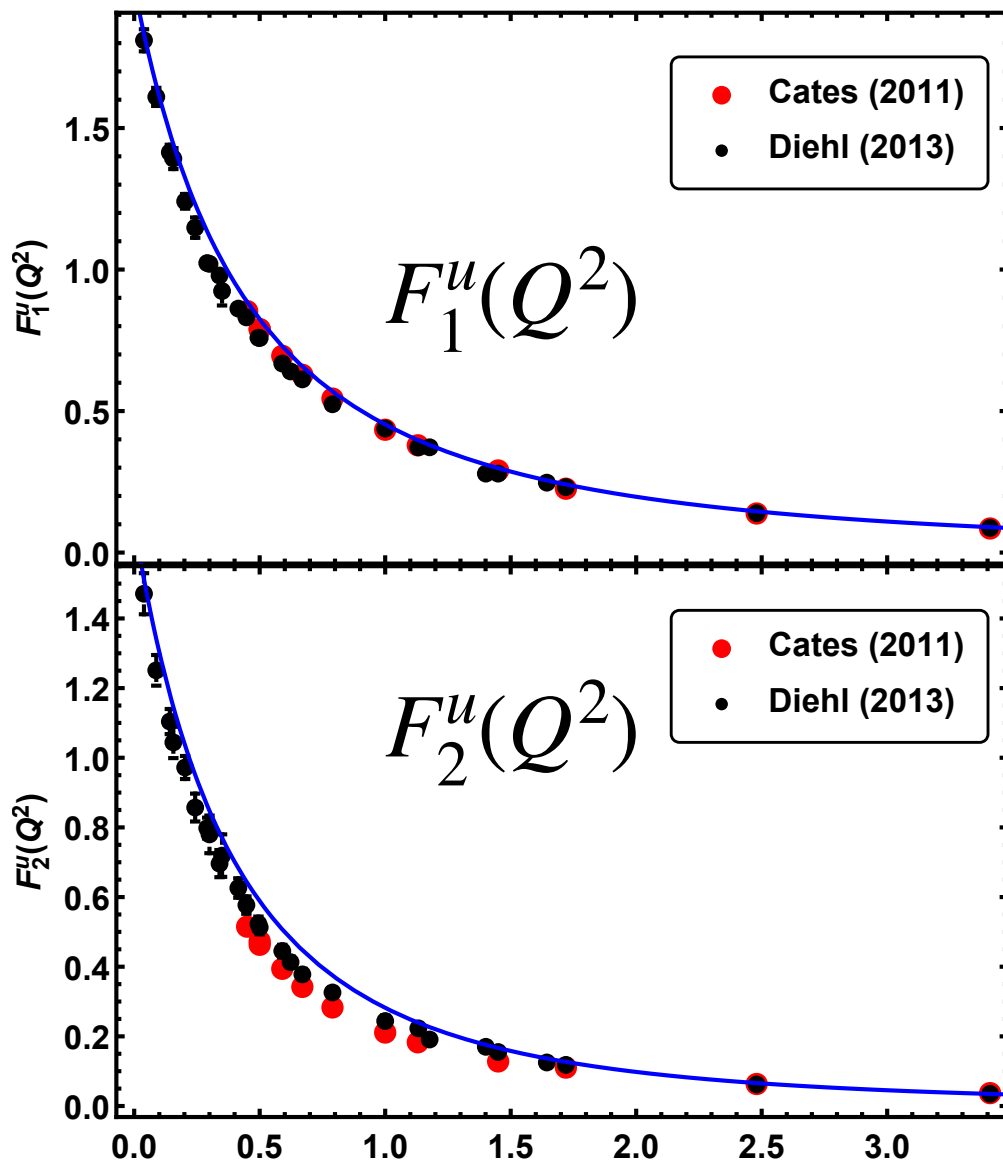
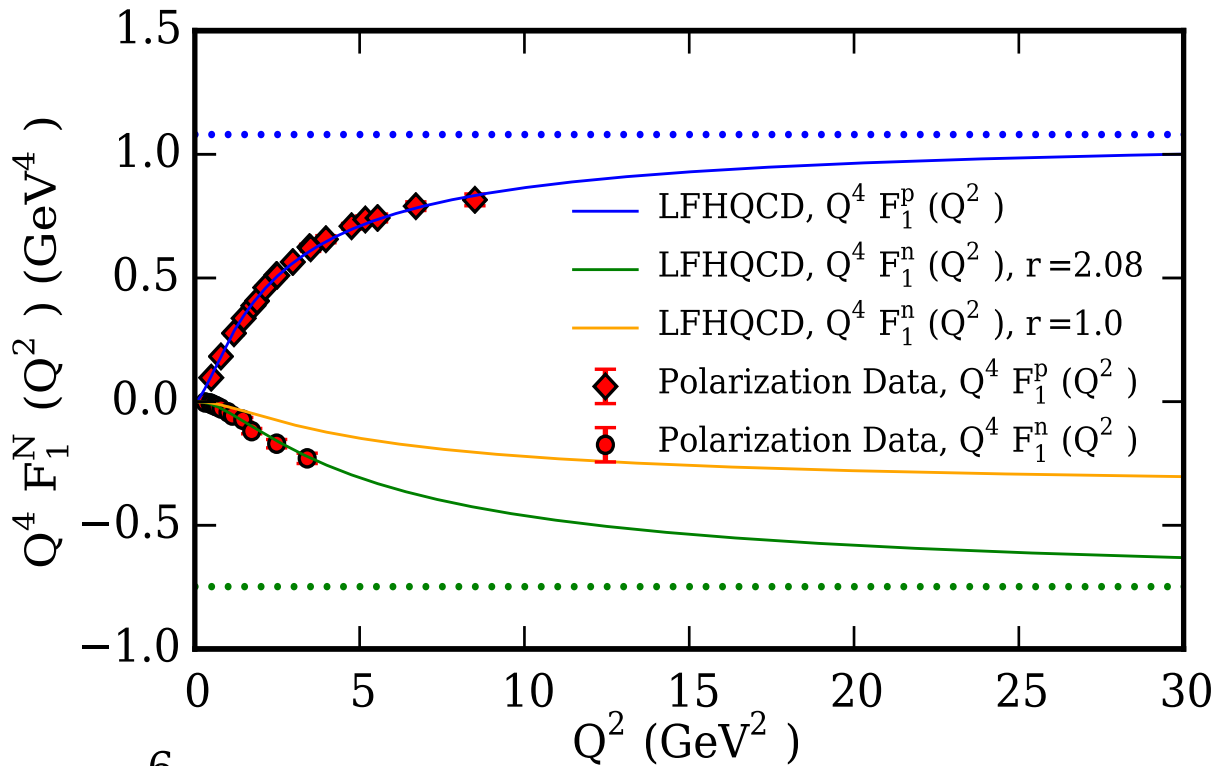


FIG. 14: Dirac neutron form factor multiplied by  $Q^4$ .

# LFHQCD predictions for Nucleon Form Factors



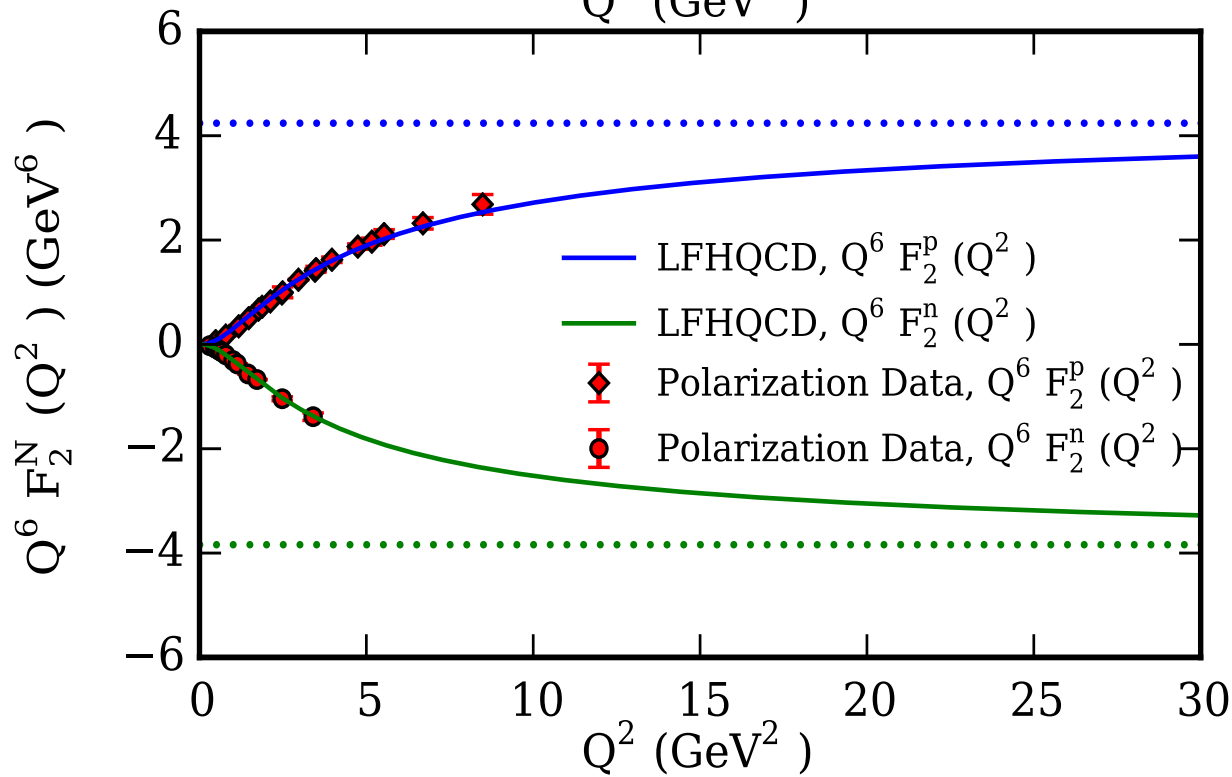
*From Neetika Sharma*



$$Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2)$$

$$Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2)$$

*Includes  
5-quark  
Fock states*



$$Q^6 F_2^p(Q^2)$$

$$Q^6 F_2^n(Q^2)$$



# Form Factors in AdS/QCD

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}}, \quad N = 2,$$

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right)}, \quad N = 3,$$

...

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right) \cdots \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho^{N-2}}^2}\right)}, \quad N,$$

Positive Dilaton Background  $\exp(+\kappa^2 z^2)$        $\mathcal{M}_n^2 = 4\kappa^2 \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow (N-1)! \left[ \frac{4\kappa^2}{Q^2} \right]^{(N-1)}$$

$$Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$$

*Constituent Counting*



## Nucleon Transition Form Factors

- Compute spin non-flip EM transition  $N(940) \rightarrow N^*(1440)$ :  $\Psi_+^{n=0,L=0} \rightarrow \Psi_+^{n=1,L=0}$
- Transition form factor

$$F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(Q^2) = R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} \Psi_+^{n=1,L=0}(z) V(Q, z) \Psi_+^{n=0,L=0}(z)$$

- Orthonormality of Laguerre functions  $(F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(0) = 0, \quad V(Q=0, z) = 1)$

$$R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} \Psi_+^{n',L}(z) \Psi_+^{n,L}(z) = \delta_{n,n'}$$

- Find

$$F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(Q^2) = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \frac{\frac{Q^2}{M_P^2}}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho''}^2}\right)}$$

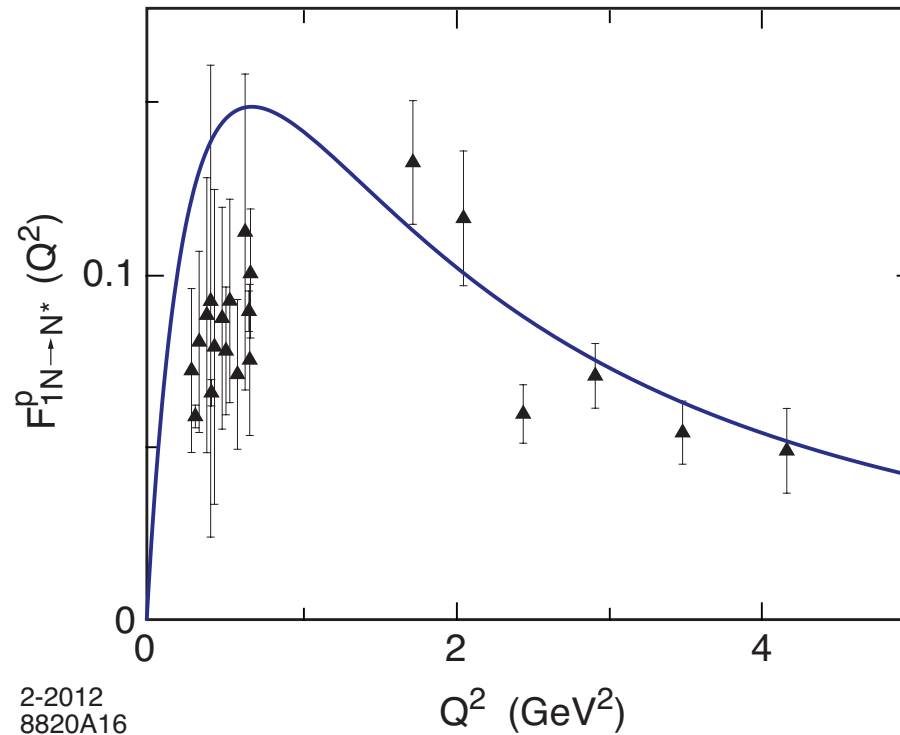
with  $\mathcal{M}_{\rho_n}^2 \rightarrow 4\kappa^2(n + 1/2)$

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*Consistent with counting rule, twist 3*

## Nucleon Transition Form Factors

$$F_{1N \rightarrow N^*}^p(Q^2) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \frac{\frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho''}^2}\right)}.$$

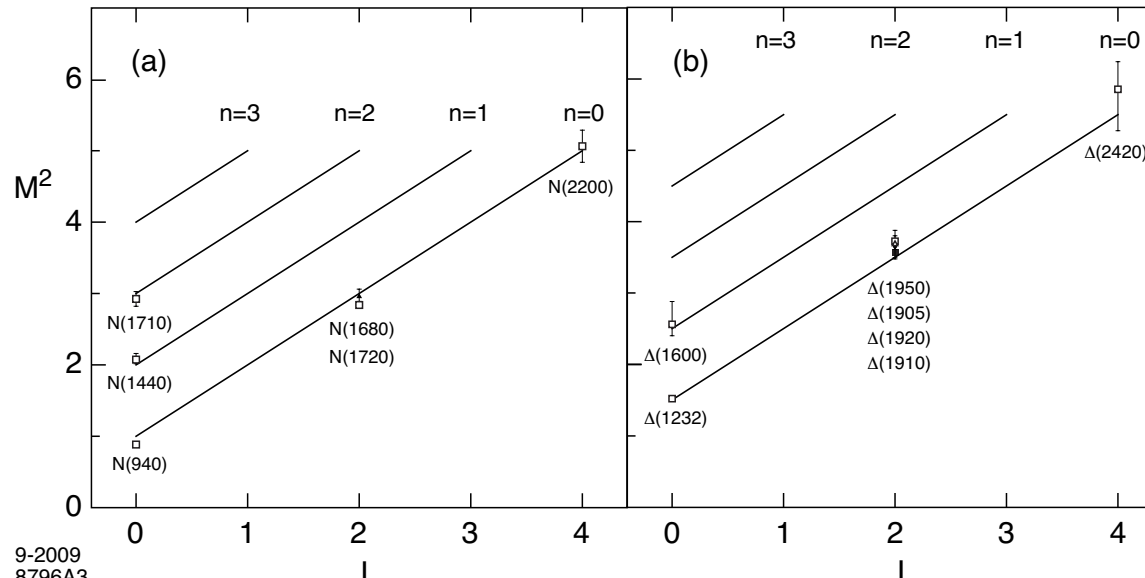
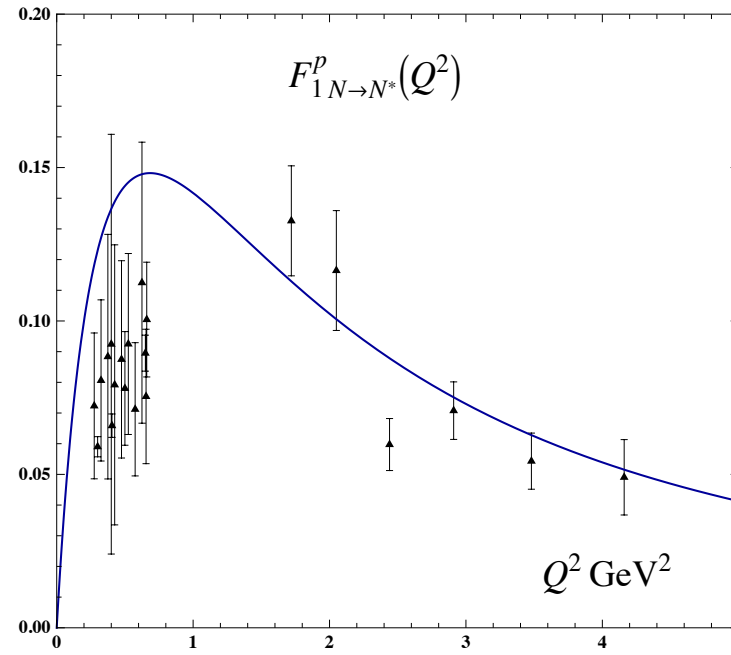
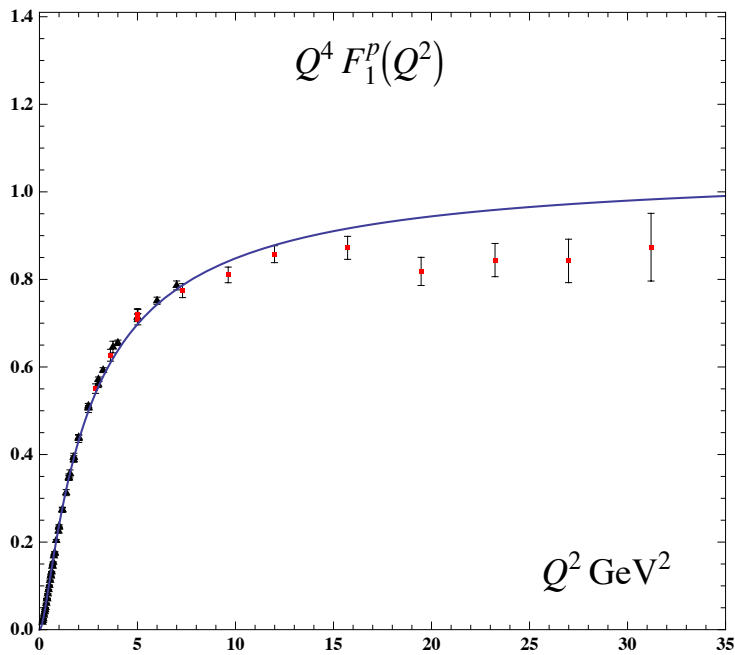


Proton transition form factor to the first radial excited state. Data from JLab



# Excited Baryons in Holographic QCD

G. de Teramond & sjb



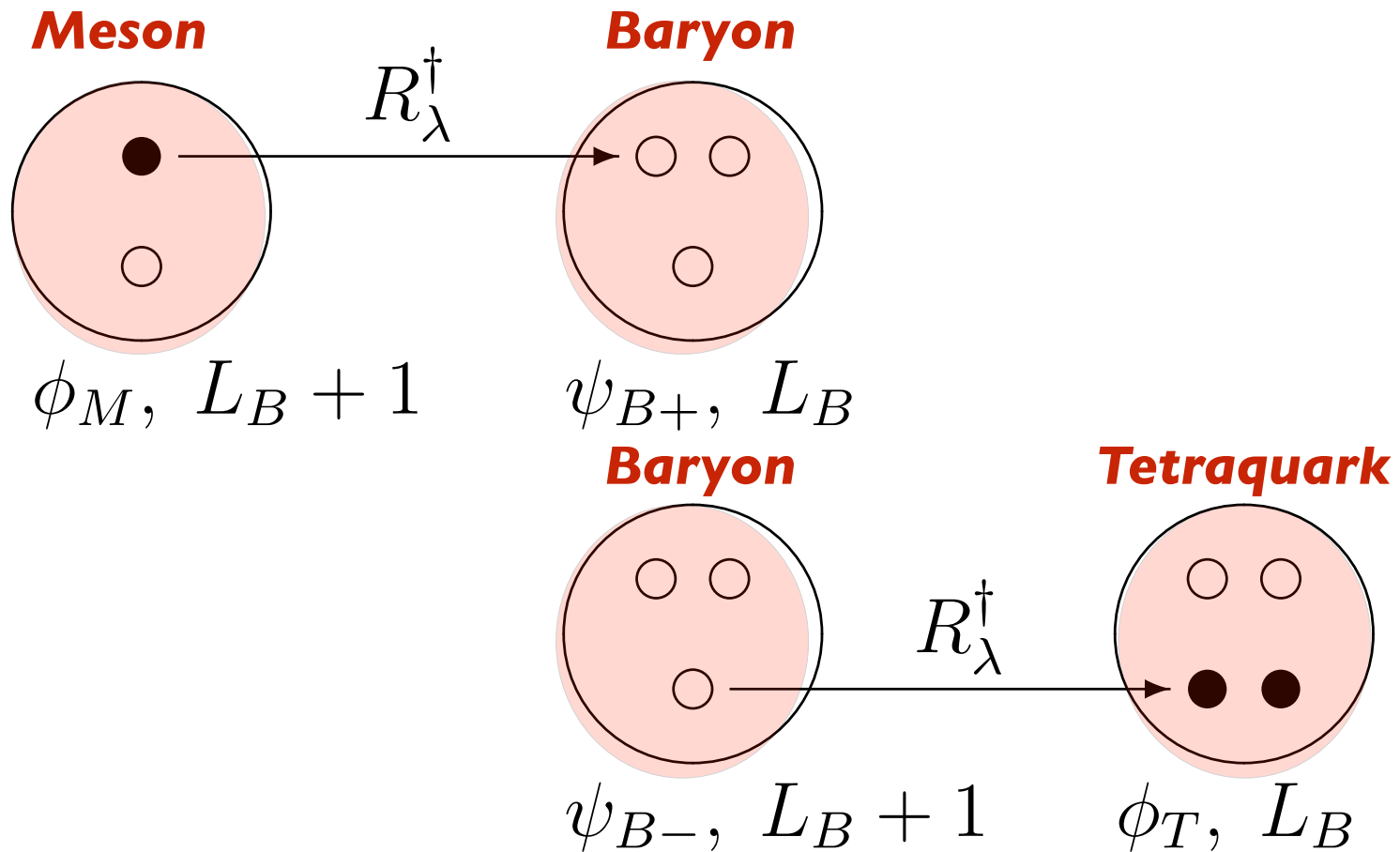
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# Superconformal Algebra

## 2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

*Bosons, Fermions with Equal Mass!*



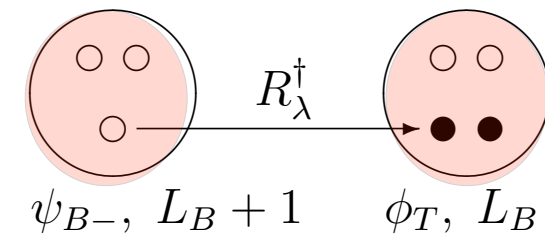
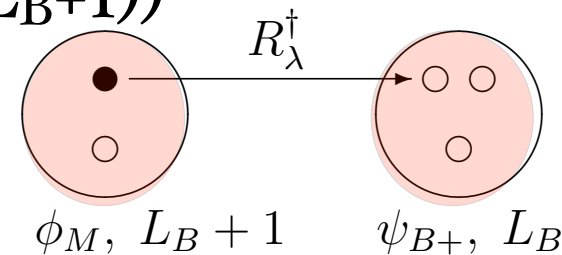
Proton: quark + scalar diquark  $|q(qq) \rangle$   
 (Equal weight:  $L = 0, L = 1$ )

# Superconformal Algebra

## 2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

- quark-antiquark meson ( $L_M = L_B + 1$ )
- quark-diquark baryon ( $L_B$ )
- quark-diquark baryon ( $L_B + 1$ )
- diquark-antidiquark tetraquark ( $L_T = L_B$ )
- Universal Regge slopes  $\lambda = \kappa^2$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_M(L_M = L_B + 1) & \psi_{B-}(L_B + 1) \\ \psi_{B+}(L_B) & \phi_T(L_T = L_B) \end{pmatrix}$$



$$M_H^2/\lambda = \underbrace{(2n + L_H + 1)}_{\text{kinetic}} + \underbrace{(2n + L_H + 1)}_{\text{potential}} + \underbrace{2(L_H + s) + 2\chi}_{\text{contribution from AdS and superconformal algebra}} + \left\langle \sum_i \frac{m_i^2}{x_i} \right\rangle$$

$$\chi(\text{mesons}) = -1$$

$$\chi(\text{baryons, tetraquarks}) = +1$$

# Features of Supersymmetric Equations

- $J = L + S$  baryon simultaneously satisfies both equations of  $G$  with  $L$ ,  $L+1$  with same mass eigenvalue

- $J^z = L^z + 1/2 = (L^z + 1) - 1/2 \quad S^z = \pm 1/2$

- Proton spin carried by quark  $L^z$

$$\langle J^z \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (S_q^z = \frac{1}{2}, L^z = 0) + \frac{1}{2} (S_q^z = -\frac{1}{2}, L^z = 1) = \langle L^z \rangle = \frac{1}{2}$$

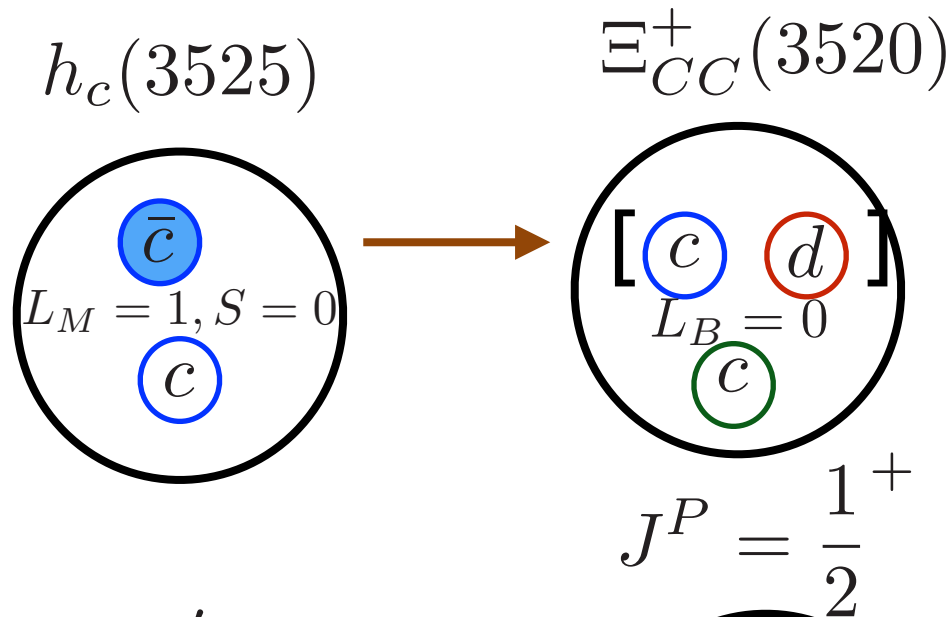
- Mass-degenerate meson “superpartner” with  $L_M = L_B + 1$ . *“Shifted meson-baryon Duality”*
- Mesons and baryons have same  $\kappa$  !



# Double-Charm Baryon (SELEX)

$$R_{\lambda}^{\dagger} \bar{q} \rightarrow [qq] \quad S = 0$$

$$\bar{3}_C \rightarrow \bar{3}_C$$

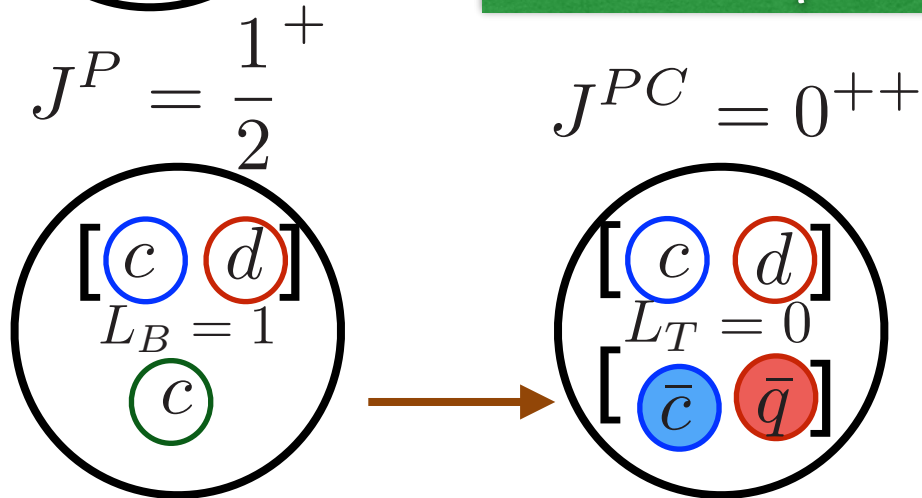


Predict Tetraquark  $T_{c\bar{c}q\bar{q}}$   
 $M_T \sim 3520 \text{ MeV}$

Scalar Diquarks

$\eta'_c$

$J^{PC} = 1^{+-}$



$$R_{\lambda}^{\dagger} q \rightarrow [\bar{q}\bar{q}] \quad S = 0$$

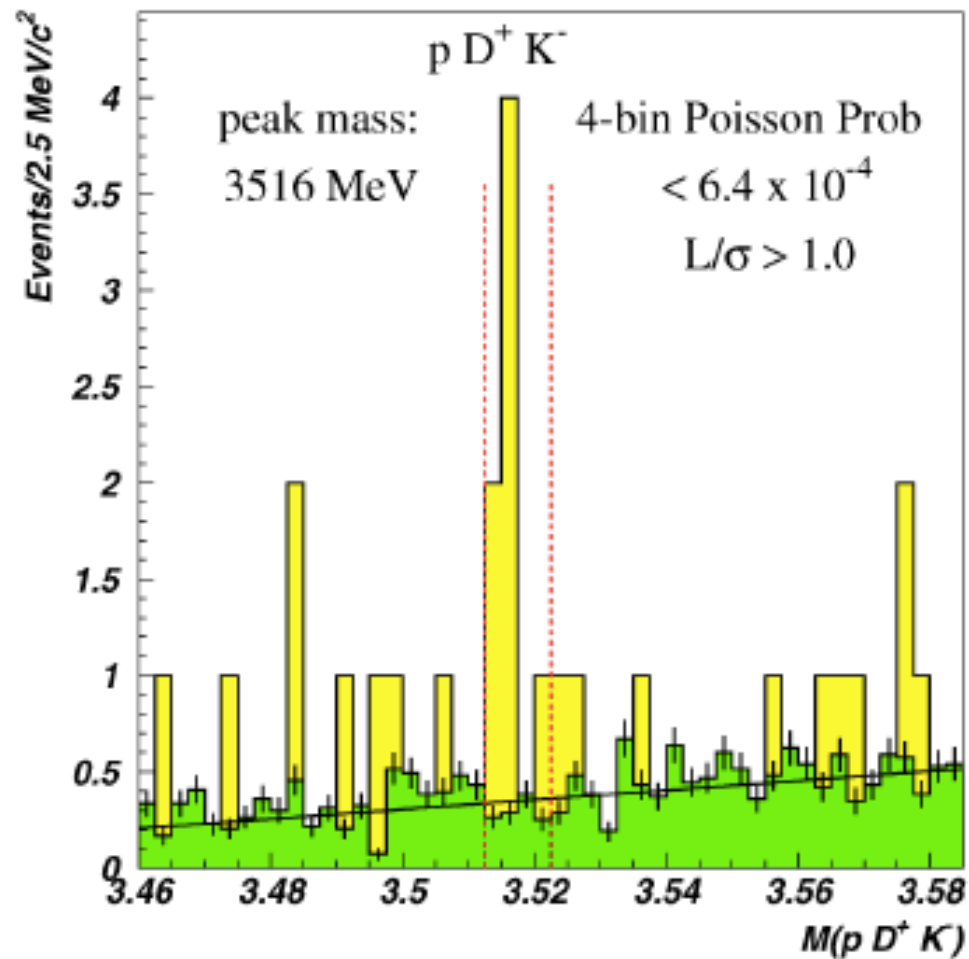
$$3_C \rightarrow 3_C$$



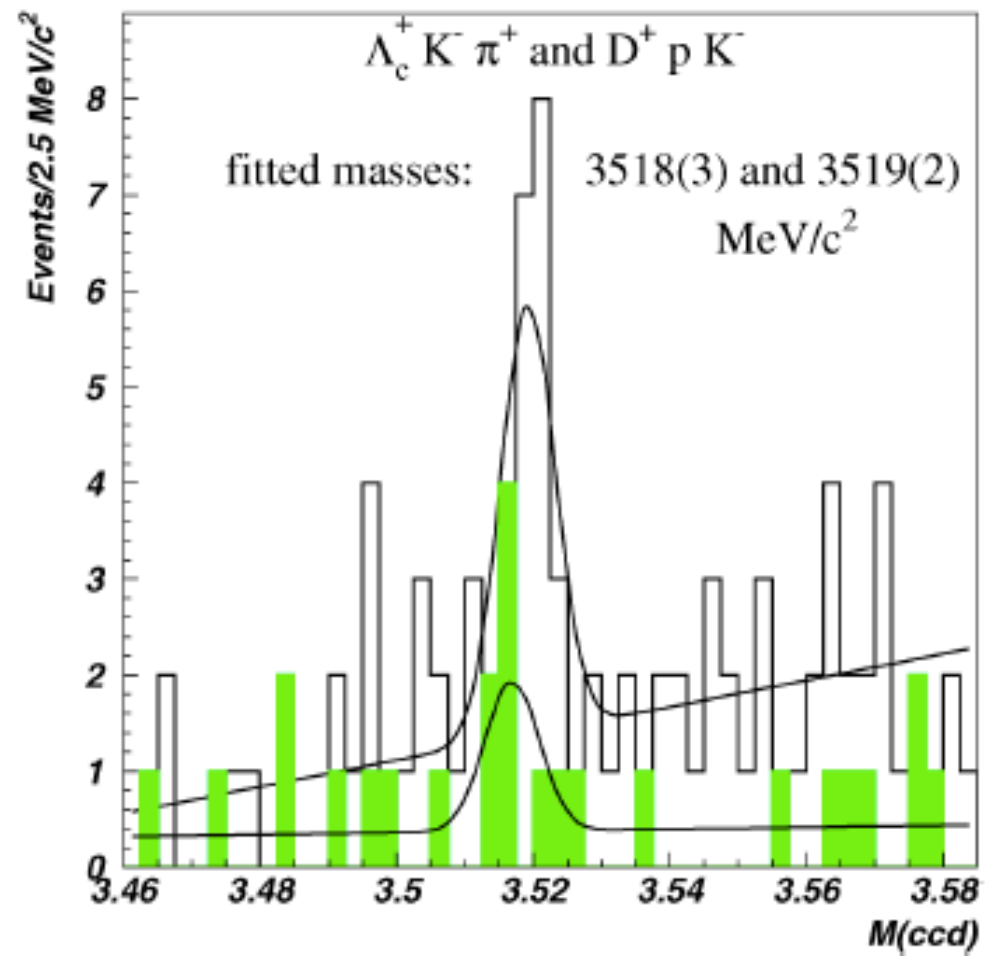
SELEX ( $3520 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$ )  $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^- \quad |[cd]c >$

Two decay channels:  $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+, p D^+ K^-$

SELEX Collaboration / *Physics Letters B* 628 (2005) 18–24

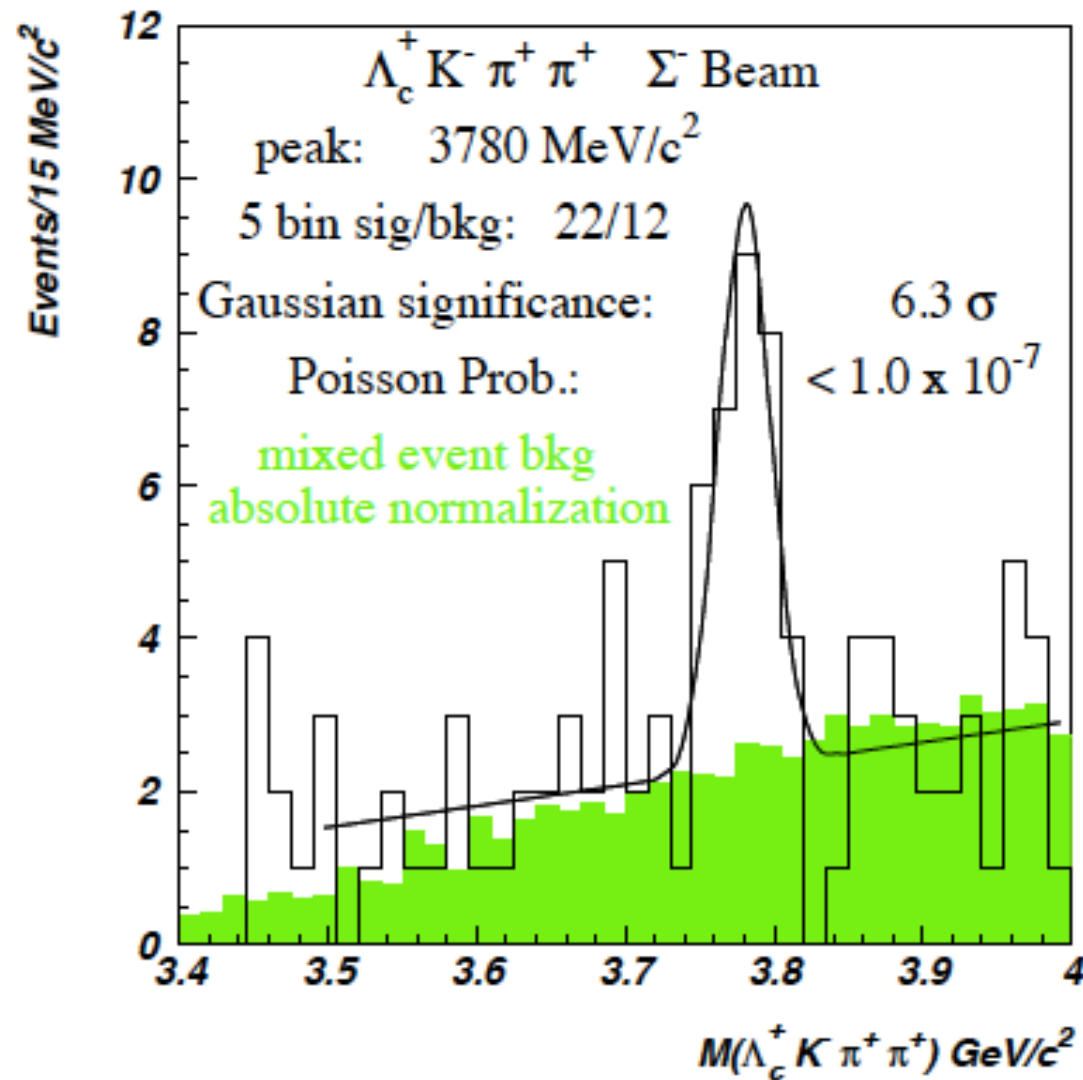


$\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow p D^+ K^-$  mass distribution from Fig. 2(a) with high-statistics measurement of random combinatoric background computed from event-mixing.



Gaussian fits for  $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$  and  $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow p D^+ K^-$  (shaded data) on same plot.

# SELEX: Recent Progress in the Analysis of Charm-Strange and Double-Charm Baryons

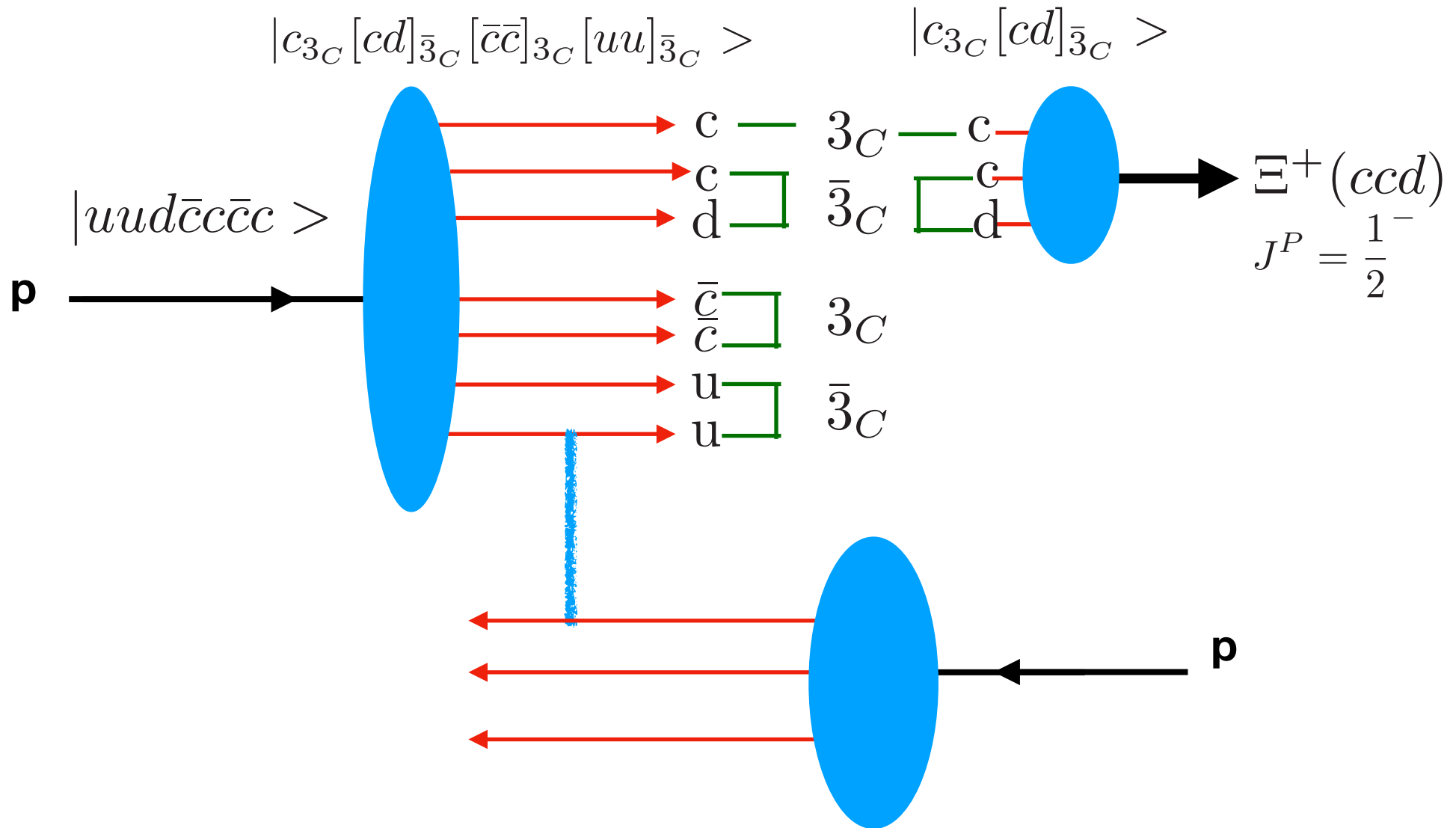


The  $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  invariant mass distribution, for  $\Sigma^-$  beam only.

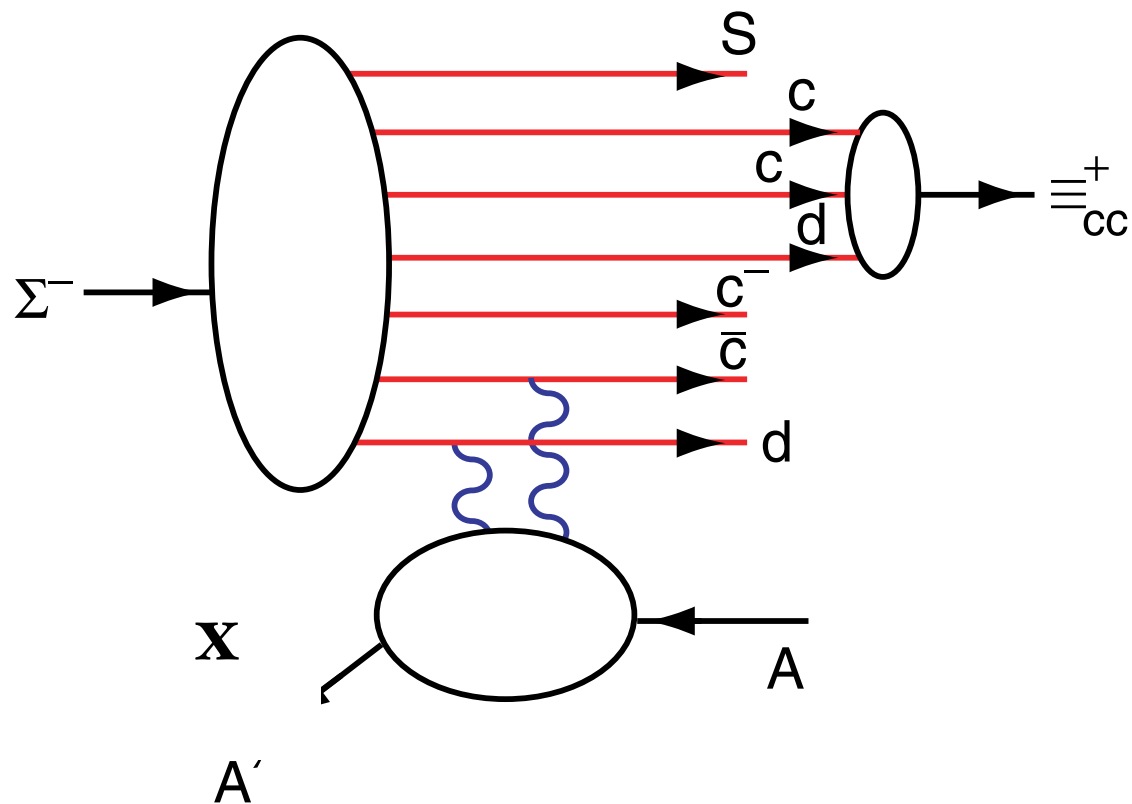
# Hadroproduction of the Double-Charm Baryon at High $x_F$

$$p + A \rightarrow \Xi(ccd)^+ + X$$

Double Intrinsic Charm Fock State of proton



$$\text{SELEX: } \Xi(ccd)^+ (3510 \pm 2) \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$$



## *Production of a Double-Charm Baryon*

**SELEX high  $x_F$**        $\langle x_F \rangle = 0.33$



SELEX ( $3520 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$ )  $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$   $|[cd]c\rangle$

Two decay channels:  $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$ ,  $p D^+ K^-$

LHCb ( $3621 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$ )  $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$  or  $\frac{3}{2}^-$   $|(cu)c\rangle$

$$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$$

Groote, Koshkarev, sjb: SELEX& LHCb could both be correct!

*Very different production kinematics:*

*LHCb (central region)*

*SELEX (Forward, High  $x_F$ ) where  $\Lambda_c$ ,  $\Lambda_b$  were discovered*

NA3: Double  $J/\psi$  Hadroproduction measured at High  $x_F$

Radiative Decay:

$$\text{LHCb}(3621) \rightarrow \text{SELEX}(3520) + \gamma$$

strongly suppressed:  $[\frac{100 \text{ MeV}}{M_c}]^7$

**Also: Different diquark structure possible for LHCb:  $|(cc)u\rangle$**

# Looking for pure glueball states

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A phenomenological analysis of the scalar glueball and scalar meson spectra is carried out by using the *AdS/QCD* framework in the bottom-up approach. We make use of the relation between the mode functions in *AdS/QCD* and the wave functions in Light-Front *QCD* to discuss the mixing of glueballs and mesons.

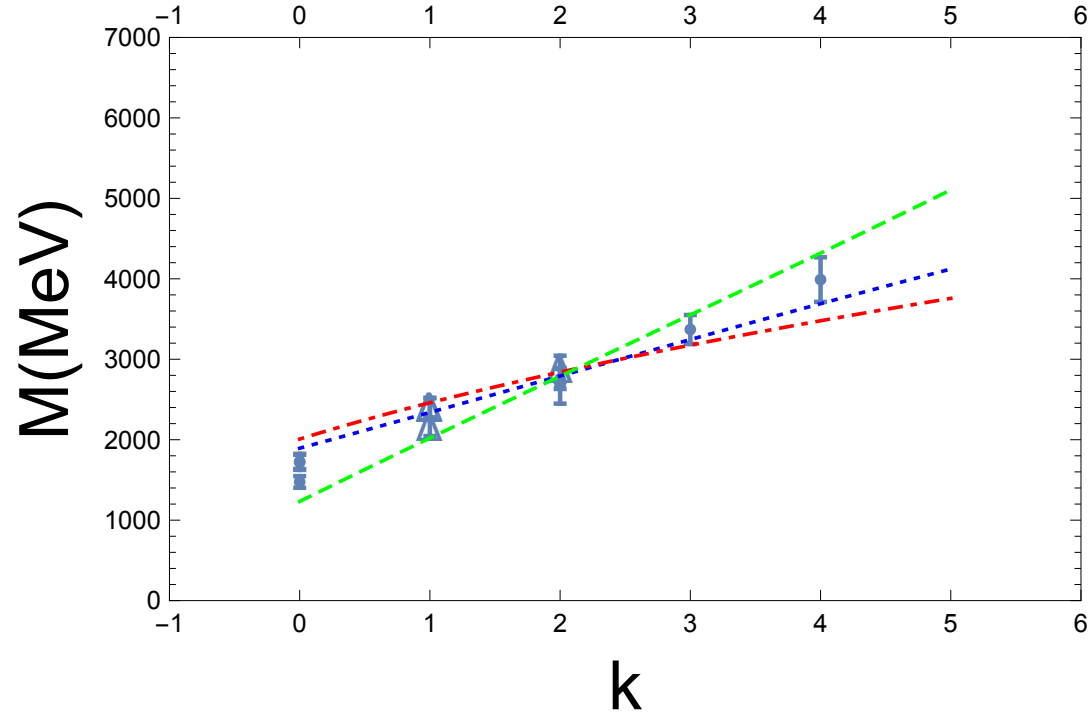


FIG. 1: Glueball spectrum obtained by the Dirichlet hard wall (dashed), a soft wall (dashed-dotted) and soft wall graviton (dotted) approaches. These calculations were reported in ref. [12]. The lattice data are from refs. [8–10] as shown in Table I. The dots label the scalar glueballs and the triangles the tensor glueballs.

$$\omega_k^2 = (4k + 8), \text{ where } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \text{ is the mode number}$$

# Chiral Features of Soft-Wall AdS/ QCD Model

- **Boost Invariant**
- **Trivial LF vacuum! No condensate, but consistent with GMOR**
- **Massless Pion**
- **Hadron Eigenstates (even the pion) have LF Fock components of different  $L^z$**
- **Proton: equal probability**  $S^z = +1/2, L^z = 0; S^z = -1/2, L^z = +1$   
 $J^z = +1/2 : < L^z > = 1/2, < S_q^z > = 0$
- **Self-Dual Massive Eigenstates: Proton is its own chiral partner.**
- **Label State by minimum L as in Atomic Physics**
- **Minimum L dominates at short distances**
- **AdS/QCD Dictionary: Match to Interpolating Operator Twist at  $z=0$ .**

*No mass-degenerate parity partners!*

# Remarkable Features of Light-Front Schrödinger Equation

## Dynamics + Spectroscopy!

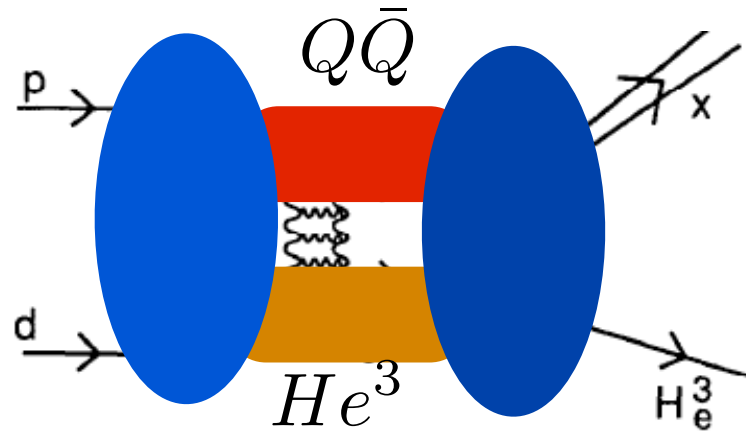
- **Relativistic, frame-independent**
- **QCD scale appears - unique LF potential**
- **Reproduces spectroscopy and dynamics of light-quark hadrons with one parameter**
- **Zero-mass pion for zero mass quarks!**
- **Regge slope same for n and L -- not usual HO**
- **Splitting in L persists to high mass -- contradicts conventional wisdom based on breakdown of chiral symmetry**
- **Phenomenology: LFWFs, Form factors, electroproduction**
- **Extension to heavy quarks**

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$





# Nuclear-Bound Quarkonium $[(Q\bar{Q})A]$

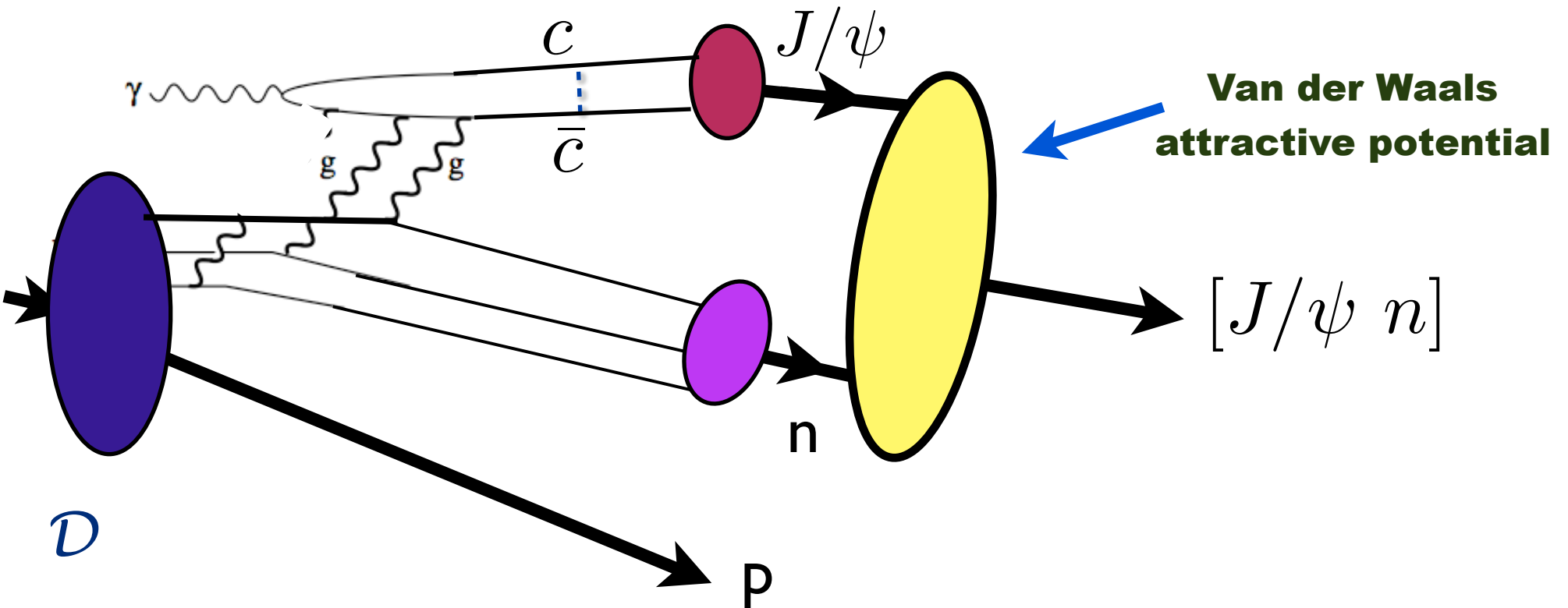


- Binding via QCD Van der Waals
- No valence quarks in common
- Guaranteed  $J/\psi$ -A binding for high A

**Schmidt, de Teramond, sjb**

**Manohar**

# Charmonium Production at Threshold



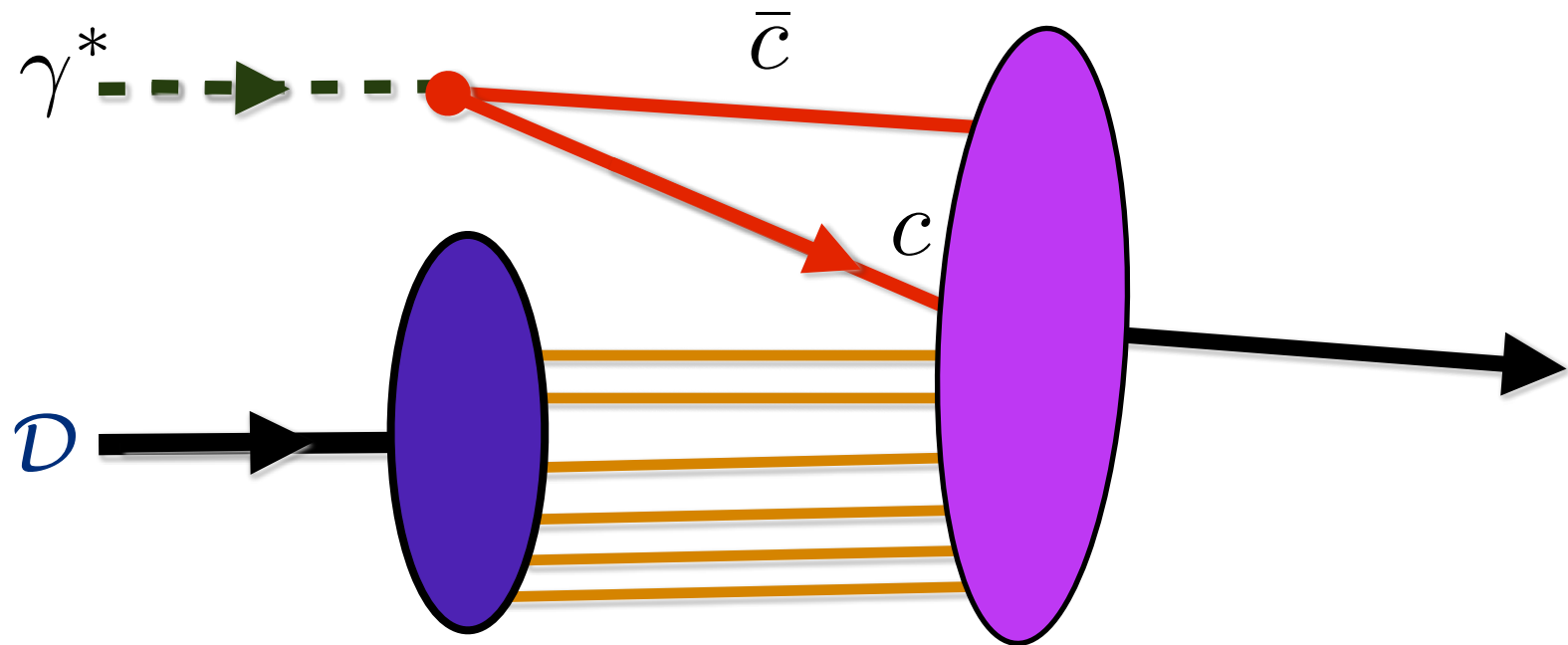
$$\gamma \ d \rightarrow [J/\psi \ n] \ p$$

$$\gamma \ d \rightarrow [J/\psi \ p] \ n$$

Form nucleon-charmonium bound state!  $|uudc\bar{c}\rangle$

# Octoquark Production at Threshold

$$M_{\text{octoquark}} \sim 5 \text{ GeV}$$



$$\gamma^* D \rightarrow |uududdc\bar{c}\rangle$$

*Explains Krüsch Effect!*

# Produce Charge $Q=4, I=3, B=2$ Hidden-Color Dibaryon State at JLab

- First suggested by F. Dyson and N-H Xuong (1964)

*“Hexaquark”*

$$[B = 2, Q = +4] \leftrightarrow |u_R^\uparrow u_B^\uparrow u_Y^\uparrow u_R^\downarrow u_B^\downarrow u_Y^\downarrow \rangle$$

- Hidden-Color Six-Quark Configuration
- Decays to  $\Delta^{++}\Delta^{++}$

$$\gamma d \rightarrow [B = +2, Q = +4] \pi^- \pi^- \pi^-$$

Discover at JLab!

Bashkanov, Clement, sjb

# “Exclusive Transversity”

Spin-dependence at large- $P_T$  ( $90^\circ_{cm}$ ):

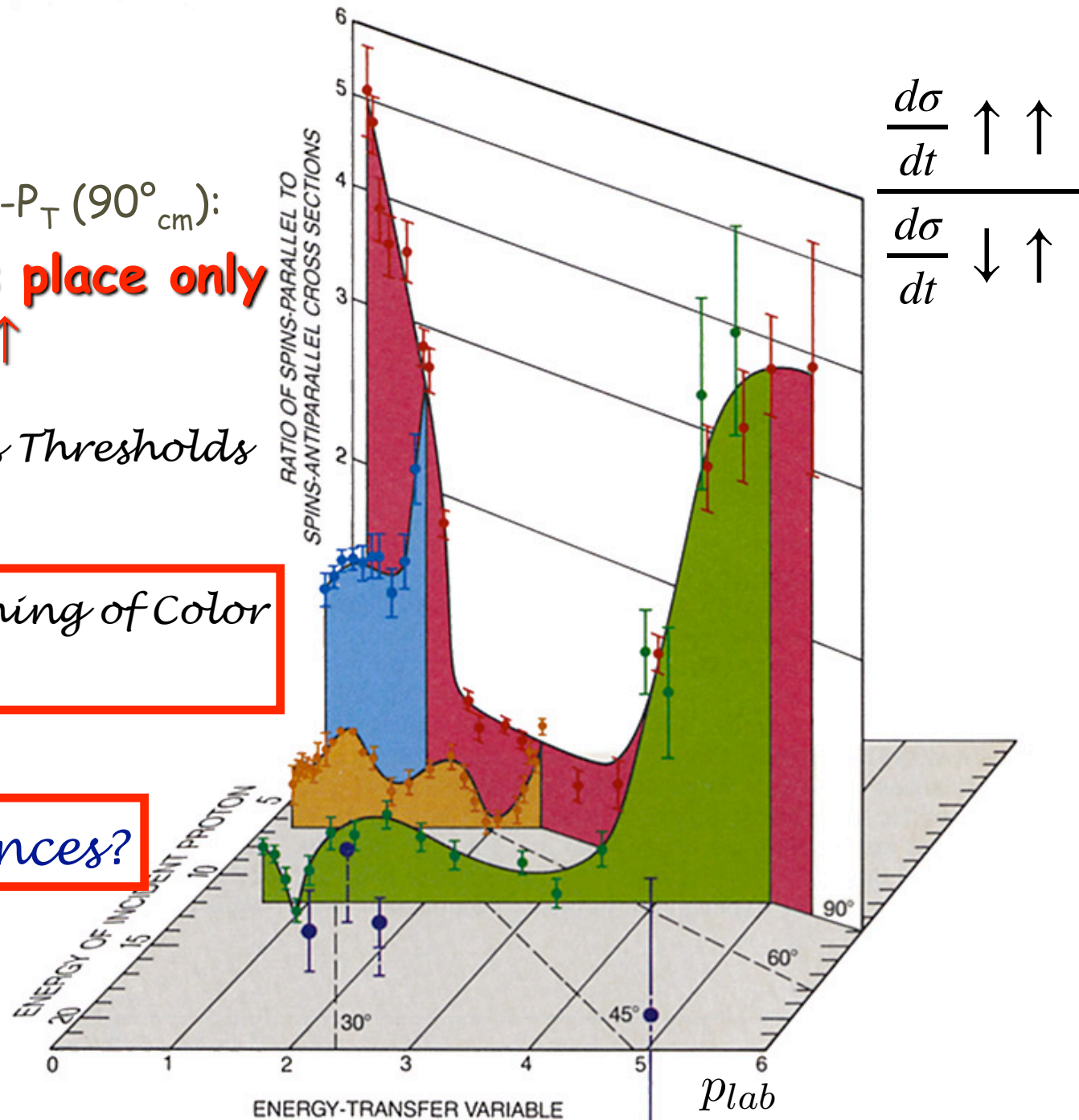
**Hard scattering takes place only with spins  $\uparrow\uparrow$**

*Charm and Strangeness Thresholds*

*Heppelmann et al: Quenching of Color Transparency*

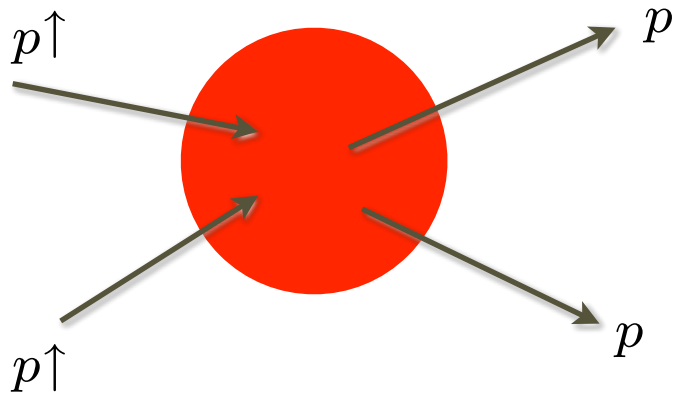
*B=2 Octoquark Resonances?*

A. Krisch, Sci. Am. 257 (1987)  
“The results challenge the prevailing theory that describes the proton's structure and forces”

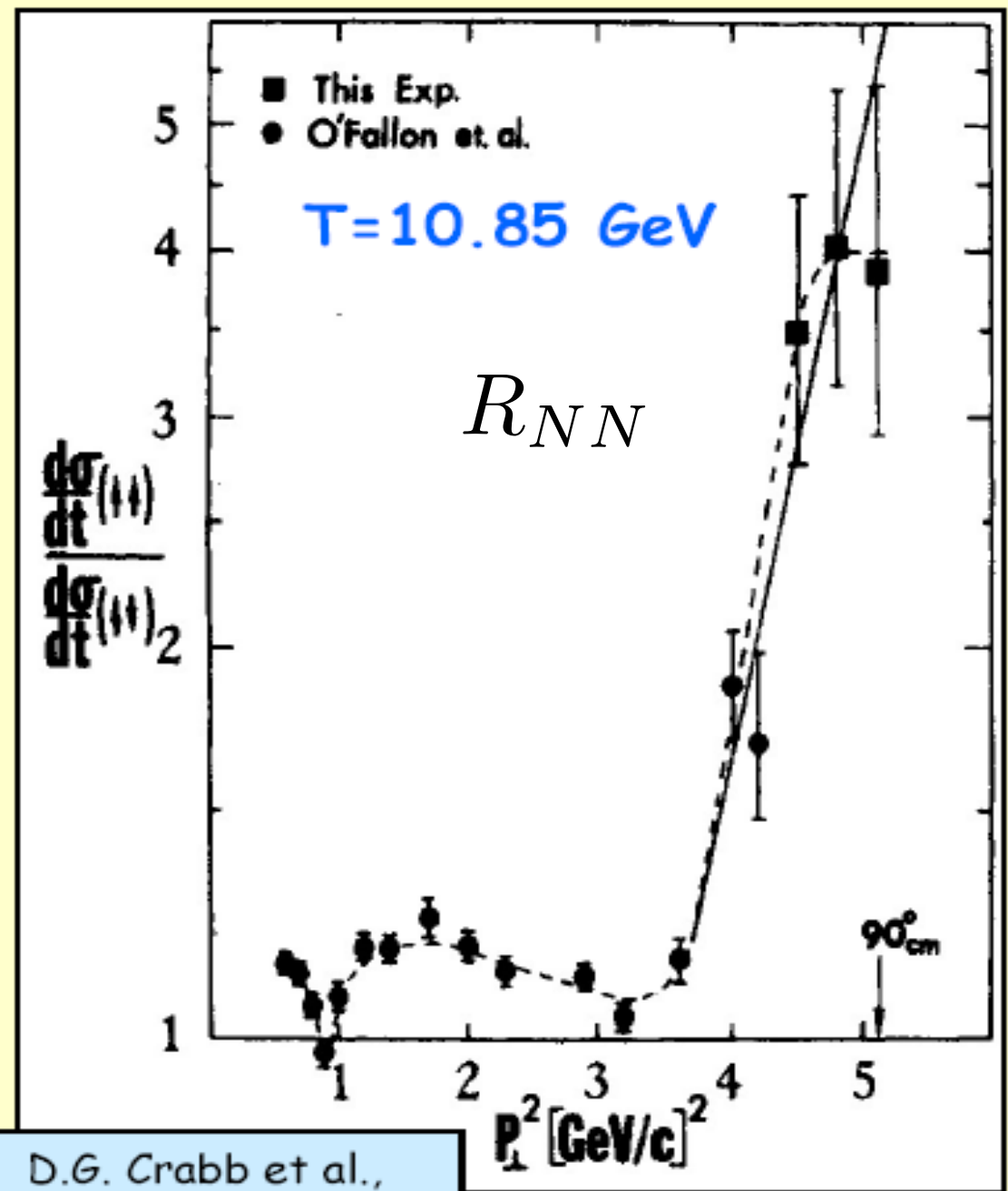


**Krisch, Crabb, et al**

*Unexpected  
spin-spin  
correlation in pp  
elastic scattering*

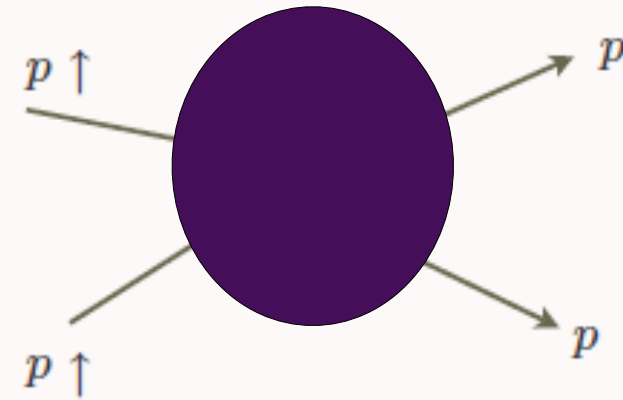
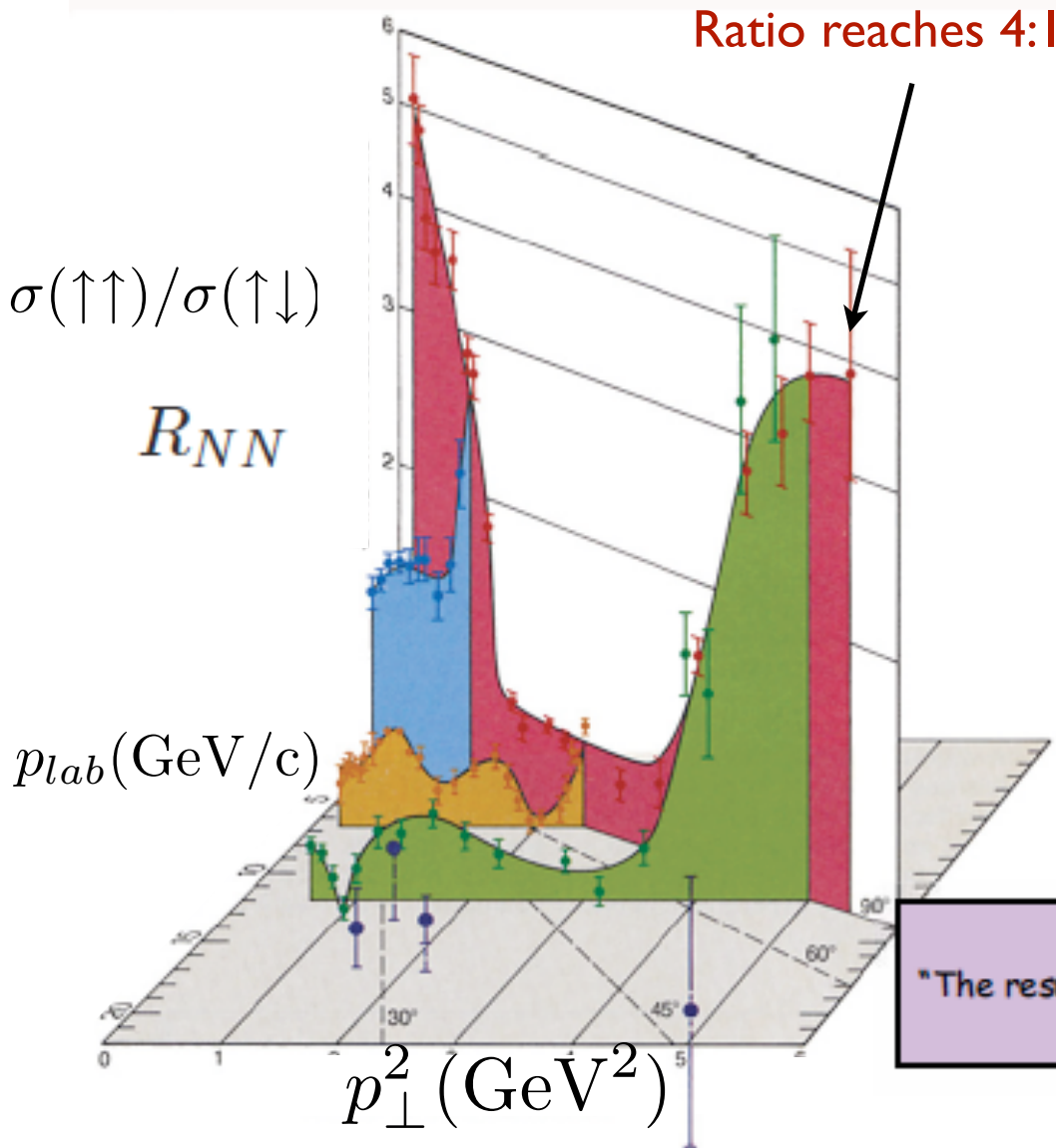


polarizations normal to scattering plane



D.G. Crabb et al.,  
PRL 41, 1257 (1978)

# Spin Correlations in Elastic $p - p$ Scattering



polarization normal to scattering plane

$$|uud \ uud \ c\bar{c}\rangle$$

*Dibaryon resonance?*

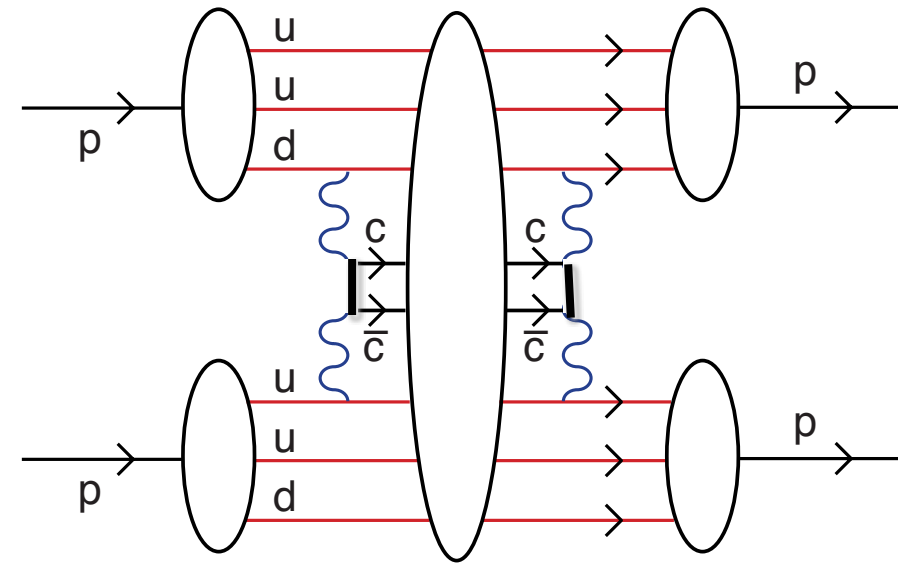
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"The results challenge the prevailing theory that describes the proton's structure and forces"

Large  $R_{NN}$  in  $pp \rightarrow pp$  explained by  
 $B = 2, J = L = 1 \ |uud uud c\bar{c}\rangle$  resonance  
 at  $\sqrt{s} \sim 5 \text{ GeV}$

**de Teramond and sjb**

$$A_{nn} = 1!$$



*Production of  
uud c c uud  
octoquark resonance*

**J=L=S=1, C=-, P=- state**

**QCD**

**Schwinger-Sommerfeld  
Enhancement at Heavy  
Quark Threshold**

*Hebecker, Kuhn, sjb*

S. J. Brodsky and G. F. de Teramond, "Spin Correlations, QCD Color Transparency And Heavy Quark Thresholds In Proton Proton Scattering," Phys. Rev. Lett. **60**, 1924 (1988).

*8 quarks in S-wave: odd parity*

$$\sqrt{s} \sim 5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow c\bar{c}X) \simeq 1 \text{ } \mu\text{b at threshold} \quad \sigma(\gamma p \rightarrow c\bar{c}X) \simeq 1 \text{ nb at threshold}$$



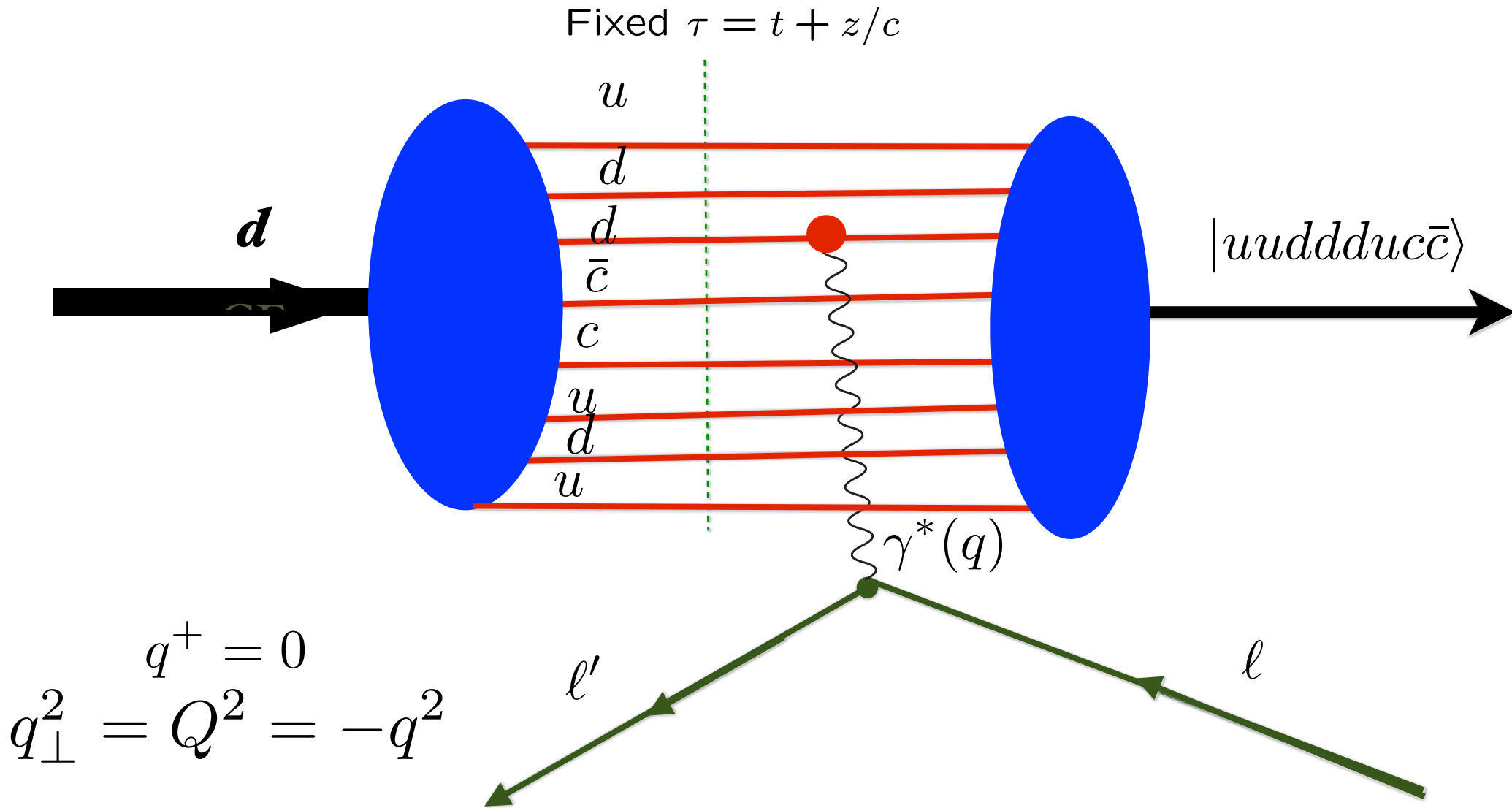
- New QCD physics in proton-proton elastic scattering at the charm threshold
- Anomalously large charm production at threshold!!?
- Octoquark resonances?
- Color Transparency disappears at charm threshold
- Key physics at GSI: second charm threshold

$$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{p}p J/\psi$$

$$\bar{p}p \rightarrow \bar{p}\Lambda_c D$$

***Dramatic Spin Effects Possible at Threshold!***

# Light-Front Wavefunctions and Heavy-Quark Electroproduction



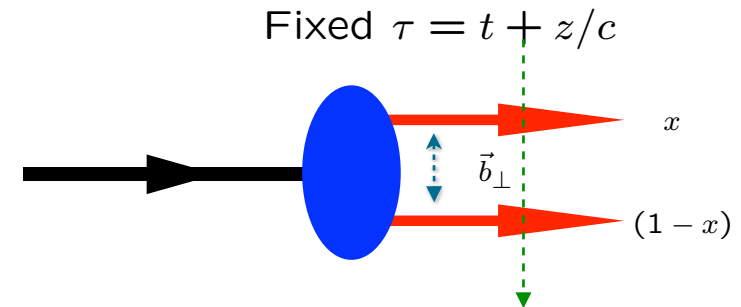
Coalescence of comovers can produce the  $B = +2$   $Q = +1$  isospin partner of the  $B = +2$   $Q = +2$  resonance  $|uuduudc\bar{c}\rangle$  which produces the large  $R_{NN}$  in p p elastic scattering

*Threshold Production at JLab!*

# Underlying Principles

- **Poincaré Invariance: Independent of the observer's Lorentz frame**
- **Quantization at Fixed Light-Front Time  $\tau$**
- **Causality: Information within causal horizon**
- **Light-Front Holography:  $AdS_5 = LF (3+1)$**

$$z \leftrightarrow \zeta \text{ where } \zeta^2 = b_{\perp}^2 x(1-x)$$



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

- **Single fundamental hadronic mass scale  $\kappa$ : but retains the Conformal Invariance of the Action (dAFF)!**
- **Unique dilaton and color-confining LF Potential!**
- **Superconformal Algebra: Mass Degenerate 4-Plet:**

$$U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$$

$$e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

$$\text{Meson } q\bar{q} \leftrightarrow \text{Baryon } q[qq] \leftrightarrow \text{Tetraquark } [qq][\bar{q}\bar{q}]$$



# Features of LF Holographic QCD

- **Regge spectroscopy—same slope in  $n, L$  for mesons, baryons**
- **Chiral features for  $m_q=0$ :  $m_\pi=0$ , chiral-invariant proton!**
- **Hadronic LFWFs**
- **Counting Rules**
- **Connection between hadron masses and  $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$**

**Superconformal AdS Light-Front Holographic QCD (LFHQCD)**

**Meson-Baryon Mass Degeneracy for  $L_M=L_B+1$**



# Fundamental Hadronic Features

- Partition of the Proton's Mass: Potential vs. Kinetic Contributions Virial Theorem
- Color Confinement  $U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$ 

$$\Delta \mathcal{M}_{LFKE}^2 = \kappa^2(1 + 2n + L)$$

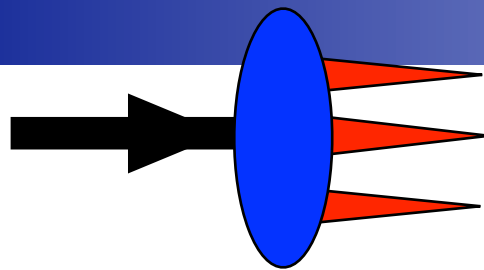
$$\Delta \mathcal{M}_{LFPE}^2 = \kappa^2(1 + 2n + L)$$
- Role of Quark Orbital Angular Momentum in the Proton Equal L=0,1
- Quark-Diquark Structure
- Quark Mass Contribution  $\Delta M^2 = \langle \frac{m_q^2}{x} \rangle$  *from the Yukawa coupling to the Higgs zero mode*
- Baryonic Regge Trajectory  $M_p^2(n, L_B) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$
- Mesonic Supersymmetric Partners  $L_M = L_B + 1$
- Proton Light-Front Wavefunctions and Dynamical Observables 
$$\psi_M(x, k_\perp) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_\perp^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$
- Form Factors, Distribution Amplitudes, Structure Functions
- Non-Perturbative - Perturbative QCD Transition  $Q_0 = 0.87 \pm 0.08 \text{ GeV } \overline{MS} \text{ scheme}$
- Dimensional Transmutation:  $m_p \simeq 3.21 \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$   $m_\rho \simeq 2.2 \Lambda_{\overline{MS}}$



# Remarkable Advantages of the Front Form

- **Light-Front Time-Ordered Perturbation Theory: Elegant, Physical**
- **Frame-Independent**
- **Few LF Time-Ordered Diagrams (not  $n!$ ) -- all  $k^+$  must be positive**
- **$J^z$  conserved at each vertex**
- **Automatically normal-ordered; LF Vacuum trivial up to zero modes**
- **Renormalization: Alternate Denominator Subtractions: Tested to three loops in QED**
- **Reproduces Parke-Taylor Rules and Amplitudes (Stasto)**
- **Hadronization at the Amplitude Level with Confinement**





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

• *Light Front Wavefunctions:*

Momentum space  $\vec{k}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{z}_{\perp}$  Position space  
 $\vec{\Delta}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{b}_{\perp}$

Transverse density in momentum space

Transverse density in position space

GTMDs

$$x, \vec{k}_{\perp}, \vec{b}_{\perp}$$

TMDs

$$x, \vec{k}_{\perp}$$

TMFFs

$$\vec{k}_{\perp}, \vec{b}_{\perp}$$

GPDs

$$x, \vec{b}_{\perp}$$

TMSDs

$$\vec{k}_{\perp}$$

PDFs

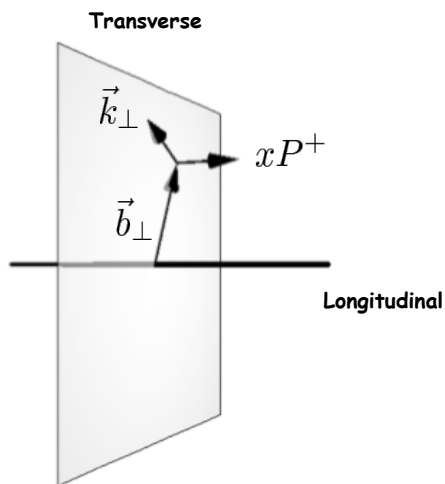
$$x,$$

FFs

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Charges

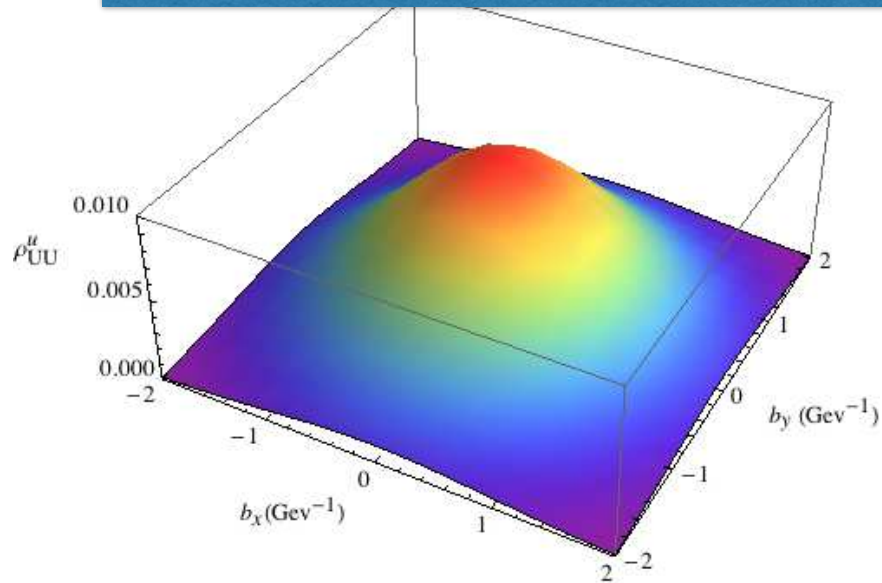
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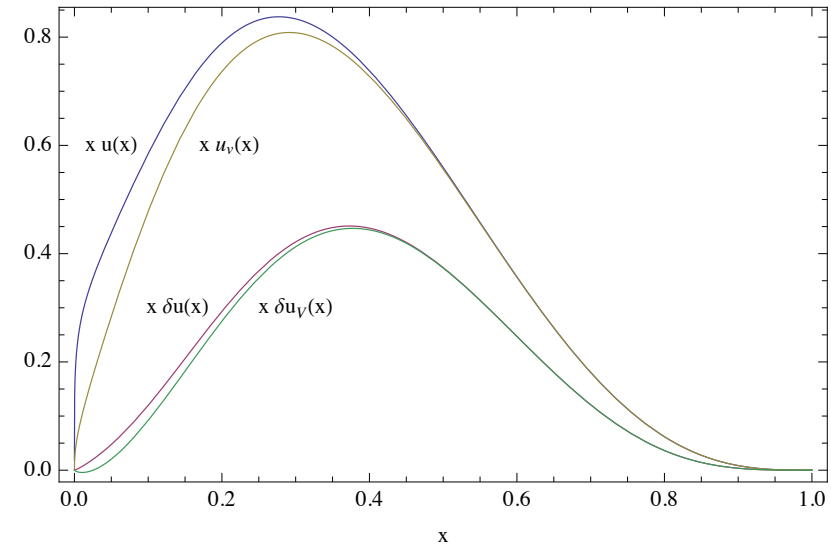
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$\rightarrow$   $\int d^2 b_{\perp}$   
 $\rightarrow$   $\int dx$   
 $\rightarrow$   $\int d^2 k_{\perp}$

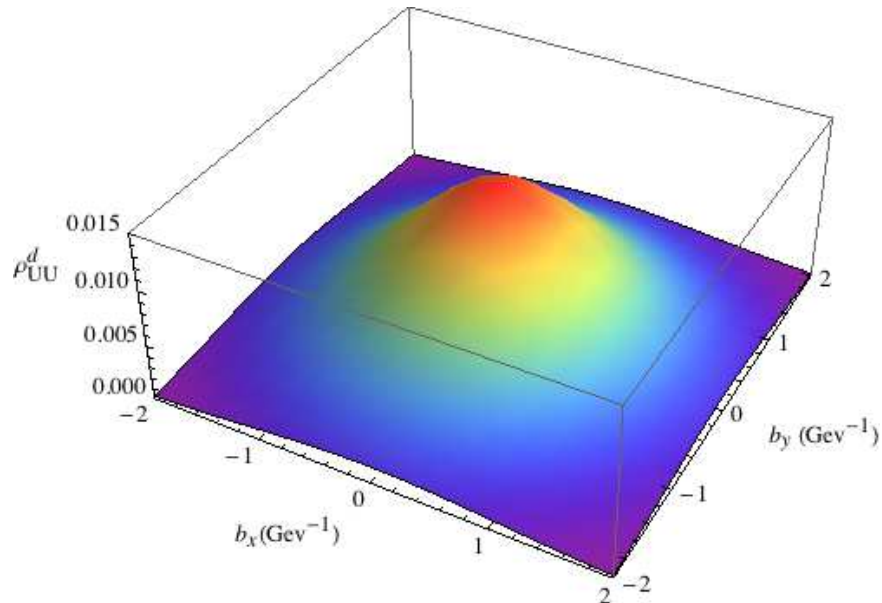




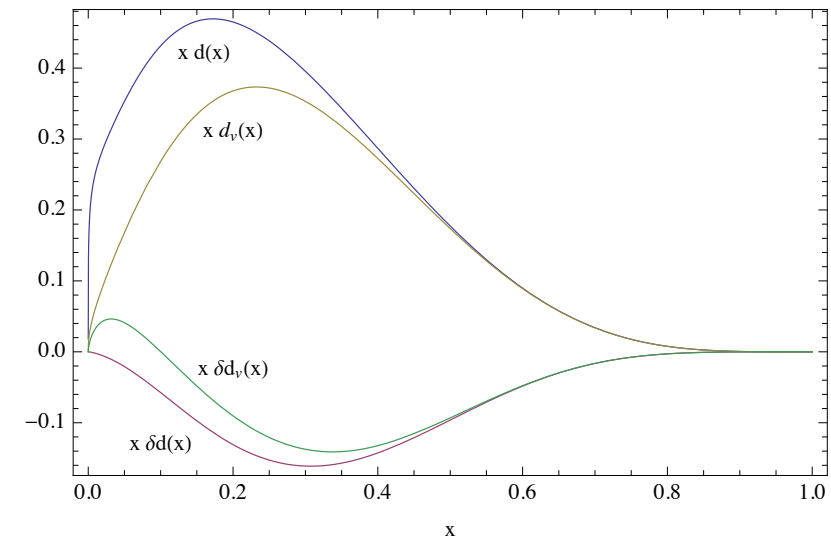
Wigner distribution  $\rho_{UU}^u(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$  at  $x = 0.5$ ,  $k_x = k_y = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$ .



$u$  quark PDFs multiplied with  $x$ .



Wigner distribution  $\rho_{UU}^d(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$  at  $x = 0.5$ ,  $k_x = k_y = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$ .

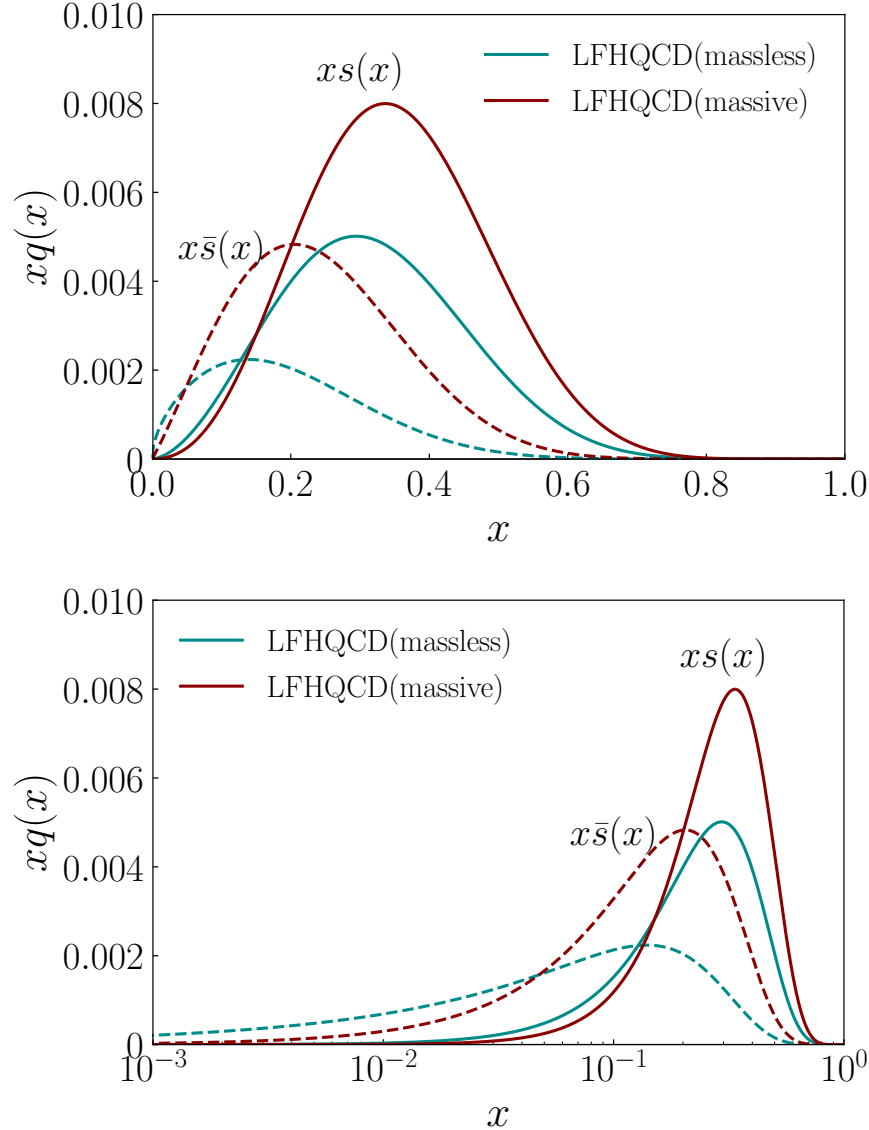


$d$  quark PDFs multiplied with  $x$ .



# Nonperturbative strange-quark sea from lattice QCD, light-front holography, and meson-baryon fluctuation models

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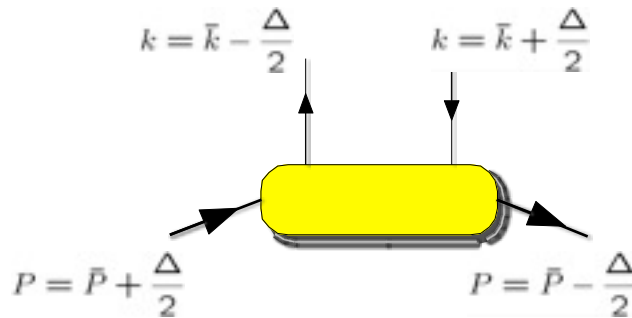
The distributions  $xs(x)$  (continuous curves) and  $x\bar{s}(x)$  (dashed curves) correspond to the minimum intrinsic strange probability  $I_s = 0.2 N_s$  with  $N_s = 0.047$ ,  $\sqrt{\lambda} = 0.534$  GeV, and  $M_\phi^2 = 1.96 \lambda$ . The results with massless quarks are included for comparison.

# Light-Front Wave Function Overlap Representation

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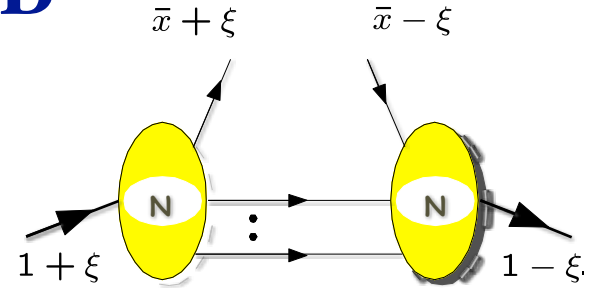
Diehl, Hwang, sjb, NPB596, 2001

See also: Diehl, Feldmann, Jakob, Kroll



$\xi < \bar{x} < 1$

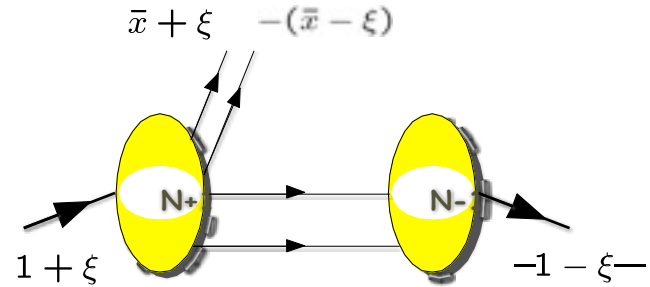
$\sum_N$



**DGLAP**  
*region*

$-\xi < \bar{x} < \xi$

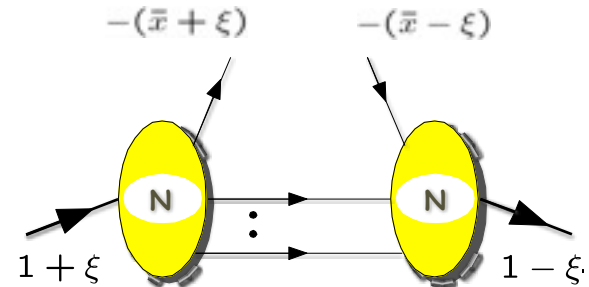
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**ERBL**  
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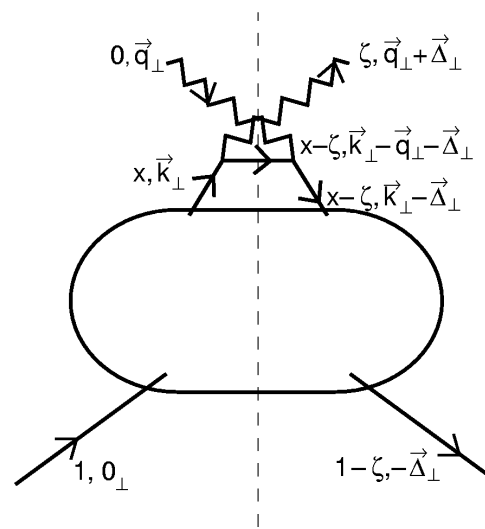
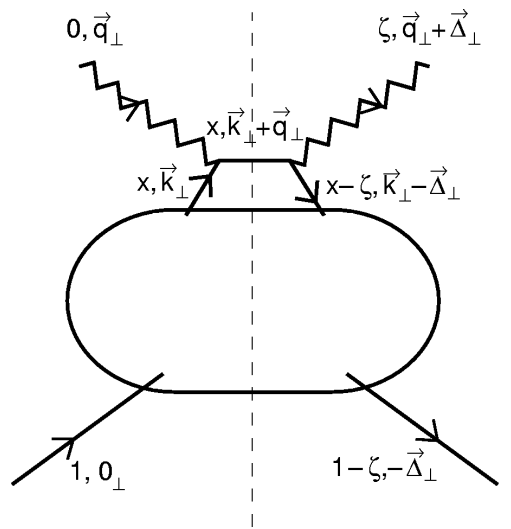
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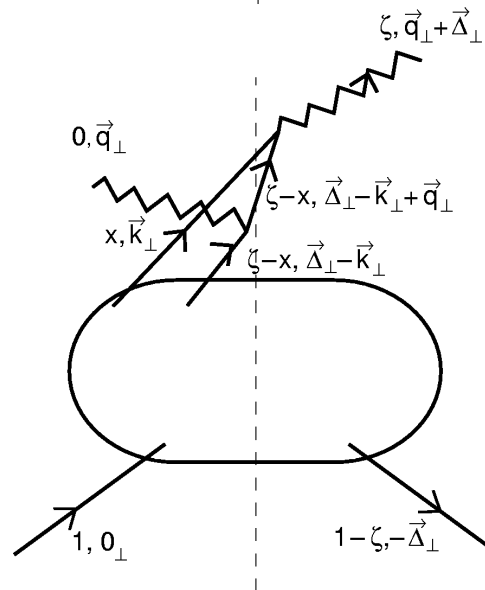
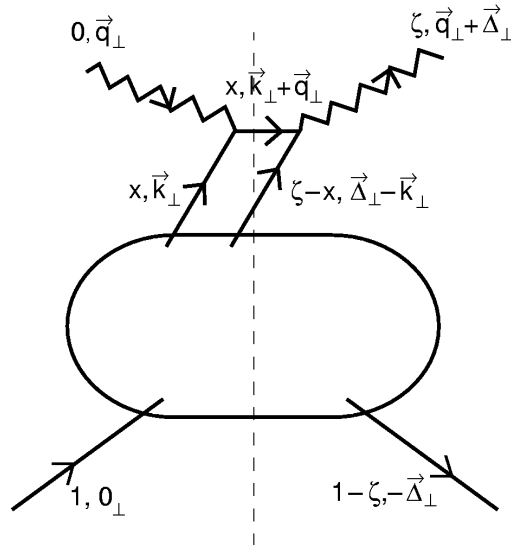


**DGLAP**  
*region*





***Coleman-Norton  
space-time  
amplitudes  
equivalent to LF  
T-Matrix***



***Light-front wavefunctions representation  
of deeply virtual Compton scattering***

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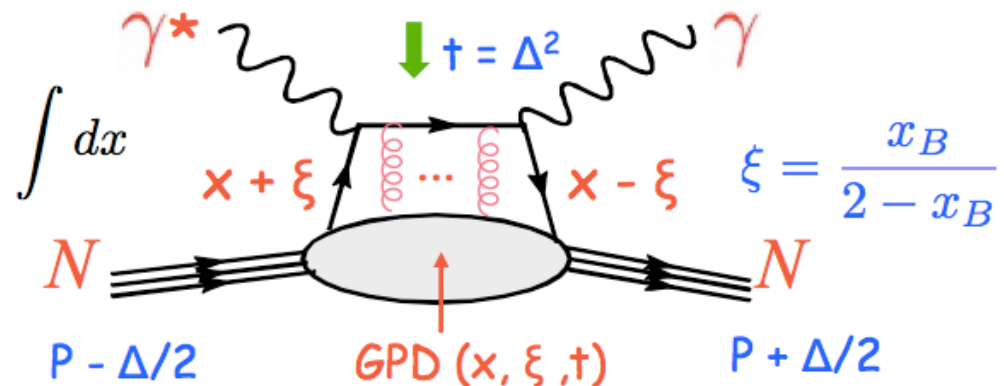
The GPD's are non-forward matrix elements of the PDF operator:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{8\pi} \int dr^- e^{imxr^-/2} \langle P + \frac{1}{2}\Delta | \bar{q}(-\frac{1}{2}r) \gamma^+ W[\frac{1}{2}r^-, -\frac{1}{2}r^-] q(\frac{1}{2}r) | P - \frac{1}{2}\Delta \rangle_{r^+=r_\perp=0} \\ &= \frac{1}{2P^+} \bar{u}(P + \frac{1}{2}\Delta) \left[ H(x, \xi, t) \gamma^+ + E(x, \xi, t) i\sigma^{+\nu} \frac{\Delta_\nu}{2m} \right] u(P - \frac{1}{2}\Delta) \end{aligned}$$

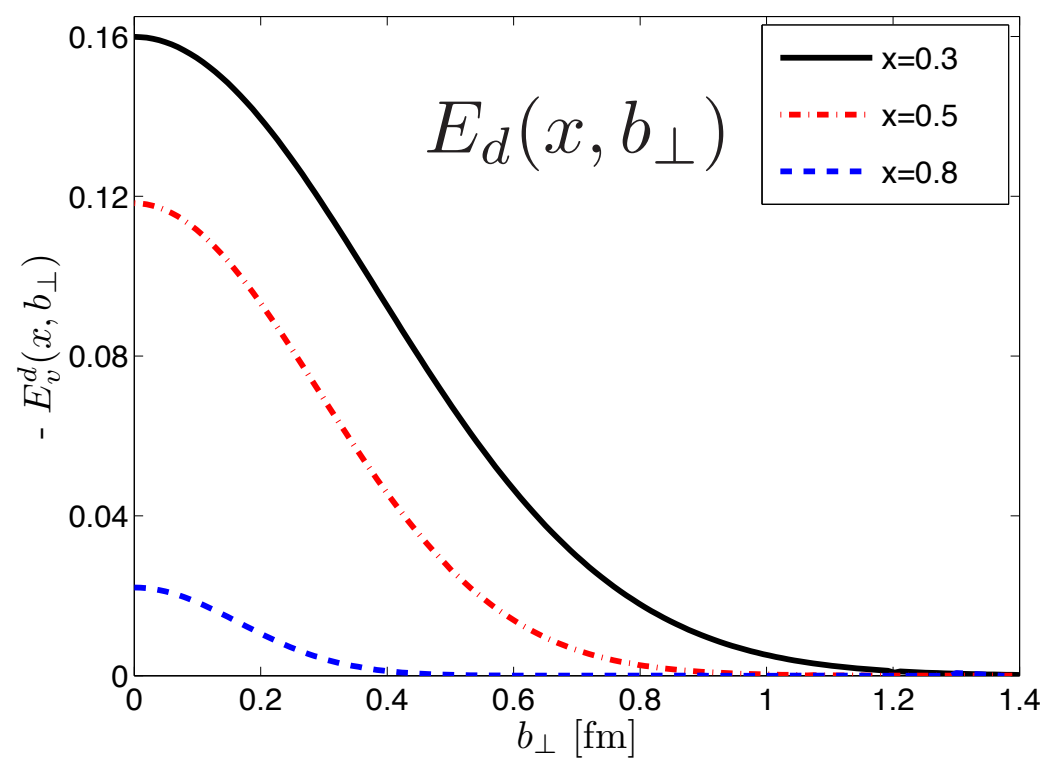
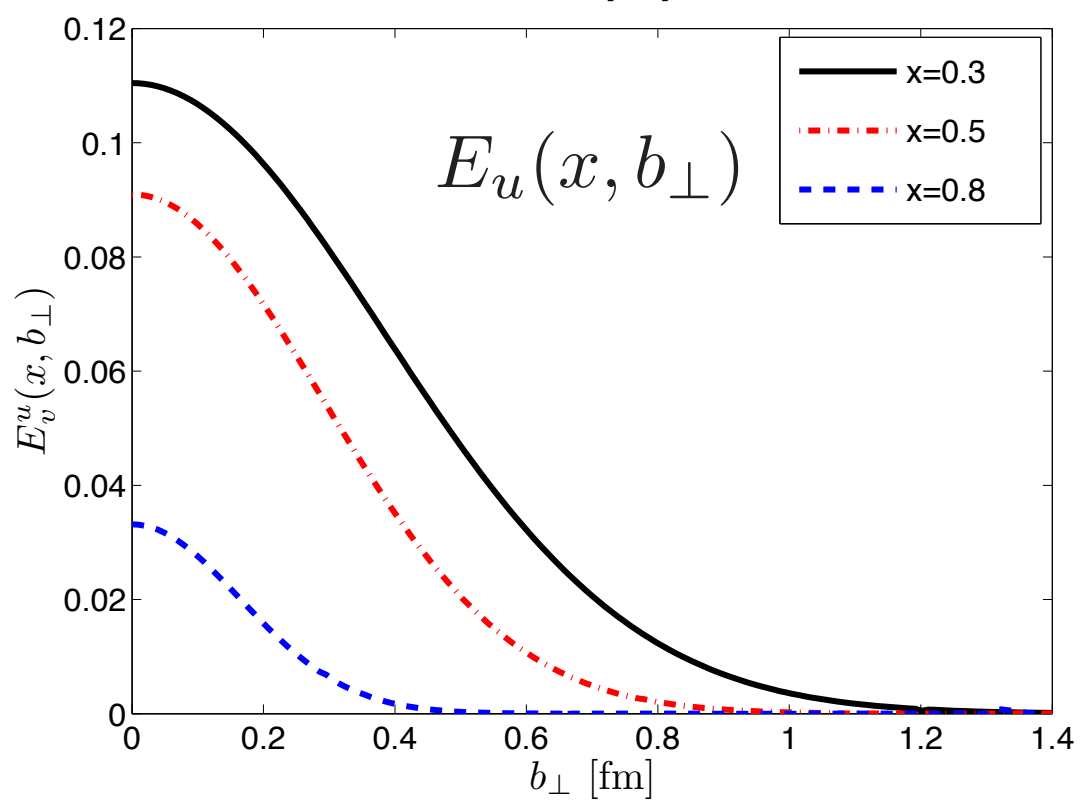
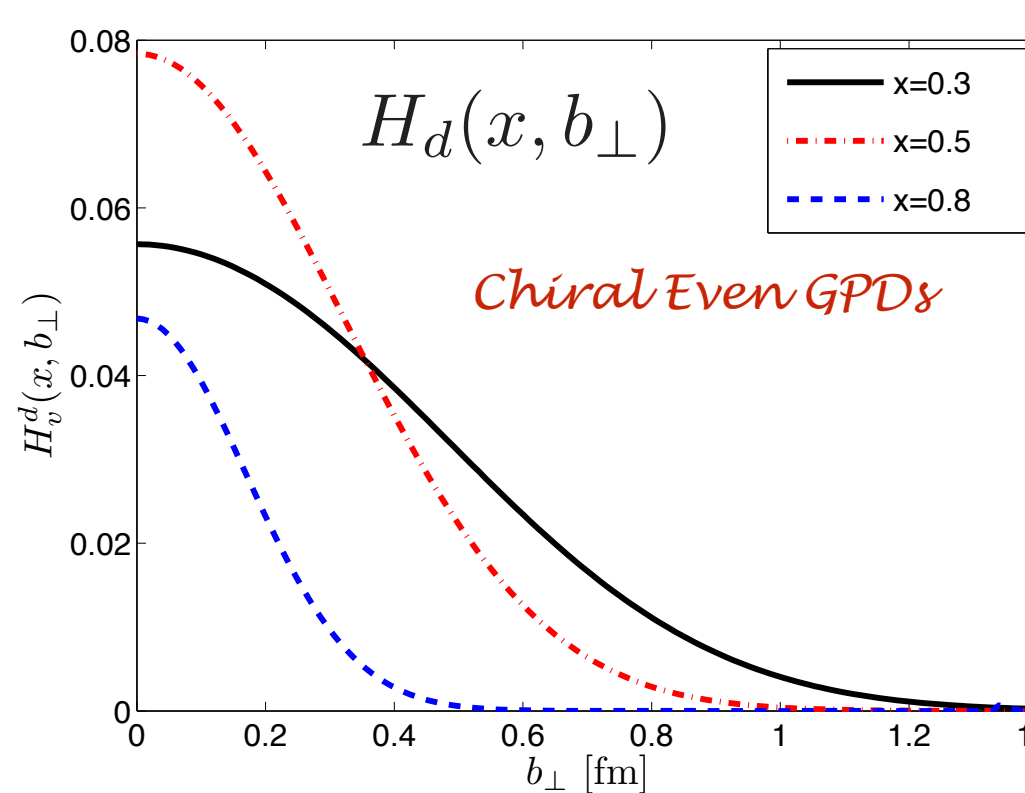
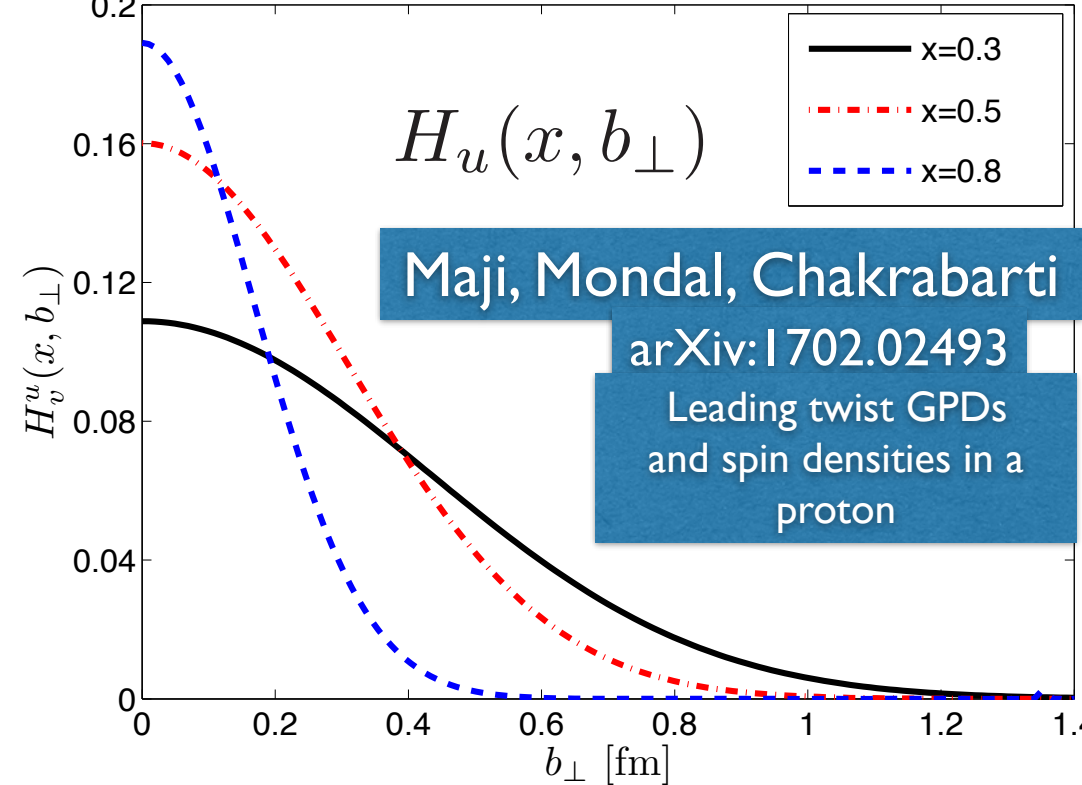
The GPD **amplitudes** can be accessed experimentally through the Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering **cross section** at leading twist:  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$ .

DVCS:  $e N \rightarrow e' + \gamma + N$

Through  $\Delta_\perp$ , the GPD's contain information about the parton distributions in transverse space.

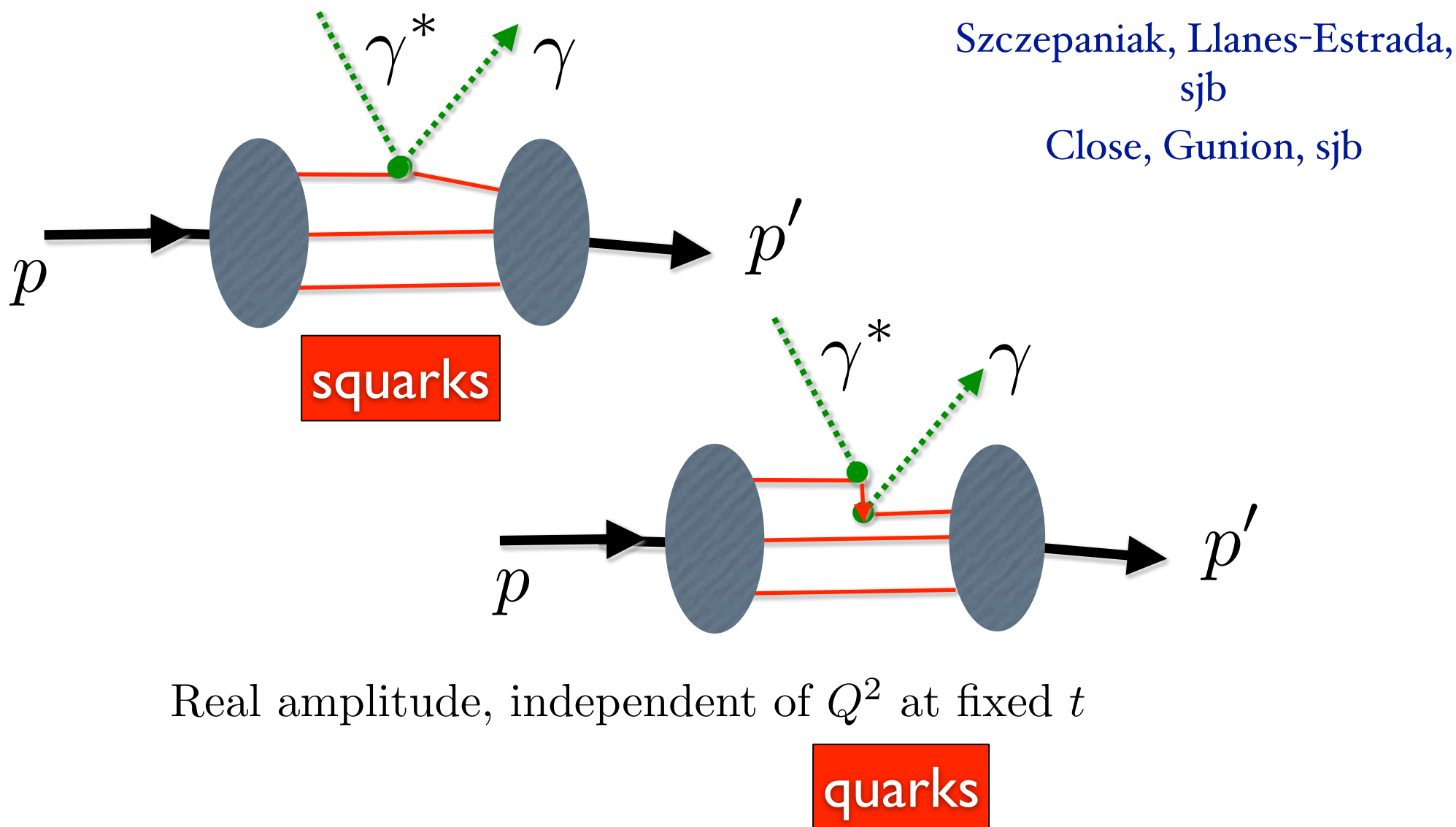


*Handbag modified by leading-twist lensing!*

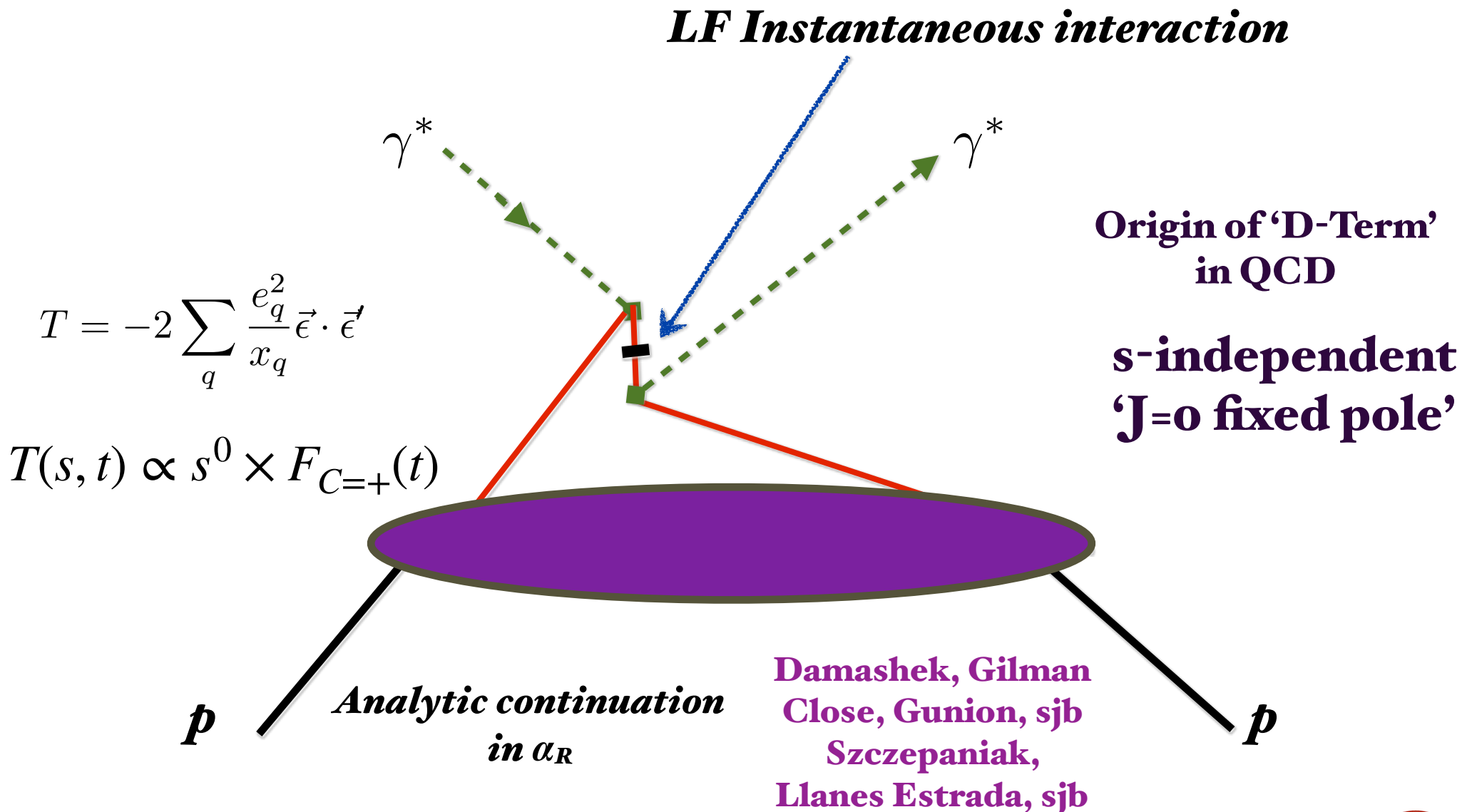


# $J=0$ Fixed Pole Contribution to DVCS

- $J=0$  fixed pole -- direct test of QCD locality -- from seagull or instantaneous contribution to Feynman propagator

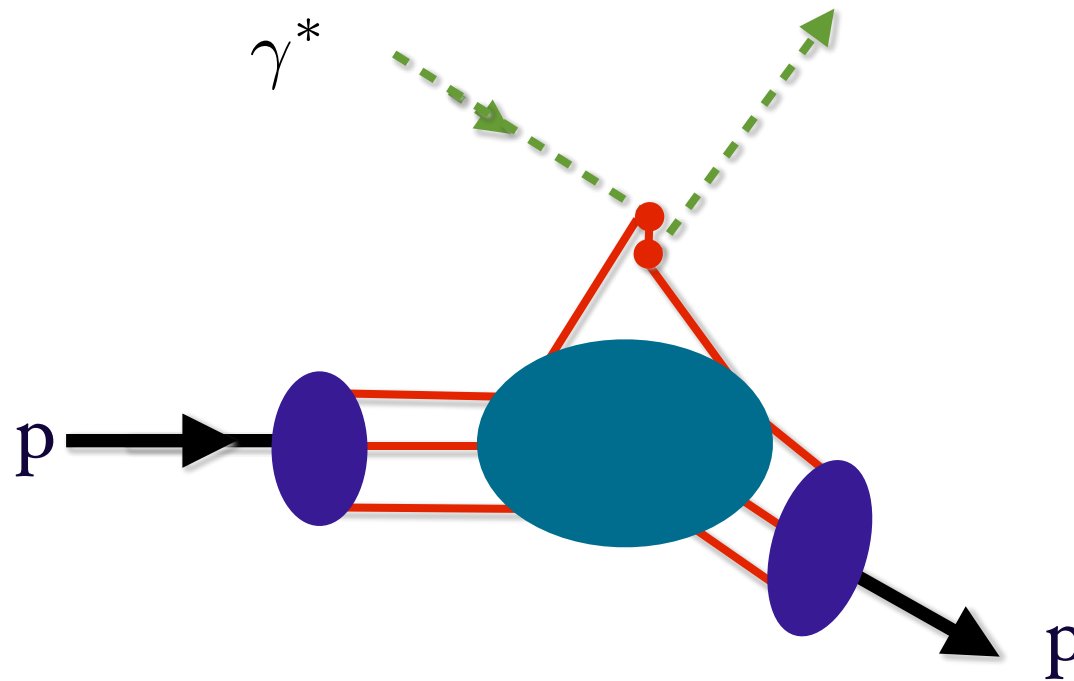


# Leading-Twist Contribution to Real Part of DVCS



# Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering

$$\gamma^* p \rightarrow \gamma p$$



*Seagull interaction  
(instantaneous quark  
exchange or Z-graph)*

$$s \gg -t, Q^2 \gg \Lambda_{QCD}^2$$

*Hard Reggeon  
Domain*

$$T(\gamma^*(q)p \rightarrow \gamma(k) + p) \sim \epsilon \cdot \epsilon' \sum_R s_R^\alpha(t) \beta_R(t)$$

$$\alpha_R(t) \rightarrow 0$$

*Reflects elementary coupling of two photons to quarks*

$$\beta_R(t) \sim \frac{1}{t^2}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \sim \frac{1}{s^2} \frac{1}{t^4} \sim \frac{1}{s^6} \text{ at fixed } \frac{Q^2}{s}, \frac{t}{s}$$



# *J=0 Fixed pole in real and virtual Compton scattering*

Damashek, Gilman;  
Close, Gunion, sjb  
Llanes-Estrada,  
Szczepaniak, sjb

Effective two-photon contact term

Seagull for scalar quarks

Real phase

$$M = s^0 \sum e_q^2 F_q(t)$$

Independent of  $Q^2$  at fixed  $t$

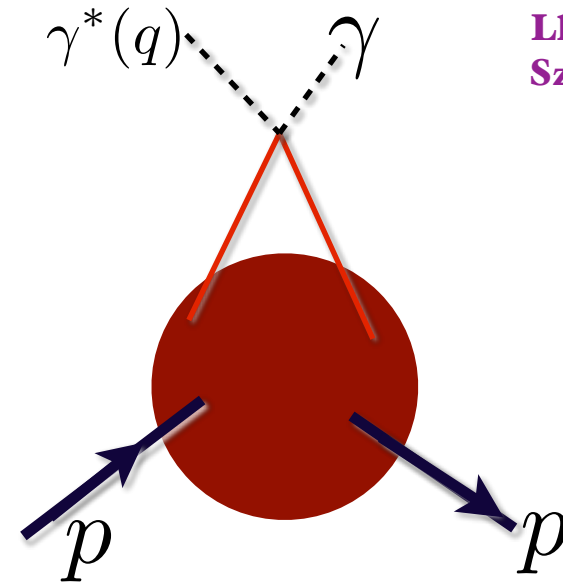
$\langle 1/x \rangle$  Moment: Related to Feynman-Hellman Theorem

Fundamental test of local gauge theory

$Q^2$ -independent contribution to Real DVCS amplitude

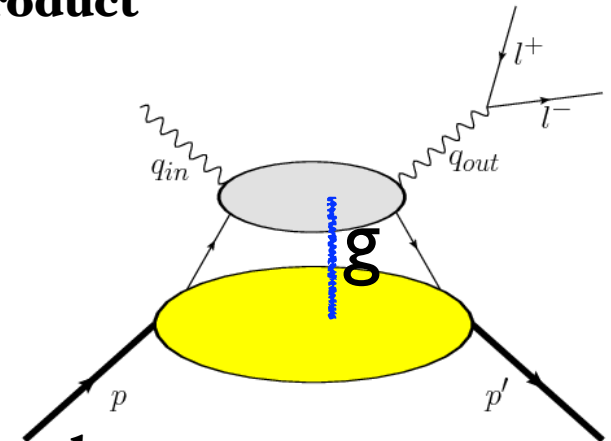
$$s^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma^* p \rightarrow \gamma p) = F^2(t)$$

*independent of  $s$*



# ***“Handbag” Approximation***

- **Parton model: assumes current-current correlator carried by single quark propagator at high photon virtuality**
- **Imaginary Part of Virtual Forward Compton Amplitude gives DIS structure Functions**
- **Leading-Twist Dominance — Motivated by the Operator Product Expansion**
- **Produces Momentum and Baryon Number Sum Rules**
- **Real Part:  $J=0$  Fixed Pole from local two-photon operators**
- **Will show: Handbag Approximation invalid for DVCS on a nuclear target because of shadowing, antishadowing!**
- **Recall: Sivers Effect and Diffractive DIS are leading twist!**



## Light-front formulation of the standard model

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Light-front (LF) quantization in the light-cone (LC) gauge is used to construct a renormalizable theory of the standard model. The framework derived earlier for QCD is extended to the Glashow-Weinberg-Salam (GWS) model of electroweak interaction theory. The Lorentz condition is automatically satisfied in LF-quantized QCD in the LC gauge for the free massless gauge field. In the GWS model, with the spontaneous symmetry breaking present, we find that the 't Hooft condition accompanies the LC gauge condition corresponding to the massive vector boson. The two transverse polarization vectors for the massive vector boson may be chosen to be the same as found in QCD. The nontransverse and linearly independent third polarization vector is found to be parallel to the gauge direction. The corresponding sum over polarizations in the standard model, indicated by  $K_{\mu\nu}(k)$ , has several simplifying properties similar to the polarization sum  $D_{\mu\nu}(k)$  in QCD. The framework is unitary and ghost free (except for the ghosts at  $k^+ = 0$  associated with the light-cone gauge prescription). The massive gauge field propagator has well-behaved asymptotic behavior. The interaction Hamiltonian of electroweak theory can be expressed in a form resembling that of covariant theory, plus additional instantaneous interactions which can be treated systematically. The LF formulation also provides a transparent discussion of the Goldstone boson (or electroweak) equivalence theorem, as the illustrations show.

# Standard Model on the Light-Front

- Same phenomenological predictions
- Higgs field has three components
- Real part creates Higgs particle
- Imaginary part (Goldstone) become longitudinal components of W, Z
- *Higgs VEV of instant form becomes  $k^+=0$  LF zero mode!*
- Analogous to a background static classical Zeeman or Stark Fields
- Zero contribution to  $T^{\mu}_{\mu}$ ; zero coupling to gravity



*Abelian  $U(1)$  LF Model with Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking*

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_+ \phi^\dagger \partial_- \phi + \partial_- \phi^\dagger \partial_+ \phi - \partial_\perp \phi^\dagger \partial_\perp \phi - \mathcal{V}(\phi^\dagger \phi)$$

where  $V(\phi^\dagger \phi) = \mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \lambda (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2$  with  $\lambda > 0$ ,  $\mu^2 < 0$

Constraint equation:  $\int d^2 x_\perp dx^- \left[ \partial_\perp \partial_\perp \phi - \frac{\delta V}{\delta \phi^\dagger} \right] = 0$

$$\phi(\tau, x^-, x_\perp) = \omega(\tau, x_\perp) + \varphi(\tau, x^-, x_\perp)$$

$\omega(\tau, x_\perp)$  is a  $k^+ = 0$  zero mode

$$\omega = v/\sqrt{2} \text{ where } v = \sqrt{-\mu^2/\lambda}$$

***Thus a c-number in LF replaces conventional Higgs VEV***

***No coupling to gravity!***

Possibility:  $\partial_\perp \omega \neq 0$

# *Light-Front Quantization of the Standard Model*

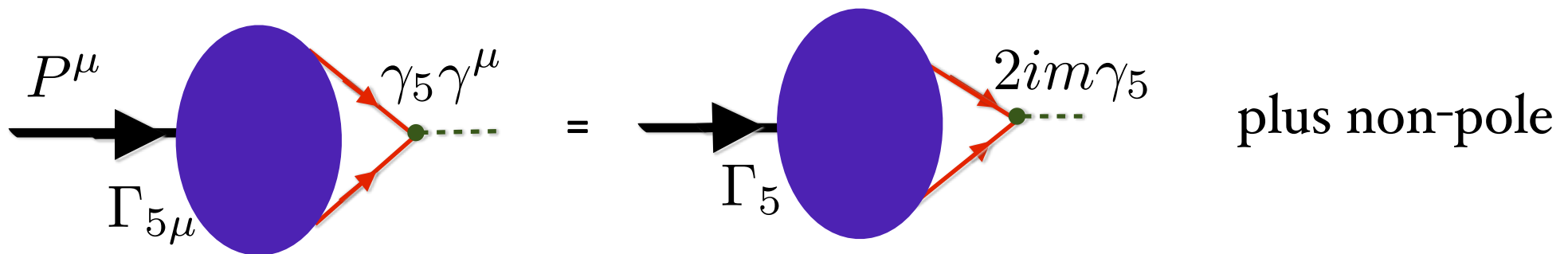
- $SU(2) \times U(1)$  GWS Model of Weak Interactions
- Non-Abelian Higgs Model in LG Gauge
- Unitary, renormalizable, no Gupta-Bleuler, Fadeev-Popov ghosts
- SSB: Perturbative vacuum plus zero mode field
- t'Hooft conditions satisfied
- Higgs field: Real field creates Higgs particle; imaginary components identified with longitudinal components of W, Z
- Higgs VEV replaced by zero mode



# Ward-Takahashi Identity for axial current

$$P^\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}(k, P) + 2im\Gamma_5(k, P) = S^{-1}(k + P/2)i\gamma_5 + i\gamma_5 S^{-1}(k - P/2)$$

$$S^{-1}(\ell) = i\gamma \cdot \ell A(\ell^2) + B(\ell^2) \quad m(\ell^2) = \frac{B(\ell^2)}{A(\ell^2)}$$



Identify pion pole at  $P^2 = m_\pi^2$

$$P^\mu \langle 0 | \bar{q} \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu q | \pi \rangle = 2m \langle 0 | \bar{q} i \gamma_5 q | \pi \rangle$$

$$f_\pi m_\pi^2 = -(m_u + m_d) \rho_\pi$$

# Revised Gell Mann-Oakes-Renner Formula in QCD

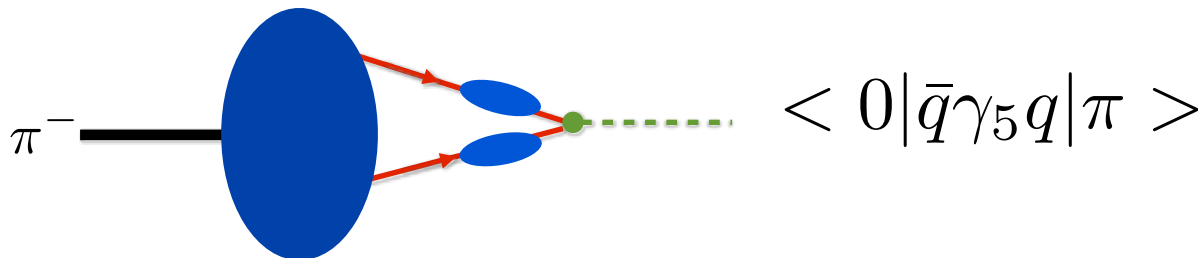
$$m_\pi^2 = -\frac{(m_u + m_d)}{f_\pi^2} \langle 0 | \bar{q}q | 0 \rangle$$

**current algebra:  
effective pion field**

$$m_\pi^2 = -\frac{(m_u + m_d)}{f_\pi} \langle 0 | i\bar{q}\gamma_5 q | \pi \rangle$$

**QCD: composite pion  
Bethe-Salpeter Eq.**

*vacuum condensate actually is an “in-hadron condensate”*



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# “One of the gravest puzzles of theoretical physics”

## DARK ENERGY AND THE COSMOLOGICAL CONSTANT PARADOX

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$$(\Omega_{\Lambda})_{QCD} \sim 10^{45}$$

$$(\Omega_{\Lambda})_{EW} \sim 10^{56}$$

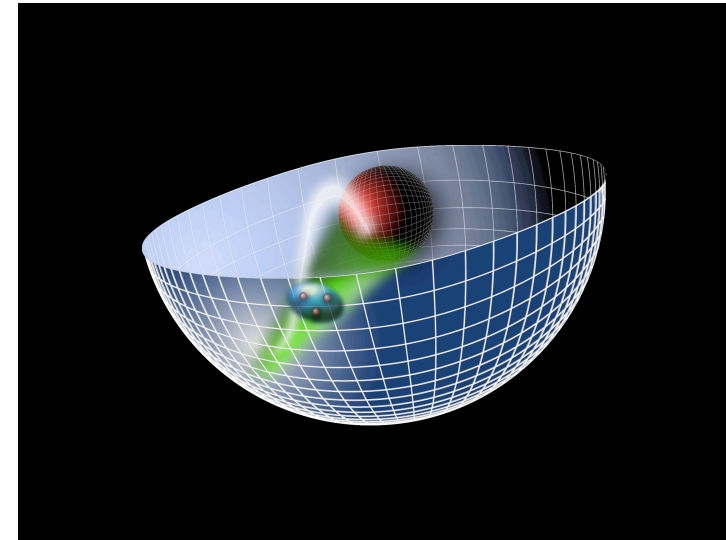
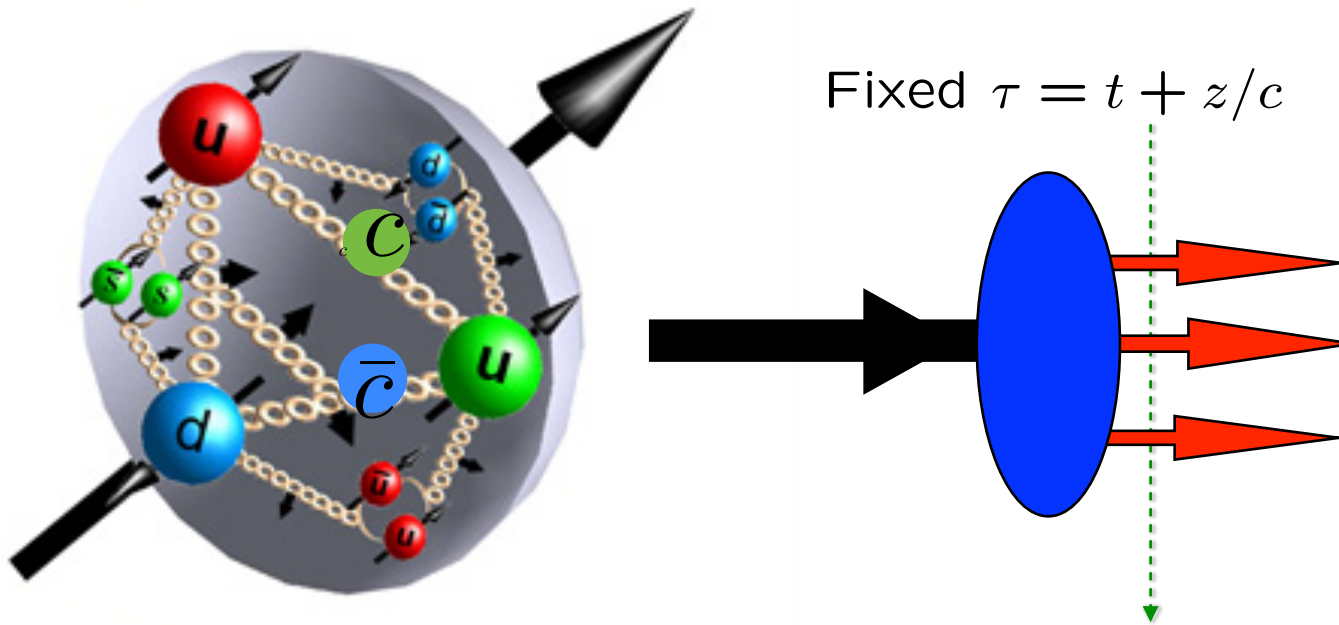
$$\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.76(expt)$$

***Extraordinary conflict between the conventional definition of the vacuum in quantum field theory and cosmology***

*Elements of the solution:*

- (A) Light-Front Quantization: causal, frame-independent vacuum*
- (B) New understanding of QCD “Condensates”*
- (C) Higgs Light-Front Zero Mode*

# Novel QCD Features of Hadrons and Nuclei



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