

# Hadron Structure and Form Factors



**C. Alexandrou**

*University of Cyprus and Cyprus Institute*

**Lattice 2010**

*June 14 - 19 villasimius, Sardinia, Italy*

*The XXVIII International  
Symposium on  
Lattice Field Theory*

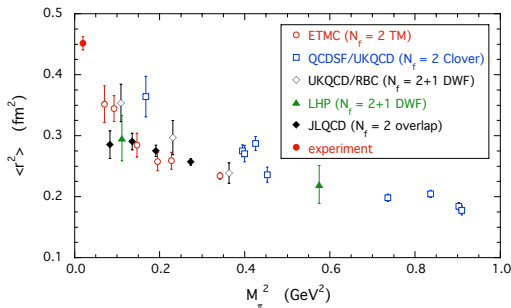
- 1 Meson sector
  - Pion form factor
  - $\rho$ -meson width
- 2 Baryon sector
  - Nucleon Generalized Parton Distributions - Definitions
  - Lattice evaluation
  - Results on nucleon form factors
  - Results on nucleon moments
  - $N$  to  $\Delta$  form factors
  - $\Delta$  form factors and structure
- 3 Conclusions

# Pion form factor

Several Collaborations using dynamical quarks with pion masses down to about 300 MeV

ETMC,  $N_f = 2$ , R. Frezzotti, V. Lubicz and S. Simula, PRD 79, 074506 (2009)

- Examine volume and cut-off effects  $\Rightarrow$  estimate continuum and infinite volume values
- Twisted boundary conditions to probe small  $Q^2 = -q^2$
- All-to-all propagators and 'one-end trick' to obtain accurate results
- Chiral extrapolation using NNLO  $\rightarrow \langle r^2 \rangle$  and  $F_\pi(Q^2) = \left(1 + \langle r^2 \rangle Q^2/6\right)^{-1}$



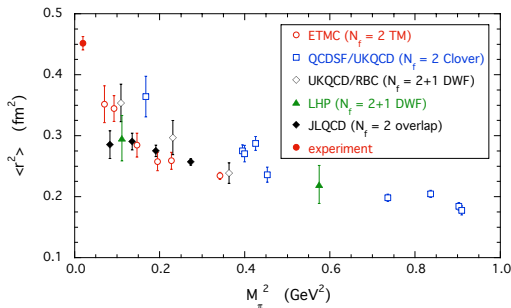
Parallel 25:  $N_f = 2$ , Clover, H. Wittig;  $N_f = 2 + 1$ , Overlap, T. Kaneko

# Pion form factor

Several Collaborations using dynamical quarks with pion masses down to about 300 MeV

ETMC,  $N_F = 2$ , R. Frezzotti, V. Lubicz and S. Simula, PRD 79, 074506 (2009)

- Examine volume and cut-off effects  $\Rightarrow$  estimate continuum and infinite volume values
- Twisted boundary conditions to probe small  $Q^2 = -q^2$
- All-to-all propagators and 'one-end trick' to obtain accurate results
- Chiral extrapolation using NNLO  $\rightarrow \langle r^2 \rangle$  and  $F_\pi(Q^2) = (1 + \langle r^2 \rangle Q^2/6)^{-1}$



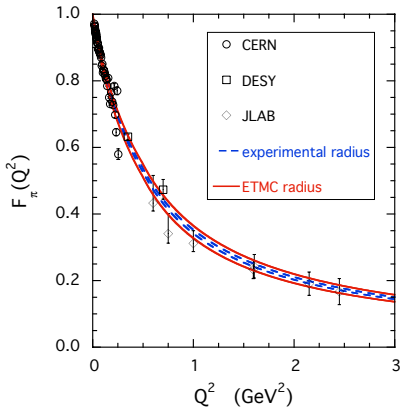
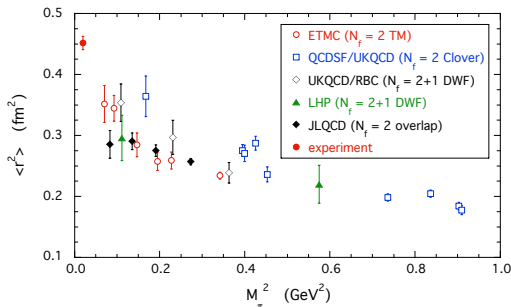
Parallel 25:  $N_f = 2$ , Clover, H. Wittig;  $N_f = 2 + 1$ , Overlap, T. Kaneko

# Pion form factor

Several Collaborations using dynamical quarks with pion masses down to about 300 MeV

ETMC,  $N_F = 2$ , R. Frezzotti, V. Lubicz and S. Simula, PRD 79, 074506 (2009)

- Examine volume and cut-off effects  $\Rightarrow$  estimate continuum and infinite volume values
- Twisted boundary conditions to probe small  $Q^2 = -q^2$
- All-to-all propagators and 'one-end trick' to obtain accurate results
- Chiral extrapolation using NNLO  $\rightarrow \langle r^2 \rangle$  and  $F_\pi(Q^2) = (1 + \langle r^2 \rangle Q^2/6)^{-1}$

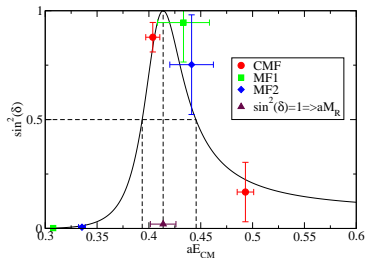


# $\rho$ -meson width

- Consider  $\pi^+\pi^-$  in the  $l = 1$ -channel
- Estimate P-wave scattering phase shift  $\delta_{11}(k)$  using finite size methods
- Use Lüscher's relation between energy in a finite box and the phase in infinite volume
- Use Center of Mass frame and Moving frame
- Use effective range formula:  $\tan\delta_{11}(k) = \frac{g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2}{6\pi} \frac{k^3}{E(m_R^2 - E^2)}$ ,  $k = \sqrt{E^2/4 - m_\pi^2} \rightarrow$  determine  $M_R$  and

$$g_{\rho\pi\pi} \text{ and then extract } \Gamma_\rho = \frac{g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2}{6\pi} \frac{k_R^3}{m_R^2}, \quad k_R = \sqrt{m_R^2/4 - m_\pi^2}$$

$m_\pi = 309 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $L = 2.8 \text{ fm}$



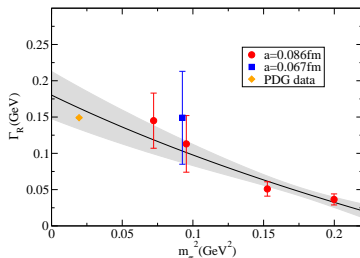
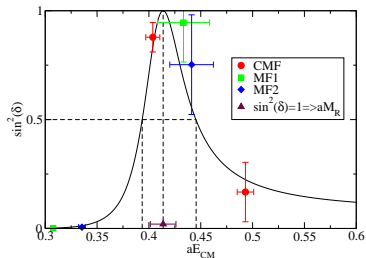
Parallel 21:  $N_F = 2$  twisted mass (ETMC), Xu Feng;  $N_F = 2 + 1$  Clover (PACS-CS), N. Ishizuka;  
Parallel 50:  $N_F = 2 + 1$  Clover, J. Frison

# $\rho$ -meson width

- Consider  $\pi^+\pi^-$  in the  $l = 1$ -channel
- Estimate P-wave scattering phase shift  $\delta_{11}(k)$  using finite size methods
- Use Lüscher's relation between energy in a finite box and the phase in infinite volume
- Use Center of Mass frame and Moving frame
- Use effective range formula:  $\tan\delta_{11}(k) = \frac{g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2}{6\pi} \frac{k^3}{E(m_R^2 - E^2)}$ ,  $k = \sqrt{E^2/4 - m_\pi^2} \rightarrow$  determine  $M_R$  and

$$g_{\rho\pi\pi} \text{ and then extract } \Gamma_\rho = \frac{g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2}{6\pi} \frac{k_R^3}{m_R^2}, \quad k_R = \sqrt{m_R^2/4 - m_\pi^2}$$

$m_\pi = 309 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $L = 2.8 \text{ fm}$



Parallel 21:  $N_F = 2$  twisted mass (ETMC), Xu Feng;  $N_F = 2 + 1$  Clover (PACS-CS), N. Ishizuka;  
 Parallel 50:  $N_F = 2 + 1$  Clover, J. Frison

- **Recent progress in hadron spectrum:**  
Evaluation of the mass spectrum of low lying baryons e.g BMW, ETMC, LHPC, CP-PACS  
Excited states using variational methods, e.g. JLab, Adelaide, Graz/Regensburg groups



- **Recent progress in hadron spectrum:**  
Evaluation of the mass spectrum of low lying baryons e.g BMW, ETMC, LHPC, CP-PACS  
Excited states using variational methods, e.g. JLab, Adelaide, Graz/Regensburg groups
- **Characterization of nucleon structure is considered a milestone in hadronic physics** → many experiments have been carried out to measure form factors and structure functions.

# Baryon sector

- Characterization of nucleon structure is considered a milestone in hadronic physics → many experiments have been carried out to measure form factors and structure functions.

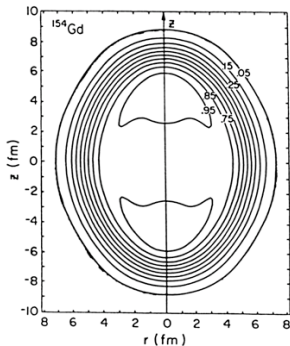
Experiments on nucleon FFs started in the 50s

New generation experiments using polarized beams and target are yielding high precision data spanning larger  $Q^2$  ranges.

⇒ Nucleon form factors serve as a benchmark for Lattice QCD, enable us to predict others

They provide ideal probes of the charge and magnetization, determination of shape in analogy to e.g. deuteron and other nuclei

Non-relativistically  $F(\vec{q}^2) = \int d^3x e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle \psi | \rho(\vec{x}) | \psi \rangle$ .



Intrinsic charge density contours of a spin-zero nucleus showing deformation revealed through measurements of transition densities using electron scattering

# Definition of Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

High energy scattering: Formulate in terms of light-cone correlation functions, M. Diehl, Phys. Rep. 388 (2003)  
 Consider one-particle states  $p'$  and  $p \rightarrow$  GPDs, X. Ji, J. Phys. G24 (1998) 1181

$$F_T(x, \xi, q^2) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{i\lambda x} \langle p' | \bar{\psi}(-\lambda n/2) \Gamma \mathcal{P} e^{-ig \int_{-\lambda/2}^{\lambda/2} d\alpha n \cdot A(n\alpha)} \psi(\lambda n/2) | p \rangle$$

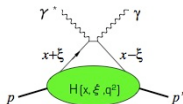
where  $q = p' - p$ ,  $\bar{P} = (p' + p)/2$ ,  $n$  is a light-cone vector with  $\bar{P} \cdot n = 1$  and  $\xi = -n \cdot q/2$ .

$$\Gamma = \not{n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}(p') \left[ \not{n} H(x, \xi, q^2) + i \frac{n_\mu q_\nu \sigma^{\mu\nu}}{2m} E(x, \xi, q^2) \right] u(p)$$

$$\Gamma = \not{n} \gamma_5 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}(p') \left[ \not{n} \gamma_5 \tilde{H}(x, \xi, q^2) + \frac{n \cdot q \gamma_5}{2m} \tilde{E}(x, \xi, q^2) \right] u(p)$$

$$\Gamma = n_\mu \sigma^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \text{tensor GPDs}$$

"Handbag" diagram



Expansion of the light cone operator leads to a tower of local twist-2 operators  $\mathcal{O}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}$ , related to moments:

- Diagonal matrix element  $\langle P | \mathcal{O}(x) | P \rangle$  (DIS)  $\rightarrow$  parton distributions:  $q(x)$ ,  $\Delta q(x)$ ,  $\delta q(x)$

$$\mathcal{O}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \bar{q} \gamma^{\{\mu_1} iD^{\mu_2} \dots iD^{\mu_n\}} q \xrightarrow{\text{unpolarized}} \langle x^n \rangle_q = \int_0^1 dx x^n [q(x) - (-1)^n \bar{q}(x)]$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{O}}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \bar{q} \gamma_5 \gamma^{\{\mu_1} iD^{\mu_2} \dots iD^{\mu_n\}} q \xrightarrow{\text{helicity}} \langle x^n \rangle_{\Delta q} = \int_0^1 dx x^n [\Delta q(x) + (-1)^n \Delta \bar{q}(x)]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_T^{\rho\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \bar{q} \sigma^{\rho\{\mu_1} iD^{\mu_2} \dots iD^{\mu_n\}} q \xrightarrow{\text{transversity}} \langle x^n \rangle_{\delta q} = \int_0^1 dx x^n [\delta q(x) - (-1)^n \delta \bar{q}(x)]$$

where  $q = q_\parallel + q_\perp$ ,  $\Delta q = q_\parallel - q_\perp$ ,  $\delta q = q_T + q_\perp$

- Off-diagonal matrix elements (DVCS)  $\rightarrow$  generalized form factors

# Definition of Generalized Parton Distributions (GPDs)

High energy scattering: Formulate in terms of light-cone correlation functions, M. Diehl, Phys. Rep. 388 (2003)  
 Consider one-particle states  $p'$  and  $p \rightarrow$  GPDs, X. Ji, J. Phys. G24 (1998) 1181

$$F_T(x, \xi, q^2) = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d\lambda}{2\pi} e^{i\lambda x} \langle p' | \bar{\psi}(-\lambda n/2) \Gamma \mathcal{P} e^{-ig \int_{-\lambda/2}^{\lambda/2} d\alpha n \cdot A(n\alpha)} \psi(\lambda n/2) | p \rangle$$

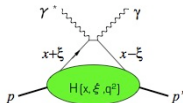
where  $q = p' - p$ ,  $\bar{P} = (p' + p)/2$ ,  $n$  is a light-cone vector with  $\bar{P} \cdot n = 1$  and  $\xi = -n \cdot q/2$ .

$$\Gamma = \not{n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}(p') \left[ \not{n} H(x, \xi, q^2) + i \frac{n_\mu q_\nu \sigma^{\mu\nu}}{2m} E(x, \xi, q^2) \right] u(p)$$

$$\Gamma = \not{n} \gamma_5 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \bar{u}(p') \left[ \not{n} \gamma_5 \tilde{H}(x, \xi, q^2) + \frac{n \cdot q \gamma_5}{2m} \tilde{E}(x, \xi, q^2) \right] u(p)$$

$$\Gamma = n_\mu \sigma^{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \text{tensor GPDs}$$

“Handbag” diagram



Expansion of the light cone operator leads to a tower of local twist-2 operators  $\mathcal{O}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}$ , related to moments:

- Diagonal matrix element  $\langle P | \mathcal{O}(x) | P \rangle$  (DIS)  $\rightarrow$  parton distributions:  $q(x)$ ,  $\Delta q(x)$ ,  $\delta q(x)$

$$\mathcal{O}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \bar{q} \gamma^{\{\mu_1} iD^{\mu_2} \dots iD^{\mu_n\}} q \xrightarrow{\text{unpolarized}} \langle x^n \rangle_q = \int_0^1 dx x^n [q(x) - (-1)^n \bar{q}(x)]$$

$$\check{\mathcal{O}}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \bar{q} \gamma_5 \gamma^{\{\mu_1} iD^{\mu_2} \dots iD^{\mu_n\}} q \xrightarrow{\text{helicity}} \langle x^n \rangle_{\Delta q} = \int_0^1 dx x^n [\Delta q(x) + (-1)^n \Delta \bar{q}(x)]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_T^{\rho \mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \bar{q} \sigma^{\rho \{\mu_1} iD^{\mu_2} \dots iD^{\mu_n\}} q \xrightarrow{\text{transversity}} \langle x^n \rangle_{\delta q} = \int_0^1 dx x^n [\delta q(x) - (-1)^n \delta \bar{q}(x)]$$

where  $q = q_\perp + q_\uparrow$ ,  $\Delta q = q_\perp - q_\uparrow$ ,  $\delta q = q_T + q_\perp$

- Off-diagonal matrix elements (DVCS)  $\rightarrow$  generalized form factors

# Nucleon generalized form factors

Decomposition of matrix elements into generalized form factors - contain both form factors and parton distributions:

$$\langle N(\rho') | \mathcal{O}_{\not{h}}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} | N(\rho) \rangle = \bar{u}(\rho') \left[ \sum_{\text{even}}^{n-1} \left( A_{ni}(q^2) \gamma^{\{\mu_1} + B_{ni}(q^2) \frac{i\sigma^{\{\mu_1 \alpha} q_\alpha}{2m} \right) q^{\mu_2} \dots q^{\mu_{i+1}} \bar{P}^{\mu_{i+2}} \dots \bar{P}^{\mu_n} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + \delta_{\text{even}}^n C_{n0}(q^2) \frac{1}{m} q^{\{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_n\}} \right] u(\rho)$$

And similarly for  $\mathcal{O}_{\not{h}\gamma_5}$  in terms of  $\tilde{A}_{ni}(q^2)$ ,  $\tilde{B}_{ni}(q^2)$  and  $\mathcal{O}_T$  in terms of  $A_{ni}^T$ ,  $B_{ni}^T$ ,  $C_{ni}^T$  and  $D_{ni}^T$

Special cases:

- $n = 1$ : ordinary nucleon form factors

$$A_{10}(q^2) = F_1(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx H(x, \xi, q^2), \quad B_{10}(q^2) = F_2(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx E(x, \xi, q^2) \\ \tilde{A}_{10}(q^2) = G_A(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx \tilde{H}(x, \xi, q^2), \quad \tilde{B}_{10}(q^2) = G_P(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx \tilde{E}(x, \xi, q^2)$$

where

- $j_\mu = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \psi \implies \gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{2m} F_2(q^2)$   
The Dirac  $F_1$  and Pauli  $F_2$  are related to the electric and magnetic Sachs form factors:

$$G_E(q^2) = F_1(q^2) - \frac{q^2}{(2m)^2} F_2(q^2), \quad G_M(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + F_2(q^2)$$

- $j_\mu = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \frac{\tau^a}{2} \psi(x) \implies i \left[ \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 G_A(q^2) + \frac{q^\mu \gamma_5}{2m} G_P(q^2) \right] \frac{\tau^a}{2}$

- $A_{n0}(0)$ ,  $\tilde{A}_{n0}(0)$ ,  $A_{n0}^T(0)$  are moments of parton distributions, e.g.  $\langle x \rangle_q = A_{20}(0)$  and  $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta q} = \tilde{A}_{20}(0)$  are the spin independent and helicity distributions

→ can evaluate quark spin,  $J_q = \frac{1}{2} [A_{20}(0) + B_{20}(0)] = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma_q + L_q$

→ nucleon spin sum rule:  $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma_q + L_q + J_g$ , momentum sum rule:  $\langle x \rangle_g = 1 - A_{20}(0)$

# Nucleon generalized form factors

Decomposition of matrix elements into generalized form factors - contain both form factors and parton distributions:

$$\langle N(\rho') | \mathcal{O}_{\not{h}}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} | N(\rho) \rangle = \bar{u}(\rho') \left[ \sum_{\text{even}}^{n-1} \left( A_{ni}(q^2) \gamma^{\{\mu_1} + B_{ni}(q^2) \frac{i\sigma^{\{\mu_1 \alpha} q_\alpha}{2m} \right) q^{\mu_2} \dots q^{\mu_{i+1}} \bar{P}^{\mu_{i+2}} \dots \bar{P}^{\mu_n\}} \right. \\ \left. + \delta_{\text{even}}^n C_{n0}(q^2) \frac{1}{m} q^{\{\mu_1} \dots q^{\mu_n\}} \right] u(\rho)$$

And similarly for  $\mathcal{O}_{\not{h}\gamma_5}$  in terms of  $\tilde{A}_{ni}(q^2)$ ,  $\tilde{B}_{ni}(q^2)$  and  $\mathcal{O}_T$  in terms of  $A_{ni}^T$ ,  $B_{ni}^T$ ,  $C_{ni}^T$  and  $D_{ni}^T$

Special cases:

- $n = 1$ : ordinary nucleon form factors

$$A_{10}(q^2) = F_1(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx H(x, \xi, q^2), \quad B_{10}(q^2) = F_2(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx E(x, \xi, q^2) \\ \tilde{A}_{10}(q^2) = G_A(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx \tilde{H}(x, \xi, q^2), \quad \tilde{B}_{10}(q^2) = G_P(q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx \tilde{E}(x, \xi, q^2)$$

where

- ▶  $j_\mu = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \psi \implies \gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{2m} F_2(q^2)$   
The Dirac  $F_1$  and Pauli  $F_2$  are related to the electric and magnetic Sachs form factors:

$$G_E(q^2) = F_1(q^2) - \frac{q^2}{(2m)^2} F_2(q^2), \quad G_M(q^2) = F_1(q^2) + F_2(q^2)$$

- ▶  $j_\mu = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \frac{\tau^a}{2} \psi(x) \implies i \left[ \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 G_A(q^2) + \frac{q^\mu \gamma_5}{2m} G_P(q^2) \right] \frac{\tau^a}{2}$

- $A_{n0}(0)$ ,  $\tilde{A}_{n0}(0)$ ,  $A_{n0}^T(0)$  are moments of parton distributions, e.g.  $\langle x \rangle_q = A_{20}(0)$  and  $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta q} = \tilde{A}_{20}(0)$  are the spin independent and helicity distributions

→ can evaluate quark spin,  $J_q = \frac{1}{2} [A_{20}(0) + B_{20}(0)] = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma_q + L_q$

→ nucleon spin sum rule:  $\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma_q + L_q + J_g$ , momentum sum rule:  $\langle x \rangle_g = 1 - A_{20}(0)$

# Main issues

Issues to be addressed:

- Evaluation of three-point correlators and renormalization
- Choice of operators - avoid mixing, consider iso-vector operators → no disconnected contributions, [these are under consideration by a number of groups](#), e.g. Parallel 26: K. Takeda; M. Engelhardt; W. Freeman; Parallel 41: R. Brower; A. O' Cais; Poster Session: C. Collins
- Cut-off effects
- Finite volume effects
- Larger statistical noise:  
For nucleon  $\frac{\text{signal}}{\text{noise}} \sim \sqrt{N} e^{-(M_N - 3m_\pi)/2}$  require  $\mathcal{O}(10^3 - 10^4)$  for  $\sim 200$  MeV pions
- Chiral expansions - more involved as compared to the light meson case → Volume more difficult to assess  
⇒ **Extrapolation to physical point more demanding**

Focus on:

- Nucleon form factors and lower moments, dynamical simulations, pion mass  
 $m_\pi \lesssim 500$  MeV,  $L \gtrsim 2$  fm
- N- $\Delta$  system → determine complete set of coupling constants needed in chiral expansions

Other topics:

- Strange nucleon form factors
- Hyperon, Roper and nucleon negative parity form factors
- Distribution amplitudes and transverse momentum dependent PDF

→ Review by J. Zanotti, Lattice 2008

→ Parallel talks, *Hadronic Structure and Interactions*

# Main issues

Issues to be addressed:

- Evaluation of three-point correlators and renormalization
- Choice of operators - avoid mixing, consider iso-vector operators → no disconnected contributions, [these are under consideration by a number of groups](#), e.g. Parallel 26: K. Takeda; M. Engelhardt; W. Freeman; Parallel 41: R. Brower; A. O' Cais; Poster Session: C. Collins
- Cut-off effects
- Finite volume effects
- Larger statistical noise:  
For nucleon  $\frac{\text{signal}}{\text{noise}} \sim \sqrt{N} e^{-(M_N - 3m_\pi)/2}$  require  $\mathcal{O}(10^3 - 10^4)$  for  $\sim 200$  MeV pions
- Chiral expansions - more involved as compared to the light meson case → Volume more difficult to assess  
⇒ **Extrapolation to physical point more demanding**

Focus on:

- Nucleon form factors and lower moments, dynamical simulations, pion mass  
 $m_\pi \lesssim 500$  MeV,  $L \gtrsim 2$  fm
- N- $\Delta$  system → determine complete set of coupling constants needed in chiral expansions

Other topics:

- Strange nucleon form factors
- Hyperon, Roper and nucleon negative parity form factors
- Distribution amplitudes and transverse momentum dependent PDF

→ Review by J. Zanotti, Lattice 2008

→ Parallel talks, *Hadronic Structure and Interactions*

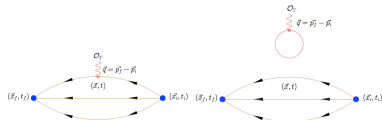


# Lattice evaluation

Evaluation of two-point and three-point functions

$$G(\vec{q}, t) = \sum_{\vec{x}_f} e^{-i\vec{x}_f \cdot \vec{q}} \Gamma_{\beta\alpha}^4 \langle J_\alpha(\vec{x}_f, t_f) \bar{J}_\beta(0) \rangle$$

$$G^{\mu\nu}(\Gamma, \vec{q}, t) = \sum_{\vec{x}_f, \vec{x}} e^{i\vec{x} \cdot \vec{q}} \Gamma_{\beta\alpha} \langle J_\alpha(\vec{x}_f, t_f) \mathcal{O}^{\mu\nu}(\vec{x}, t) \bar{J}_\beta(0) \rangle$$



Sequential inversion “through the sink” → fix sink-source separation  $t_f - t_i$ , final momentum  $\vec{p}_f = 0$ ,  $\Gamma$

Apply smearing techniques to improve ground state dominance in three-point correlators

**Ratios:** Leading time dependence cancels

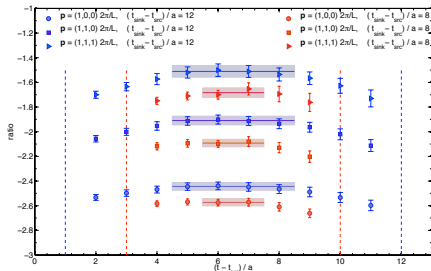
$$aE_{\text{eff}}(\vec{q}, t) = \ln [G(\vec{q}, t) / G(\vec{q}, t + a)]$$

$$\rightarrow aE(\vec{q})$$

$$R^{\mu\nu}(\Gamma, \vec{q}, t) = \frac{G^{\mu\nu}(\Gamma, \vec{q}, t)}{G(0, t_f)} \sqrt{\frac{G(\vec{p}_j, t_f - t) G(0, t) G(0, t_f)}{G(0, t_f - t) G(\vec{p}_j, t) G(\vec{p}_j, t_f)}}$$

$$\rightarrow \Pi^{\mu\nu}(\vec{q}, \Gamma)$$

Variational approach can lead to improved plateaux: B. Blossier *et al.*, (Alpha Collaboration), JHEP 0904 (2009)

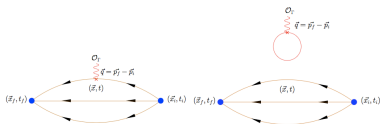


# Lattice evaluation

Evaluation of two-point and three-point functions

$$G(\vec{q}, t) = \sum_{\vec{x}_f} e^{-i\vec{x}_f \cdot \vec{q}} \Gamma_{\beta\alpha}^4 \langle J_\alpha(\vec{x}_f, t_f) \bar{J}_\beta(0) \rangle$$

$$G^{\mu\nu}(\Gamma, \vec{q}, t) = \sum_{\vec{x}_f, \vec{x}} e^{i\vec{x} \cdot \vec{q}} \Gamma_{\beta\alpha} \langle J_\alpha(\vec{x}_f, t_f) \mathcal{O}^{\mu\nu}(\vec{x}, t) \bar{J}_\beta(0) \rangle$$



Sequential inversion “through the sink” → fix sink-source separation  $t_f - t_i$ , final momentum  $\vec{p}_f = 0$ ,  $\Gamma$   
 Apply smearing techniques to improve ground state dominance in three-point correlators

**Ratios:** Leading time dependence cancels

$$aE_{\text{eff}}(\vec{q}, t) = \ln [G(\vec{q}, t)/G(\vec{q}, t + a)]$$

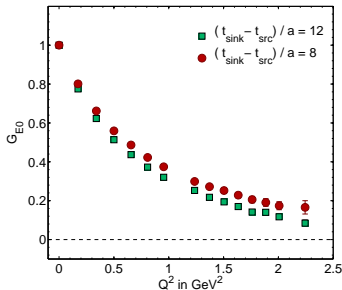
→  $aE(\vec{q})$

$$R^{\mu\nu}(\Gamma, \vec{q}, t) = \frac{G^{\mu\nu}(\Gamma, \vec{q}, t)}{G(\vec{0}, t_f)} \sqrt{\frac{G(\vec{p}_i, t_f - t)G(\vec{0}, t)G(\vec{0}, t_f)}{G(\vec{0}, t_f - t)G(\vec{p}_i, t)G(\vec{p}_i, t_f)}}$$

→  $\Pi^{\mu\nu}(\vec{q}, \Gamma)$

Variational approach can lead to improved plateaux:

→ extend to  $Q^2 \sim 4 \text{ GeV}^2$  H.-W. Lin *et al.*, arXiv:1005:0799 & S. Cohen, Parallel 01



Electric form factor →  $t_f - t_i > 1 \text{ fm}$   
 thanks T. Korzec

# Non-perturbative renormalization

Most collaborations use non-perturbative renormalization.

ETMC: RI'-MOM renormalization scheme as in e.g. M. Göckeler *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. B544,699

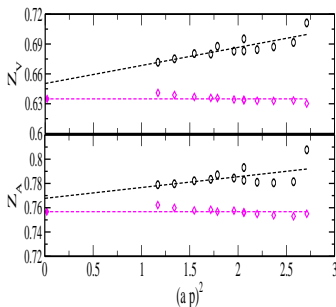
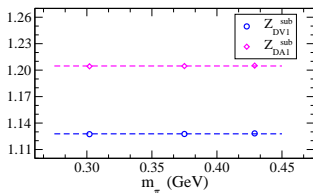
- Fix configurations to Landau gauge.

$$S^U(p) = \frac{a^8}{V} \sum_{x,y} e^{-ip(x-y)} \langle u(x)\bar{u}(y) \rangle$$

$$G(p) = \frac{a^{12}}{V} \sum_{x,y,z,z'} e^{-ip(x-y)} \langle u(x)\bar{u}(z)\mathcal{J}(z,z')d(z')\bar{d}(y) \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Amputated vertex functions } \Gamma(p) = (S^U(p))^{-1} G(p) (S^d(p))^{-1}$$

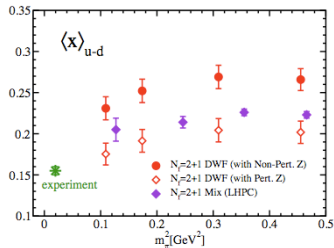
- Renormalization functions:  $Z_q$  and  $Z_O$
- Mass independent renormalization scheme  $\rightarrow$  need chiral extrapolations
- Subtract  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$  perturbatively, M. Constantinou, Parallel 08



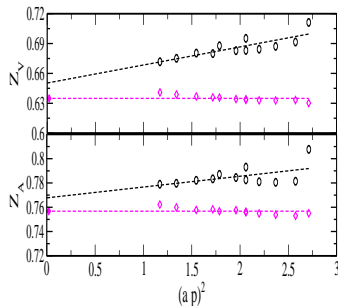
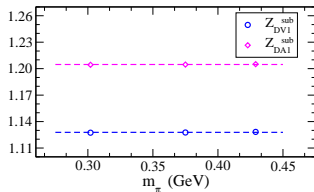
# Non-perturbative renormalization

Most collaborations use non-perturbative renormalization.

- RBC-UKQCD: Also uses a RI'-MOM renormalization scheme but with momentum independent source, [Y. Aoki \*et al.\* arXiv:1003.3387](#)

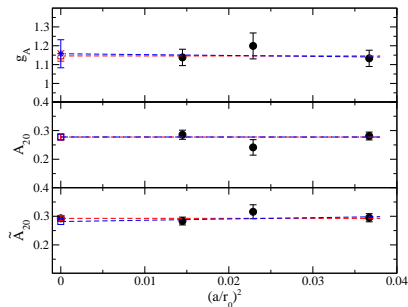


Similarly for  $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta u - \Delta d} \rightarrow$  non-perturbative renormalization may explain the lower values observed by LHPC



# Cut-off effects

- Nucleon axial charge  $g_A$ , momentum fraction  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d} = A_{20}$  and helicity fraction  $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta u - \Delta d} = \tilde{A}_{20}$   
Calculated directly at  $Q^2 = 0$  requiring no fits
- Nucleon isovector anomalous magnetic moment  $\kappa_V$ , Dirac and Pauli radii  
Require fits to electromagnetic form factors

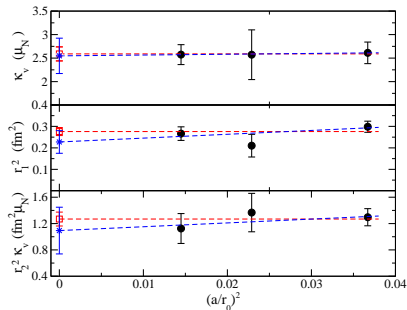
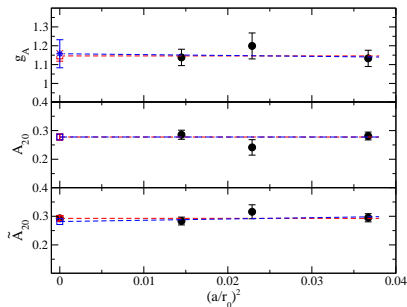


⇒ Linear fits consistent with a constant

Cut-off effects small for  $a < 0.1$  fm ⇒ use continuum chiral PT results

# Cut-off effects

- Nucleon axial charge  $g_A$ , momentum fraction  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d} = A_{20}$  and helicity fraction  $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta u - \Delta d} = \tilde{A}_{20}$   
 Calculated directly at  $Q^2 = 0$  requiring no fits
- Nucleon isovector anomalous magnetic moment  $\kappa_V$ , Dirac and Pauli radii  
 Require fits to electromagnetic form factors

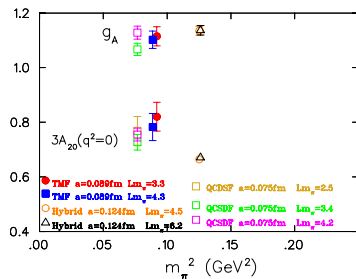


⇒ Linear fits consistent with a constant

Cut-off effects small for  $a < 0.1$  fm ⇒ use continuum chiral PT results

# Finite volume corrections

Compare results at different volume e.g. for  $g_A$ ,  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$

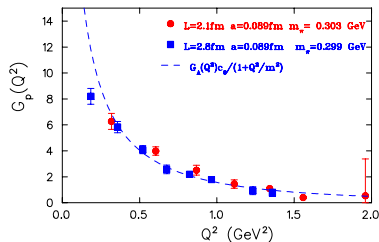
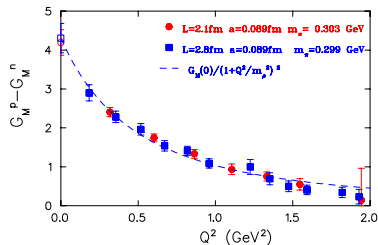
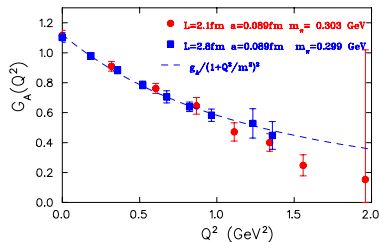
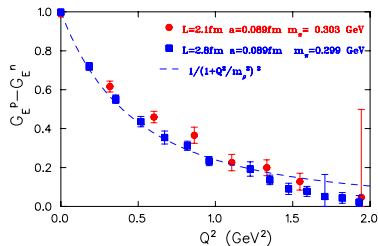


⇒ Negligible volume effects on  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$  for  $Lm_\pi \gtrsim 3.3$ .

⇒ Negligible volume effects on  $g_A$  for  $Lm_\pi \gtrsim 4.3$

- Accurate lattice data by LHPC using a hybrid action at  $\sim 350$  MeV pions,  $Lm_\pi = 4.3$  and  $Lm_\pi = 6.2$  show no significant volume effects for both  $g_A$  and  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$ .
- TMF results at  $\sim 300$  MeV,  $Lm_\pi = 3.3$  and  $Lm_\pi = 4.3$  within statistical errors .
- QCDSF results for  $g_A$  at  $m_\pi \sim 270$  MeV for  $Lm_\pi = 3.4$  about a standard deviation lower than at  $Lm_\pi = 4.2$ . For  $\langle x \rangle_{u-d}$  no volume correction even for  $Lm_\pi = 2.5$
- RBC-UKQCD results with DWF also show no statistically significant volume effects for  $Lm_\pi \gtrsim 4$ , Y. Aoki *et al.*, arXiv:1003:3387.

# Finite volume dependence



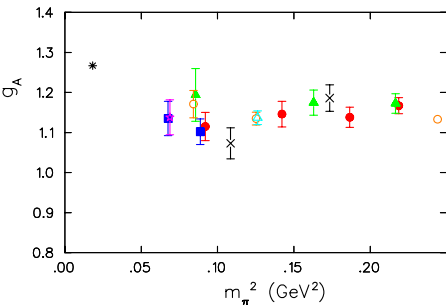
$G_E$  and  $G_M$ : dipole with the  $\rho$ -mass describes well the data

Induced pseudoscalar  $G_P$  affected by finite volume at low  $Q^2$ -due to the pion pole behaviour.



# Physical results on nucleon form factors

Axial charge is well known experimentally



- Agreement among recent lattice results - all use non-perturbative  $Z_A$
- Weak light quark mass dependence
- What can we say about the physical value of  $g_A$ ?
- Extrapolation of ETMC results in the range 260-500 MeV still yield large uncertainties and underestimate  $g_A$ .

Results shown are from:

- $N_F = 2$  twisted mass fermions, ETMC, C.A. *et al.* PoS LAT2009, 145; S. Dinter, Parallel 02
- $N_F = 2 + 1$  Domain wall fermions, RBC-UKQCD, T. Yamazaki *et al.*, PRD 79, 14505 (2009)
- $N_F = 2 + 1$  hybrid action, LHPC, J. D. Bratt *et al.*, arXiv:1001.3620

New results:

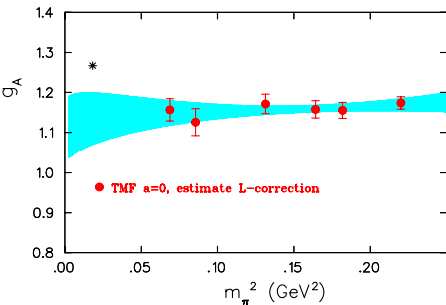
- $N_F = 2$  Clover, QCDSF, D. Pleiter; CLS, B. Knippschild, Parallel 01
- $N_F = 2 + 1$  DWF, RBC-UKQCD, S. Ohta, Parallel 02

△ axial charge can be extracted from lattice

→ Study  $N_c \Delta$  system to extract axial charges → perform global fits

# Physical results on nucleon form factors

Axial charge is well known experimentally



- Agreement among recent lattice results - all use non-perturbative  $Z_A$
- Weak light quark mass dependence
- What can we say about the physical value of  $g_A$ ?
- Extrapolation of ETMC results in the range 260-500 MeV still yield large uncertainties and underestimate  $g_A$ .

Results shown are from:

- $N_F = 2$  twisted mass fermions, ETMC, C.A. *et al.* PoS LAT2009, 145; S. Dinter, Parallel 02
- $N_F = 2 + 1$  Domain wall fermions, RBC-UKQCD, T. Yamazaki *et al.*, PRD 79, 14505 (2009)
- $N_F = 2 + 1$  hybrid action, LHPC, J. D. Bratt *et al.*, arXiv:1001.3620

$\Delta$  axial charge can be extracted from lattice

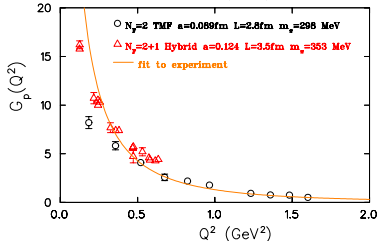
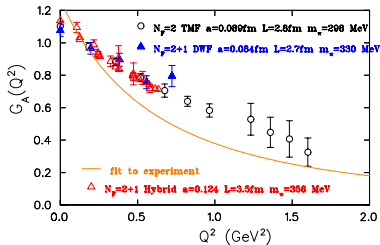
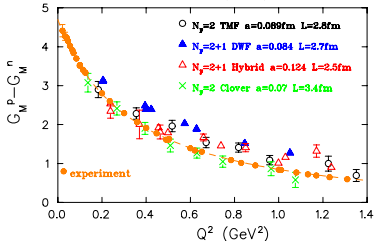
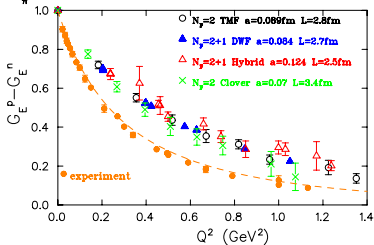
$\Rightarrow$  Study  $N$ - $\Delta$  system to extract axial charges  $\rightarrow$  perform global fits.

In a similar spirit, determination of the axial charges for other octet baryons to provide input for  $\chi$ PT, H.-W. Lin and K. Orginos, PRD 79, 034507 (2009); J. Zanotti, Parallel 01.

# Results on nucleon form factors

Nucleon electromagnetic and axial form factors

$m_\pi \sim 300$  MeV



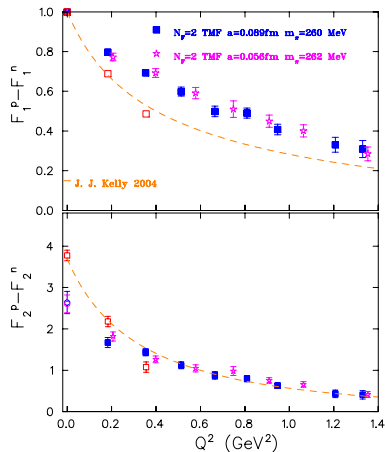
Results from ETMC (arXiv:0910.3309), LHPC using DWF (S. N. Syritsyn, PRD 81, 034507 (2010)) and a hybrid action (J. D. Bratt *et al.*, arXiv:1001:3620), and from CLS using Clover, (H. Wittig)

Can we get results at physical point?

# Chiral extrapolation of electromagnetic form factors

As for  $g_A$  to get an idea use SSE to one-loop, T. R. Hemmert and W. Weise, Eur. Phys. J. A **15**,487 (2002); M. Gockeler *et al.*, PRD **71**, 034508 (2005).

Fit  $F_1(m_\pi, Q^2)$  and  $F_2(m_\pi, Q^2)$  with 5 parameters:  $\kappa_V^0$ , the isovector and axial N to  $\Delta$  couplings and two counterterms

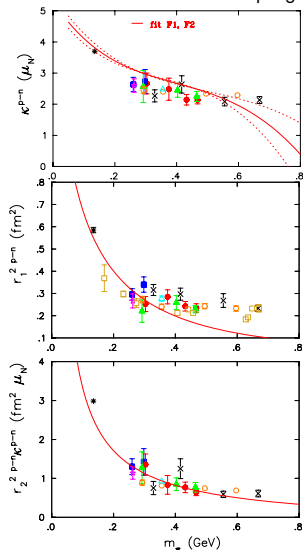
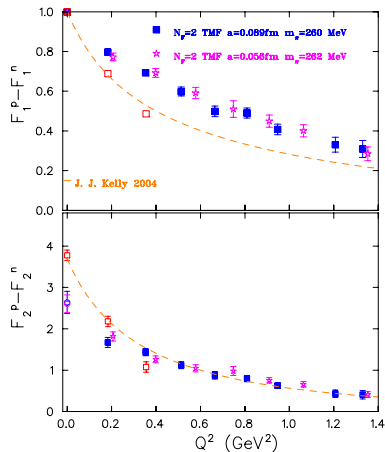


→ need smaller  $Q^2$ . Use twisted b.c.? Need to understand finite volume corrections, Ph. Hagler, (QCDSF) PoS LAT2008, 138.

# Chiral extrapolation of electromagnetic form factors

As for  $g_A$  to get an idea use SSE to one-loop, T. R. Hemmert and W. Weise, Eur. Phys. J. A **15**,487 (2002); M. Gockeler *et al.*, PRD **71**, 034508 (2005).

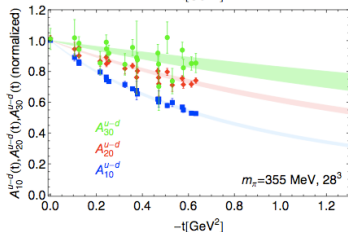
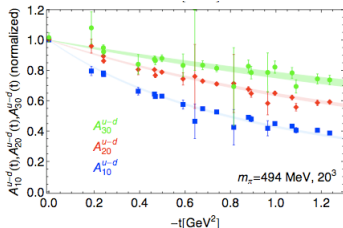
Fit  $F_1(m_\pi, Q^2)$  and  $F_2(m_\pi, Q^2)$  with 5 parameters:  $\kappa_V^0$ , the isovector and axial N to  $\Delta$  couplings and two counterterms



# Results on nucleon generalized form factors

Generalized form factors:  $\bar{u}\gamma_{\{\mu}\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}u - \bar{d}\gamma_{\{\mu}\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}d$

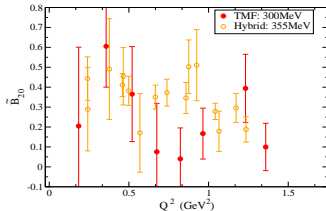
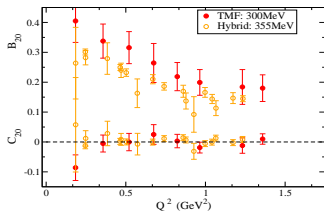
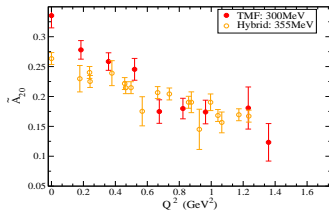
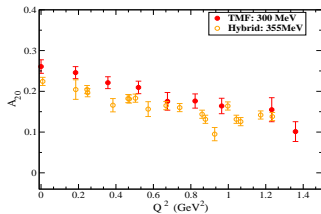
- Results given in the  $\overline{MS}$  scheme at  $\mu = 2$  GeV
- As  $n$  increases slope of  $A_{n0}(-q_{\perp}^2)$  decreases, LHPC, J. D. Bratt *et al.*, arXiv:1001:3620



# Results on nucleon generalized form factors

Generalized form factors  $\bar{u}\gamma_{\{\mu}\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}u - \bar{d}\gamma_{\{\mu}\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}d$  and  $\bar{u}\gamma_{\{\mu}\gamma_5\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}u - \bar{d}\gamma_{\{\mu}\gamma_5\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}d$

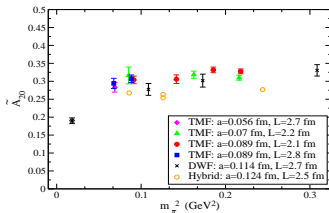
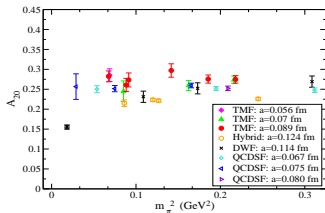
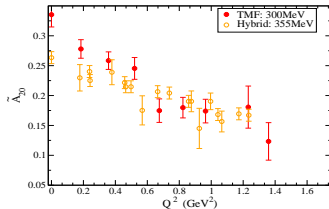
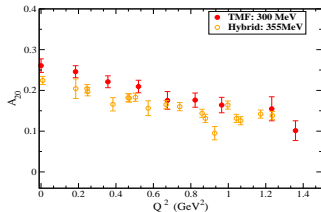
- Results given in the  $\overline{MS}$  scheme at  $\mu = 2$  GeV
- ETMC: use non-perturbative renormalization constants with  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$  terms subtracted perturbatively



# Results on nucleon generalized form factors

Generalized form factors  $\bar{u}\gamma_{\{\mu}\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}u - \bar{d}\gamma_{\{\mu}\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}d$  and  $\bar{u}\gamma_{\{\mu}\gamma_5\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}u - \bar{d}\gamma_{\{\mu}\gamma_5\overleftrightarrow{D}_{\nu\}}d$

- Results given in the  $\overline{MS}$  scheme at  $\mu = 2$  GeV
- ETMC: use non-perturbative renormalization constants with  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$  terms subtracted perturbatively



Can we get results at physical point?



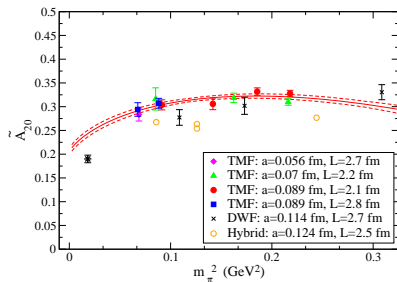
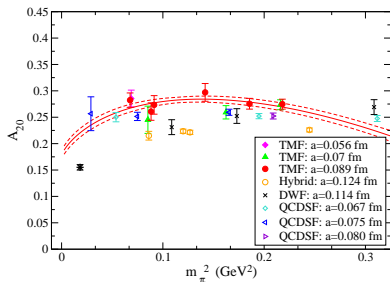
# Chiral extrapolation of $A_{20}$ and $\tilde{A}_{20}$

HB $\chi$ PT for  $A_{20}$  and  $\tilde{A}_{20}$ , D. Arndt, M. Savage, NPA 697, 429 (2002); W. Detmold, W Melnitchouk, A. Thomas, PRD 66, 054501 (2002)

Fit ETMC results with scale  $\mu^2 = 1 \text{ GeV}^2$

$$\langle x \rangle_{u-d} = C \left[ 1 - \frac{3g_A^2 + 1}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2} m_\pi^2 \ln \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right] + \frac{c_8(\mu^2) m_\pi^2}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2}$$

$$\langle x \rangle_{\Delta u - \Delta d} = \tilde{C} \left[ 1 - \frac{2g_A^2 + 1}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2} m_\pi^2 \ln \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right] + \frac{\tilde{c}_8(\mu^2) m_\pi^2}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2}$$

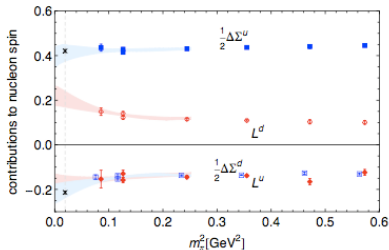
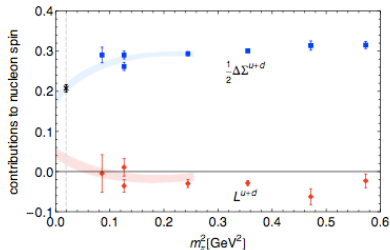
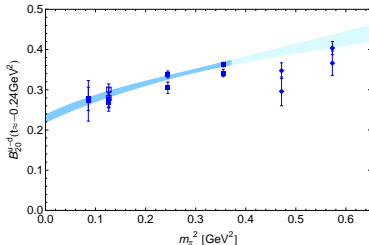
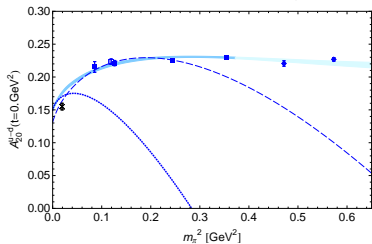


# Chiral extrapolation of $A_{20}$ and $B_{20}$

$\mathcal{O}(p^2)$  in CB $\chi$ PT for vector, M. Dorati, T. Gail, T. Hemmert, NPA798, 96 (2008)

A combined fit to  $A_{20}$ ,  $B_{20}$  and  $C_{20}$  is carried out. The mass of the nucleon at the chiral limit is used as input.

→ LHPC obtains a value for  $A_{20}$  in agreement with physical value, J. D. Bratt *et al.*, arXiv:1001.3620



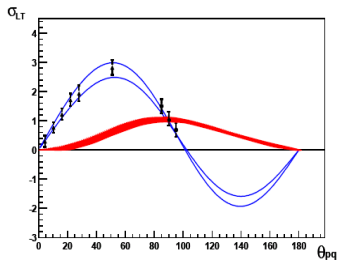
Disconnected contributions neglected

$$N\gamma^* \rightarrow \Delta$$

$$\langle \Delta(p', s') | j_\mu | N(p, s) \rangle = i\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{m_\Delta m_N}{E_\Delta(p') E_N(p)} \right)^{1/2} \bar{u}_\sigma(p', s') \left[ \mathcal{G}_{M1}^*(q^2) K_{M1}^{\sigma\mu} + \mathcal{G}_{E2}^*(q^2) K_{E2}^{\sigma\mu} + \mathcal{G}_{C2}^*(q^2) K_{C2}^{\sigma\mu} \right] u(p, s)$$

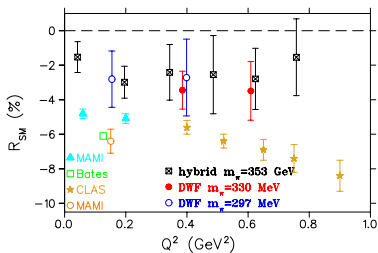
D. B. Leinweber, T. Draper, and R. M. Woloshyn, PRD **48**, 2230 (1993)

- Extensive experimental program to measure the subdominant quadrupole form factors  $\mathcal{G}_{E2}^*(q^2)$  and  $\mathcal{G}_{C2}^*(q^2) \rightarrow$  probe deformation.
- Extraction possible by constructing optimized sources that isolate  $\mathcal{G}_{E2}^*$  and  $\mathcal{G}_{C2}^*$ .
- Use a hybrid action and  $N_F = 2 + 1$  DWF, provided by RBC-UKQCD for LHPC  $\Rightarrow$  lattice results confirm non-zero values



The transverse-longitudinal response function  $\sigma_{LT}$  vs c.m. angle between  $p$  and  $\gamma^*$  (from MAMI and Bates)

C.A., G. Koutsou, J. W. Negele, A. O' Cais, Y. Proestos, A. Tsapalis, arXiv:0910.5617

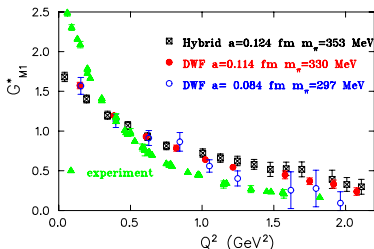


$$N\gamma^* \rightarrow \Delta$$

$$\langle \Delta(p', s') | j_{\mu} | N(p, s) \rangle = i\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{m_{\Delta} m_N}{E_{\Delta}(p') E_N(p)} \right)^{1/2} \bar{u}_{\sigma}(p', s') \left[ \mathcal{G}_{M1}^*(q^2) \mathcal{K}_{M1}^{\sigma\mu} + \mathcal{G}_{E2}^*(q^2) \mathcal{K}_{E2}^{\sigma\mu} + \mathcal{G}_{C2}^*(q^2) \mathcal{K}_{C2}^{\sigma\mu} \right] u(p, s)$$

D. B. Leinweber, T. Draper, and R. M. Woloshyn, PRD **48**, 2230 (1993)

- Extensive experimental program to measure the subdominant quadrupole form factors  $\mathcal{G}_{E2}^*(q^2)$  and  $\mathcal{G}_{C2}^*(q^2) \rightarrow$  probe deformation.
- Extraction possible by constructing optimized sources that isolate  $\mathcal{G}_{E2}^*$  and  $\mathcal{G}_{C2}^*$ .
- Use a hybrid action and  $N_F = 2 + 1$  DWF, provided by RBC-UKQCD for LHPC  $\Rightarrow$  lattice results confirm non-zero values

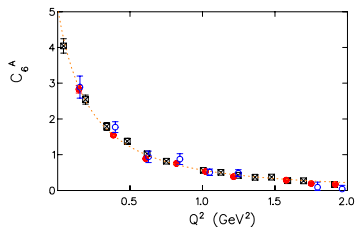
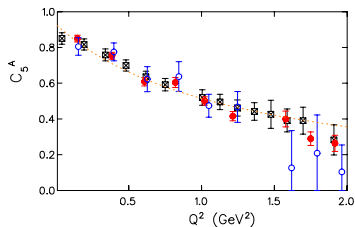


C.A., G. Koutsou, J. W. Negele, A. O' Cais, Y. Proestos, A. Tsapalis, arXiv:0910.5617

# Axial vector $N$ to $\Delta$ form factors

$$\langle \Delta(p', s') | A_\mu^3 | N(p, s) \rangle = i \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{m_\Delta m_N}{E_\Delta(p') E_N(p)} \right)^{1/2} \bar{u}^\lambda(p', s') \left[ \left( \frac{C_3^A}{m_N} \gamma^\nu + \frac{C_4^A}{m_N^2} p'^\nu \right) (g_{\lambda\nu} g_{\rho\mu} - g_{\lambda\rho} g_{\mu\nu}) q^\rho + C_5^A g_{\lambda\mu} + \frac{C_6^A}{m_N^2} q_\lambda q_\mu \right] u(p, s)$$

- Use a hybrid action and  $N_F = 2 + 1$  DWF, provided by RBC-UKQCD for LHPC
- $C_5^A$  is the equivalent of the nucleon  $G_A$  and  $C_6^A$  of the  $G_P$  showing a pion pole behavior.



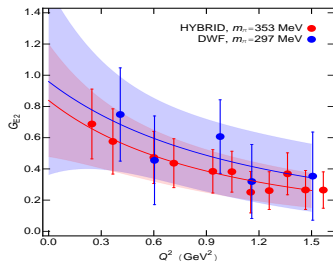
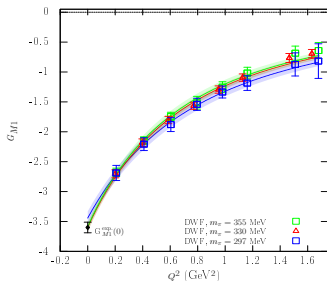
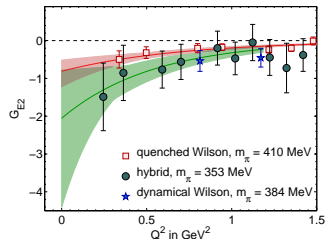
C.A. G. Koutsou, J. W. Negele, A. O' Cais, Y. Proestos, A. Tsapalis, arXiv:0910.5617

# $\Delta$ electromagnetic form factors

$$\langle \Delta(p', s') | j^\mu(0) | \Delta(p, s) \rangle = -\bar{u}_\alpha(p', s') \left\{ \left[ F_1^*(Q^2) g^{\alpha\beta} + F_3^*(Q^2) \frac{q^\alpha q^\beta}{(2M_\Delta)^2} \right] \gamma^\mu + \left[ F_2^*(Q^2) g^{\alpha\beta} + F_4^*(Q^2) \frac{q^\alpha q^\beta}{(2M_\Delta)^2} \right] \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2M_\Delta} \right\} u_\beta(p, s)$$

with e.g. the quadrupole form factor given by:  $G_{E2} = (F_1^* - \tau F_2^*) - \frac{1}{2}(1 + \tau)(F_3^* - \tau F_4^*)$ , where  $\tau \equiv Q^2 / (4M_\Delta^2)$

- Construct an optimized source to isolate  $G_{E2} \rightarrow$  additional sequential propagators needed.
- Neglect disconnected contributions in this evaluation.
- Similarly we can calculate the electromagnetic form factors of the  $\Omega^- \rightarrow$  very weak light quark dependence  $\rightarrow$  can get physical results directly, e.g. magnetic moment agrees with experiment



# $\Delta$ electromagnetic form factors

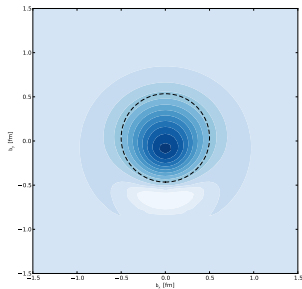
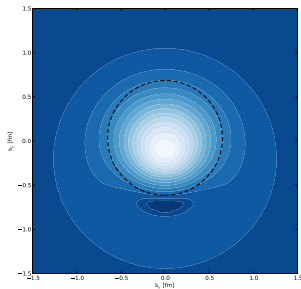
$$\langle \Delta(p', s') | j^\mu(0) | \Delta(p, s) \rangle = -\bar{u}_\alpha(p', s') \left\{ \left[ F_1^*(Q^2) g^{\alpha\beta} + F_3^*(Q^2) \frac{q^\alpha q^\beta}{(2M_\Delta)^2} \right] \gamma^\mu + \left[ F_2^*(Q^2) g^{\alpha\beta} + F_4^*(Q^2) \frac{q^\alpha q^\beta}{(2M_\Delta)^2} \right] \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2M_\Delta} \right\} u_\beta(p, s)$$

with e.g. the quadrupole form factor given by:  $G_{E2} = (F_1^* - \tau F_2^*) - \frac{1}{2}(1 + \tau)(F_3^* - \tau F_4^*)$ , where  $\tau \equiv Q^2/(4M_\Delta^2)$

Transverse charge density of a  $\Delta$ , polarized along the x-axis can be defined in the infinite momentum frame:

$$\rightarrow \rho_{T\frac{3}{2}}^\Delta(\vec{b}) \text{ and } \rho_{T\frac{1}{2}}^\Delta(\vec{b}) \equiv \int \frac{d^2\vec{q}_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-i\vec{q}_\perp \cdot \vec{b}} \frac{1}{2P^+} \langle P^+, \frac{\vec{q}_\perp}{2}, s_\perp | J^+ | P^+, \frac{-\vec{q}_\perp}{2}, s_\perp \rangle,$$

Using  $G_{E2}$  we can predict 'shape' of  $\Delta$  and  $\Omega^-$ .



$\Delta$  with spin 3/2 projection elongated along spin axis compared to the  $\Omega^-$

C. A., T. Korzec, G. Koutsou, C. Lorcé, J. W. Negele, V. Pascalutsa, A. Tsapalis, M. Vanderhaeghen, NPA825 ,115 (2009).

- Axial FFs, E. Gregory, Parallel 01

# Conclusions

- Nucleon form factors provide a benchmark for lattice QCD beyond hadron masses.  
Most collaborations obtain results up to about  $Q^2 = 1.5 - 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ .  
Need results at both lower  $Q^2 \rightarrow$  extract radii and magnetic moments and higher  $Q^2$
- Cut-off effects small for  $a \lesssim 0.1 \text{ fm}$
- Finite volume corrections difficult to assess  
Within current statistical errors of  $\sim 3\%$  results on  $G_E, G_M, G_A, \langle x \rangle_q$  and  $\langle x \rangle_{\Delta q}$  are consistent for  
 $Lm_\pi \gtrsim 3.5 \rightarrow Lm_\pi = 4$   
Finite volume corrections significant for  $G_p$
- Make a lattice determination of a number of couplings used as input in chiral extrapolations  $\rightarrow$  will enable global fits to e.g.  $N - \Delta$  system
- Hadron 'shape' can be investigated using input from lattice form factors as demonstrated for  $\Delta$  and  $\Omega$   
 $\rightarrow$  explore GPDs that yield more detailed information on both longitudinal and transverse distributions



**Thank you for your attention**