

$$|p, S_z\rangle = \sum_{n=3} \Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n; \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$

*sum over states with  $n=3, 4, \dots$  constituents*

The Light Front Fock State Wavefunctions

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

are boost invariant; they are independent of the hadron's energy and momentum  $P^\mu$ .

The light-cone momentum fraction

$$x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{p^+} = \frac{k_i^0 + k_i^z}{P^0 + P^z}$$

are boost invariant.

$$\sum_i^n k_i^+ = P^+, \quad \sum_i^n x_i = 1, \quad \sum_i^n \vec{k}_i^\perp = \vec{0}^\perp.$$

**Intrinsic heavy quarks**

$$\bar{u}(x) \neq \bar{d}(x)$$

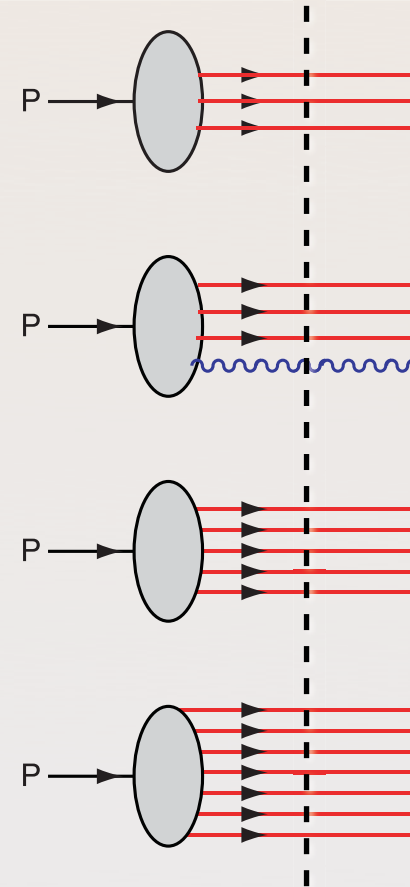
**Mueller: BFKL DYNAMICS**

$$\bar{s}(x) \neq s(x)$$

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*Fixed LF time*

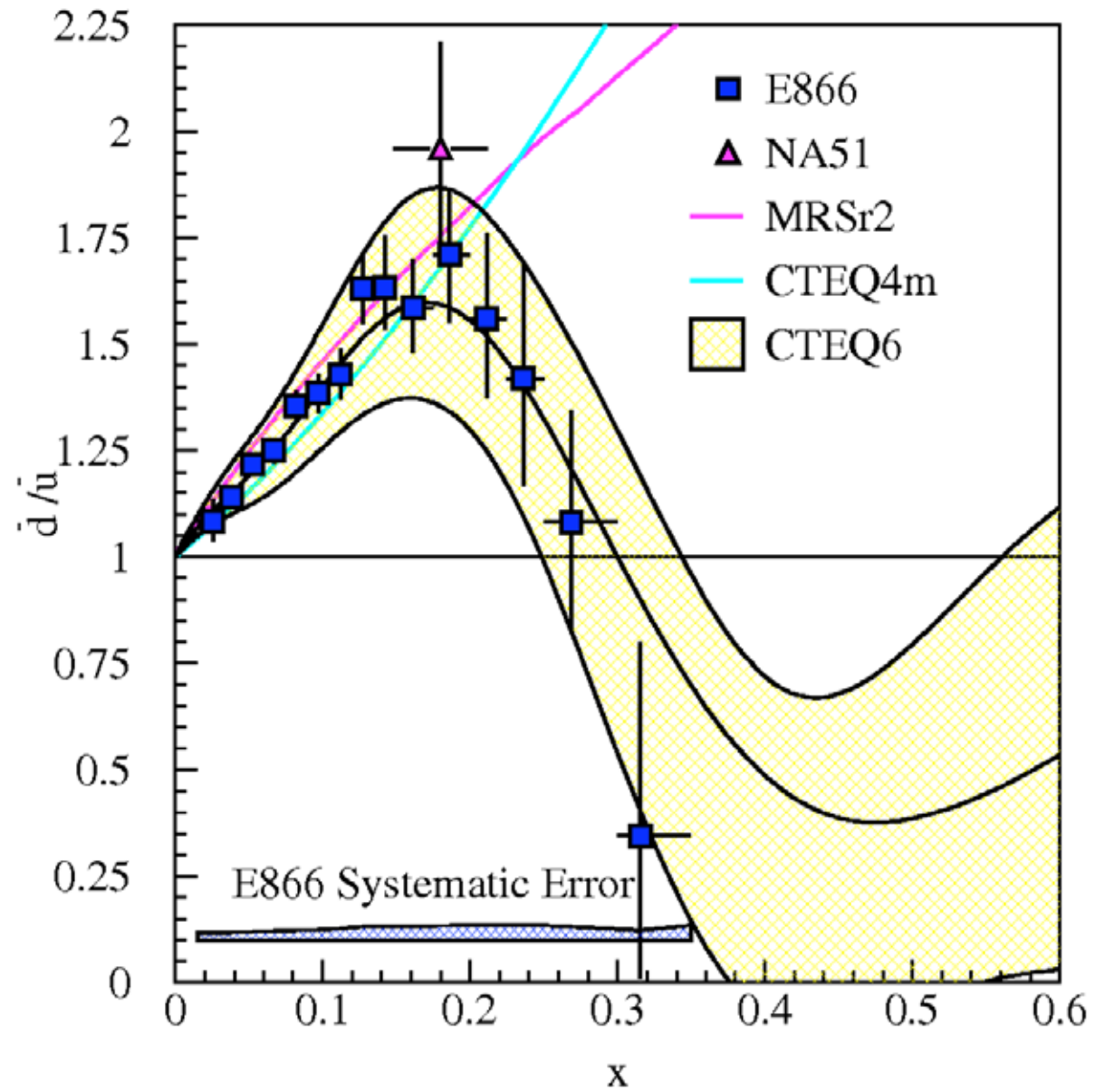
# Light Antiquark Flavor Asymmetry

- Naïve Assumption from gluon splitting:

$$\bar{d}(x) = \bar{u}(x)$$

- E866/NuSea (Drell-Yan)

$\bar{d}(x)/\bar{u}(x)$  for  $0.015 \leq x \leq 0.35$



# Light-Front QCD

## Heisenberg Matrix Formulation

Physical gauge:  $A^+ = 0$

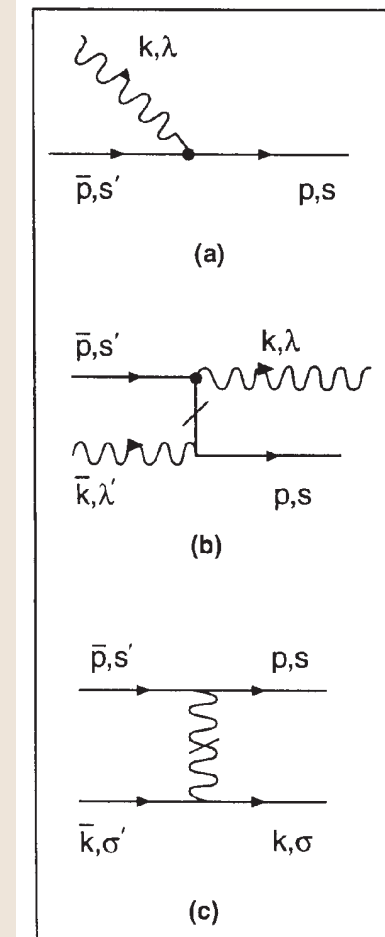
$$L^{QCD} \rightarrow H_{LF}^{QCD}$$

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} = \sum_i \left[ \frac{m^2 + k_{\perp}^2}{x} \right]_i + H_{LF}^{int}$$

$H_{LF}^{int}$ : Matrix in Fock Space

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

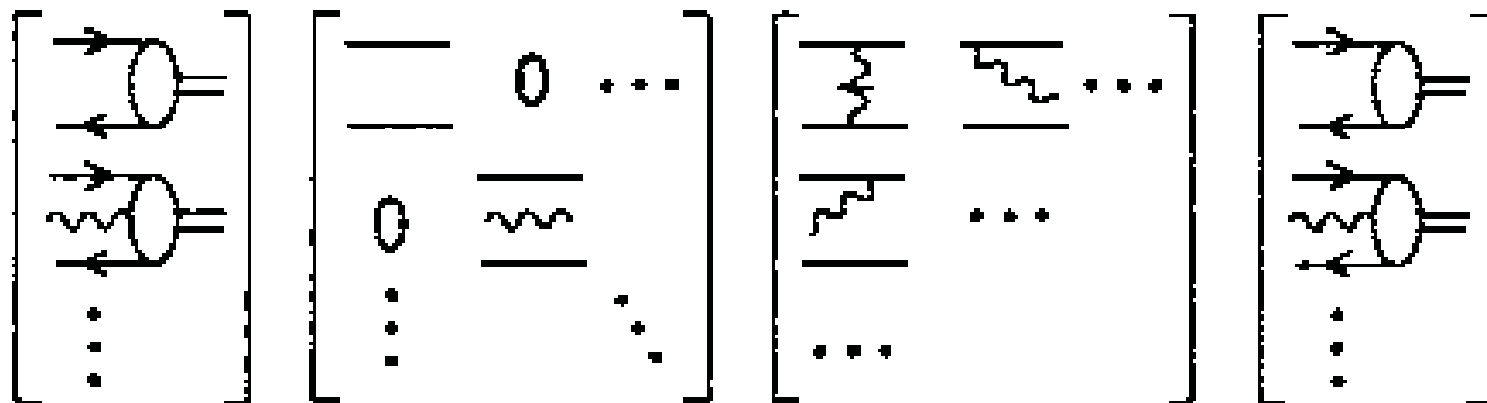
Eigenvalues and Eigensolutions give Hadron Spectrum and Light-Front wavefunctions



DLCQ: Periodic BC in  $x^-$ . Discrete  $k^+$ ; frame-independent truncation

# LIGHT-FRONT SCHRÖDINGER EQUATION

$$\left( M_\pi^2 - \sum_i \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp i}^2 + m_i^2}{x_i} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{q\bar{q}/\pi} \\ \psi_{q\bar{q}g/\pi} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle q\bar{q} | V | q\bar{q} \rangle & \langle q\bar{q} | V | q\bar{q}g \rangle & \cdots \\ \langle q\bar{q}g | V | q\bar{q} \rangle & \langle q\bar{q}g | V | q\bar{q}g \rangle & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{q\bar{q}/\pi} \\ \psi_{q\bar{q}g/\pi} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$



$$A^+ = 0$$

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# Light-Front QCD

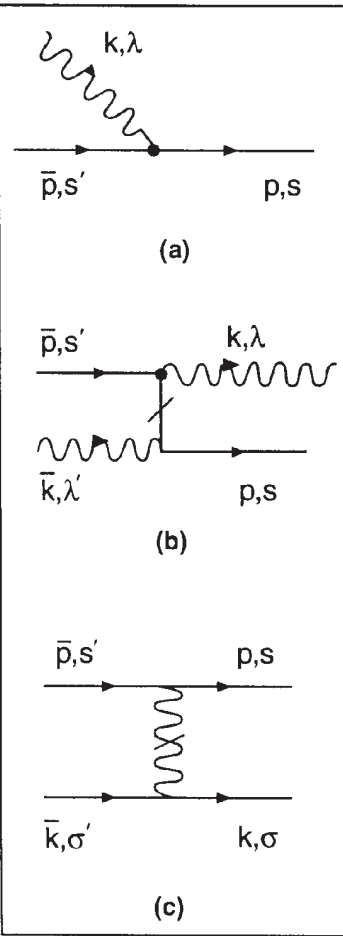
## Heisenberg Matrix Formulation

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

# DLCQ

## Discretized Light-Cone Quantization

n	Sector	1 q $\bar{q}$	2 gg	3 q $\bar{q}$ g	4 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$	5 ggg	6 q $\bar{q}$ gg	7 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ g	8 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$	9 gggg	10 q $\bar{q}$ ggg	11 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ gg	12 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ g	13 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$
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Eigenvalues and Eigensolutions give Hadron Spectrum and Light-Front wavefunctions

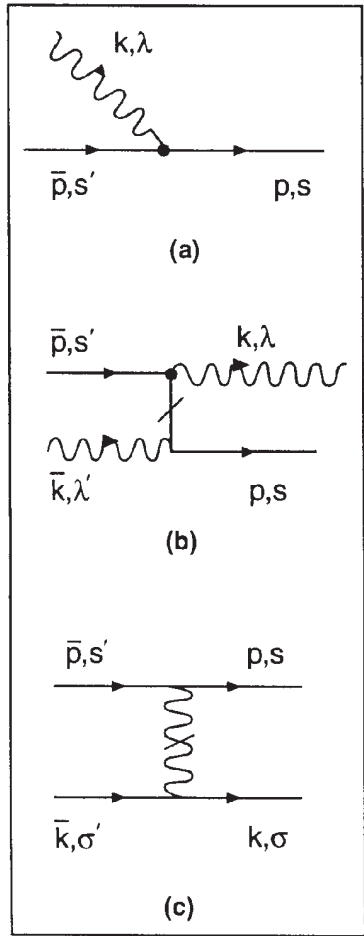
H.C. Pauli & sjb

DLCQ: Frame-independent, No fermion doubling; Minkowski Space

# Light-Front QCD Heisenberg Equation

$$H_{LC}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = M_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

n	Sector	1 q $\bar{q}$	2 gg	3 q $\bar{q}$ g	4 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$	5 gg g	6 q $\bar{q}$ gg	7 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ g	8 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$	9 gg gg	10 q $\bar{q}$ gg g	11 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ gg	12 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ g	13 q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$ q $\bar{q}$
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Use AdS/QCD basis functions

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*Use AdS/CFT orthonormal LFWFs  
as a basis for diagonalizing  
the QCD LF Hamiltonian*

- Good initial approximant: generates all Fock states
- Better than plane wave basis Pauli, Hornbostel, Hiller,  
McCartor, sjb
- DLCQ discretization -- highly successful I+I
- Use independent HO LFWFs, remove CM motion Vary, Harinandrath, Maris, sjb
- Similar to Shell Model calculations

- **Polchinski & Strassler:** AdS/CFT builds in conformal symmetry at short distances; counting rules for form factors and hard exclusive processes; non-perturbative derivation
- **Goal:** Use AdS/CFT to provide an approximate model of hadron structure with confinement at large distances, conformal behavior at short distances
- **de Teramond, sjb: AdS/QCD Holographic Model:** Initial “semi-classical” approximation to QCD. Predict light-quark hadron spectroscopy, form factors.
- **Karch, Katz, Son, Stephanov: Linear Confinement**
- Mapping of AdS amplitudes to 3+1 Light-Front equations, wavefunctions
- Use AdS/CFT wavefunctions as expansion basis for diagonalizing  $H_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{LF}}$ ; variational methods



# AdS/CFT

- Use mapping of conformal group  $SO(4,2)$  to  $AdS_5$
- Scale Transformations represented by wavefunction  $\psi(z)$  in 5th dimension  $x_\mu^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x_\mu^2 \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z$
- Match solutions at small  $z$  to conformal dimension of hadron wavefunction at short distances  $\psi(z) \sim z^\Delta$  at  $z \rightarrow 0$
- Hard wall model: Confinement at large distances and conformal symmetry in interior
- Truncated space simulates “bag” boundary conditions  $0 < z < z_0 \quad \psi(z_0) = 0 \quad z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$

Let  $\Phi(z) = z^{3/2}\phi(z)$

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

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} + V(z) \right] \phi(z) = M^2 \phi(z)$$

$$V(z) = -\frac{1-4L^2}{4z^2}$$

**Interpret L  
as orbital angular  
momentum**

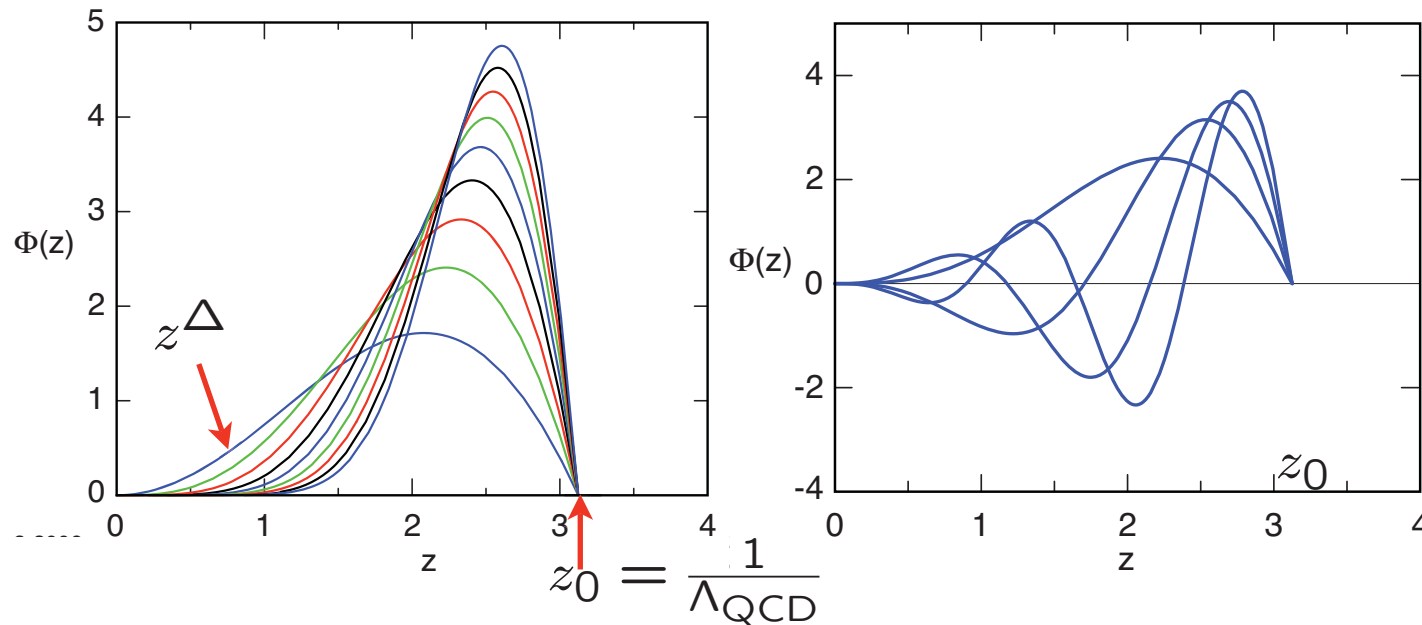
*Derived from variation of Action in AdS<sub>5</sub>*

*Hard wall model: truncated space*

$$\phi(z = z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_c}) = 0.$$

***Match fall-off at small  $z$  to conformal twist-dimension  
at short distances*** *twist*

- Pseudoscalar mesons:  $\mathcal{O}_{2+L} = \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 D_{\{\ell_1 \dots D_{\ell_m}\}} \psi$  ( $\Phi_\mu = 0$  gauge).  $\Delta = 2 + L$
- 4- $d$  mass spectrum from boundary conditions on the normalizable string modes at  $z = z_0$ ,  $\Phi(x, z_0) = 0$ , given by the zeros of Bessel functions  $\beta_{\alpha,k}$ :  $\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k} = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}$
- Normalizable AdS modes  $\Phi(z)$



$S = 0$  Meson orbital and radial AdS modes for  $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$  GeV.

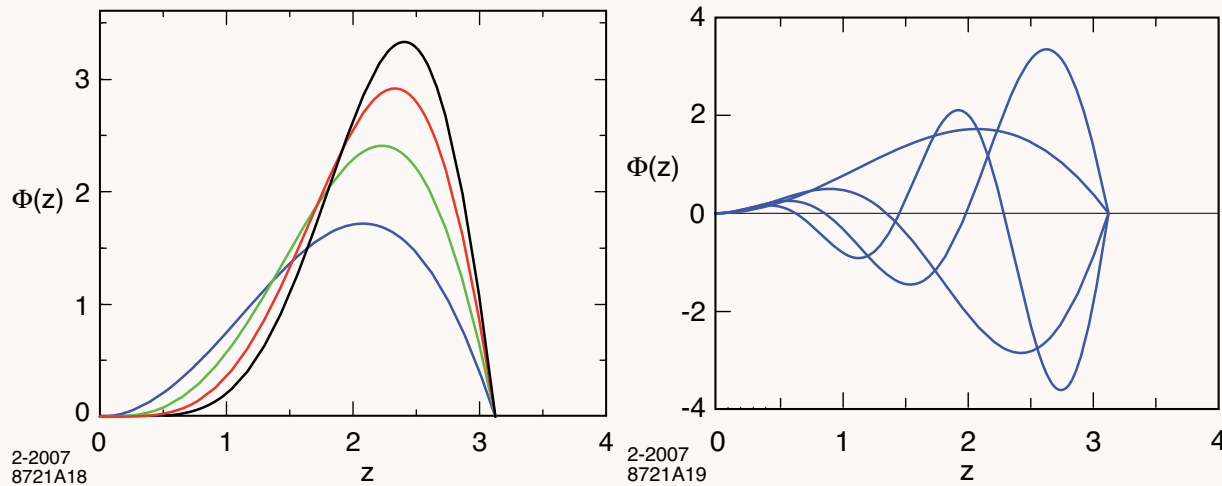


Fig: Orbital and radial AdS modes in the hard wall model for  $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$  GeV .

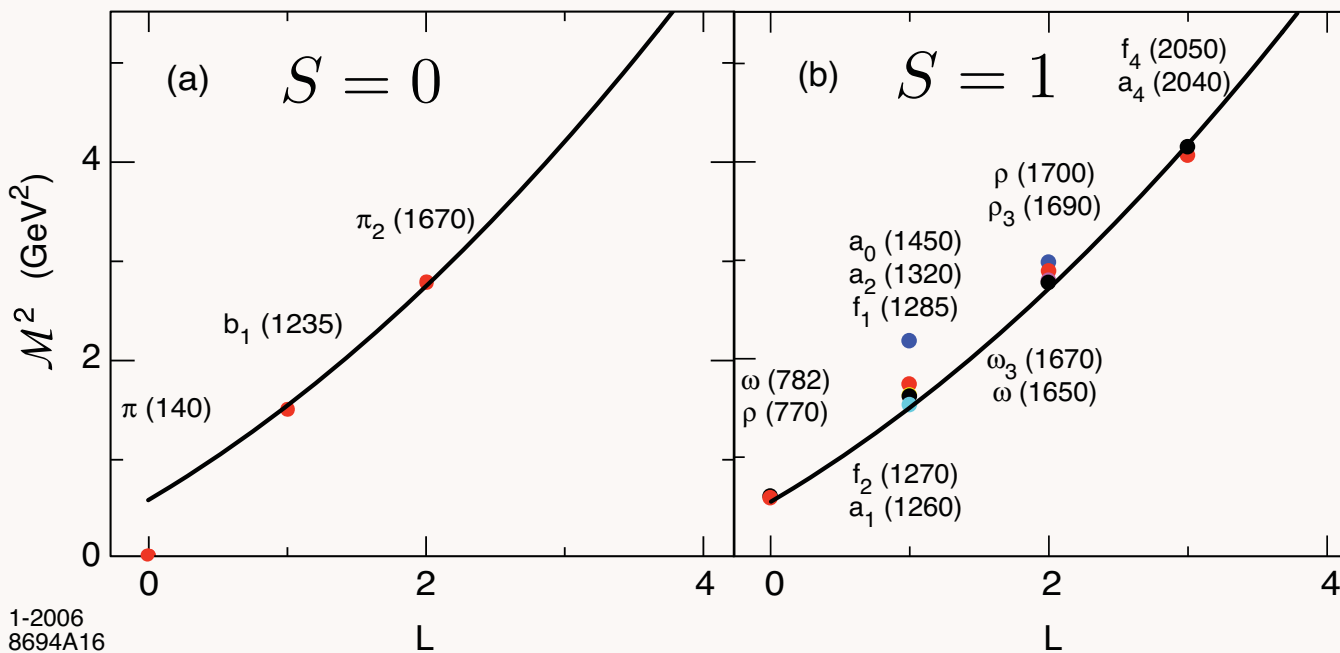


Fig: Light meson and vector meson orbital spectrum  $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$  GeV

Let  $\Phi(z) = z^{3/2}\phi(z)$

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$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} + V(z) \right] \phi(z) = M^2 \phi(z)$$

*Hard wall model: truncated space*

$$V(z) = -\frac{1-4L^2}{4z^2} \quad \phi(z = z_0 = 1/\Lambda_0) = 0$$

*Soft wall model: Harmonic oscillator confinement*

$$V(z) = -\frac{1-4L^2}{4z^2} + \kappa^4 z^2$$

*Derived from variation of Action in AdS<sub>5</sub>*

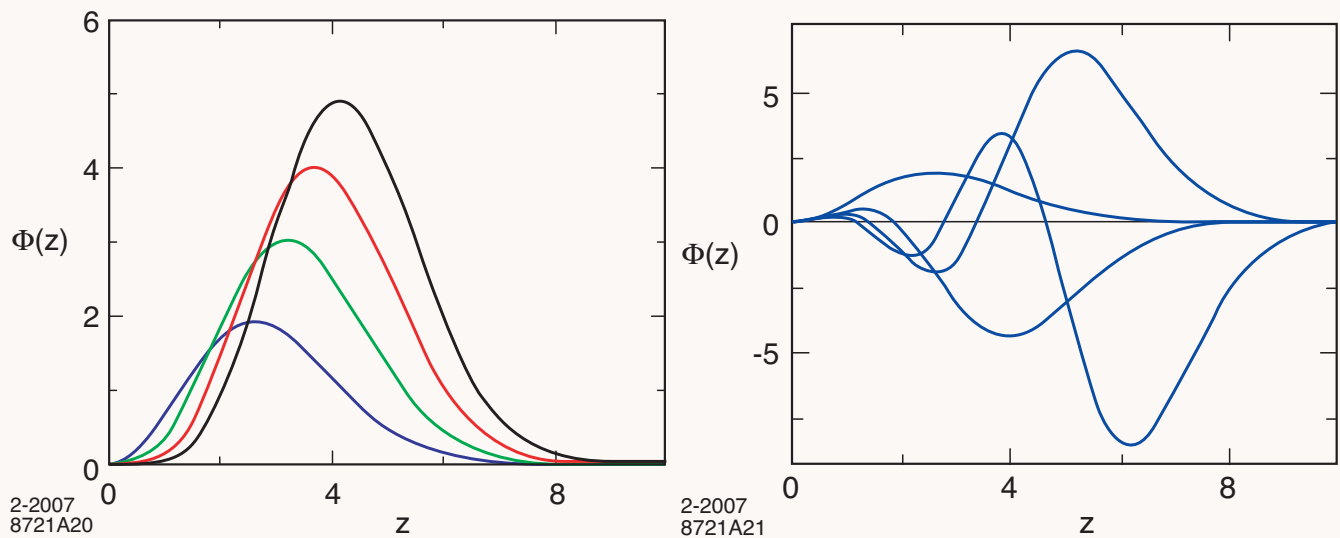
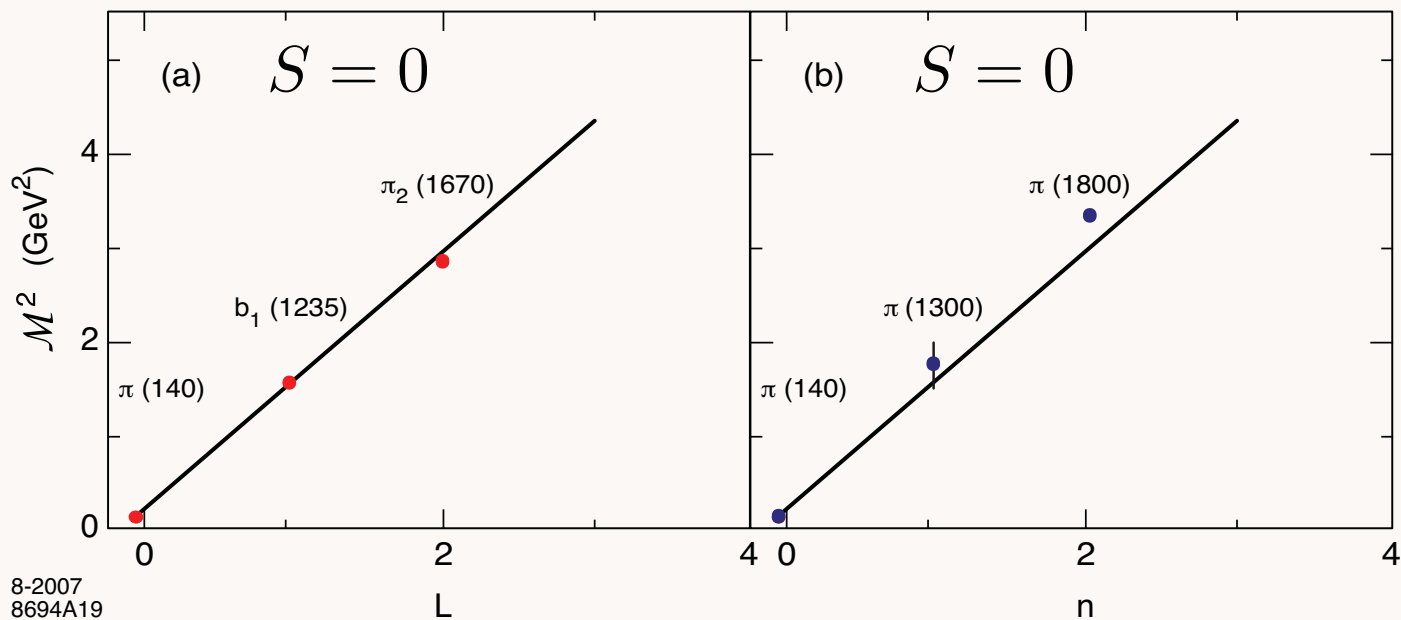


Fig: Orbital and radial AdS modes in the soft wall model for  $\kappa = 0.6$  GeV .



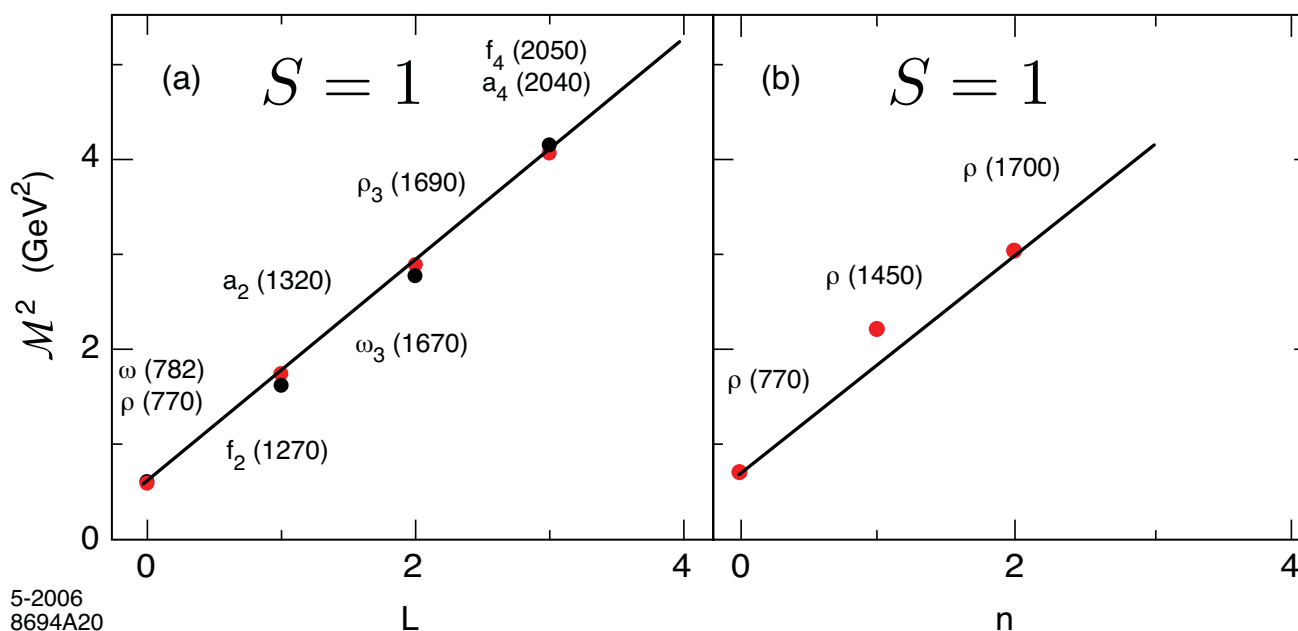
Light meson orbital (a) and radial (b) spectrum for  $\kappa = 0.6$  GeV.

- Effective LF Schrödinger wave equation

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

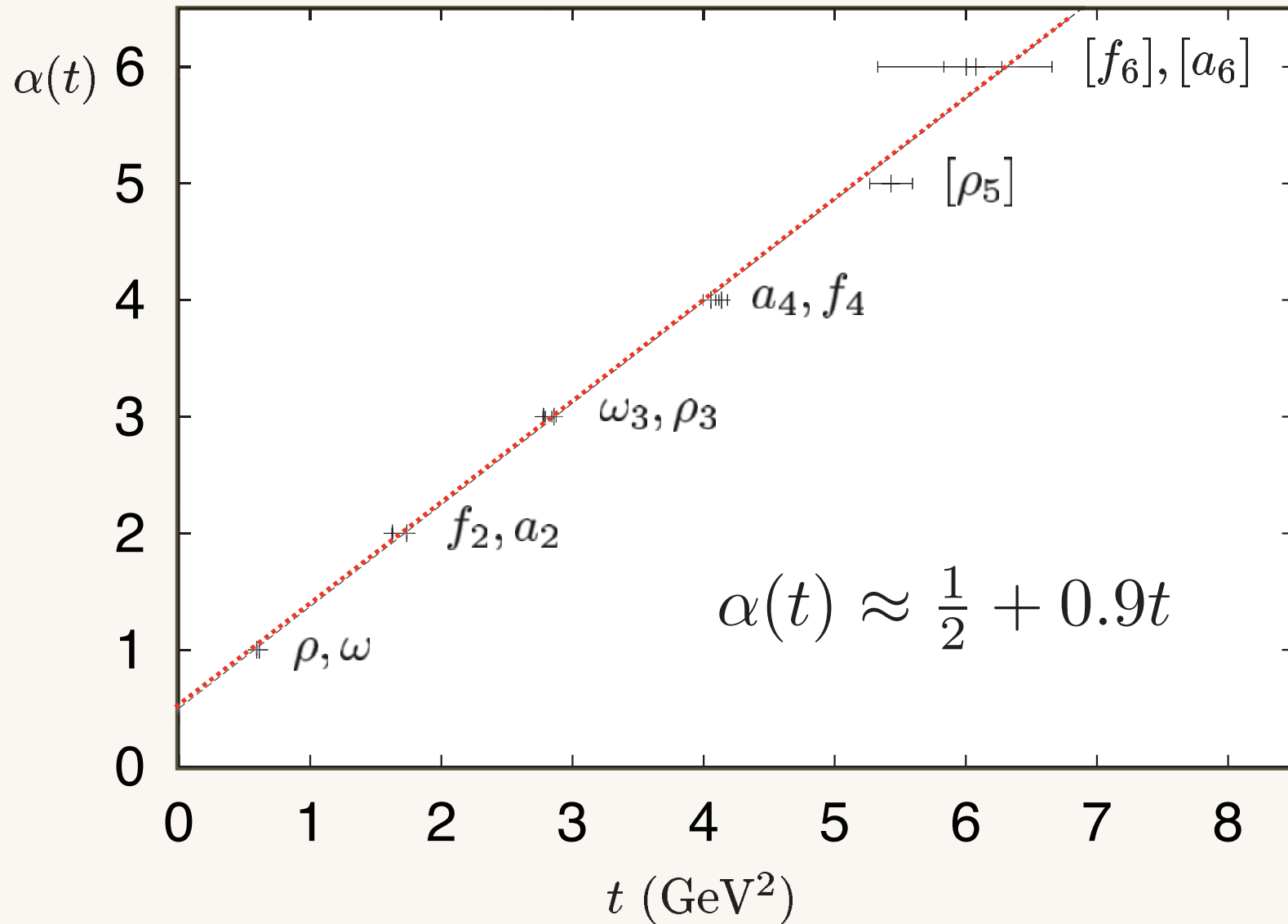
with eigenvalues  $\mathcal{M}^2 = 2\kappa^2(2n + 2L + S)$ . *Same slope in n and L*

- Compare with Nambu string result (rotating flux tube):  $M_n^2(L) = 2\pi\sigma(n + L + 1/2)$ .



Vector mesons orbital (a) and radial (b) spectrum for  $\kappa = 0.54$  GeV.

- Glueballs in the bottom-up approach: (HW) Boschi-Filho, Braga and Carrion (2005); (SW) Colangelo, De Fazio, Jugeau and Nicotri( 2007).



*AdS/QCD Soft Wall Model -- Reproduces Linear Regge Trajectories*



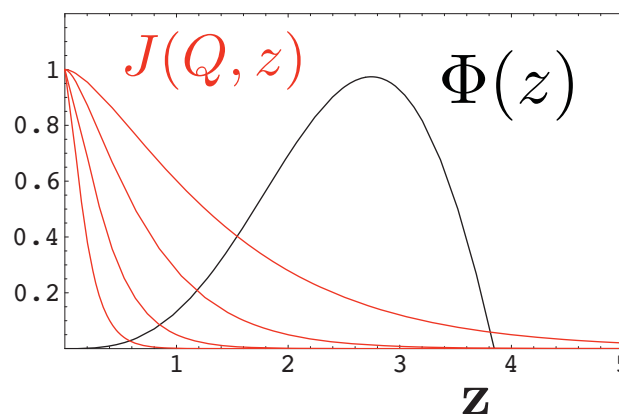
# Hadron Form Factors from AdS/CFT

Propagation of external perturbation suppressed inside AdS.

$$J(Q, z) = zQK_1(zQ)$$

$$F(Q^2)_{I \rightarrow F} = \int \frac{dz}{z^3} \Phi_F(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_I(z)$$

High  $Q^2$   
from  
small  $z \sim 1/Q$



Polchinski, Strassler  
de Teramond, sjb  
Andreev

Consider a specific AdS mode  $\Phi^{(n)}$  dual to an  $n$  partonic Fock state  $|n\rangle$ . At small  $z$ ,  $\Phi$  scales as  $\Phi^{(n)} \sim z^{\Delta_n}$ . Thus:

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow \left[ \frac{1}{Q^2} \right]^{\tau-1}, \quad \text{Dimensional Quark Counting Rule}$$

General result from  
AdS/CFT

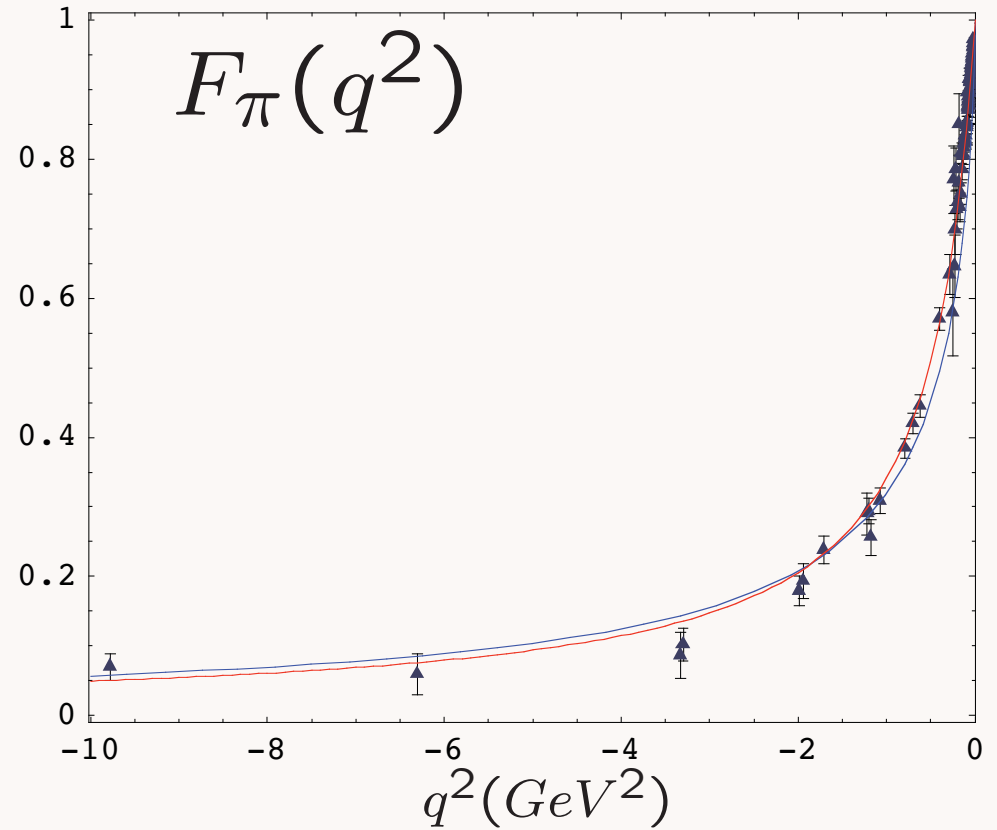
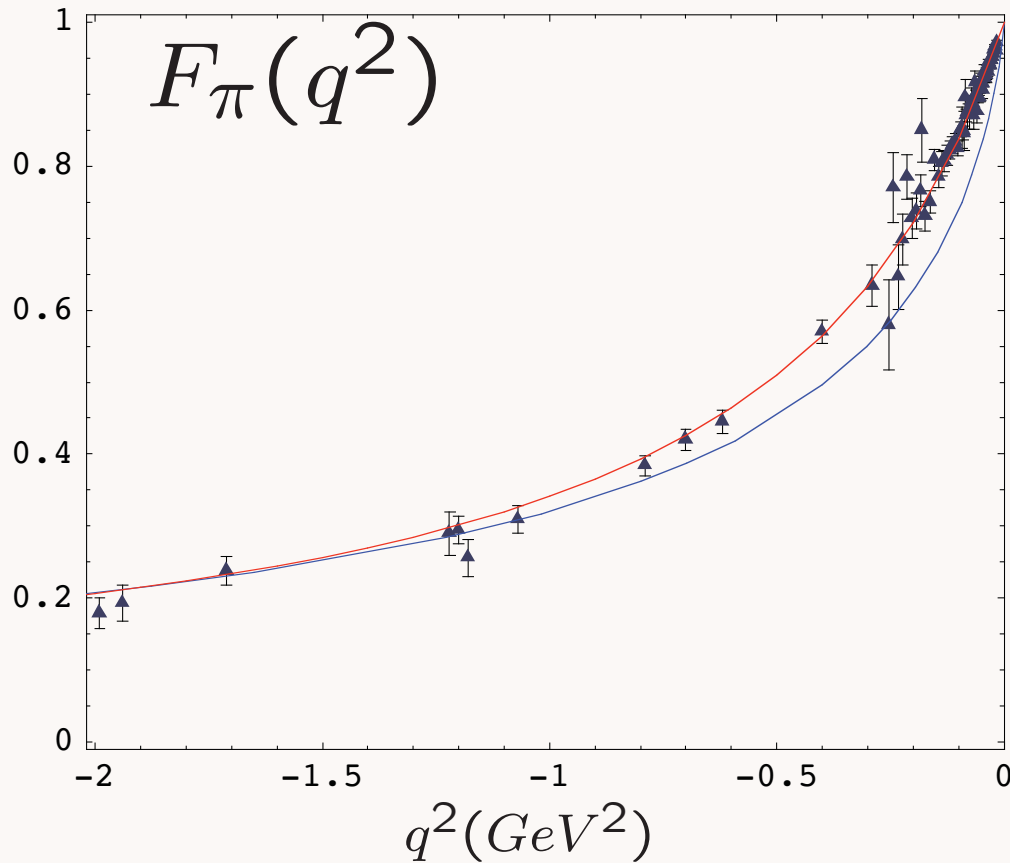
where  $\tau = \Delta_n - \sigma_n$ ,  $\sigma_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i$ . The twist is equal to the number of partons,  $\tau = n$ .

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# Spacelike pion form factor from AdS/CFT



Data Compilation from Baldini, Kloe and Volmer

— SW: Harmonic Oscillator Confinement

— HW: Truncated Space Confinement

*One parameter - set by pion decay constant*

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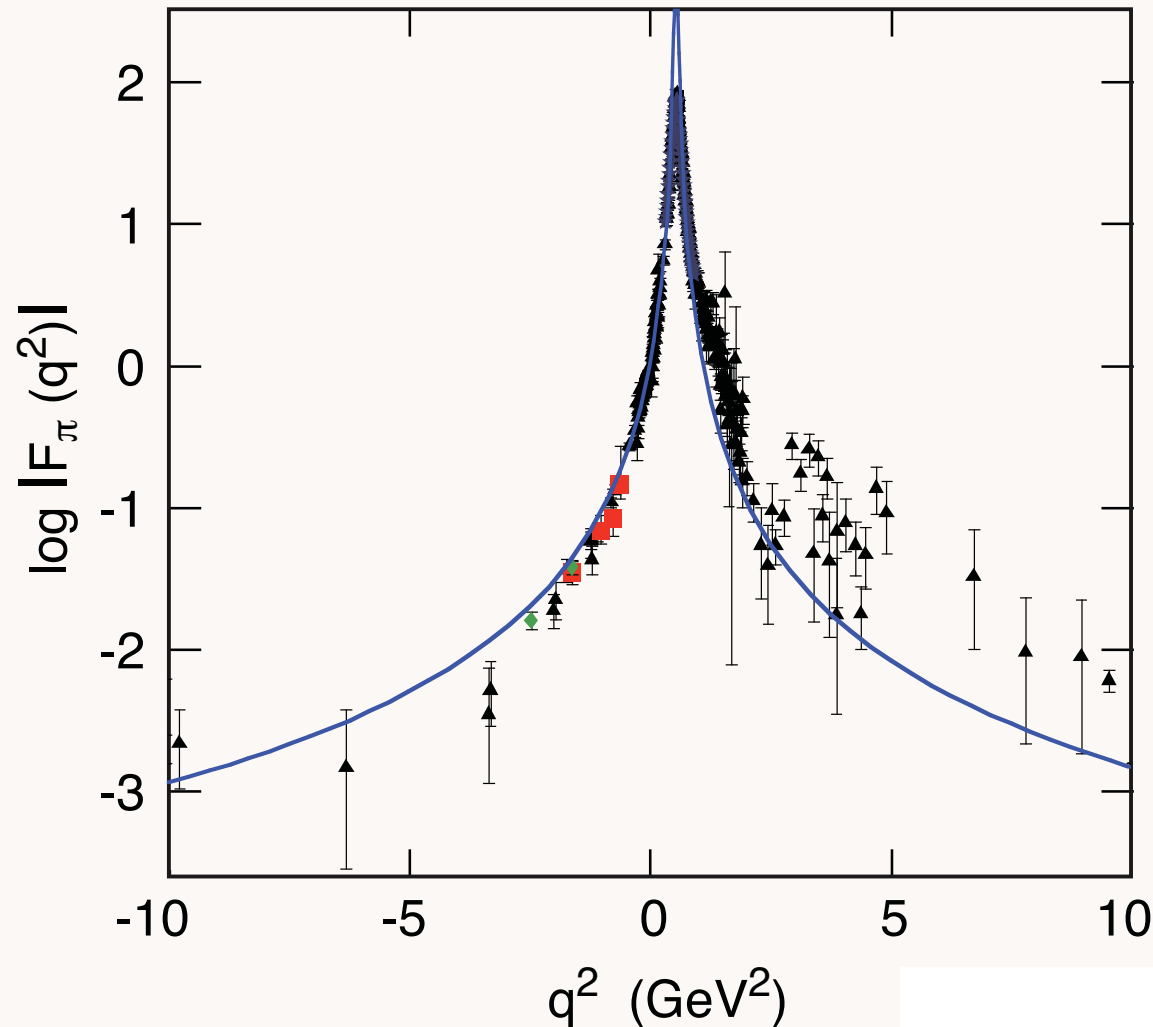
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- Analytical continuation to time-like region  $q^2 \rightarrow -q^2$

$$M_\rho = 2\kappa = 750 \text{ MeV}$$

- Strongly coupled semiclassical gauge/gravity limit hadrons have zero widths (stable).



Space and time-like pion form factor for  $\kappa = 0.375 \text{ GeV}$  in the SW model.

- Vector Mesons: Hong, Yoon and Strassler (2004); Grigoryan and Radyushkin (2007).

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# Light-Front Representation of Two-Body Meson Form Factor

- Drell-Yan-West form factor

$$F(q^2) = \sum_q e_q \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{P'}^*(x, \vec{k}_\perp - x\vec{q}_\perp) \psi_P(x, \vec{k}_\perp).$$

- Fourier transform to impact parameter space  $\vec{b}_\perp$

$$\psi(x, \vec{k}_\perp) = \sqrt{4\pi} \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp e^{i\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{k}_\perp} \tilde{\psi}(x, \vec{b}_\perp)$$

- Find ( $b = |\vec{b}_\perp|$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} F(q^2) &= \int_0^1 dx \int d^2 \vec{b}_\perp e^{ix\vec{b}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} |\tilde{\psi}(x, b)|^2 \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^1 dx \int_0^\infty b db J_0(bqx) |\tilde{\psi}(x, b)|^2, \end{aligned}$$

Soper

## Holographic Mapping of AdS Modes to QCD 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

$$\zeta = \sqrt{\frac{x}{1-x}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \mathbf{b}_{\perp j} \right|.$$

- 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  $J(Q, \zeta) = \zeta Q K_1(\zeta Q)$  !

- Electromagnetic form-factor in AdS space:

$$F_{\pi^+}(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q^2, z) |\Phi_{\pi^+}(z)|^2,$$

where  $J(Q^2, z) = zQK_1(zQ)$ .

- Use integral representation for  $J(Q^2, z)$

$$J(Q^2, z) = \int_0^1 dx J_0 \left( \zeta Q \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right)$$

- Write the AdS electromagnetic form-factor as

$$F_{\pi^+}(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J_0 \left( zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) |\Phi_{\pi^+}(z)|^2$$

- Compare with electromagnetic form-factor in light-front QCD for arbitrary  $Q$

$$\left| \tilde{\psi}_{q\bar{q}/\pi}(x, \zeta) \right|^2 = \frac{R^3}{2\pi} x(1-x) \frac{|\Phi_\pi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4}$$

with  $\zeta = z$ ,  $0 \leq \zeta \leq \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

$LF(3+1)$

$AdS_5$

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

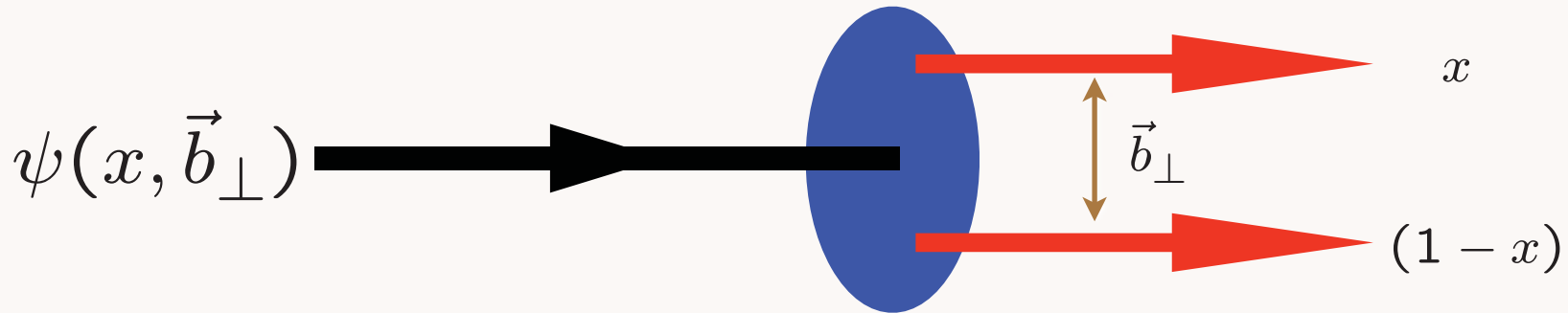


$$\phi(z)$$

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



$$z$$



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

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

# Holography: Map AdS/CFT to 3+1 LF Theory

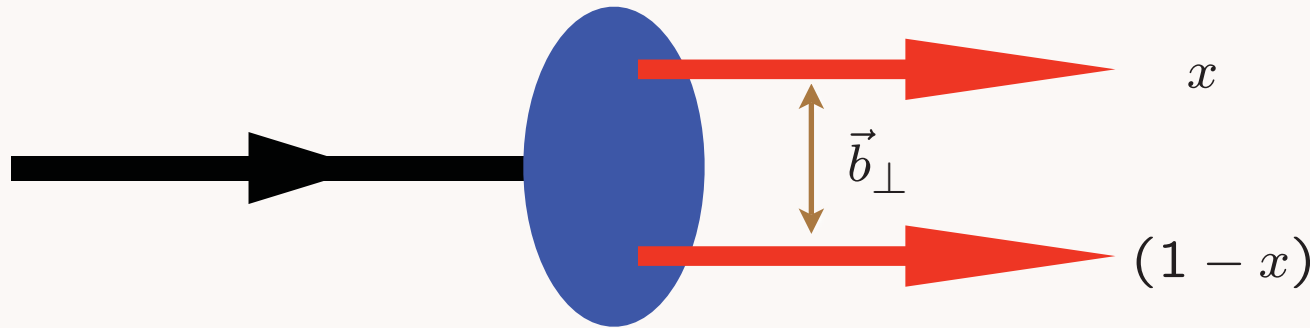
Relativistic LF radial equation

Frame Independent

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

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

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Effective conformal potential:

$$V(\zeta) = -\frac{1 - 4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + \kappa^4 \zeta^2$$

confining potential:

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# Gravitational Form Factor in AdS space

- Hadronic gravitational form-factor in AdS space

$$A_\pi(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} H(Q^2, z) |\Phi_\pi(z)|^2,$$

Abidin & Carlson

where  $H(Q^2, z) = \frac{1}{2} Q^2 z^2 K_2(zQ)$

- Use integral representation for  $H(Q^2, z)$

$$H(Q^2, z) = 2 \int_0^1 x dx J_0 \left( zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right)$$

- Write the AdS gravitational form-factor as

$$A_\pi(Q^2) = 2R^3 \int_0^1 x dx \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J_0 \left( zQ \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{x}} \right) |\Phi_\pi(z)|^2$$

- Compare with gravitational form-factor in light-front QCD for arbitrary  $Q$

$$\left| \tilde{\psi}_{q\bar{q}/\pi}(x, \zeta) \right|^2 = \frac{R^3}{2\pi} x(1-x) \frac{|\Phi_\pi(\zeta)|^2}{\zeta^4},$$

*Identical to LF Holography obtained from electromagnetic current*

Consider the  $AdS_5$  metric:

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2).$$

$ds^2$  invariant if  $x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu$ ,  $z \rightarrow \lambda z$ ,

Maps scale transformations to scale changes of the the holographic coordinate  $z$ .

We define light-front coordinates  $x^\pm = x^0 \pm x^3$ .

Then  $\eta^{\mu\nu} dx_\mu dx_\nu = dx_0^2 - dx_3^2 - dx_\perp^2 = dx^+ dx^- - dx_\perp^2$

and

$$ds^2 = -\frac{R^2}{z^2} (dx_\perp^2 + dz^2) \text{ for } x^+ = 0.$$

## Light-Front $AdS_5$ Duality

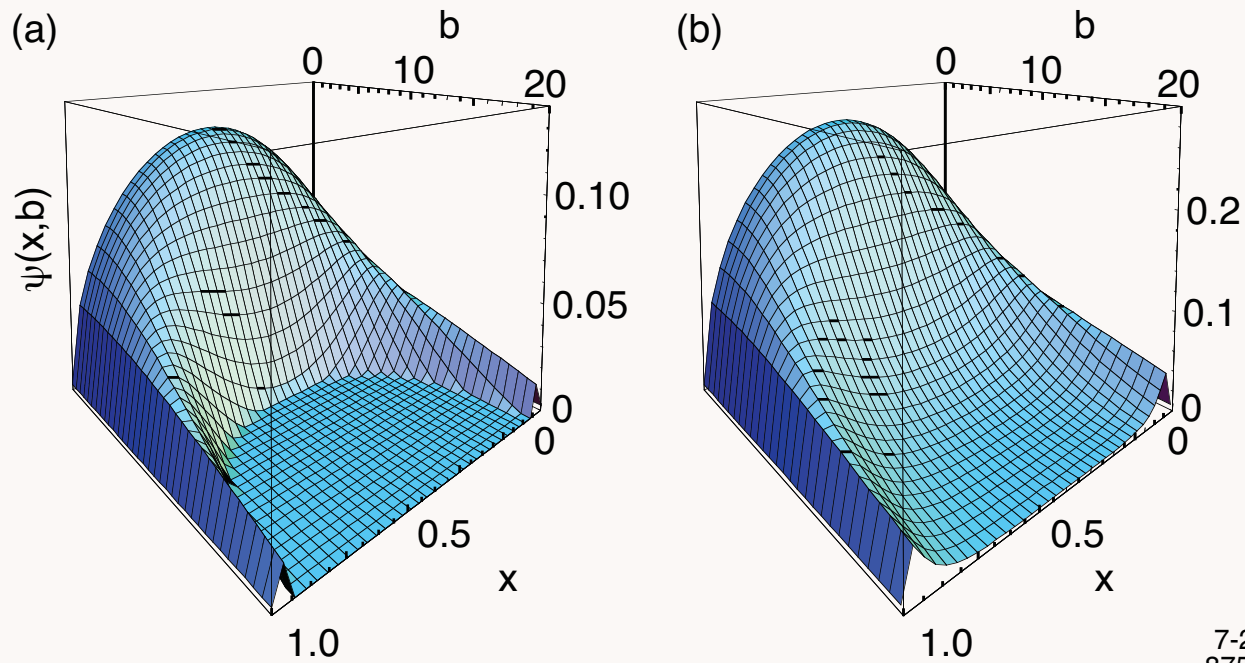
- $ds^2$  is invariant if  $dx_\perp^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 dx_\perp^2$ , and  $z \rightarrow \lambda z$ , at equal LF time.
- Maps scale transformations in transverse LF space to scale changes of the holographic coordinate  $z$ .
- Holographic connection of  $AdS_5$  to the light-front.
- The effective wave equation in the two-dim transverse LF plane has the Casimir representation  $L^2$  corresponding to the  $SO(2)$  rotation group [The Casimir for  $SO(N) \sim S^{N-1}$  is  $L(L + N - 2)$ ].

## Example: Pion LFWF

- Two parton LFWF bound state:

$$\tilde{\psi}_{\bar{q}q/\pi}^{HW}(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sqrt{x(1-x)}}{\sqrt{\pi} J_{1+L}(\beta_{L,k})} J_L\left(\sqrt{x(1-x)} |\mathbf{b}_\perp| \beta_{L,k} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}\right) \theta\left(\mathbf{b}_\perp^2 \leq \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-2}}{x(1-x)}\right),$$

$$\tilde{\psi}_{\bar{q}q/\pi}^{SW}(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = \kappa^{L+1} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} [x(1-x)]^{\frac{1}{2}+L} |\mathbf{b}_\perp|^L e^{-\frac{1}{2}\kappa^2 x(1-x)\mathbf{b}_\perp^2} L_n^L(\kappa^2 x(1-x)\mathbf{b}_\perp^2).$$



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Ground state pion LFWF in impact space. (a) HW model  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.32$  GeV, (b) SW model  $\kappa = 0.375$  GeV.

# Prediction from AdS/CFT: Meson LFWF

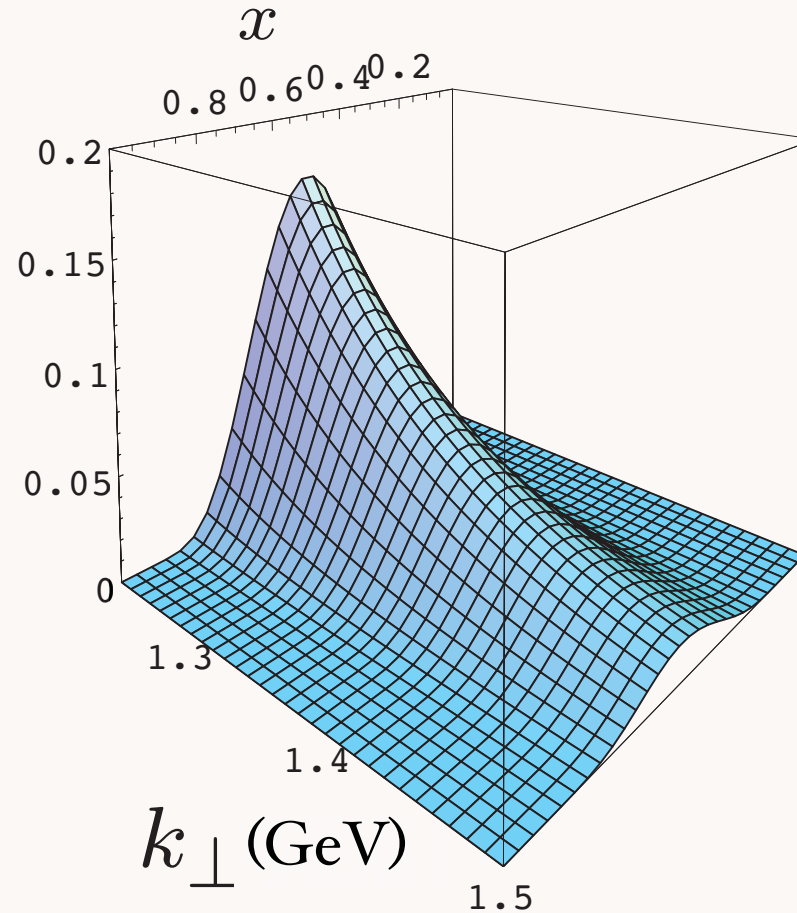
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**“Soft Wall”  
model**

$$\kappa = 0.375 \text{ GeV}$$

massless quarks

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



$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}} \quad \phi_M(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

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# Second Moment of Pion Distribution Amplitude

$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 d\xi \xi^2 \phi(\xi)$$

$$\xi = 1 - 2x$$

$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 1/5 = 0.20 \quad \phi_{asympt} \propto x(1-x)$$

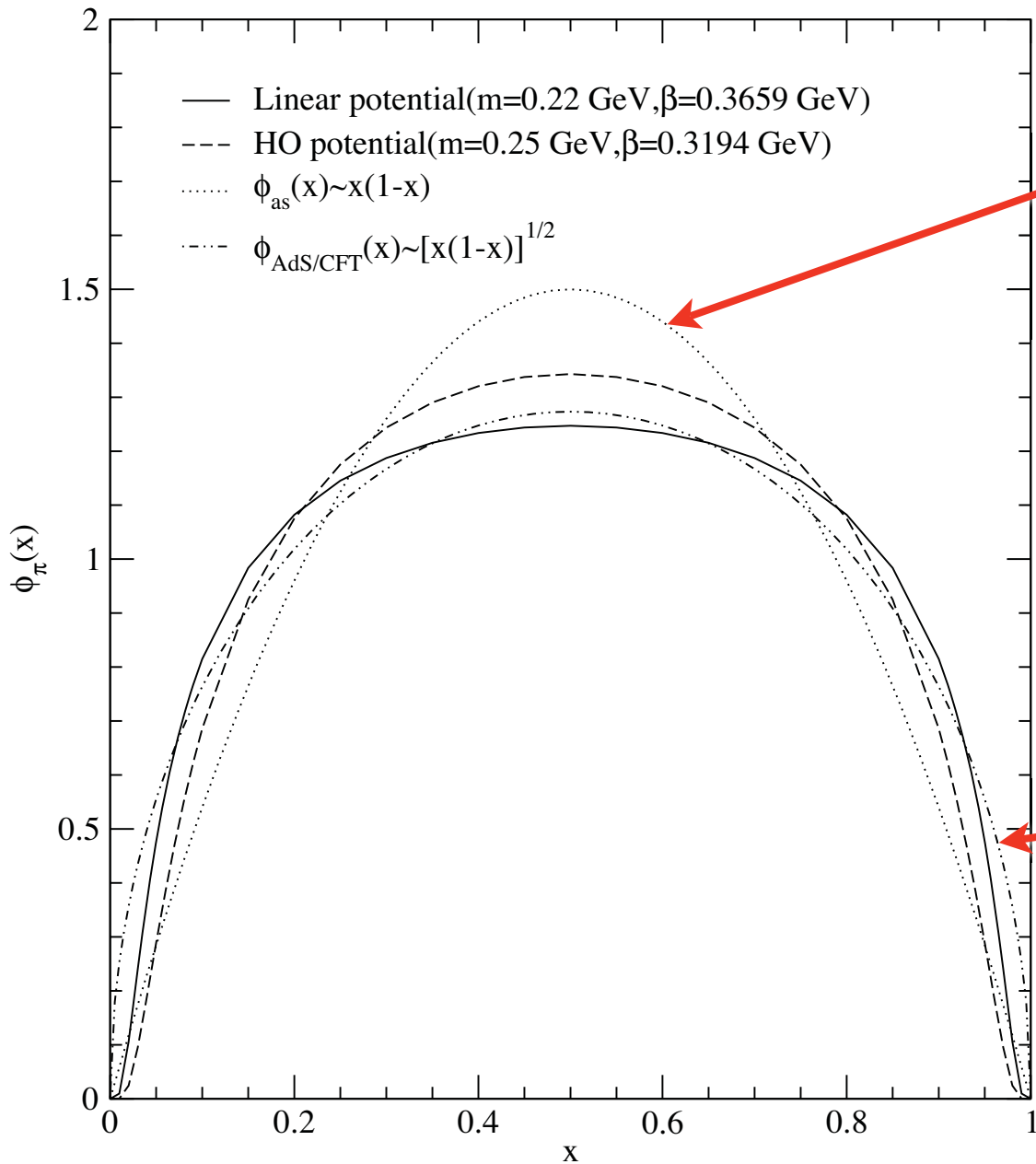
$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 1/4 = 0.25 \quad \phi_{AdS/QCD} \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

$$\text{Lattice (I)} \quad \langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 0.28 \pm 0.03$$

$$\text{Lattice (II)} \quad \langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\pi} = 0.269 \pm 0.039$$

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Braun et al.

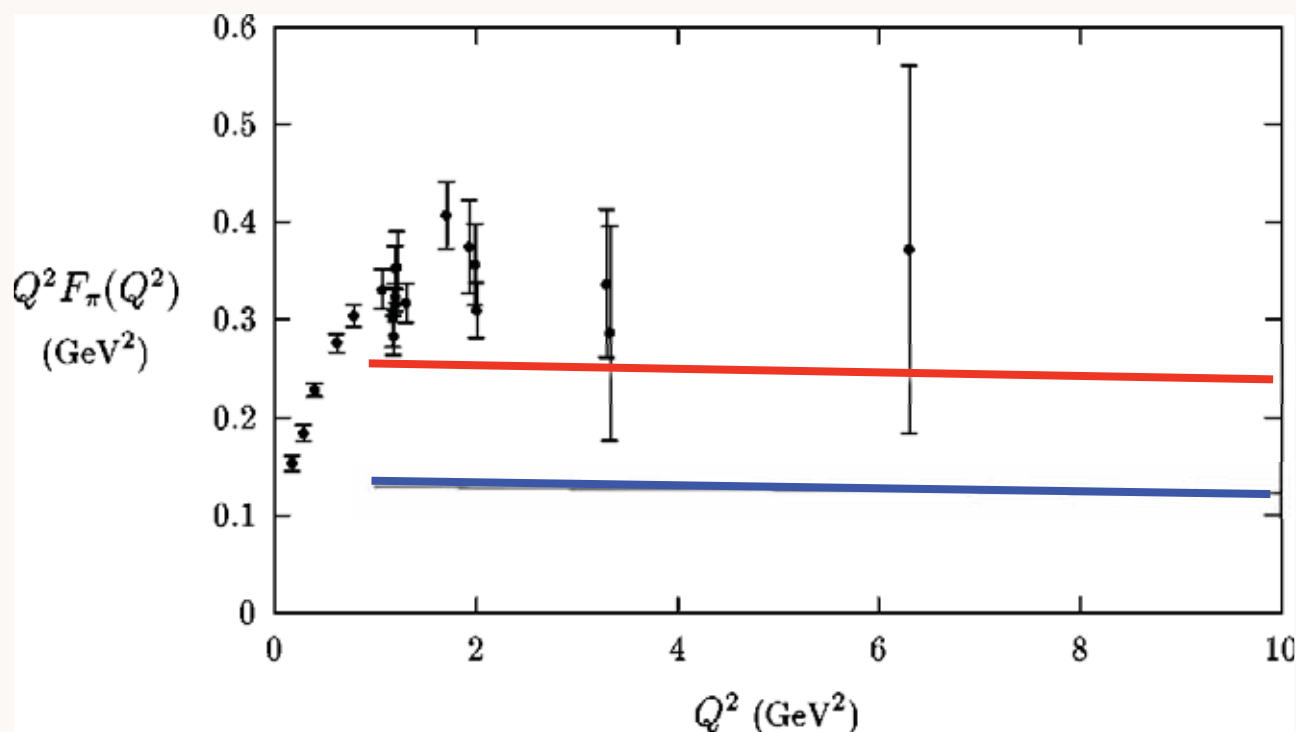


$$\phi_{asympt} \sim x(1-x)$$

***AdS/CFT:***

$$\phi(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

$$F_{\pi}(Q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \phi_{\pi}(x) \int_0^1 dy \phi_{\pi}(y) \frac{16\pi C_F \alpha_V(Q_V)}{(1-x)(1-y)Q^2}$$



$$\phi(x, Q_0) \propto \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

$$\phi_{asymptotic} \propto x(1-x)$$

Normalized to  $f_{\pi}$

***AdS/CFT:***

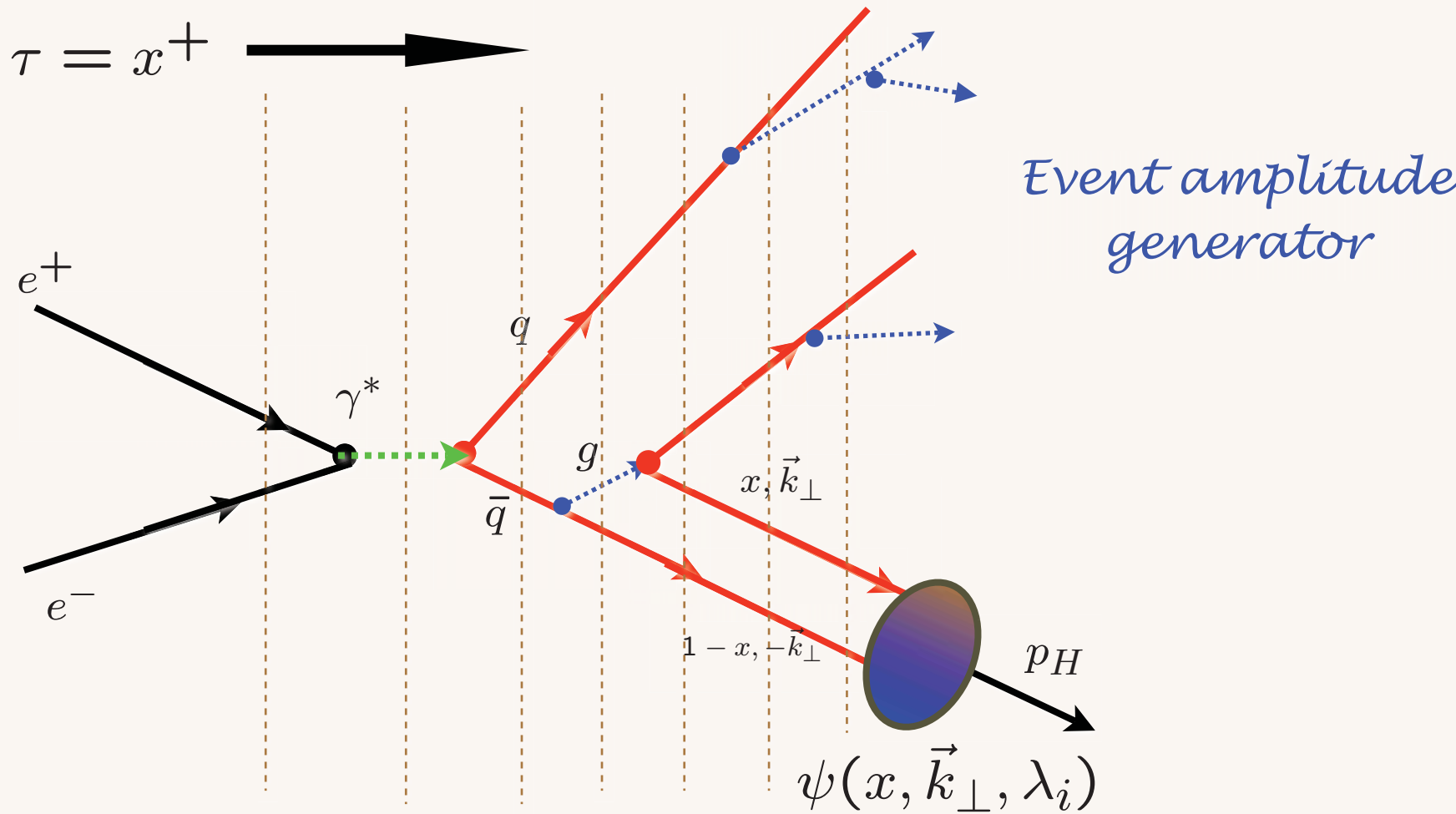
Increases PQCD leading twist prediction for  $F_{\pi}(Q^2)$  by factor 16/9

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# Hadronization at the Amplitude Level



*AdS/QCD  
Hard Wall*

$$\text{Capture if } \zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_\perp^2 > \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}$$

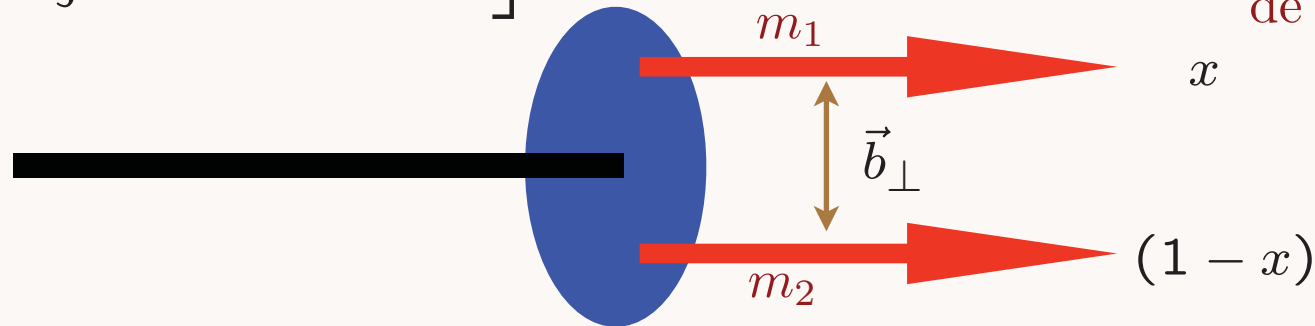
i.e.,

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \frac{k_\perp^2}{x(1-x)} < \Lambda_{QCD}^2$$



$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + V(\zeta) \right] \phi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

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

*Holographic Variable*

$$-\frac{d}{d\zeta^2} \equiv \frac{k_\perp^2}{x(1-x)}$$

*LF Kinetic Energy in momentum space*

*Assume LFWF is a dynamical function of the quark-antiquark invariant mass squared*

$$-\frac{d}{d\zeta^2} \rightarrow -\frac{d}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \equiv \frac{k_\perp^2 + m_1^2}{x} + \frac{k_\perp^2 + m_2^2}{1-x}$$

# Result: Soft-Wall LFWF for massive constituents

$$\psi(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) = \frac{4\pi c}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left( \frac{\mathbf{k}_\perp^2}{x(1-x)} + \frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \right)}$$

*LFWF in impact space: soft-wall model with massive quarks*

$$\psi(x, \mathbf{b}_\perp) = \frac{c\kappa}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{x(1-x)} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\kappa^2 x(1-x) \mathbf{b}_\perp^2 - \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left[ \frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \right]}$$

$$z \rightarrow \zeta \rightarrow \chi$$

$$\chi^2 = b^2 x(1-x) + \frac{1}{\kappa^4} \left[ \frac{m_1^2}{x} + \frac{m_2^2}{1-x} \right]$$

# $J/\psi$

# $\psi_{J/\psi}(x, b)$

*LFWF peaks at*

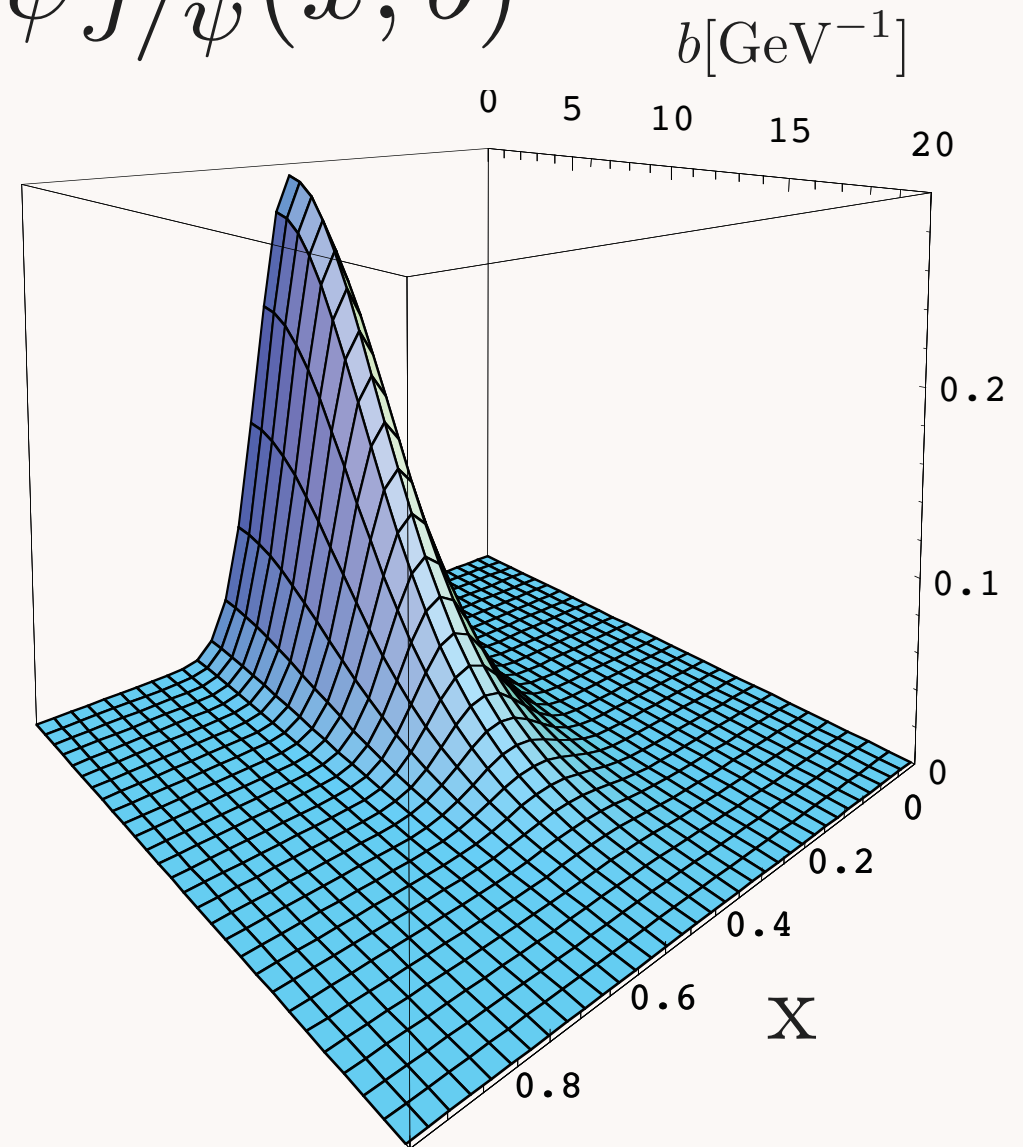
$$x_i = \frac{m_{\perp i}}{\sum_j^n m_{\perp j}}$$

where

$$m_{\perp i} = \sqrt{m^2 + k_{\perp}^2}$$

*minimum of LF  
energy  
denominator*

$$\kappa = 0.375 \text{ GeV}$$

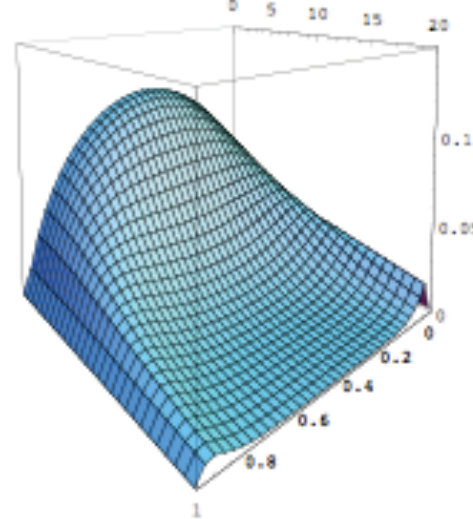
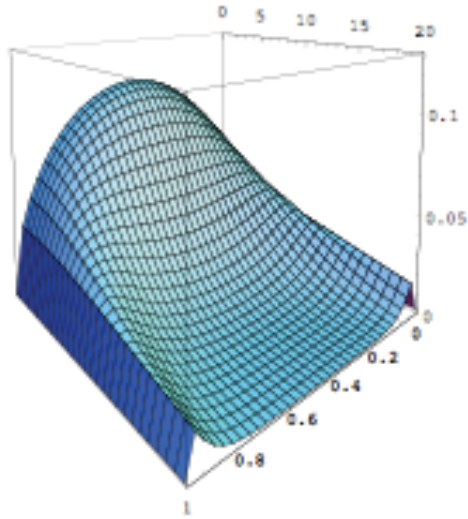


$$m_a = m_b = 1.25 \text{ GeV}$$

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

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

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

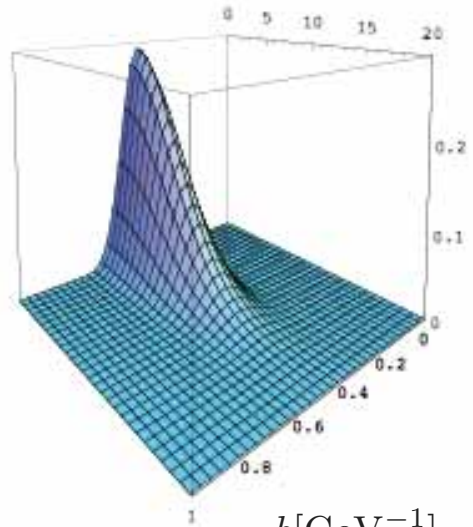
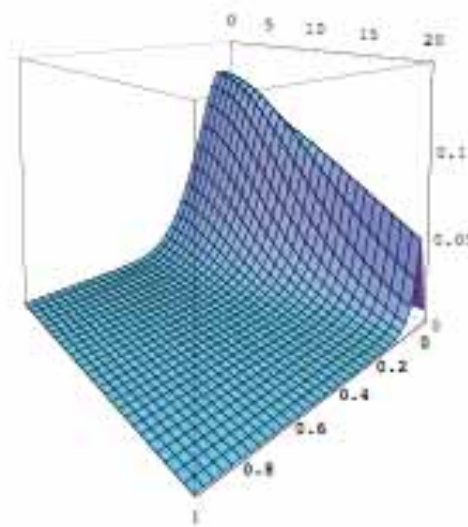


$$|K^+\rangle = |u\bar{s}\rangle$$

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

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

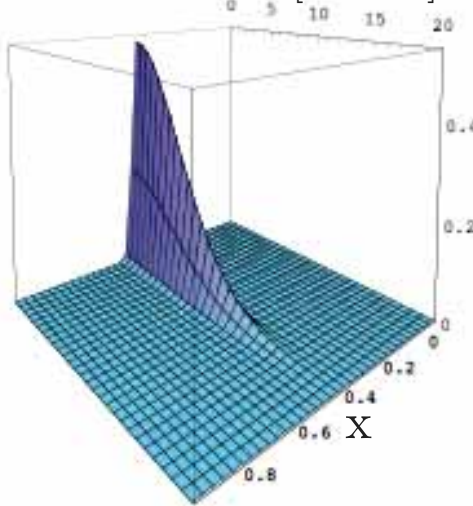
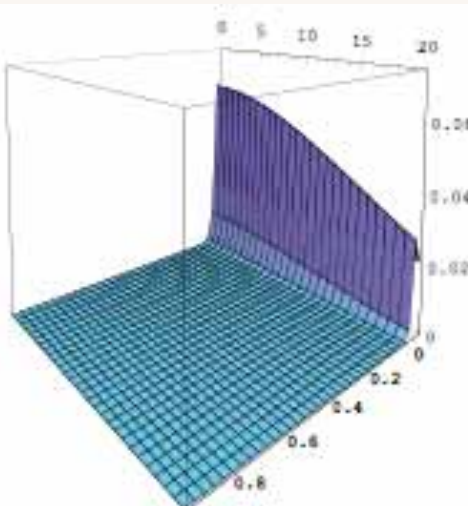
$$m_c = 1.25 \text{ GeV}$$



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

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

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

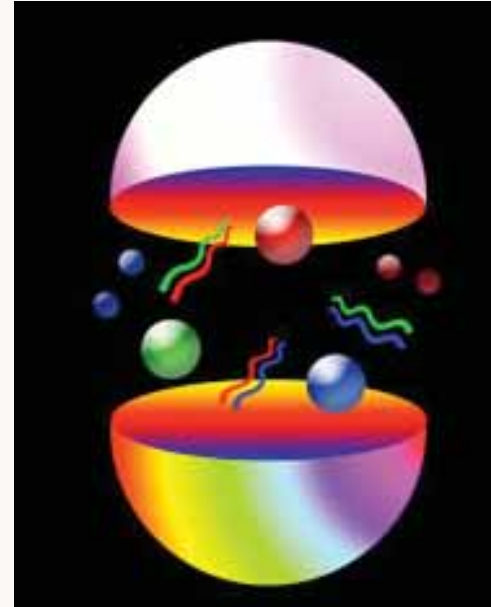


$$|\eta_b\rangle = |b\bar{b}\rangle$$

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

- Baryons Spectrum in "bottom-up" holographic QCD  
GdT and Brodsky: hep-th/0409074, hep-th/0501022.

## Baryons in AdS/CFT

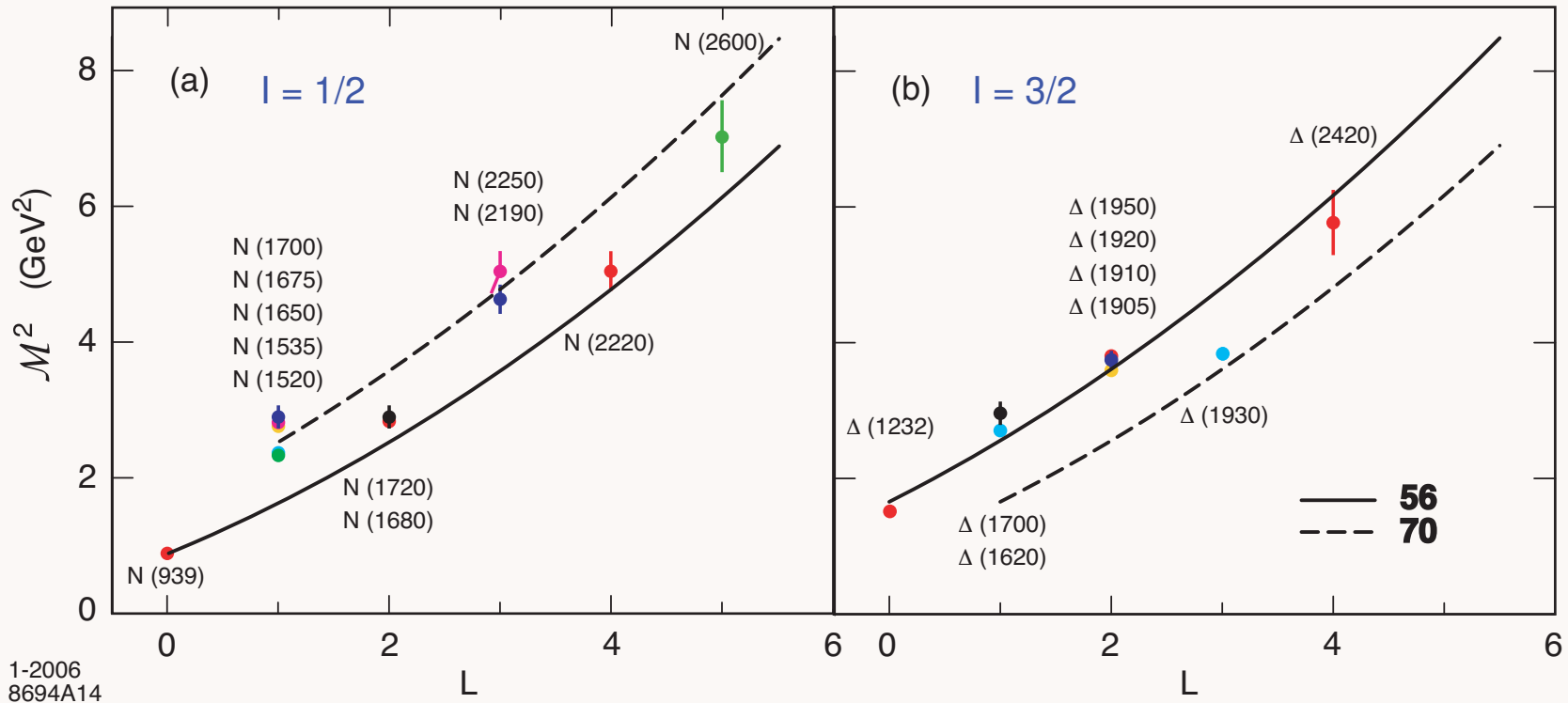


- Action for massive fermionic modes on  $\text{AdS}_{d+1}$ :

$$S[\bar{\Psi}, \Psi] = \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \bar{\Psi}(x, z) \left( i\Gamma^\ell D_\ell - \mu \right) \Psi(x, z).$$

- Equation of motion:  $(i\Gamma^\ell D_\ell - \mu) \Psi(x, z) = 0$

$$\left[ i \left( z\eta^{\ell m} \Gamma_\ell \partial_m + \frac{d}{2} \Gamma_z \right) + \mu R \right] \Psi(x^\ell) = 0.$$



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Fig: Light baryon orbital spectrum for  $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.25$  GeV in the HW model. The **56** trajectory corresponds to  $L$  even  $P = +$  states, and the **70** to  $L$  odd  $P = -$  states.

$SU(6)$	$S$	$L$	Baryon State
<b>56</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{+}$ (939)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	0	$\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{+}$ (1232)
<b>70</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{-}$ (1535) $N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{-}$ (1520)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	1	$N_{\frac{1}{2}}^{-}$ (1650) $N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{-}$ (1700) $N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{-}$ (1675)
	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\Delta_{\frac{1}{2}}^{-}$ (1620) $\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{-}$ (1700)
<b>56</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	2	$N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{+}$ (1720) $N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{+}$ (1680)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	2	$\Delta_{\frac{1}{2}}^{+}$ (1910) $\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}^{+}$ (1920) $\Delta_{\frac{5}{2}}^{+}$ (1905) $\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^{+}$ (1950)
<b>70</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{-}$ $N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{-}$
	$\frac{3}{2}$	3	$N_{\frac{3}{2}}^{-}$ $N_{\frac{5}{2}}^{-}$ $N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{-}$ (2190) $N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{-}$ (2250)
	$\frac{1}{2}$	3	$\Delta_{\frac{5}{2}}^{-}$ (1930) $\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^{-}$
<b>56</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	4	$N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{+}$ $N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{+}$ (2220)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	4	$\Delta_{\frac{5}{2}}^{+}$ $\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}^{+}$ $\Delta_{\frac{9}{2}}^{+}$ $\Delta_{\frac{11}{2}}^{+}$ (2420)
<b>70</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	5	$N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{-}$ $N_{\frac{11}{2}}^{-}$ (2600)
	$\frac{3}{2}$	5	$N_{\frac{7}{2}}^{-}$ $N_{\frac{9}{2}}^{-}$ $N_{\frac{11}{2}}^{-}$ $N_{\frac{13}{2}}^{-}$

## 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

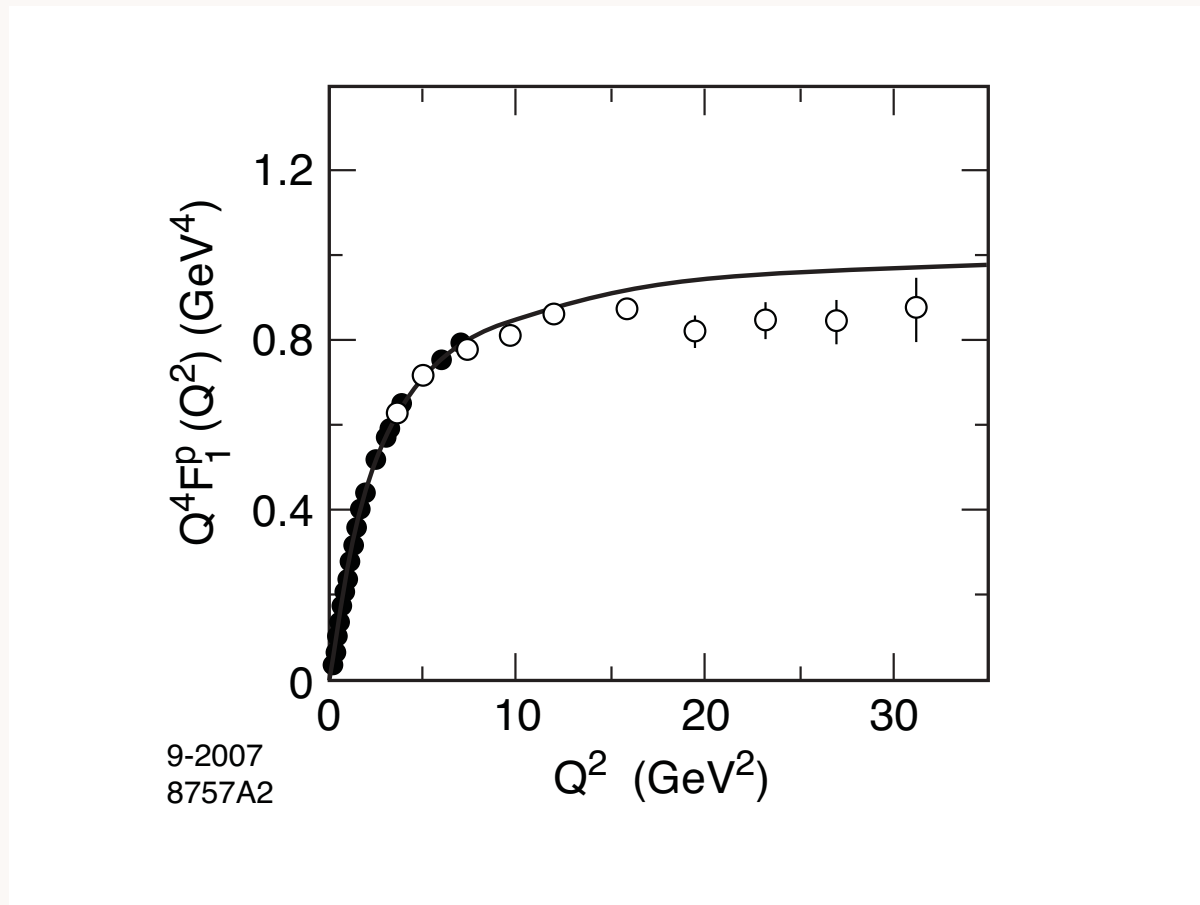
$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

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

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



- Scaling behavior for large  $Q^2$ :  $Q^4 F_1^p(Q^2) \rightarrow \text{constant}$  Proton  $\tau = 3$

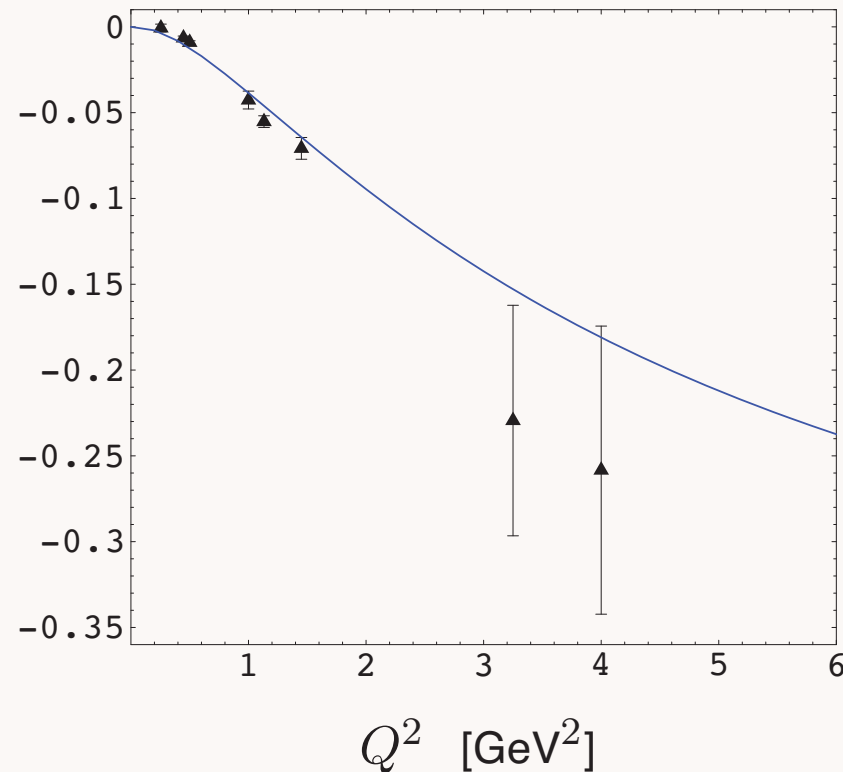


SW model predictions for  $\kappa = 0.424$  GeV. Data analysis from: M. Diehl *et al.* Eur. Phys. J. C **39**, 1 (2005).

# Dirac Neutron Form Factor (Valence Approximation)

Truncated Space Confinement

$$Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2) \text{ [GeV}^4\text{]}$$



Prediction for  $Q^4 F_1^n(Q^2)$  for  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.21$  GeV in the hard wall approximation. Data analysis from Diehl (2005).

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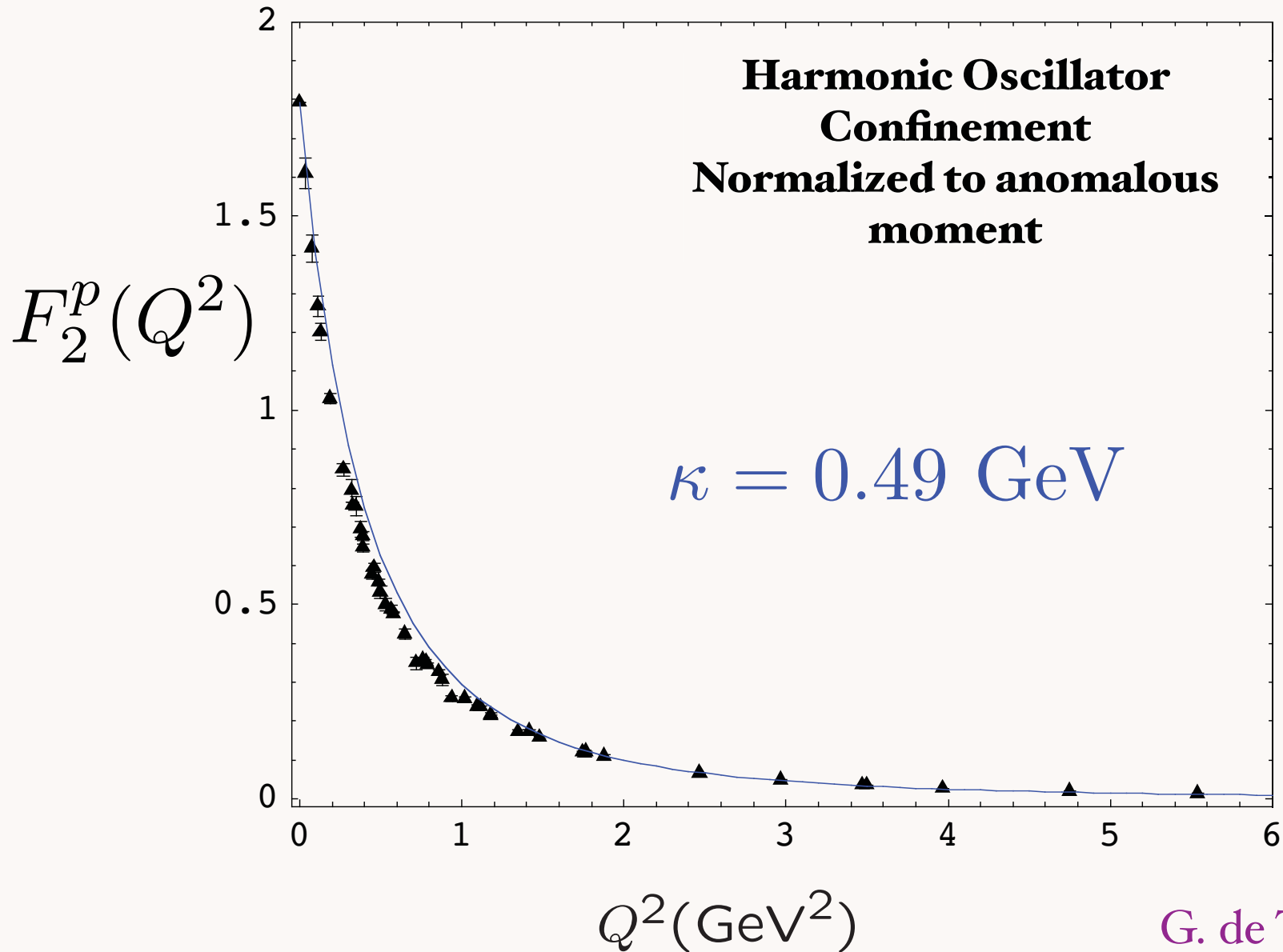
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# Spacelike Pauli Form Factor

Preliminary

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



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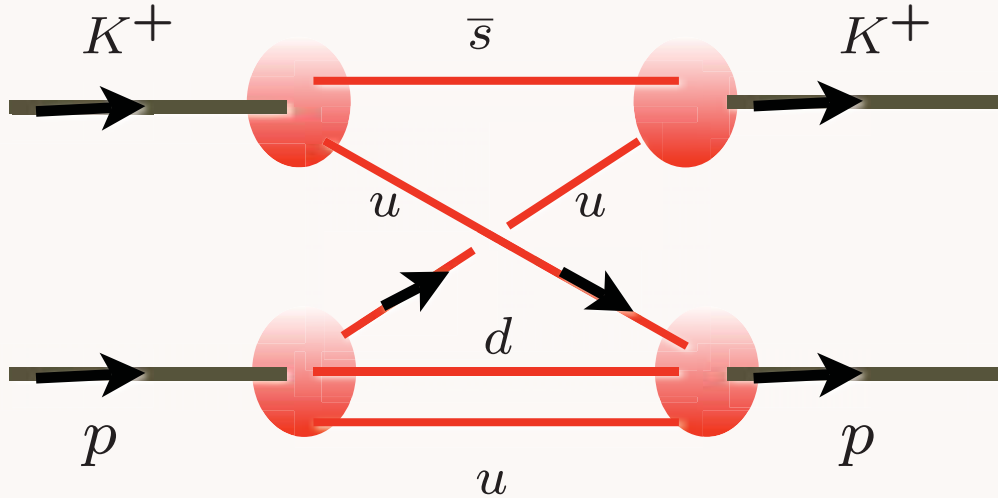
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# Holographic Connection between LF and AdS/CFT

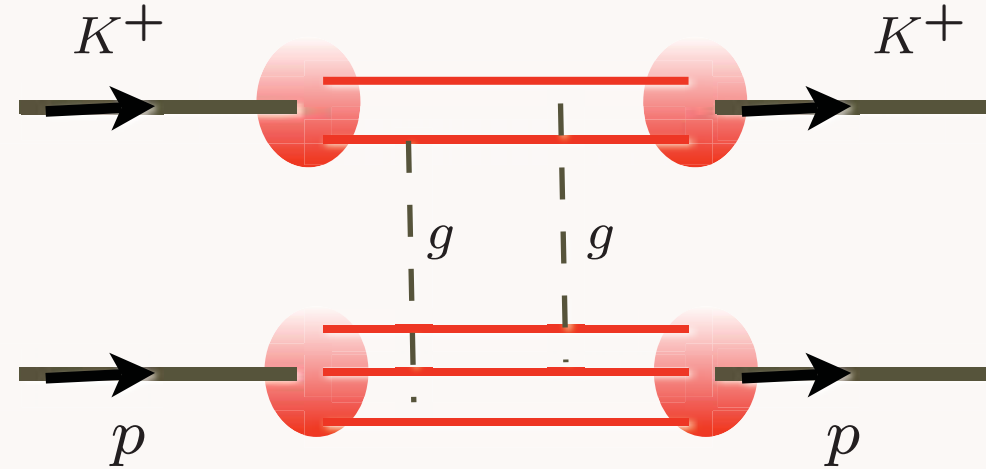
- Predictions for hadronic spectra, light-front wavefunctions, interactions
- Deduce meson and baryon wavefunctions, distribution amplitude, structure function from holographic constraint
- Identification of Orbital Angular Momentum Casimir for  $SO(2)$ : LF Rotations
- Extension to massive quarks

# *New Perspectives for QCD from AdS/CFT*

- LFWFs: Fundamental frame-independent description of hadrons at amplitude level
- Holographic Model from AdS/CFT : Confinement at large distances and conformal behavior at short distances
- Model for LFWFs, meson and baryon spectra: many applications!
- New basis for diagonalizing Light-Front Hamiltonian
- Physics similar to MIT bag model, but covariant. No problem with support  $0 < x < 1$ .
- Quark Interchange dominant force at short distances



Quark Interchange  
(Spin exchange in atom-atom scattering)



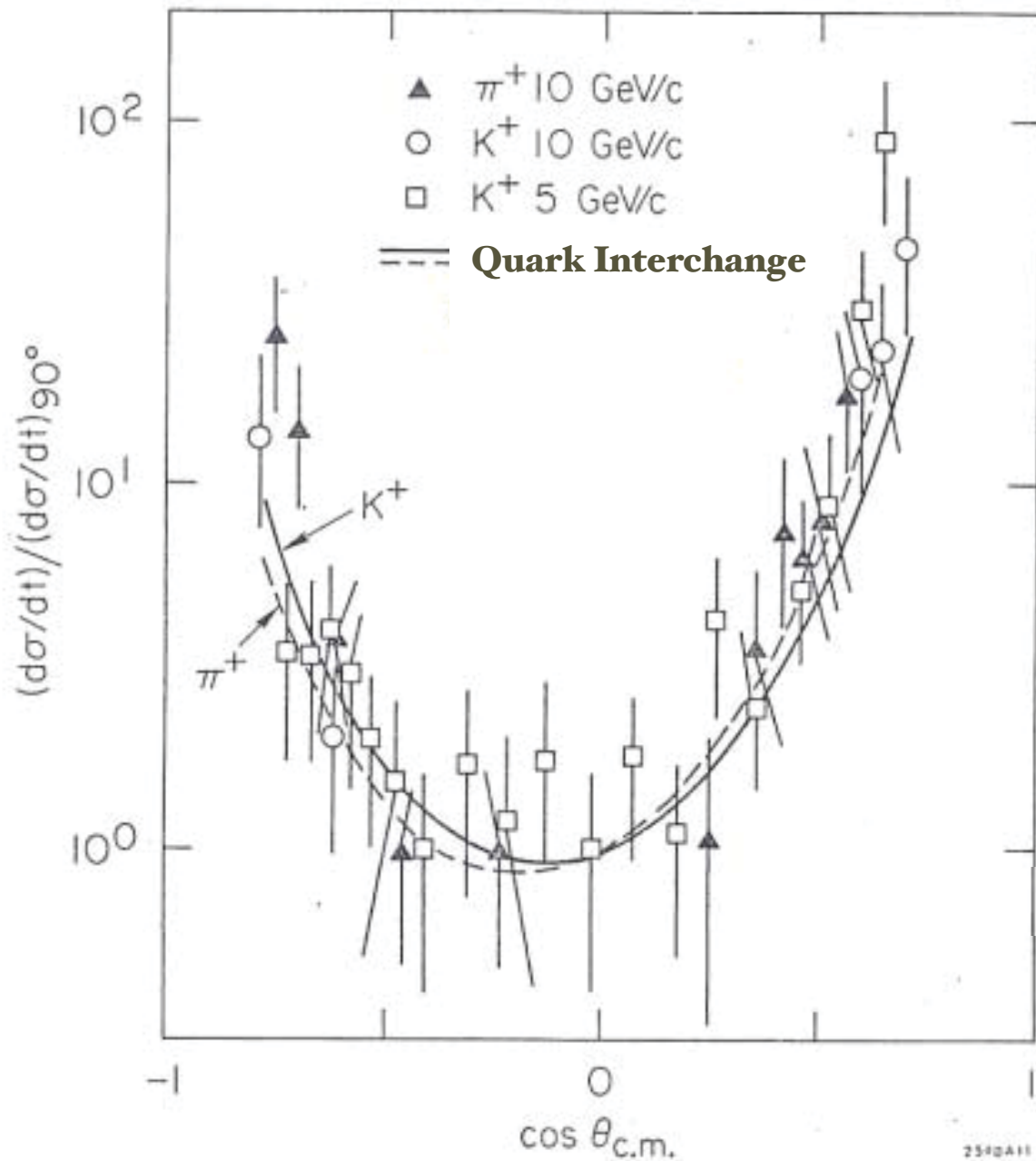
Gluon Exchange  
(Van der Waal -- Landshoff)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{|M(s,t)|^2}{s^2}$$

$$M(t, u)_{\text{interchange}} \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$$

$$M(s, t)_{\text{gluonexchange}} \propto sF(t)$$

MIT Bag Model (de Tar), large  $N_c$ , ('t Hooft), AdS/CFT  
all predict dominance of quark interchange:



*AdS/CFT explains why quark interchange is dominant interaction at high momentum transfer in exclusive reactions*

$$M(t, u)_{\text{interchange}} \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$$

***Non-linear Regge behavior:***

$$\alpha_R(t) \rightarrow -1$$

## Comparison of Exclusive Reactions at Large $t$

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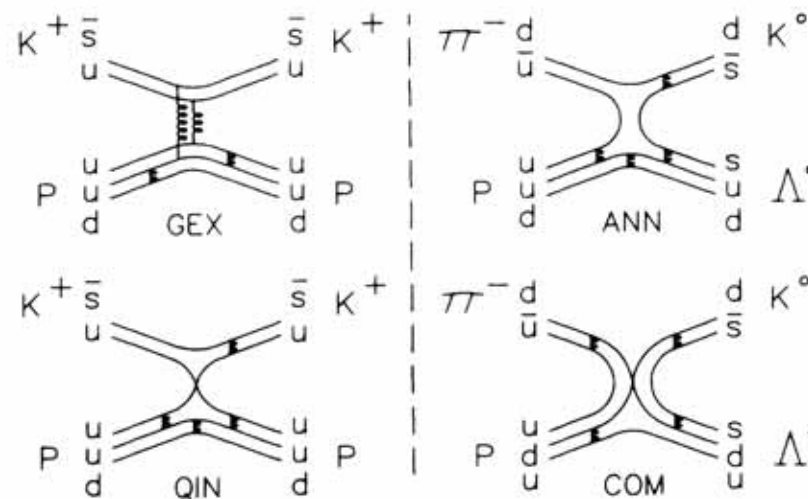
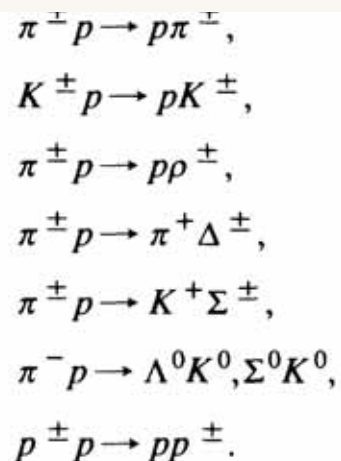
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Cross sections or upper limits are reported for twelve meson-baryon and two baryon-baryon reactions for an incident momentum of 9.9 GeV/c, near 90° c.m.:  $\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\pi^\pm, p\rho^\pm, \pi^+\Delta^\pm, K^+\Sigma^\pm, (\Lambda^0/\Sigma^0)K^0$ ;  $K^\pm p \rightarrow pK^\pm$ ;  $p^\pm p \rightarrow pp^\pm$ . By studying the flavor dependence of the different reactions, we have been able to isolate the quark-interchange mechanism as dominant over gluon exchange and quark-antiquark annihilation.





# New Perspectives on QCD Phenomena from AdS/CFT

- **AdS/CFT:** Duality between string theory in Anti-de Sitter Space and Conformal Field Theory
- New Way to Implement Conformal Symmetry
- Holographic Model: Conformal Symmetry at Short Distances, Confinement at large distances
- Remarkable predictions for hadronic spectra, wavefunctions, interactions
- AdS/CFT provides novel insights into the quark structure of hadrons

# Light-Front Wavefunctions

Dirac's Front Form: Fixed  $\tau = t + z/c$

$$\Psi(x, k_{\perp}) \quad x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{P^+}$$

*Invariant under boosts. Independent of  $P^{\mu}$*

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

*Remarkable new insights from AdS/CFT,  
the duality between conformal field theory  
and Anti-de Sitter Space*

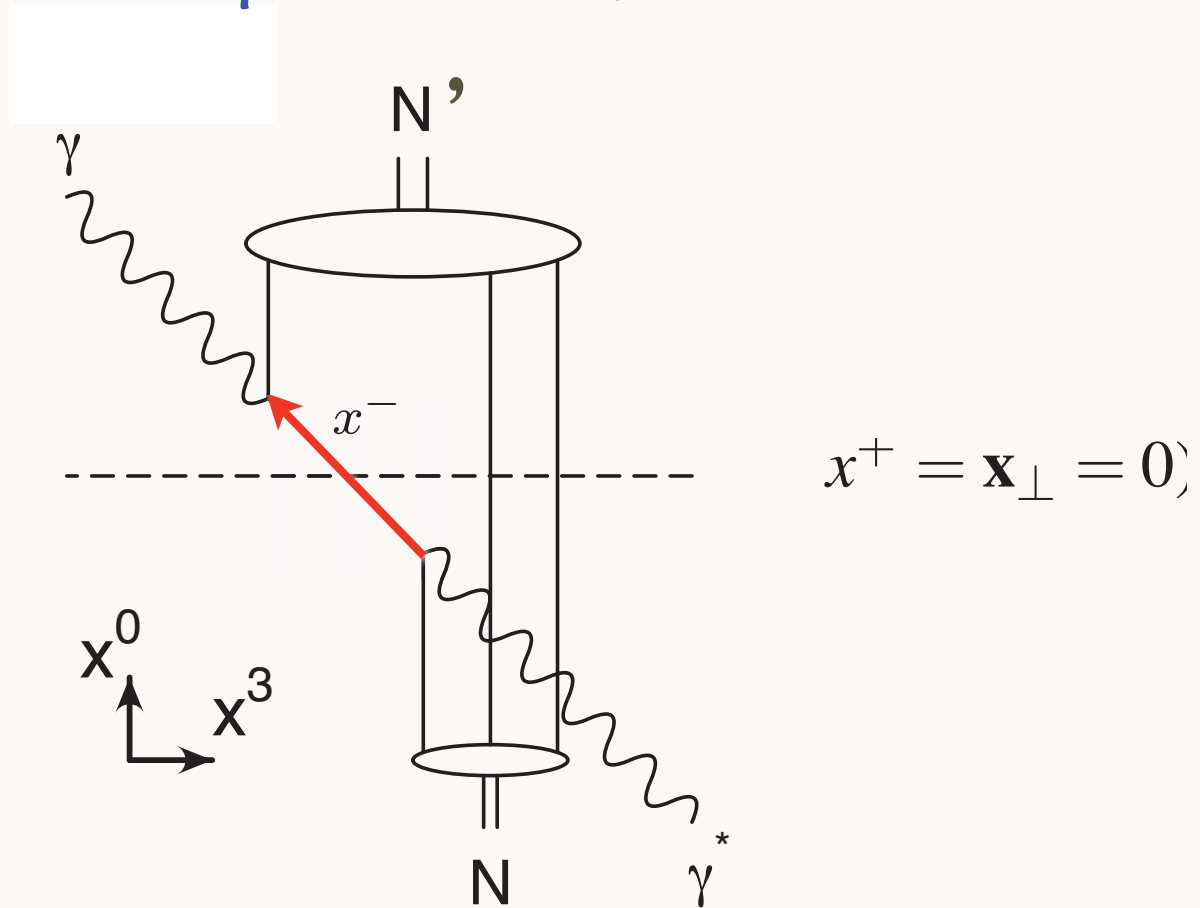
# *Some Applications of Light-Front Wavefunctions*

- Exact formulae for form factors, quark and gluon distributions; vanishing anomalous gravitational moment; edm connection to anm
- Deeply Virtual Compton Scattering, generalized parton distributions, angular momentum sum rules
- Exclusive weak decay amplitudes
- Single spin asymmetries: Role of ISI and FSI
- Factorization theorems, DGLAP, BFKL, ERBL Evolution
- Quark interchange amplitude
- Relation of spin, momentum, and other distributions to physics of the hadron itself.

# Space-time picture of DVCS

P. Hoyer

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}x^- P^+$$



The position of the struck quark differs by  $x^-$  in the two wave functions

**Measure  $x^-$  distribution from DVCS:  
Take Fourier transform of skewness,  $\xi = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$   
the longitudinal momentum transfer**

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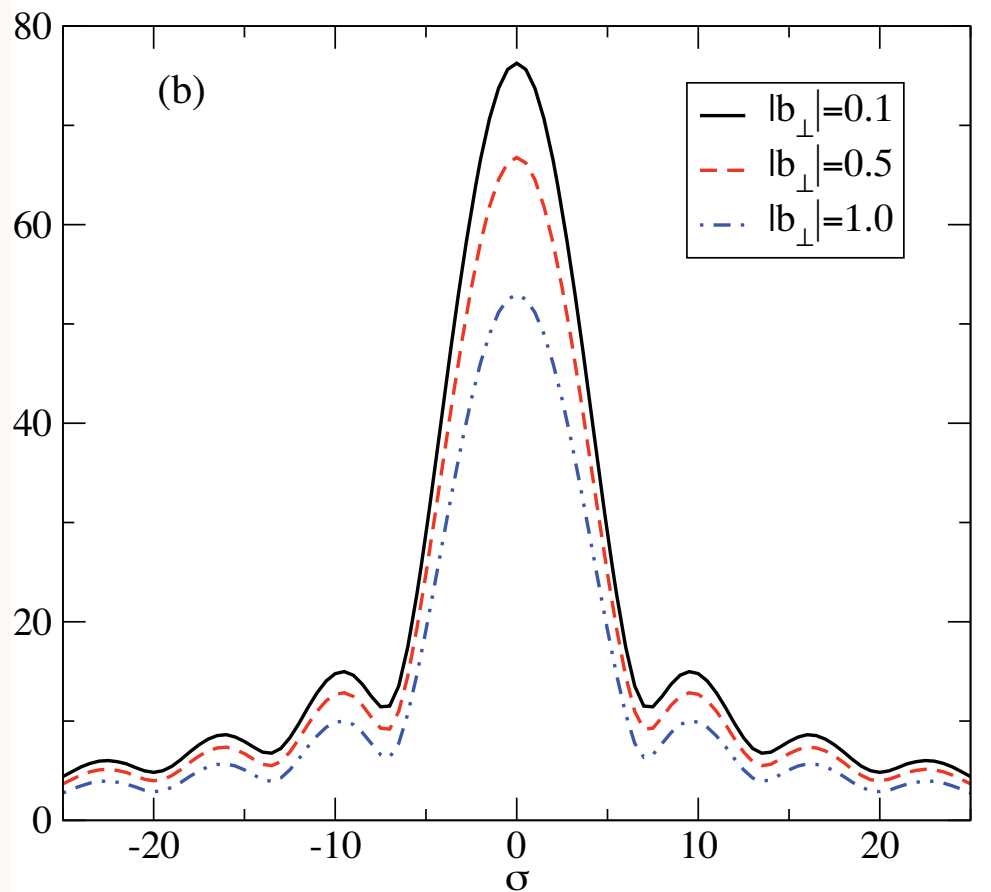
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# Hadron Optics

$$A(\sigma, \vec{b}_\perp) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\xi e^{i\frac{1}{2}\xi\sigma} \tilde{A}(\xi, \vec{b}_\perp)$$

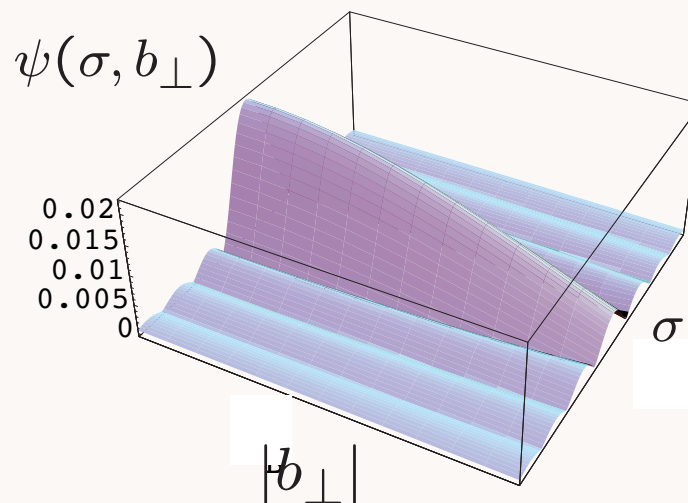
$$\sigma = \frac{1}{2}x^-P^+ \quad \xi = \frac{Q^2}{2p \cdot q}$$



The Fourier Spectrum of the DVCS amplitude in  $\sigma$  space for different fixed values of  $|b_\perp|$ .  
GeV units

## DVCS Amplitude using holographic QCD meson LFWF

$$\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$$



*Quark and Gluon condensates  
reside within hadrons, not vacuum*

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- **Bound-State Dyson-Schwinger Equations**
- **LF vacuum trivial up to  $k^+ = 0$  zero modes**
- **Analogous to finite size superconductor**
- **Implications for cosmological constant --  
reduction by 55 orders of magnitude!**

*Confined QCD Condensates*

String Theory

AdS/CFT

Mapping of Poincare' and Conformal  $SO(4,2)$  symmetries of 3+1 space to AdS5 space

Goal: First Approximant to QCD

AdS/QCD

Counting rules for Hard Exclusive Scattering  
Regge Trajectories  
QCD at the Amplitude Level

Conformal behavior at short distances  
+ Confinement at large distance

Semi-Classical QCD / Wave Equations

Holography

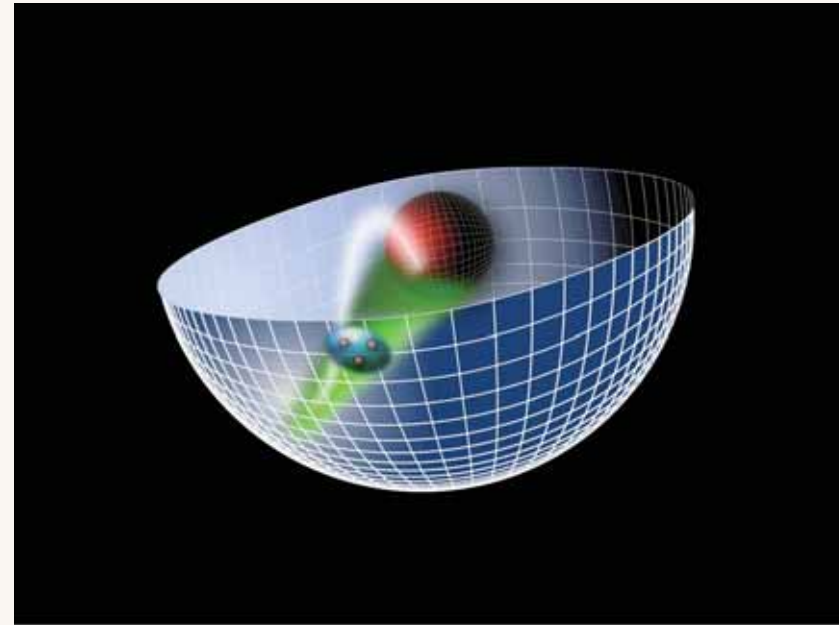
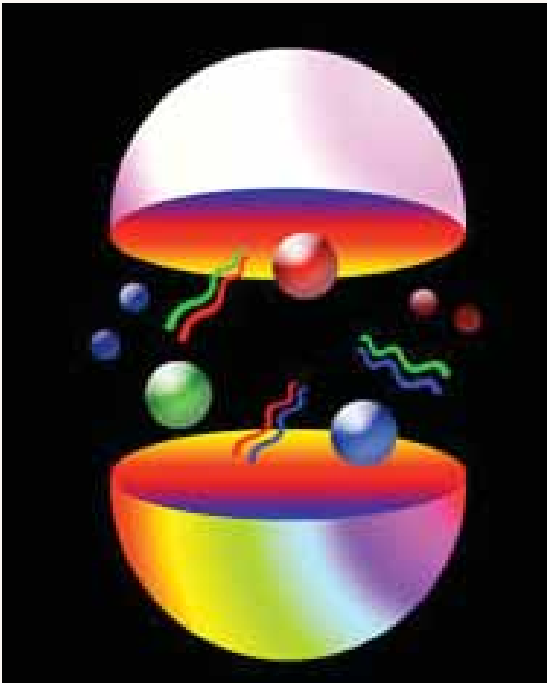
Boost Invariant 3+1 Light-Front Wave Equations

$J=0, 1, 1/2, 3/2$  plus  $L$

Integrable!

Hadron Spectra, Wavefunctions, Dynamics

# *Congratulations Harald!*



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