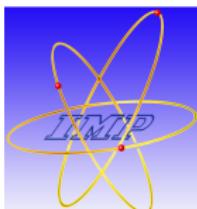


# Basis Light-Front Quantization Approach to Nucleon



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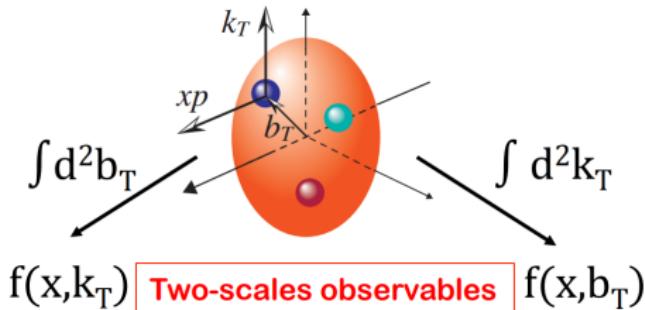
# What could we learn about nucleon structure?

Momentum

Space

TMDs

Confined motion



Coordinate

Space

GPDs

Spatial distribution

$W(x, b_T, k_T)$   
Wigner distributions

$$\int d^2 b_T$$

$$f(x, k_T)$$

transverse momentum  
distributions (TMDs)  
semi-inclusive processes

$$\int d^2 k_T$$

$$f(x, b_T)$$

impact parameter  
distributions

Fourier trf.

$$b_T \leftrightarrow \Delta$$

$$H(x, 0, t)$$

$$t = -\Delta^2$$

$$\xi = 0$$

$$H(x, \xi, t)$$

generalized parton  
distributions (GPDs)  
exclusive processes

$$\int d^2 k_T$$

$$\int d^2 b_T$$

$$f(x)$$

parton densities  
inclusive and semi-inclusive processes

$$\int dx$$

$F_1(t)$   
form factors  
elastic scattering

$$\int dx x^{n-1}$$

$A_{n,0}(t) + 4\xi^2 A_{n,2}(t) + \dots$   
generalized form  
factors  
lattice calculations

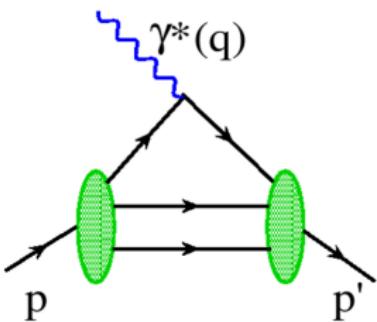
# Nucleon Form Factors

- Elastic electron scattering established the extended nature of the proton, proton radius: 0.77 fm.

[R. Hofstadter, Nobel Prize 1961]

- The electromagnetic form factor can be probed through elastic scattering

$$\langle N(p') | J^\mu(0) | N(p) \rangle = \bar{u}(p') [ \gamma^\mu \underbrace{F_1(q^2)}_{\text{orange}} + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}}{2m_N} q_\nu \underbrace{F_2(q^2)}_{\text{orange}} ] u(p)$$



The Fourier transform of the form factors provide the (*charge and magnetization distribution*).

**Charge density**



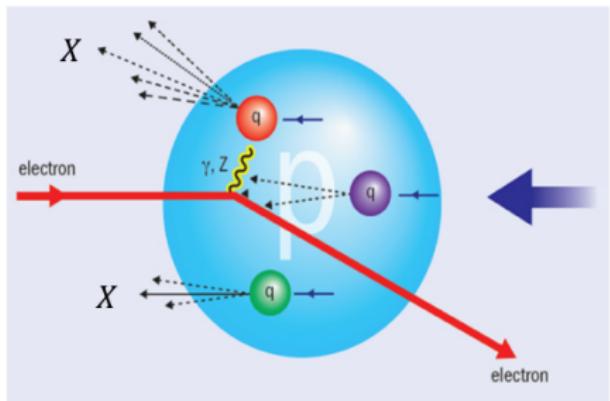
$$\rho(\vec{b}_\perp) = \int \frac{dQ}{2\pi} Q J_0(Q b_\perp) F_1(Q^2)$$

- FFs do not provide dynamical information (*angular momentum !!*)

# Parton distribution functions (PDFs)

## ➤ Deep Inelastic Scattering (SLAC 1968)

$$e(p) + h(P) = e'(p') + X(P')$$

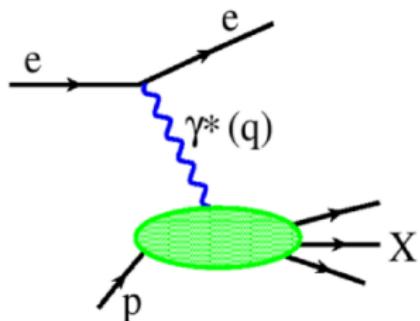


❖ Localized probe:

$$Q^2 = -(p - p')^2 \gg 1 \text{ fm}^{-2}$$

➡  $\frac{1}{Q} \ll 1 \text{ fm}$

Discovery of spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  quarks and partonic structure



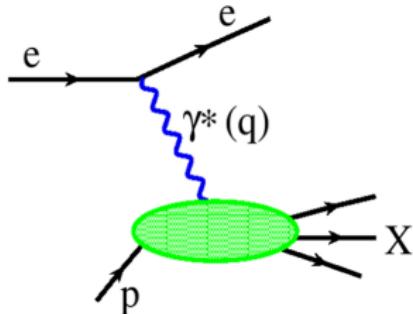
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# Parton distribution functions (PDFs)

- Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS) discovered the existence of quasi-free point-like objects (quarks) inside the nucleon.  
[Friedman, Kendall, Taylor Nobel Prize 1990]
- Parton distribution functions (PDFs) are extracted from DIS processes.

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{q(x)}_{=} &= \frac{p^+}{4\pi} \int dy^- e^{ixp^+y^-} \\ &\times \langle p | \underbrace{\bar{\psi}_q(0)\mathcal{O}\psi_q(y)}_{y^+=\vec{y}_\perp=0} | p \rangle \end{aligned}$$



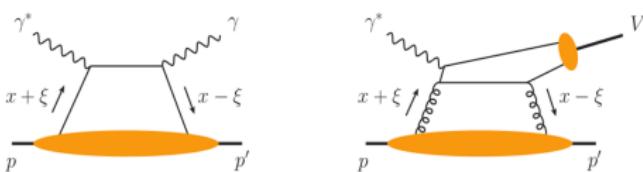
PDFs encode the distribution of longitudinal momentum and polarization carried by the constituents

- Missing information: The PDFs provide no knowledge of spatial locations of parton !!

# Generalized parton distribution functions (GPDs)

- GPDs appear in the *exclusive processes* like deeply virtual Compton scattering (DVCS) or vector meson productions.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \frac{dz^-}{8\pi} e^{ixP^+z^-/2} \langle P' | \bar{\Psi}(0) \gamma^+ \Psi(z^-) | P \rangle |_{z^+=0, z^\perp=0} \\ &= \frac{1}{2P^+} \left( H^q(x, \zeta, t) \bar{u}(P') \gamma^+ u(P) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + E^q(x, \zeta, t) \bar{u}(P') \frac{i\sigma^{+j}(-\Delta_j)}{2M} u(P) \right), \end{aligned}$$



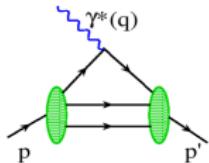
GPDs provide information about the *3D spatial structure of nucleon* as well as *spin and angular momentum* of the constituents

- *Longitudinal momentum fraction*  $x = \frac{k^+}{p^+}$
- *Longitudinal momentum transfer* -->  
*skewness*  $\xi = \frac{\Delta^+}{P^+}$
- *Square of total mom transfer*  
 $t = \Delta^2 = (P' - P)^2$

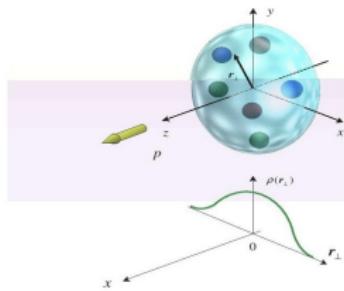
- Many activities are going on (COMPASS, HERMES, ZEUS, JLAB etc.) to gain insight into GPDs

# Form Factors Vs PDFs Vs GPDs

## Elastic Scattering

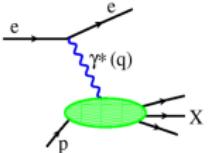


Established extended nature of nucleon

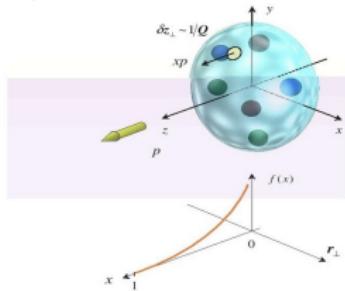


charge and magnetization distribution

## Deep Inelastic Scattering

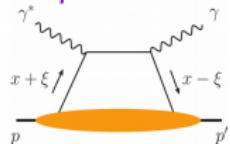


discovered the existence (quarks) inside the nucleon

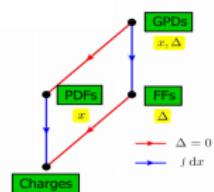
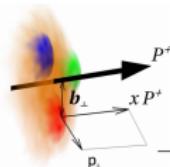
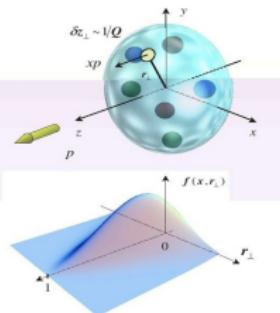


longitudinal momentum distribution

## Deeply virtual Compton Scattering



provides 3D spatial structure of the nucleon



# Basis Light-Front Quantization (BLFQ)

J. Vary *et. al.*, PRC 81 (2010)

BLFQ: approach for solving quantum field theory



- **Nonperturbative:**  
for systems with strong interaction
- **First-principles:**  
effective Hamiltonian as input/ direct access  
to wavefunction of bound states
- **Light-front dynamics:**  
spectrum and light-front  
Fock-state wavefunctions  
are obtained from

$$H_{LF}|\psi\rangle = M^2|\psi\rangle$$

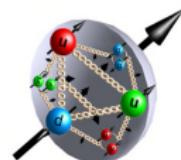
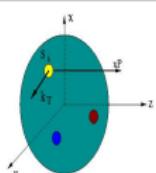
$$H_{LF} \equiv P_\mu P^\mu = P^+ P^- - \mathbf{P}_\perp^2$$

$$P^\pm = P^0 \pm P^3$$

LF wavefunctions

Proton 3D imaging

Proton spin



FF

GPD

TMD...

# General Procedure for BLFQ discussed by X. Zhao

- ✓ Construct the basis state:  $|\alpha\rangle$
- ✓ Derive/write the Light-Front Hamiltonian:  $P^-$
- ✓ Calculate Hamiltonian matrix elements:  $\langle\alpha'|P^-|\alpha\rangle$
- ✓ Diagonalize the Hamiltonian:  $P^-|\beta\rangle = P_\beta^-|\beta\rangle$
- ✓ Evaluate the observables  $\mathcal{O} \equiv \langle\beta|\hat{\mathcal{O}}|\beta\rangle$

## Previous application (QCD)

- In heavy quarkonium: decay constant, elastic form factor, radii, radiative transitions, distribution amplitude, GPDs

—Y Li, G Chen, X Zhao, P Maris, J Vary, L Adhikari, M Li, A El-Hady (2016 - 2018)

## Previous application (QED)

- electron anomalous magnetic moments
- wave function, spectroscopy of positronium system
- GPDs of the electron and positronium

—X. Zhao, P. Wiecki, Y. Li, H. Honkanen, D. Chakrabarti, P. Maris, J. P. Vary, S. J. Brodsky (2013 - 2018)

# Basis construction

## □ Example: the basis state of proton

### ■ Fock's space expansion

$$|N\rangle_{\text{baryon}} = a|qqq\rangle + b|qqqg\rangle + c|qqq\bar{q}\rangle + \dots.$$

### ■ For each Fock particle

- ✓ For each quark:  $n_q, m_q, k_q, \lambda_q = (\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})$
- ✓ For each gluon:  $n_g, m_g, k_g, \lambda_g = (1, -1)$

### ■ For the first Fock sector:

$$|qqq\rangle = |n_{q_1}, m_{q_1}, k_{q_1}, \lambda_{q_1}\rangle \otimes |n_{q_2}, m_{q_2}, k_{q_2}, \lambda_{q_2}\rangle \otimes |n_{q_3}, m_{q_3}, k_{q_3}, \lambda_{q_3}\rangle.$$

## □ Truncation of the basis

### ■ Fock sector truncation

### ■ For each Fock sector:

- ✓ “ $K_{max}$ ” truncation in the longitudinal direction:  $\sum_i k_i = K_{max}$
- ✓ “ $N_{max}$ ” in the transverse direction:  $\sum_i (2n_i + |m_i| + 1) \leq N_{max}$

# Basis construction: quantum numbers

- **Longitudinal direction:** plane-wave basis
  - ✓ discrete longitudinal momentum (labeled by  $k$ ):  $p^+ = \frac{2\pi}{L} k$
- **Transverse:** ✓ 2D harmonic oscillator basis (labeled by  $n, m$ )

$$\phi_{n,m}^b(p_\perp) = \frac{1}{b\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\frac{n!}{(n + |m|)!}} e^{-\frac{p^2}{2b^2}} e^{-im\phi} \left(\frac{p}{b}\right)^{|m|} L_n^{|m|} \left(\frac{p^2}{b^2}\right) \begin{cases} b \equiv \sqrt{M\Omega} \\ p = \sqrt{p_1^2 + p_2^2} \end{cases}$$

- For the leading Fock sector:

$$|qqq\rangle = |n_{q_1}, m_{q_1}, k_{q_1}, \lambda_{q_1}\rangle \otimes |n_{q_2}, m_{q_2}, k_{q_2}, \lambda_{q_2}\rangle \otimes |n_{q_3}, m_{q_3}, k_{q_3}, \lambda_{q_3}\rangle.$$

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# Effective Hamiltonian

$$H_{eff} = \underbrace{\sum_a \frac{k_{a\perp}^2 + m_a^2}{x_a}}_{\text{LF Kinetic energy}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,b} V_{ab}^{(CON)}}_{\text{Confinement}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{a,b} V_{ab}^{(OGE)}}_{\text{One gluon exchange}}$$

- Light-Front kinetic energy
- Confinement in transverse direction  $\Rightarrow V_{ab}^{(SW)} = \kappa_T^4 x_a x_b (r_{a\perp} - r_{b\perp})^2$  inspired by Light-Front holography

— Brodsky, Teramond (2006)

- Longitudinal confinement  $\Rightarrow V_{ab}^{(L)} = \frac{\kappa_L^4}{(m_a + m_b)^2} \partial_{x_a} (x_a x_b \partial_{x_b})$ 
  - ✓ reduce to harmonic oscillator potential at non-relativistic limit

— Y Li, X Zhao, P Maris, J Vary (2016)

- $V_{ab}^{(OGE)} = f \frac{4\pi\alpha_s(Q_{ab}^2)}{Q_{ab}^2} \bar{u}_{s'_a}(k'_a) \gamma^\mu u_{s_a}(k_a) \bar{u}_{s'_b}(k'_b) \gamma^\nu u_{s_b}(k_b) g_{\mu\nu}$ 
  - ✓ introduce short distance physics with spin structure
  - ✓ provides the  $P$ -wave WFs, essential to generate the Pauli-FF

# Effective Light-front Hamiltonian

$$P_{baryon}^- = H_{K.E.} + H_{trans} + H_{longi} + H_{OGE}$$

$$H_{K.E.} = \sum_i \frac{p_i^2 + m_q^2}{p_i^+} \quad m_u = 0.3\text{GeV}, m_d = 0.301\text{GeV}$$

$$H_{trans} \sim \kappa_T^4 b^4 \zeta^2 \quad \text{-- Brodsky, Teramond arXiv: 1203.4025}$$

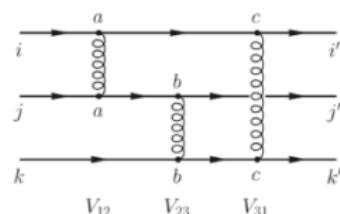
$$H_{longi} = - \sum_{ij} \kappa_L^4 b^4 \partial_{x_i} \left( x_i x_j \partial_{x_j} \right) \quad \text{---Y Li, X Zhao , P Maris , J Vary PLB 758(2016)}$$

$$H_{OGE} = - \frac{C_F 4\pi \alpha_s(Q^2)}{Q^2} \sum_{i,j(i < j)} \bar{u}_{s'_i}(k'_i) \gamma^\mu u_{s_i}(k_i) \bar{u}_{s'_j}(k'_j) \gamma_\mu u_{s_j}(k_j)$$

$$\text{Infrared cut off : } m_g = 0.01 \text{ GeV}, C_F = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$|P_{baryon}\rangle = |\textcolor{red}{qqq}\rangle + |qqqg\rangle + |qqq q\bar{q}\rangle + \dots$$

Although we truncate to the leading Fock sector, we can solve the baryon system with multi-particle (at least three particle).



# Wave-function production

- Calculate the Hamiltonian matrix elements:

$$H_{eff}^{\alpha'\alpha} = \langle \alpha' | H | \alpha \rangle$$

$|\alpha'|$  &  $|\alpha\rangle$  are the basis state of BLFQ, such as  $|qqq\rangle$ .

- Diagonalize  $H_{eff}$  and obtain its eigen spectrum

$$H_{eff} |\beta\rangle = H_{eff}^\beta |\beta\rangle$$

✓  $|\beta\rangle$  is the physical state and eigenstate of Hamiltonian.  
In case of proton  $|\beta\rangle = |P_{proton}\rangle$ .

- Evaluate observables:

$$\mathcal{O} = \langle \beta | \hat{\mathcal{O}} | \beta \rangle$$

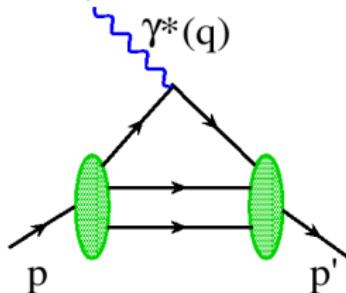
# Form Factor in BLFQ

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- EM form factors in light-front (with  $q^+ = 0$ ),

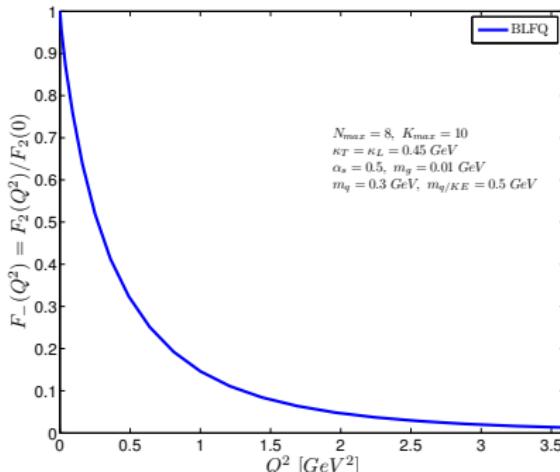
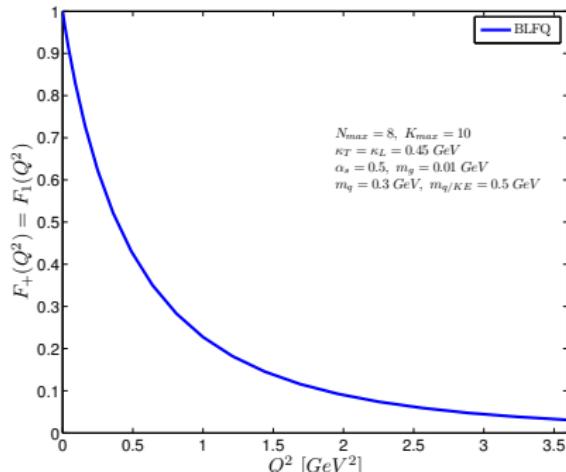
✓  $\langle P + q; \Lambda | \frac{J^+(0)}{2P^+} | P; \Lambda \rangle = F_1(q^2)$

$$\langle P + q; \Lambda | \frac{J^+(0)}{2P^+} | P; -\Lambda \rangle = -(q^1 - iq^2) \frac{F_2(q^2)}{2M}$$



very preliminary results

( $Q^2 = -q^2$ )



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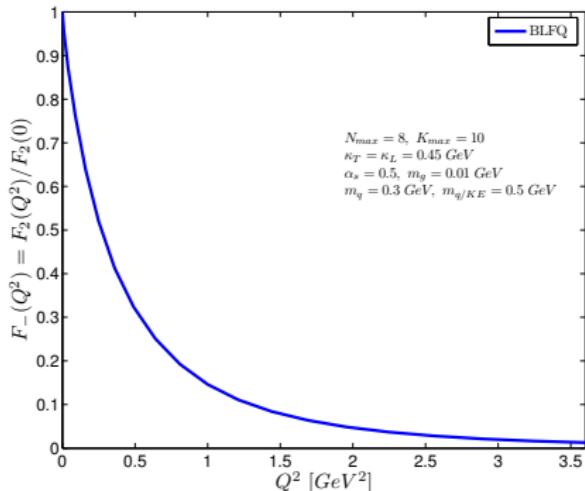
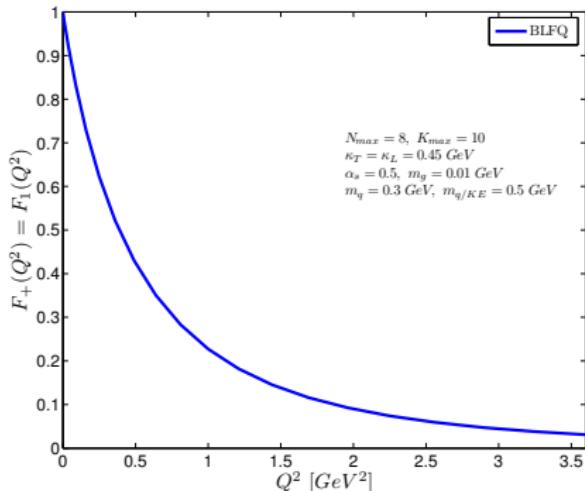
In terms of overlap of light-front WFs,

$$F_1(q^2) \sim \sum_{\lambda_i} \int [dx_i d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}] \Psi_{\lambda_i}^{\Lambda*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}) \Psi_{\lambda_i}^{\Lambda}(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i})$$

$$F_2(q^2) \sim \sum_{\lambda_i} \int [dx_i d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}] \Psi_{\lambda_i}^{\Lambda*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}) \Psi_{\lambda_i}^{-\Lambda}(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i})$$

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# Up and down quark form factor in proton

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- Flavor form factors:

$$F_1^q = n_q F_+(Q^2) \quad F_2^q = \kappa_q F_-(Q^2)$$

- Normalization constants:

$$n_d = 1, \quad n_u = 2 \quad \text{quark numbers}$$

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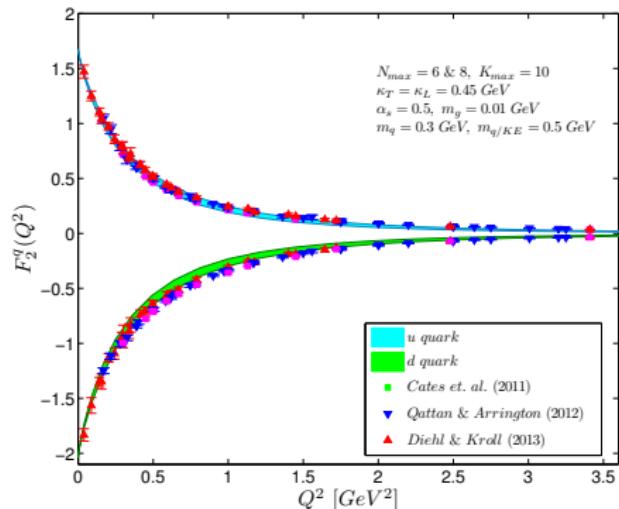
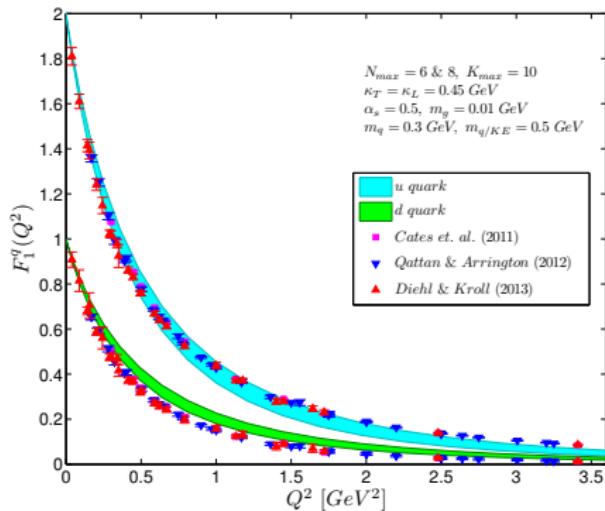
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# Ratios of Flavor FFs

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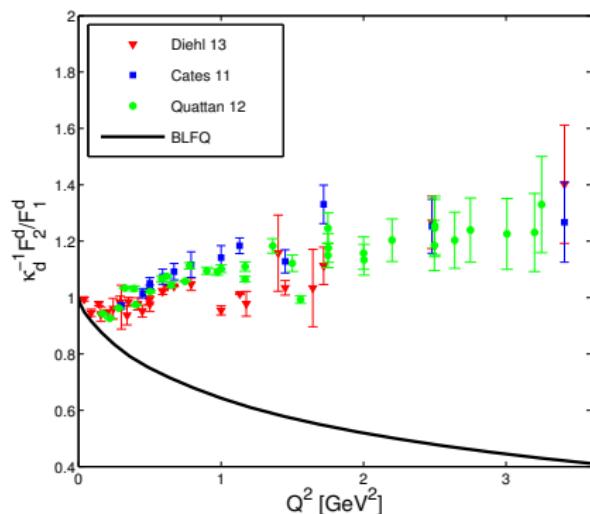
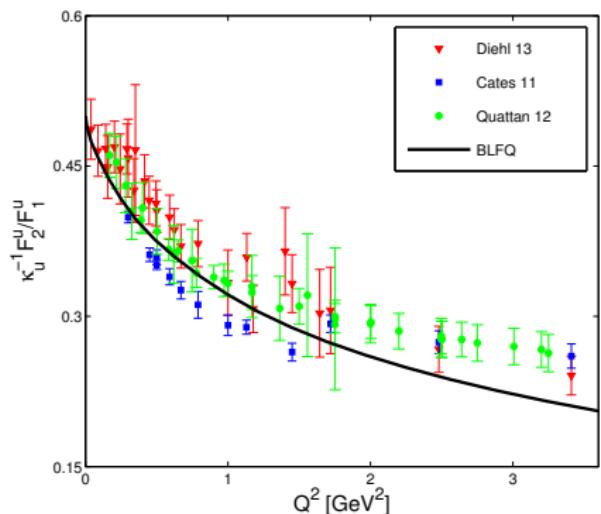
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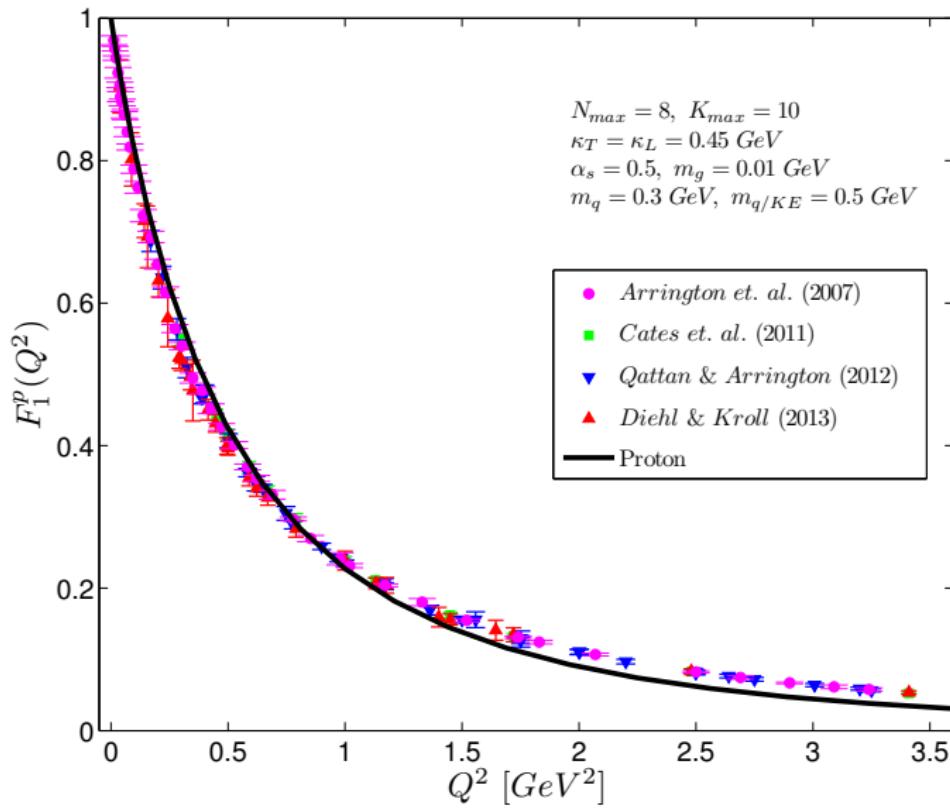
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# Dirac Form Factor for proton in BLFQ

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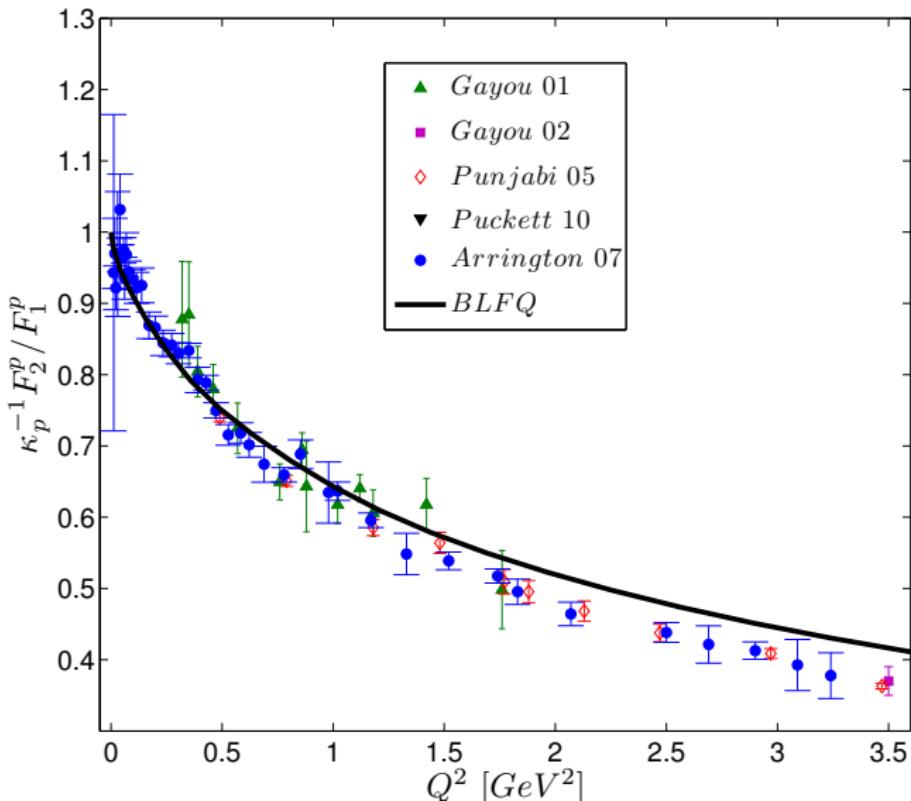
Flavor decomposition:  $F_i^{p/n} = e_{u/d} F_i^u + e_{d/u} F_i^d$  — Cates *et. al.* PRL 106



# Ratio of proton form factors in BLFQ

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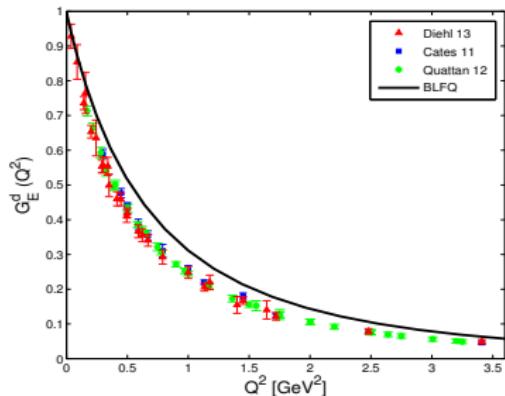
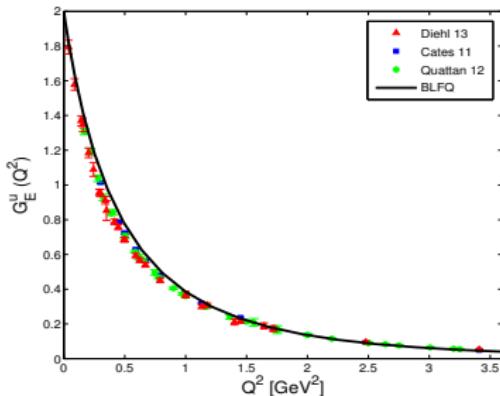
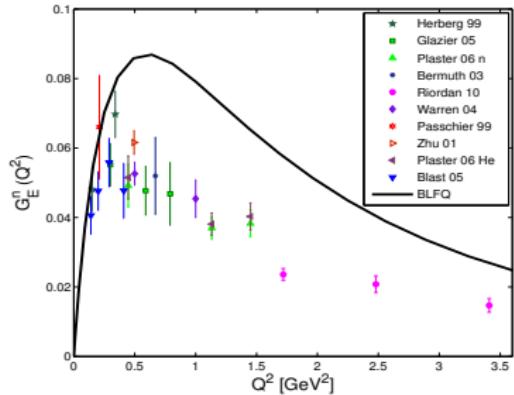
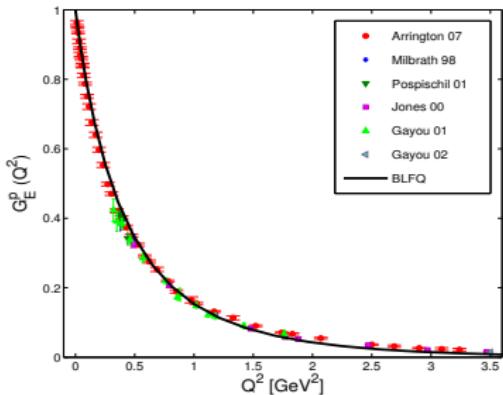
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# Sachs Form Factors in BLFQ

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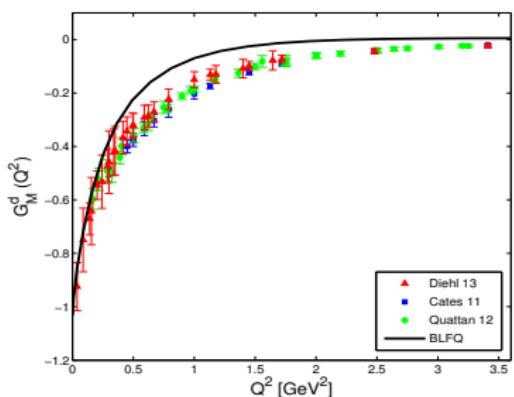
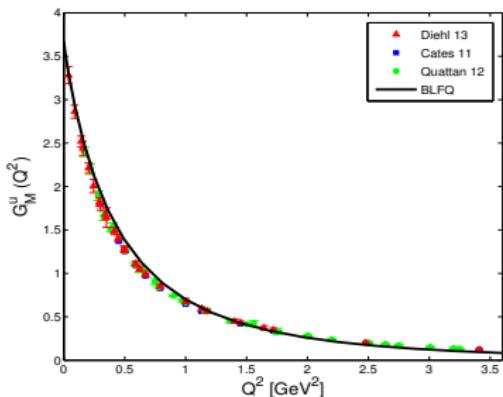
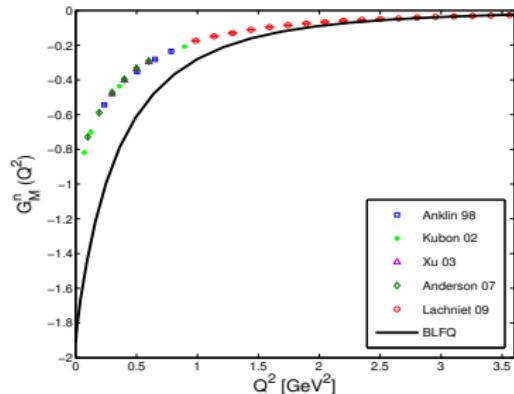
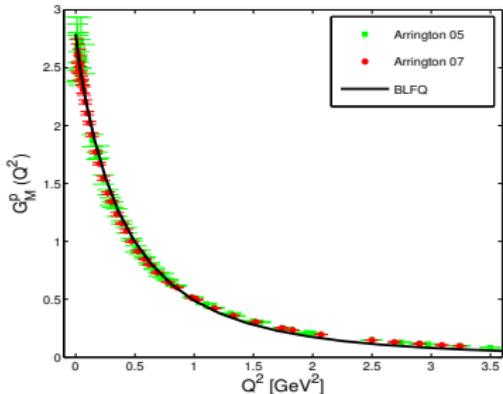
$$\text{Electric Sachs's FF} \Rightarrow G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \frac{Q^2}{4M_n^2} F_2(Q^2)$$



# Sach's Form Factors in BLFQ

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$$\text{Magnetic Sach's FF} \Rightarrow G_M(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) + F_2(Q^2)$$



# Electromagnetic radii

$$\begin{aligned}\langle r_E^2 \rangle^N &= -6 \frac{dG_E^N(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2=0}, \\ \langle r_M^2 \rangle^N &= -\frac{6}{G_M^N(0)} \frac{dG_M^N(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2=0}\end{aligned}$$

The Sachs form factors are defined as

$$\begin{aligned}G_E^N(Q^2) &= F_1^N(Q^2) - \frac{Q^2}{4M_N^2} F_2^N(Q^2), \\ G_M^N(Q^2) &= F_1^N(Q^2) + F_2^N(Q^2).\end{aligned}$$

| Quantity                             | BLFQ    | Data from PDG             |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------|
| $r_E^p$ (fm)                         | 0.804   | $0.877 \pm 0.005$         |
| $r_M^p$ (fm)                         | 0.917   | $0.777 \pm 0.016$         |
| $\langle r_E^2 \rangle^n$ (fm $^2$ ) | -0.1214 | $-0.1161 \pm 0.0022$      |
| $r_M^n$ (fm)                         | 1.007   | $0.862^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$ |

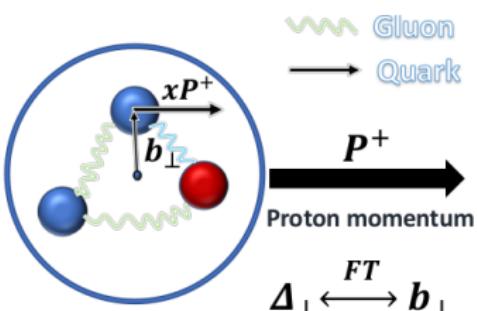
# Generalized parton distributions (GPDs)

- Off-forward matrix element  $\Rightarrow$  no probabilistic interpretation !! [in momentum space]
- In forward limit : GPDs  $\Rightarrow$  PDFs.
- First moments of GPDs are related to the Form Factors.
- GPDs [ $\xi = 0$ ] in impact parameter space  $\Rightarrow$  distribution of parton in transverse position space

$$\mathcal{X}(x, \mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d^2 \Delta e^{-i\Delta^\perp \cdot \mathbf{b}^\perp} \mathcal{X}(x, t).$$

➤ GPDs appear in DVCS processes.

- GPDs are functions of three variables :
  - Longitudinal momentum fraction  $x = \frac{k^+}{P^+}$
  - Longitudinal momentum transfer  $\rightarrow$  skewness  $\xi = \frac{\Delta^+}{P^+} = 0$
  - Square of total mom transfer  $t = \Delta^2 = (\mathbf{P}' - \mathbf{P})^2$



where the  $\mathbf{b}_\perp$  is transverse position of parton

# Form Factors Vs. GPDs

| operator  | forward<br>matrix elem. | off-forward<br>matrix elem. | position space           |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| $\bar{q}\gamma^+ q$   | $Q$                     | $F(t)$                      | $\rho(\vec{r})$          |
| $\int \frac{dx^- e^{ix p^+ x^-}}{4\pi} \bar{q}\left(\frac{-x^-}{2}\right) \gamma^+ q\left(\frac{x^-}{2}\right)$ | $q(x)$                  | $H(x, 0, t)$                | $q(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp)$ |

$q(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp)$  = impact parameter dependent PDF

# Nucleon GPDs:

✓ For unpolarized nucleon:

$$\int \frac{dx^-}{4\pi} e^{ixP^+x^-} \langle p + \Delta, \uparrow | \bar{\psi}_q(0) \gamma^+ \psi_q(x^-) | p, \uparrow \rangle = H(x, t = \Delta^2)$$

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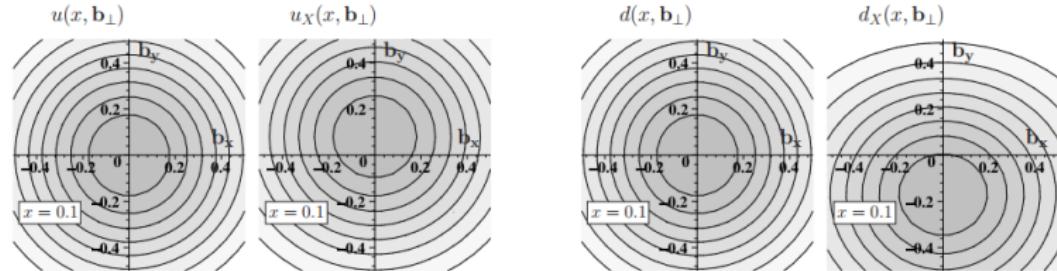
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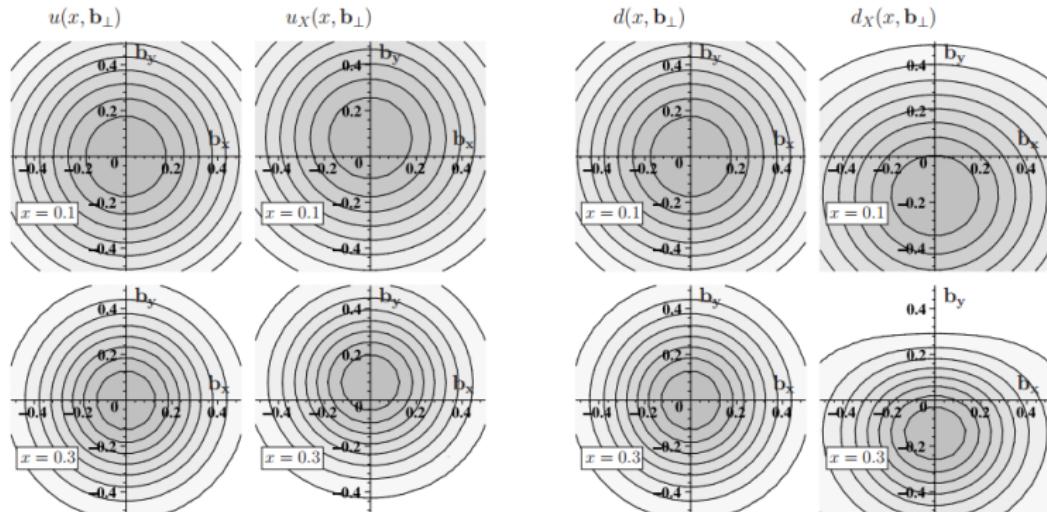
$$q_X(x, b_\perp) = \mathcal{H}(x, b_\perp) - \frac{1}{2M} \frac{\partial}{\partial b_y} \int \frac{d^2 \Delta_\perp}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-i\Delta^\perp \cdot b^\perp} E(x, t = \Delta^2)$$



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# Spin non-flip GPDs in BLFQ

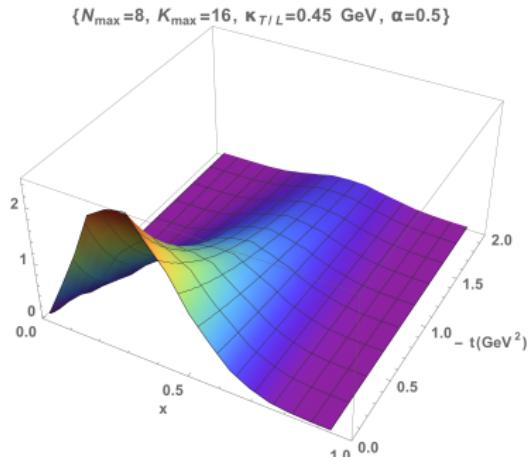
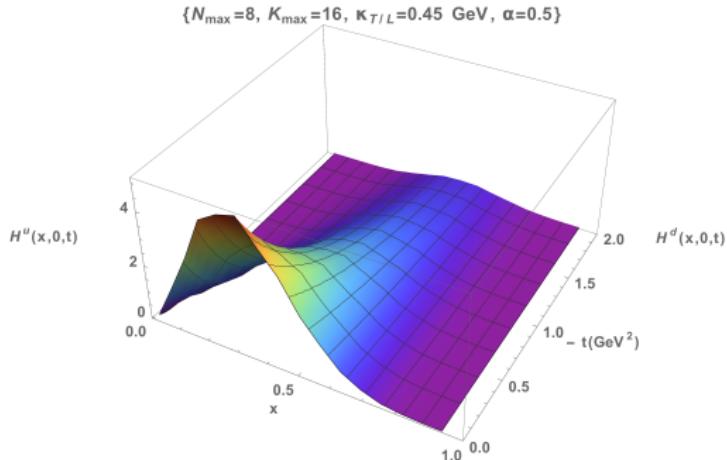
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- ✓ Dirac form factor in light-front [ with  $q^+ = 0$  ],

$$F_1(-q^2) = \langle P + q; \Lambda | \frac{J^+(0)}{2P^+} | P; \Lambda \rangle; \quad F_1^q(-q^2) = \int dx H^q(x, -q^2).$$

- ✓ In terms of overlap of light-front WFs:

$$H^q(x, t = -q^2) \sim \sum_{\lambda_i} \int [dx_{i \neq 1} d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}] \Psi_{\lambda_i}^{\Lambda*}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}) \Psi_{\lambda_i}^{\Lambda}(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i})$$



# Spin flip GPDs in BLFQ

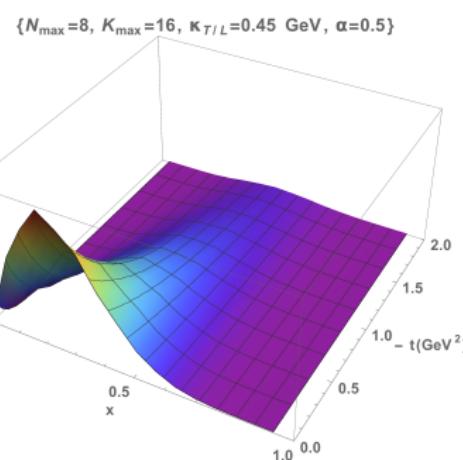
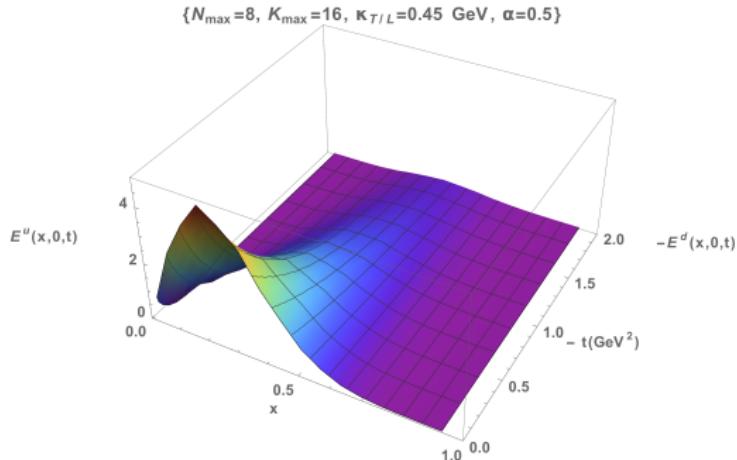
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- ✓ Pauli form factor in light-front [ with  $q^+ = 0$  ],

$$F_2(-q^2) = \langle P + q; \Lambda | \frac{J^+(0)}{2P^+} | P; -\Lambda \rangle; \quad F_2^q(-q^2) = \int dx E^q(x, -q^2).$$

- ✓ In terms of overlap of light-front WFs:,

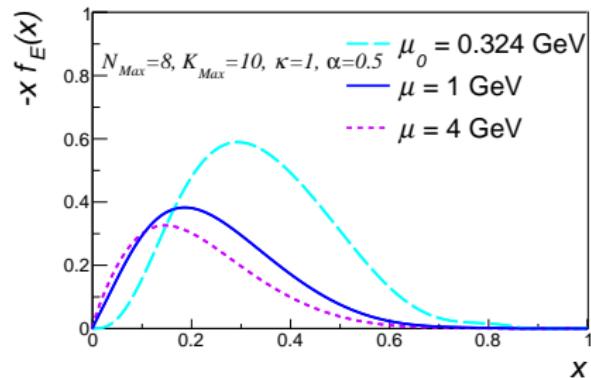
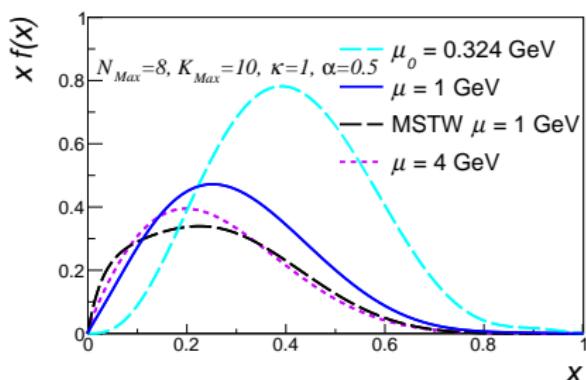
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# Parton distribution functions (PDFs)

PDFs is equal to the GPDs( $t = 0$ ):

$$f(x) = H(x, t = 0) \quad f_E(x) = E(x, t = 0)$$



We use the DGLAP equation to evolve the PDF. Qualitative behavior of PDF is almost same with the global fit MSTW(2008) PDF .

Note: In DGLAP, we use leading order running coupling constant:

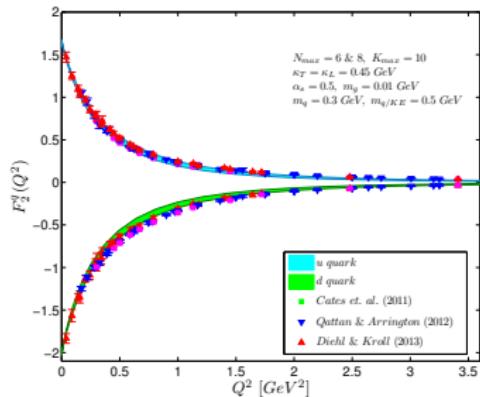
$$\alpha_s(Q^2) = \frac{4\pi}{9 \ln(\frac{Q^2}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2})}, \quad \text{with } \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 226 \text{ MeV}$$

# Conclusions & outlook

- We have discussed the very preliminary results of nucleon form factors, PDFs & GPDs in BLFQ approach.
- In the effective Hamiltonian, we have the kinetic energy & the confining potential in both the transverse and longitudinal direction and one gluon exchange with fixed coupling. Here, we consider only the leading Fock sector.
- BLFQ formalism provides promising results in order to understand the nucleon structure.

## Outlook:

- Increase basis size
- Include the higher Fock component  $|qqqg\rangle$ .
- Investigate other nucleon properties..
- Investigate the structure of other baryons.



Thank You

# QCD evolution of PDF

The Dokshitzer-Gribov-Lipatov-Altarelli-Parisi (DGLAP) equation bridges PDFs between a final scale and a initial scale. The leading-order (LO) DGLAP equation with flavor number  $N_f$  reads:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu^2} \begin{pmatrix} f_q(x, \mu^2) \\ f_g(x, \mu^2) \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \int_x^1 \frac{dy}{y} \begin{pmatrix} P_{qq}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) & P_{qg}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \\ P_{gq}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) & P_{gg}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_q(y, \mu^2) \\ f_g(y, \mu^2) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (14)$$

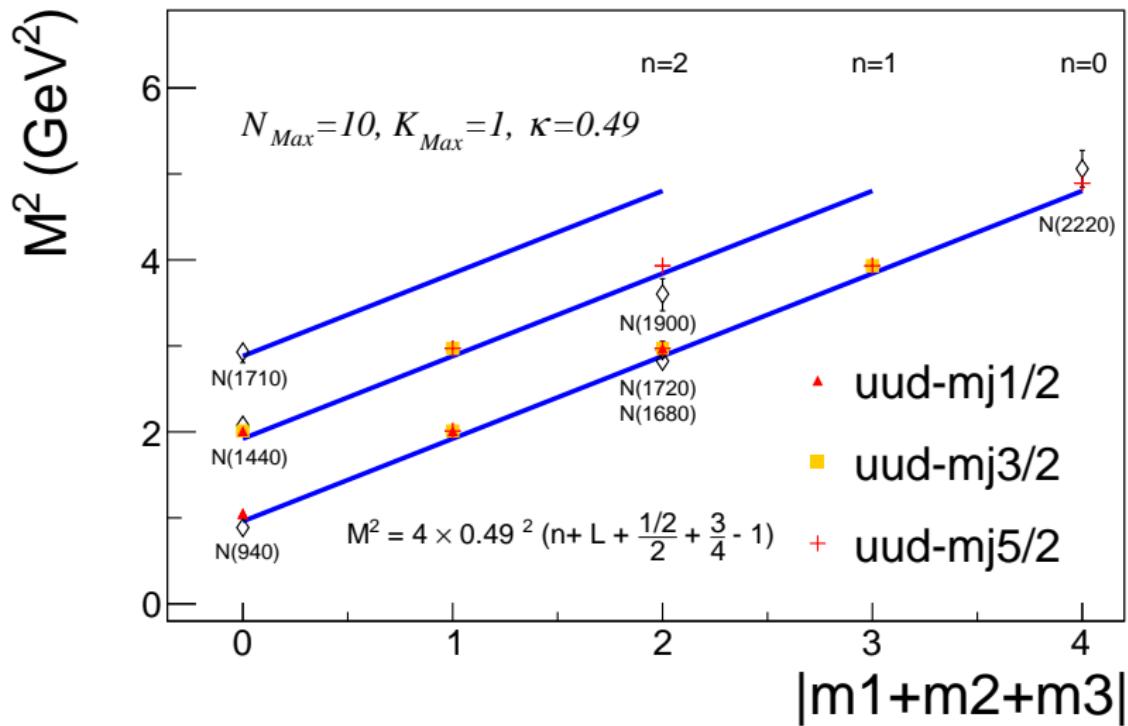
where the LO splitting functions are given by

$$\begin{aligned} P_{qq}(z) &= \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} + 2 \delta(1-z) - \frac{8}{3} \delta(1-z) \int_0^1 dz' \frac{1}{1-z'}, \\ P_{qg}(z) &= \frac{1}{2} [z^2 + (1-z)^2], \\ P_{gq}(z) &= \frac{4}{3} \frac{1+(1-z)^2}{z}, \\ P_{gg}(z) &= 6 \left[ \frac{1-z}{z} + z(1-z) + \frac{z}{1-z} \right] + \left( \frac{11}{2} - \frac{N_f}{3} \right) \delta(1-z) \\ &\quad - 6 \delta(1-z) \int_0^1 dz' \frac{1}{1-z'}, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

and the LO running coupling constant is

$$\alpha_s(\mu^2) = \frac{12\pi}{(33 - 2N_f) \ln \left( \mu^2 / \Lambda_{N_f}^2 \right)}. \quad (16)$$

# Mass spectrum

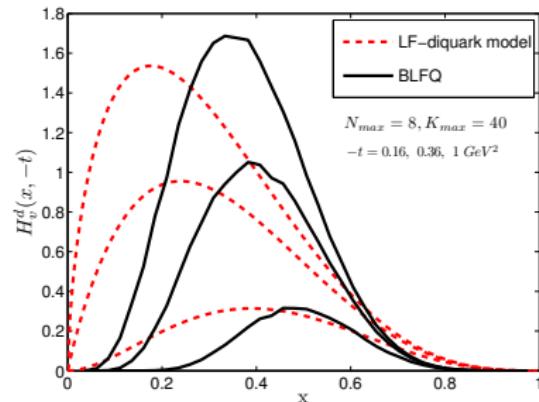
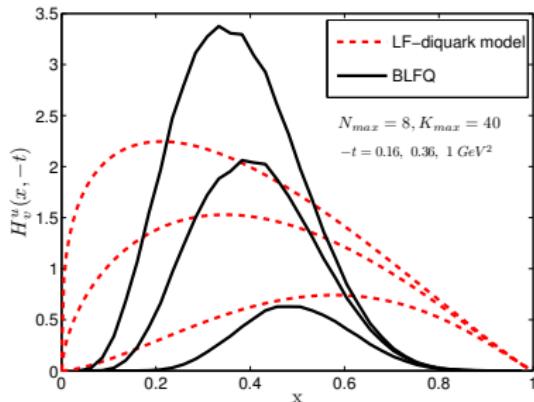


# GPDs: BLFQ vs LF quark-diquark

✓ In terms of overlap of light-front WFs:,  $H^q(x, -q^2)$ :

$$H^q(x, -t) = \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \left[ \psi_{+q}^{+\ast}(x, \mathbf{k}'_\perp) \psi_{+q}^+(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) + \psi_{-q}^{+\ast}(x, \mathbf{k}'_\perp) \psi_{-q}^+(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) \right]$$

where  $\mathbf{k}'_\perp = \mathbf{k}_{\perp 1} - (1-x)\mathbf{q}_\perp$ ;  $t = -\mathbf{q}_\perp^2$



# Effect of longitudinal confinement

