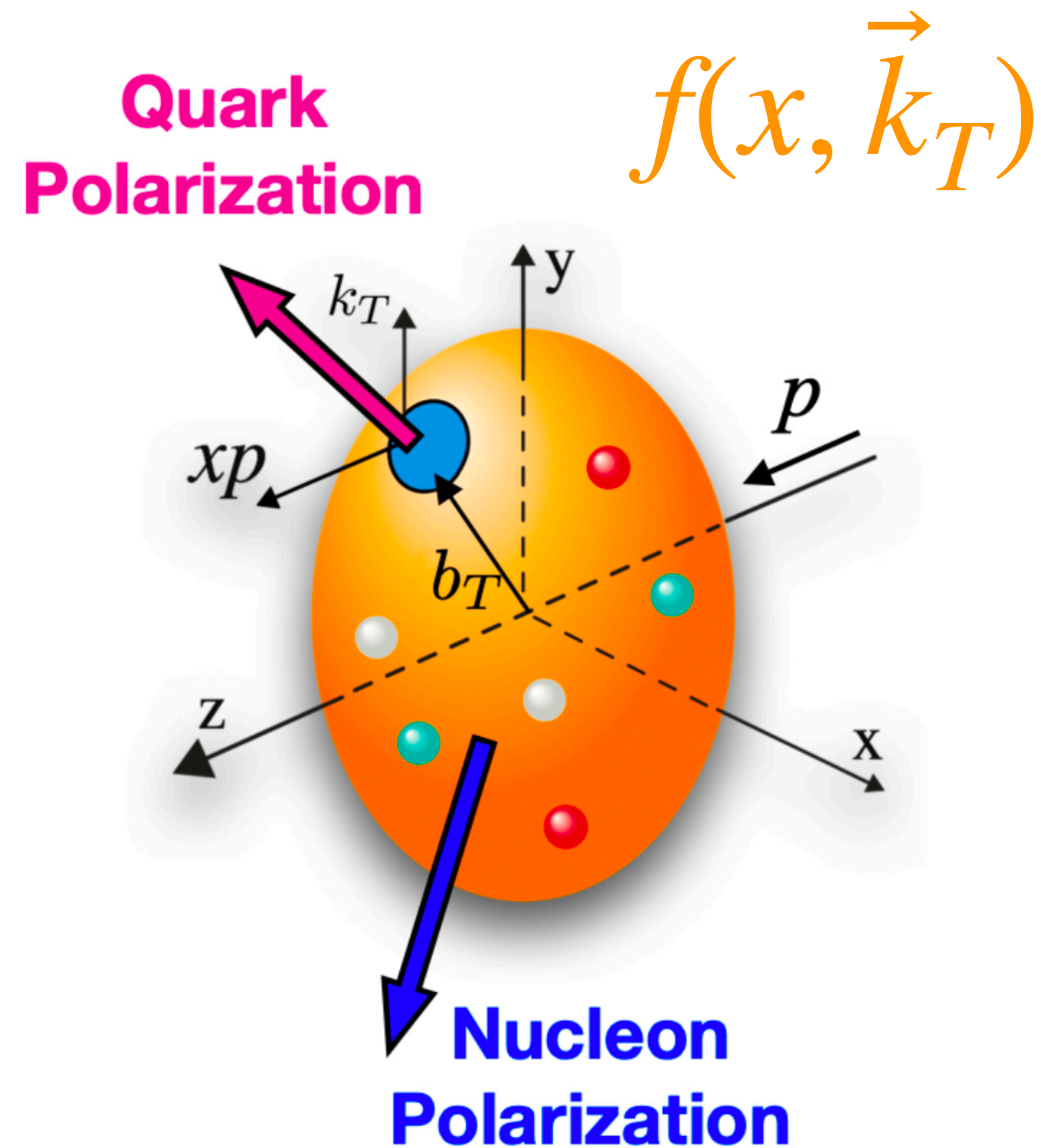


# Helicity and Unpolarized TMDs of Nucleon from Lattice QCD

Xiang Gao

# Transverse-momentum-dependent distributions



- Leading-power (“twist-2”) quark TMDs

		Quark Polarization		
		Un-Polarized (U)	Longitudinally Polarized (L)	Transversely Polarized (T)
Nucleon Polarization	U	$f_1 = \textcircled{\bullet}$ Unpolarized		$h_1^\perp = \textcircled{\uparrow} - \textcircled{\downarrow}$ Boer-Mulders
	L		$g_1 = \textcircled{\rightarrow} - \textcircled{\leftarrow}$ Helicity	$h_{1L}^\perp = \textcircled{\rightarrow\uparrow} - \textcircled{\rightarrow\downarrow}$ Worm-gear
	T	$f_{1T}^\perp = \textcircled{\uparrow} - \textcircled{\downarrow}$ Sivers	$g_{1T}^\perp = \textcircled{\rightarrow\uparrow} - \textcircled{\rightarrow\downarrow}$ Worm-gear	$h_1 = \textcircled{\uparrow} - \textcircled{\downarrow}$ Transversity $h_{1T}^\perp = \textcircled{\rightarrow\uparrow} - \textcircled{\rightarrow\downarrow}$ Pretzelosity

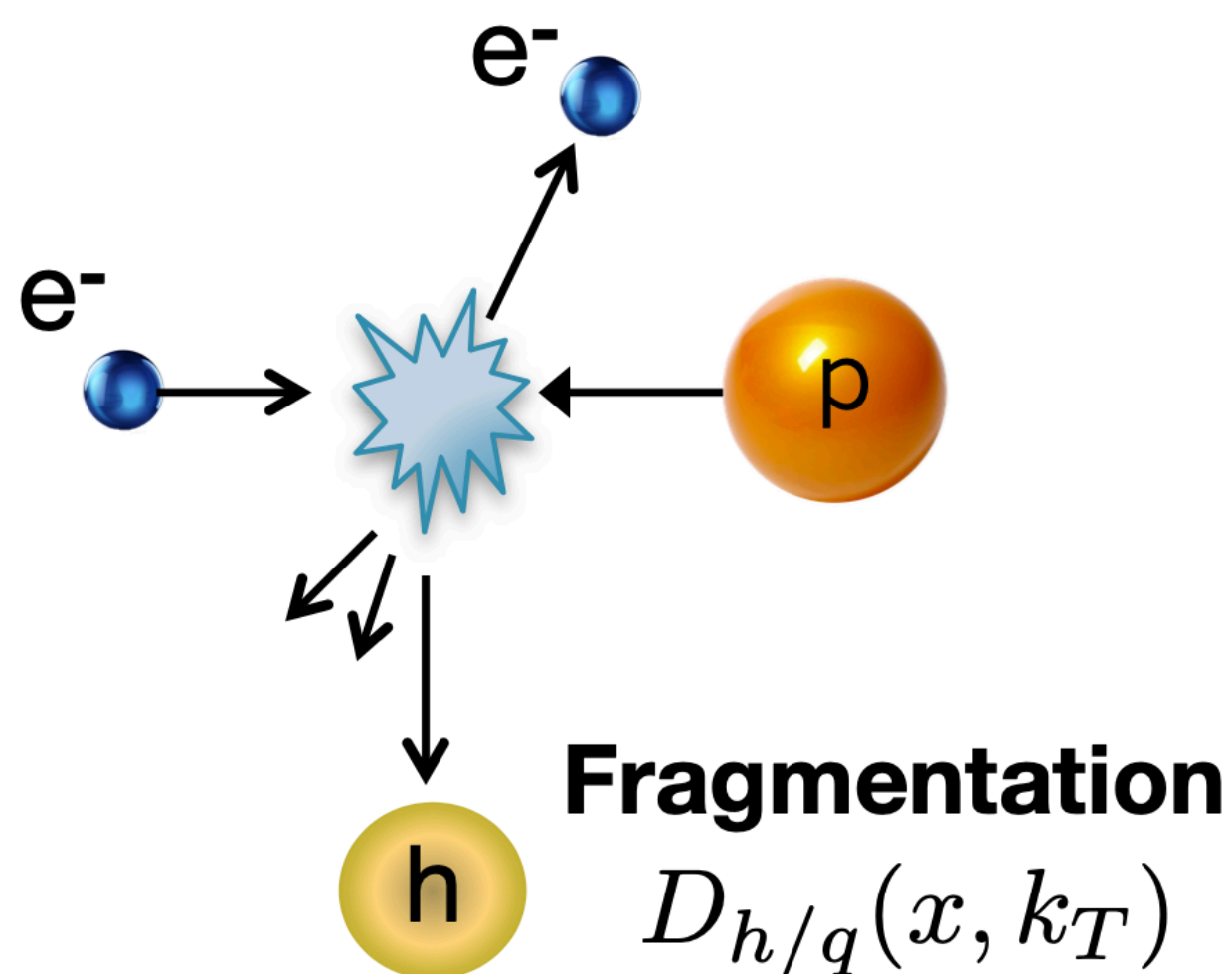
• TMD handbook, arXiv:2304.03302

- 3D image: longitudinal momentum fraction  $x$  and confined motion  $\vec{k}_T$ .
- Nucleon spin structure: orbital motion, Spin-orbit correlations...

# TMDs from global analyses of experimental data

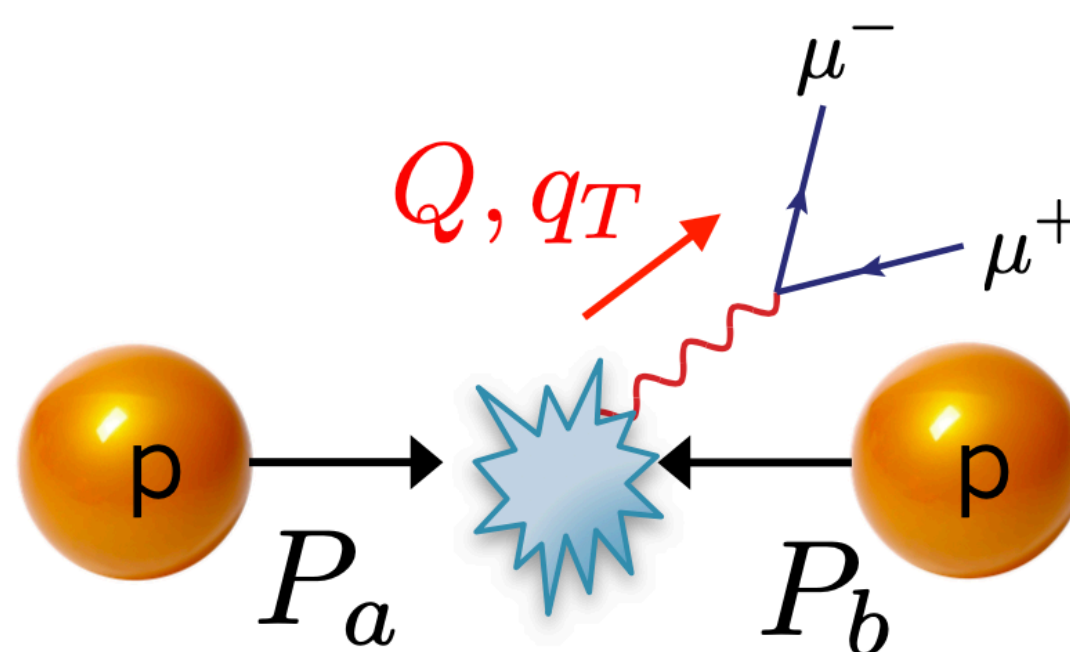
## Semi-Inclusive DIS

$$\sigma \sim f_{q/P}(x, k_T) D_{h/q}(x, k_T)$$



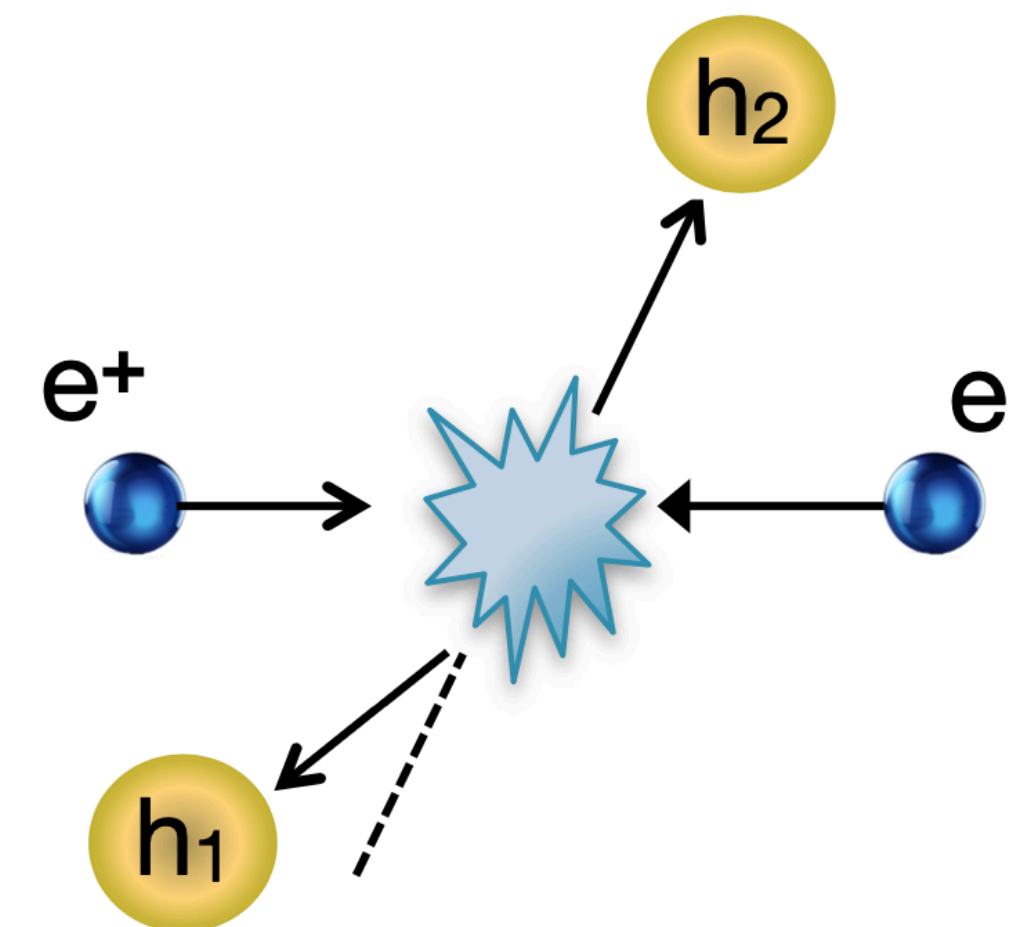
## Drell-Yan

$$\sigma \sim f_{q/P}(x, k_T) f_{q/P}(x, k_T)$$



## Dihadron in $e^+e^-$

$$\sigma \sim D_{h_1/q}(x, k_T) D_{h_2/q}(x, k_T)$$



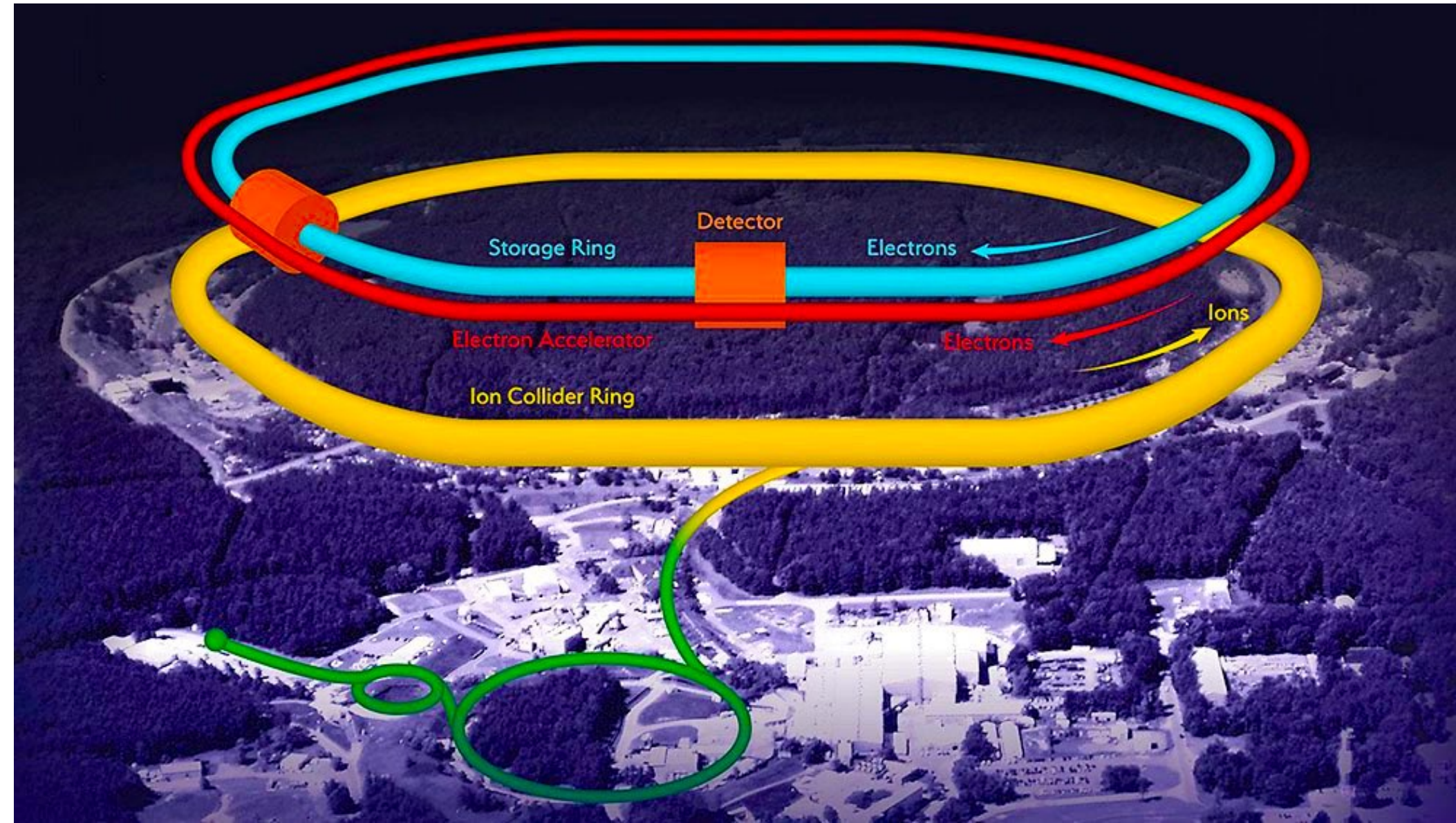
$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{DY}}}{dQdYdq_T^2} = H(Q, \mu) \int d^2\vec{b}_T e^{i\vec{q}_T \cdot \vec{b}_T} f_q(x_a, \vec{b}_T, \mu, \zeta_a) f_q(x_b, \vec{b}_T, \mu, \zeta_b) \left[1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{q_T^2}{Q^2}\right)\right]$$

Perturbative hard  
kernels

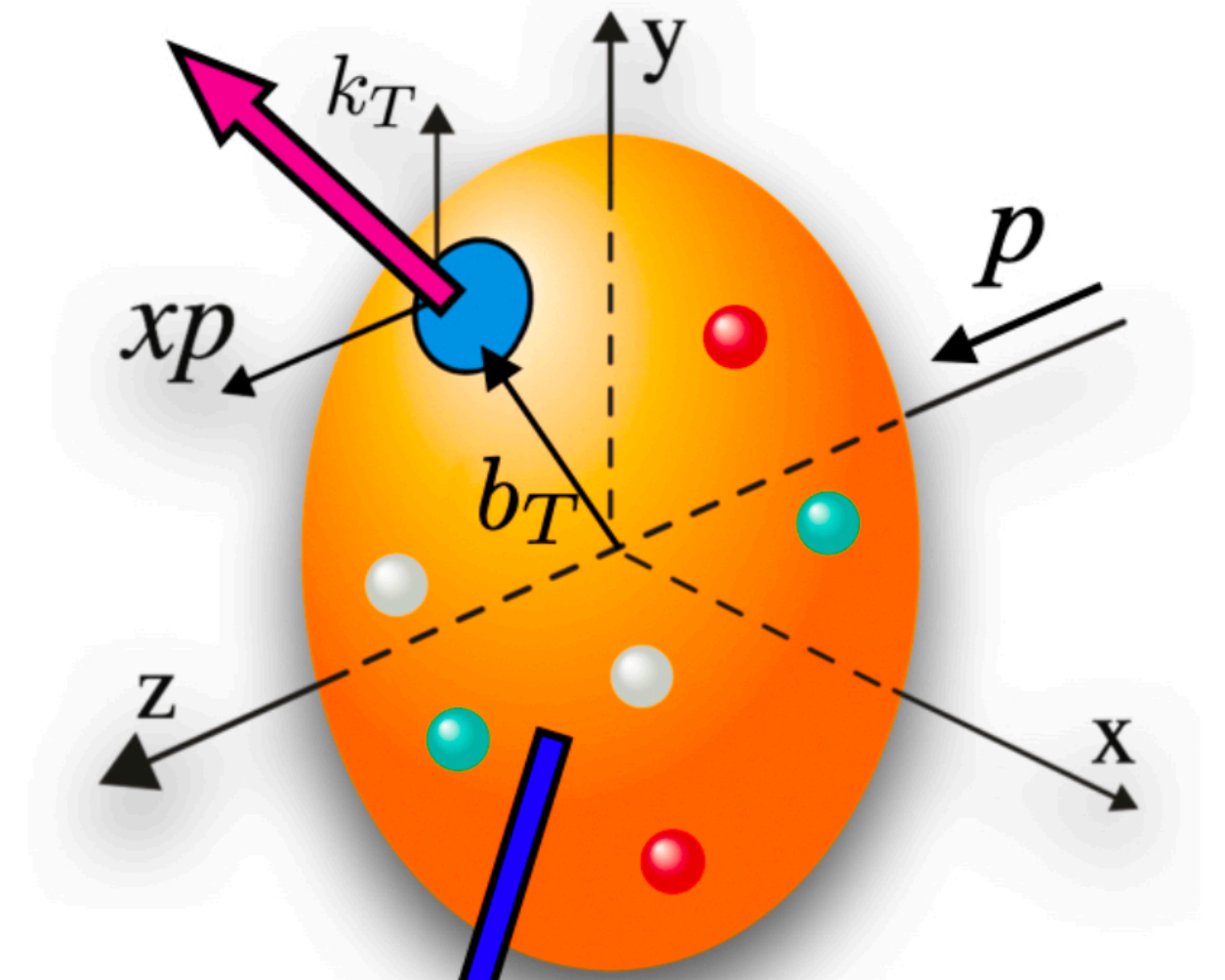
Nonperturbative  
TMDs

$$q_T^2 \ll Q^2$$

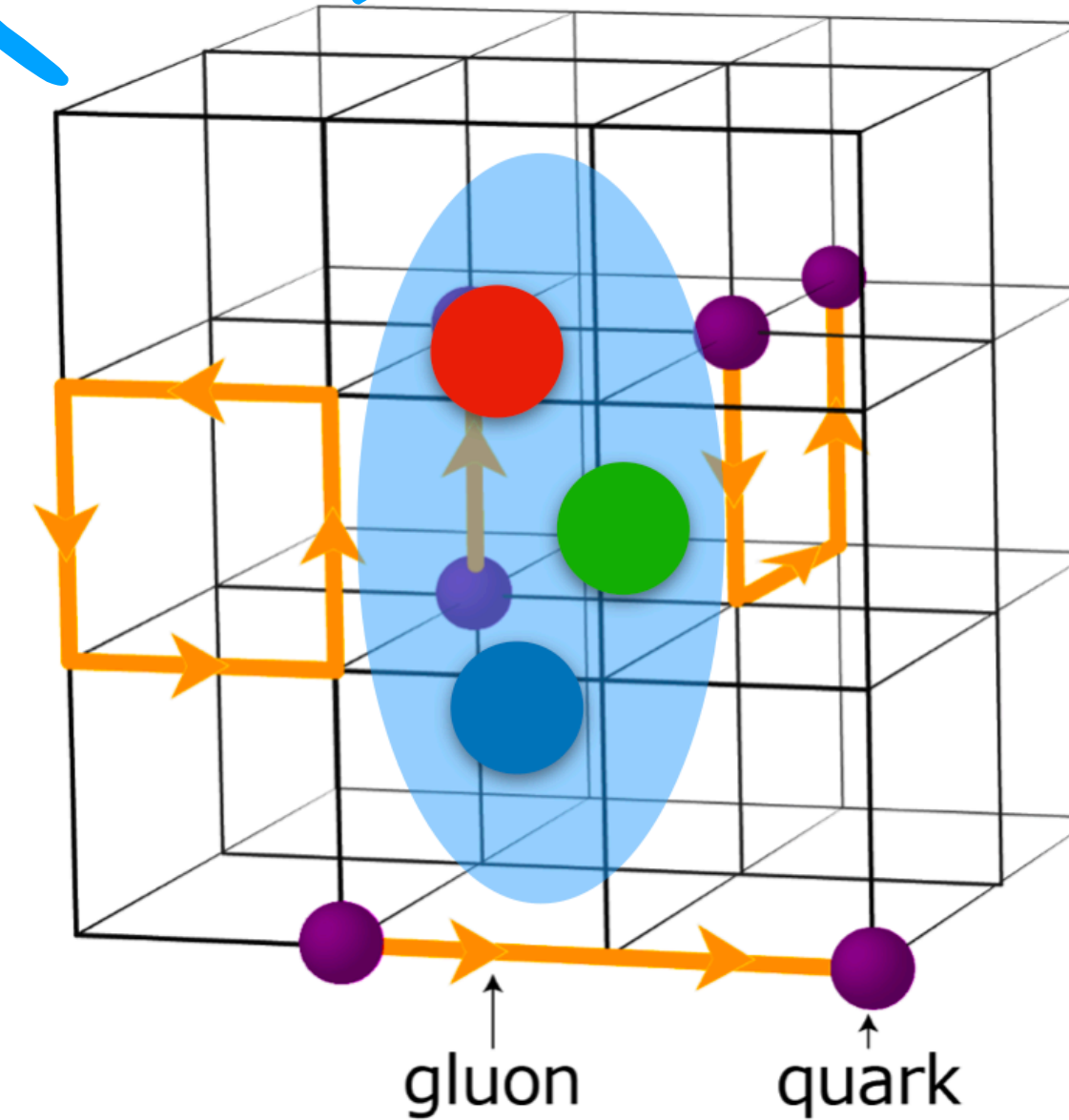
# Synergy between Lattice QCD and Global Analyses



Quark  
Polarization



Nucleon  
Polarization



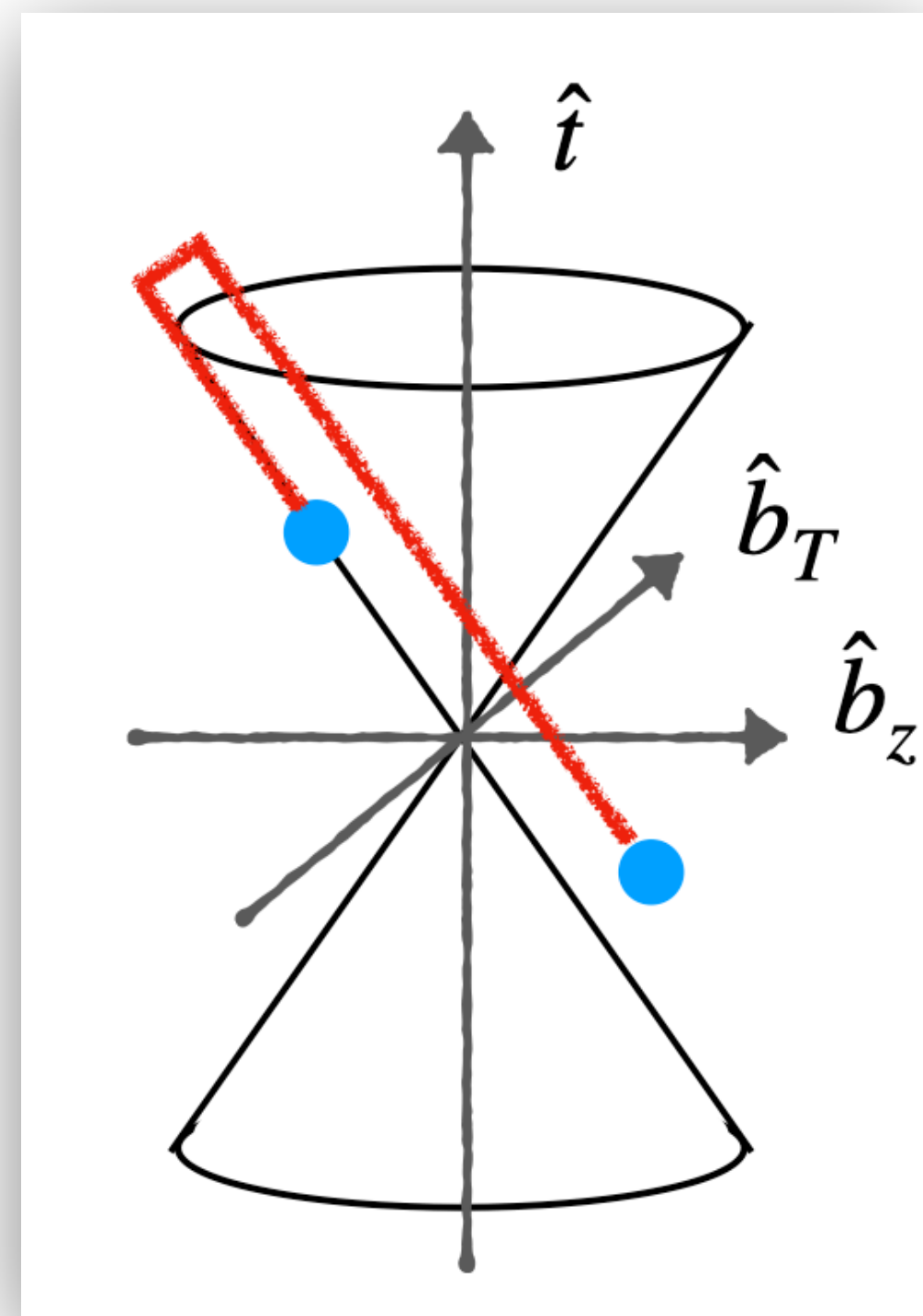
- Global analysis of experimental data.
- Complementary knowledge from lattice QCD is essential.

# The definition of TMDs

Beam function

$$f_q(x, \vec{b}_T, \mu, \zeta) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} Z_{\text{UV}}(\epsilon, \mu, \zeta) \lim_{\tau \rightarrow 0} \frac{B_q(x, \vec{b}_T, \epsilon, \tau, \zeta)}{\sqrt{S_q(\vec{b}_T, \epsilon, \tau)}} \text{Soft function}$$

UV regulator
Rapidity regulator



$$B_q(x, \vec{b}_T, \epsilon, \tau, \zeta) = \langle P, \lambda | \bar{\psi}(\frac{b^+}{2}, b_\perp) \Gamma W_{\square^+} \psi(-\frac{b^+}{2}, 0) | P, \lambda \rangle$$

- $\lambda$ : nucleon polarization
- $\Gamma$ : quark polarization
- $W_{\square^+}$ : light-cone staple-shaped Wilson link



**Light-cone correlations: forbidden on Euclidean lattice**

# TMDs from lattice: quasi TMDs

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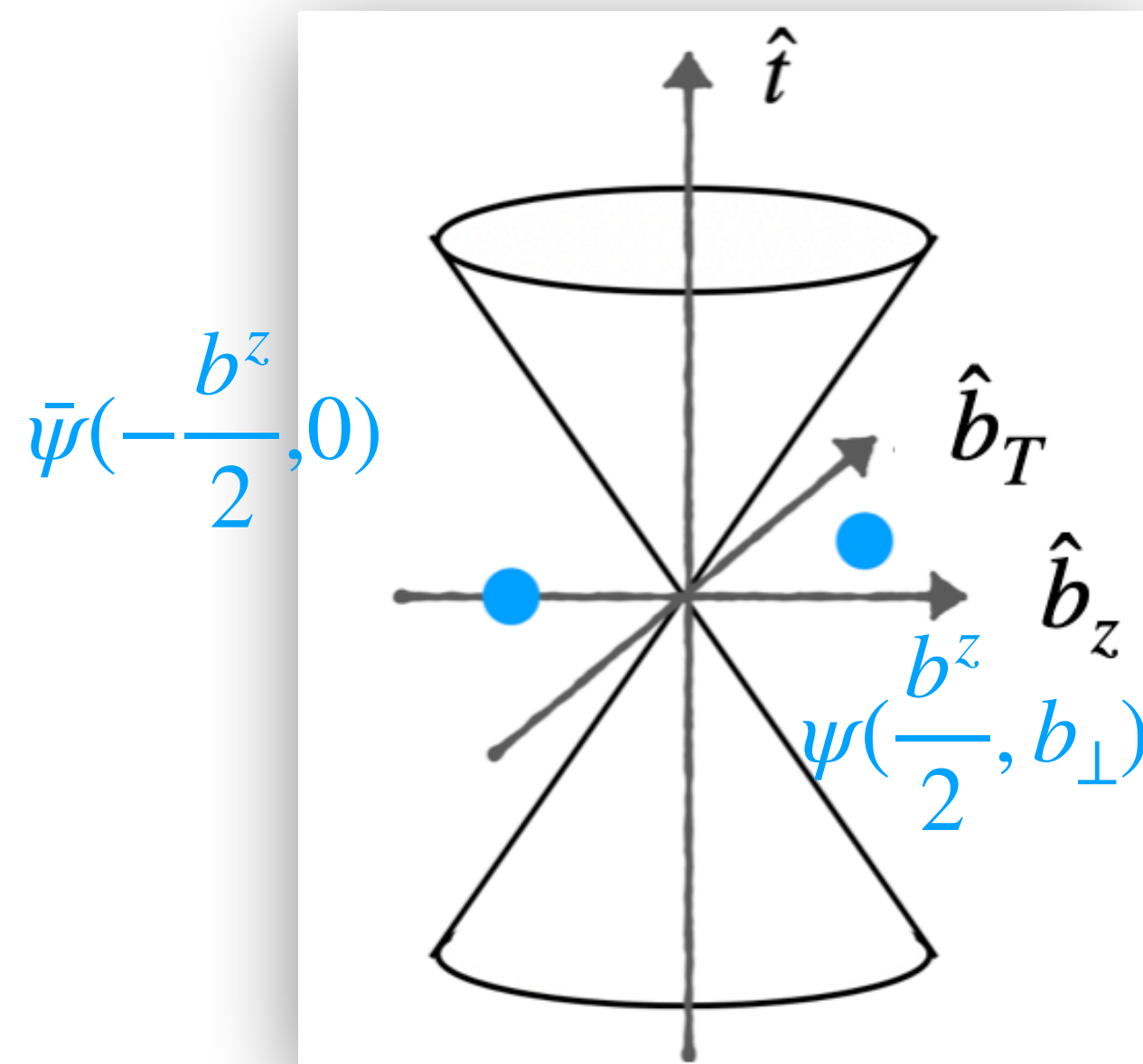
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**Quasi TMD**

$$\langle P | \bar{\psi}(\frac{b_z}{2}, b_\perp) \Gamma \psi(-\frac{b_z}{2}, 0) |_{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}=0} | P \rangle$$

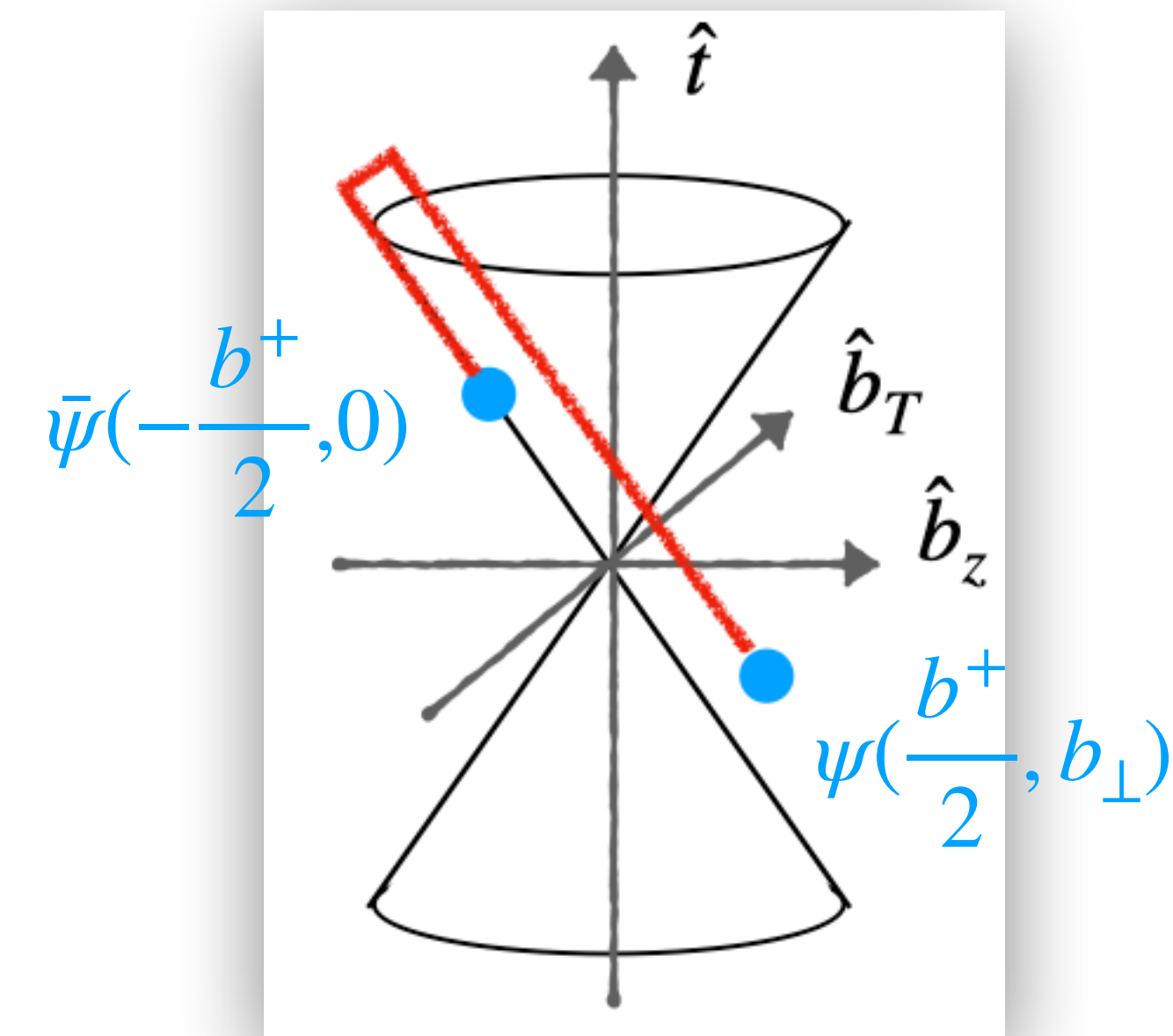
$$|_{A^z=0}$$

$$|_{A^t=0} \dots$$

$P_z \rightarrow \infty$

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Physical gauge  
→  $A^+$  gauge



**Light-cone TMD**

$$\langle P | \bar{\psi}(\frac{b^+}{2}, b_\perp) \Gamma W_{\square^+} \psi(-\frac{b^+}{2}, 0) | P \rangle$$

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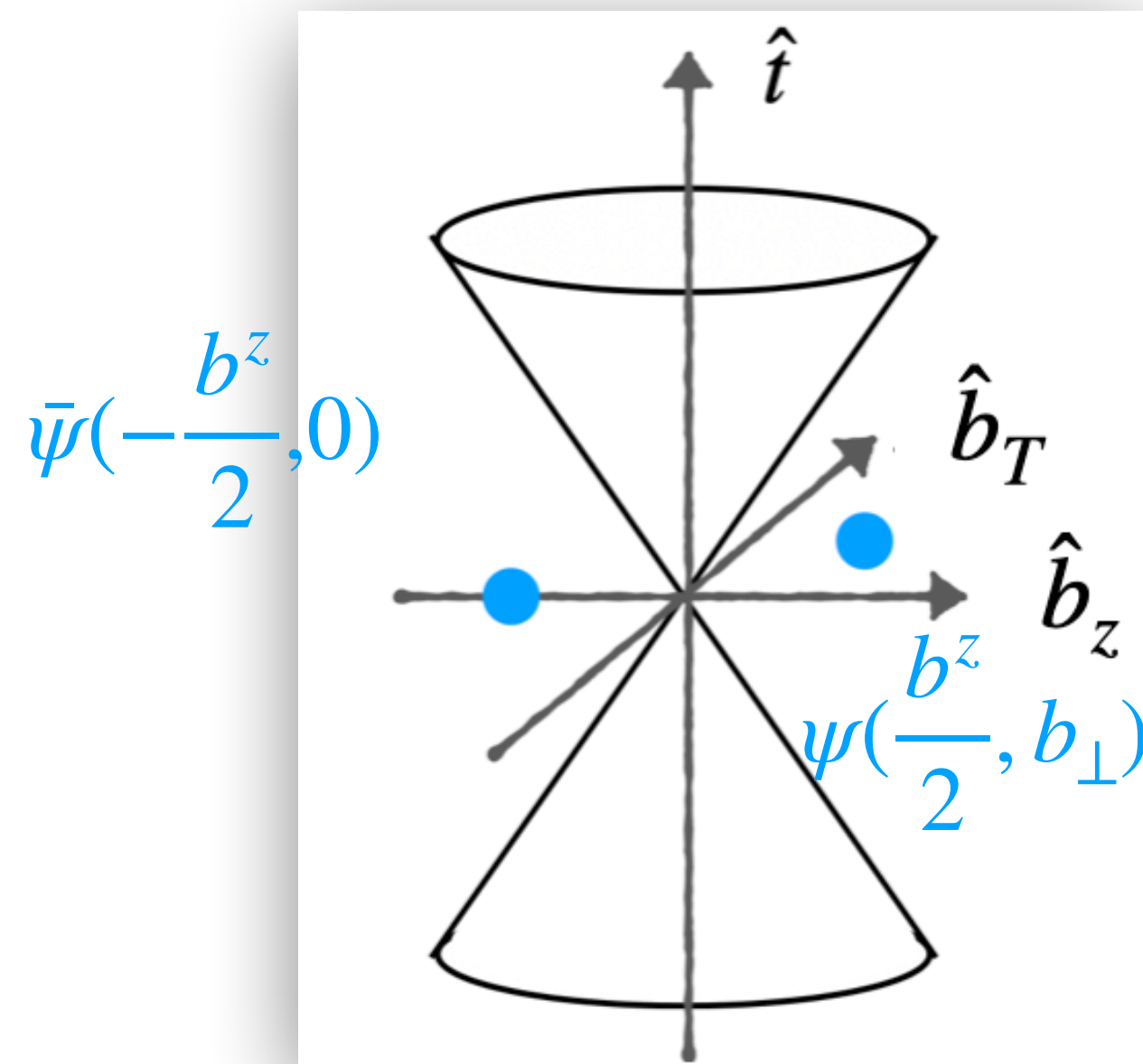
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Quasi TMD

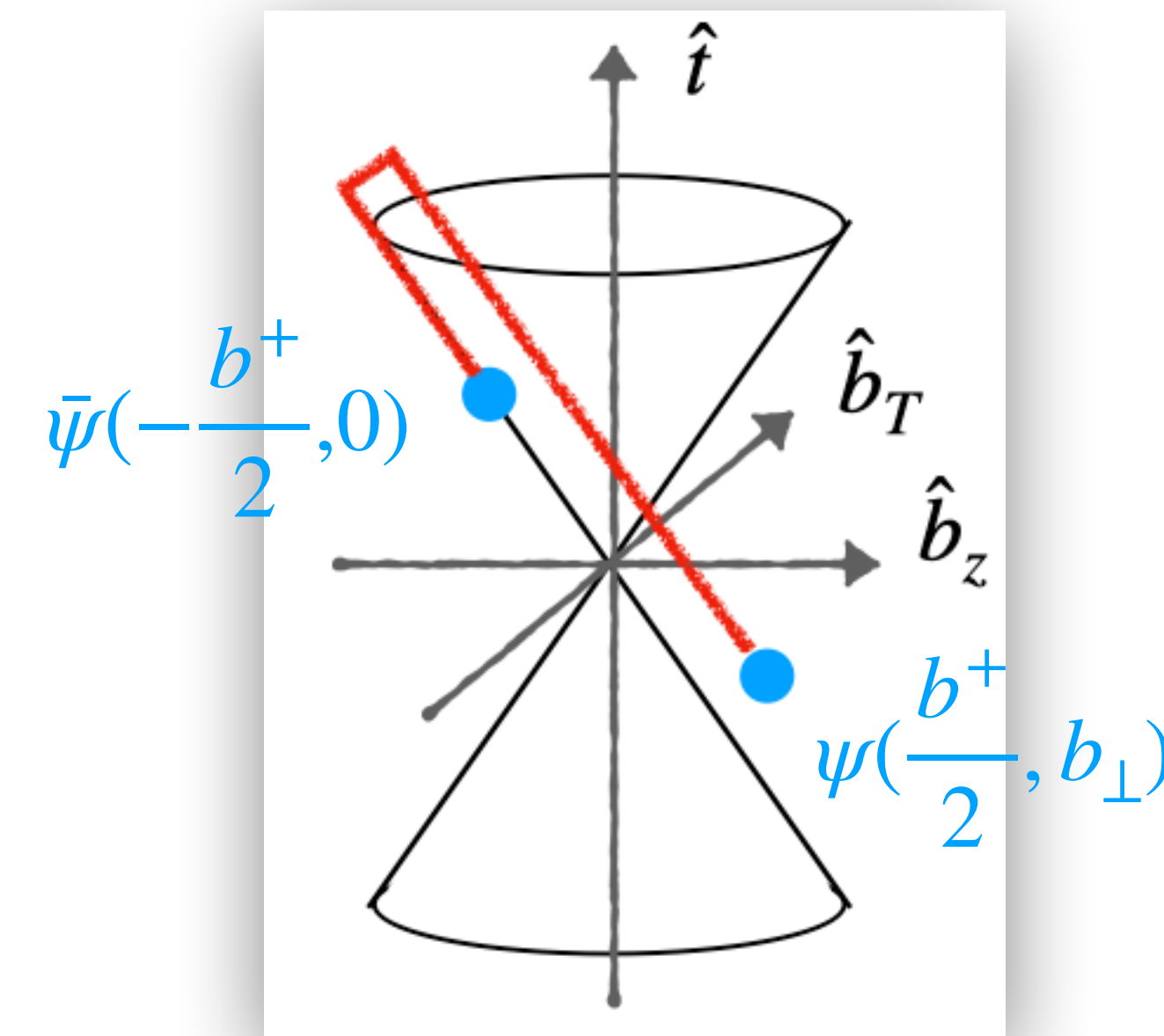
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# Large $P_z$ expansion and perturbative matching

Quasi TMDs

Collins-Soper kernel

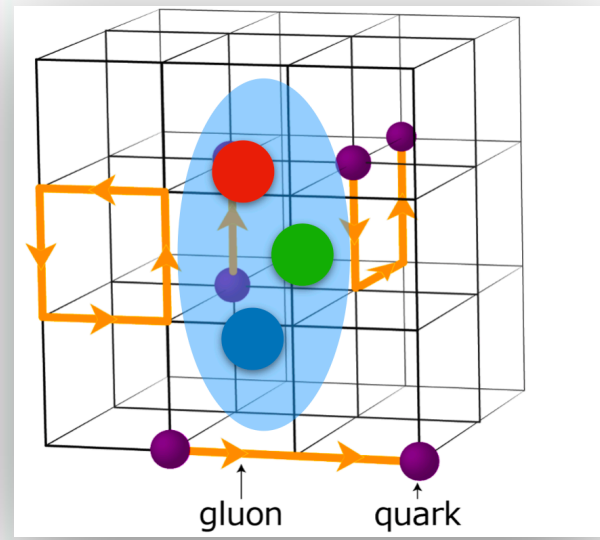


$$\frac{\tilde{f}(x, \vec{b}_T, \mu, P_z)}{\sqrt{S_r(\vec{b}_T, \mu)}} = C(\mu, xP_z) e^{\frac{1}{2}\gamma_\zeta(\mu, b_T) \ln \frac{(2xP_z)^2}{\zeta}} f(x, \vec{b}_T, \mu, \zeta) \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}\left[\frac{1}{(xP_z b_T)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(xP_z)^2}\right] \right\}$$

Soft-factor

Physical TMD

$$P_z < a^{-1}$$

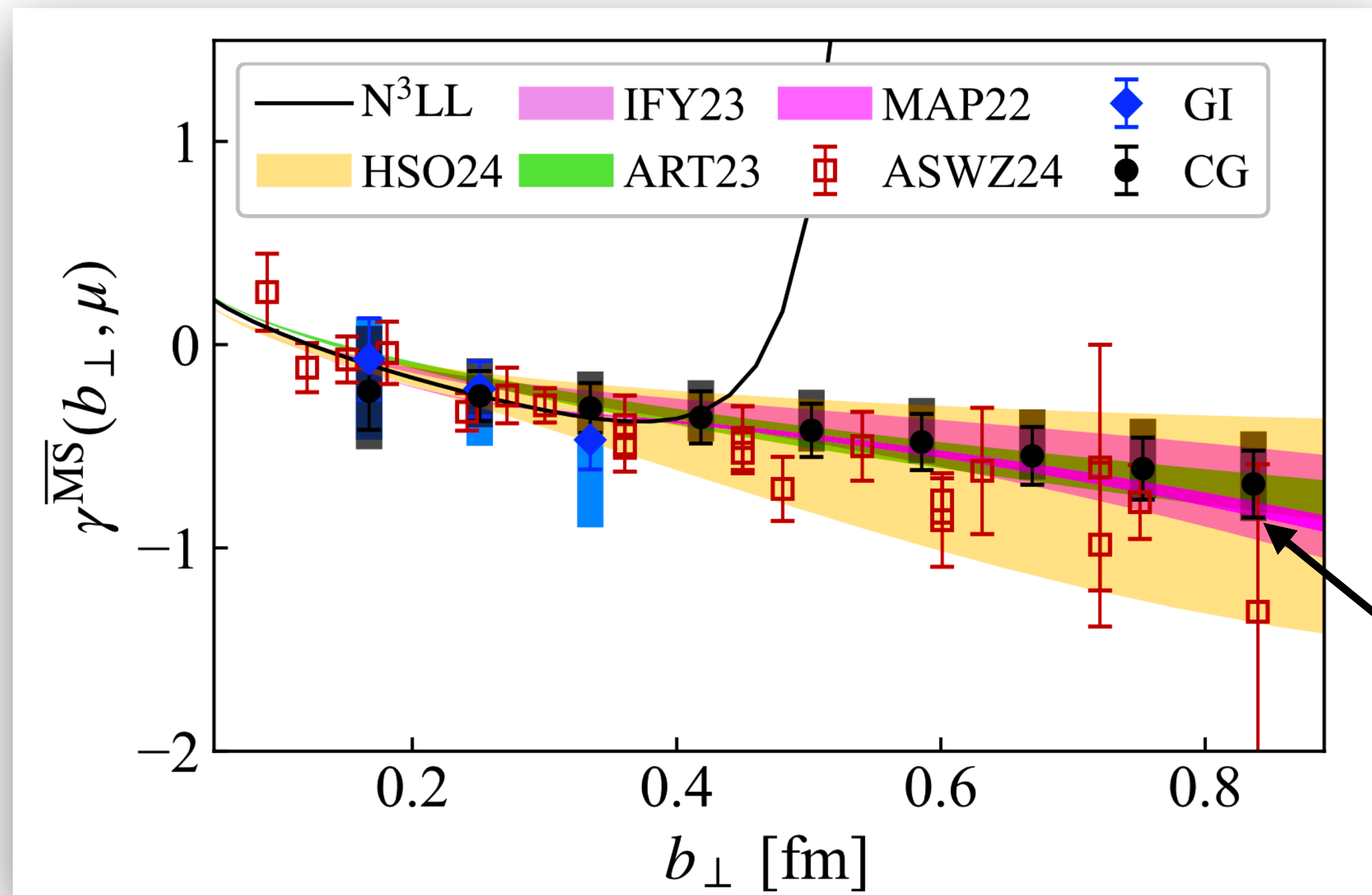


- Have same IR physics as light-cone TMDs: **large momentum expansion & power corrections.**
- Quasi TMDs differ from the light-cone TMDs (Collins scheme) by order of  $P_z$  (or rapidity  $y_B$ )  $\rightarrow \infty$  and  $a$  (or  $\epsilon$ )  $\rightarrow 0$  limit, inducing a **perturbative matching**  $C(\mu, xP_z)$ .



# The Collins-Soper kernel from quasi-TMDs

- CS (rapidity evolution) kernel of TMDs can be derived from evolution of quasi-TMDs.



$$\gamma^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(b_{\perp}, \mu) = \frac{1}{\ln(P_2/P_1)} \ln \left[ \frac{\tilde{f}(x, b_{\perp}, P_2, \mu)}{\tilde{f}(x, b_{\perp}, P_1, \mu)} \right] + \delta\gamma^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(x, \mu, P_1, P_2) \quad P_1 \rightarrow P_2$$

**Perturbative correction**

- ▶ First-principle determination with no model dependence.
- ▶ Consistent with most recent global fits.

• D. Bollweg, **XG**, S. Mukherjee, Y. Zhao, PLB 852 (2024) 138617

Domain wall fermion, physical quark masses  
 $64^3 \times 128$ ,  $a = 0.084$  fm

# Ratio of TMDs from quasi-TMDs

$$\frac{\tilde{f}(x, \vec{b}_T, \mu, P_z)}{\sqrt{S_r(\vec{b}_T, \mu)}} = C(\mu, xP_z) e^{\frac{1}{2}\gamma_\zeta(\mu, b_T) \ln \frac{(2xP_z)^2}{\zeta}} f(x, \vec{b}_T, \mu, \zeta) \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}\left[\frac{1}{(xP_z b_T)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(xP_z)^2}\right] \right\}$$

**Constructing ratios cancels soft factor.**

$$\frac{\tilde{f}_1(x, b_T, P_z, \mu)}{\tilde{f}_2(x, b_T, P_z, \mu)} = \frac{f_1(x, b_T, \zeta, \mu)}{f_2(x, b_T, \zeta, \mu)} + \text{p.c.}$$

Quasi-TMDs

TMDs

- Ratios of quasi-TMDs = ratios of light-cone TMDs up to power corrections (p.c.)
- Perturbative corrections and scale evolution also cancels:
  - renormalization-group-invariant (RGI) ratios.
  - valid to all orders in perturbation theory.

# Unpolarized and helicity TMDs from lattice

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Nucleon Polarization	U	$f_1 = \text{Unpolarized}$		$h_1^\perp = \text{Boer-Mulders}$
	L		$g_1 = \text{Helicity}$	$h_{1L}^\perp = \text{Worm-gear}$
	T	$f_{1T}^\perp = \text{Sivers}$	$g_{1T}^\perp = \text{Worm-gear}$	$h_1 = \text{Transversity}$ $h_{1T}^\perp = \text{Pretzelosity}$

$$\tilde{h}(b_T, b_z, P_z, \mu)$$

$$= \langle \lambda; P_z | \bar{\psi}(b_T, \frac{b_z}{2}) \Gamma \psi(0, -\frac{b_z}{2}) |_{\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}=0} | \lambda; P_z \rangle$$

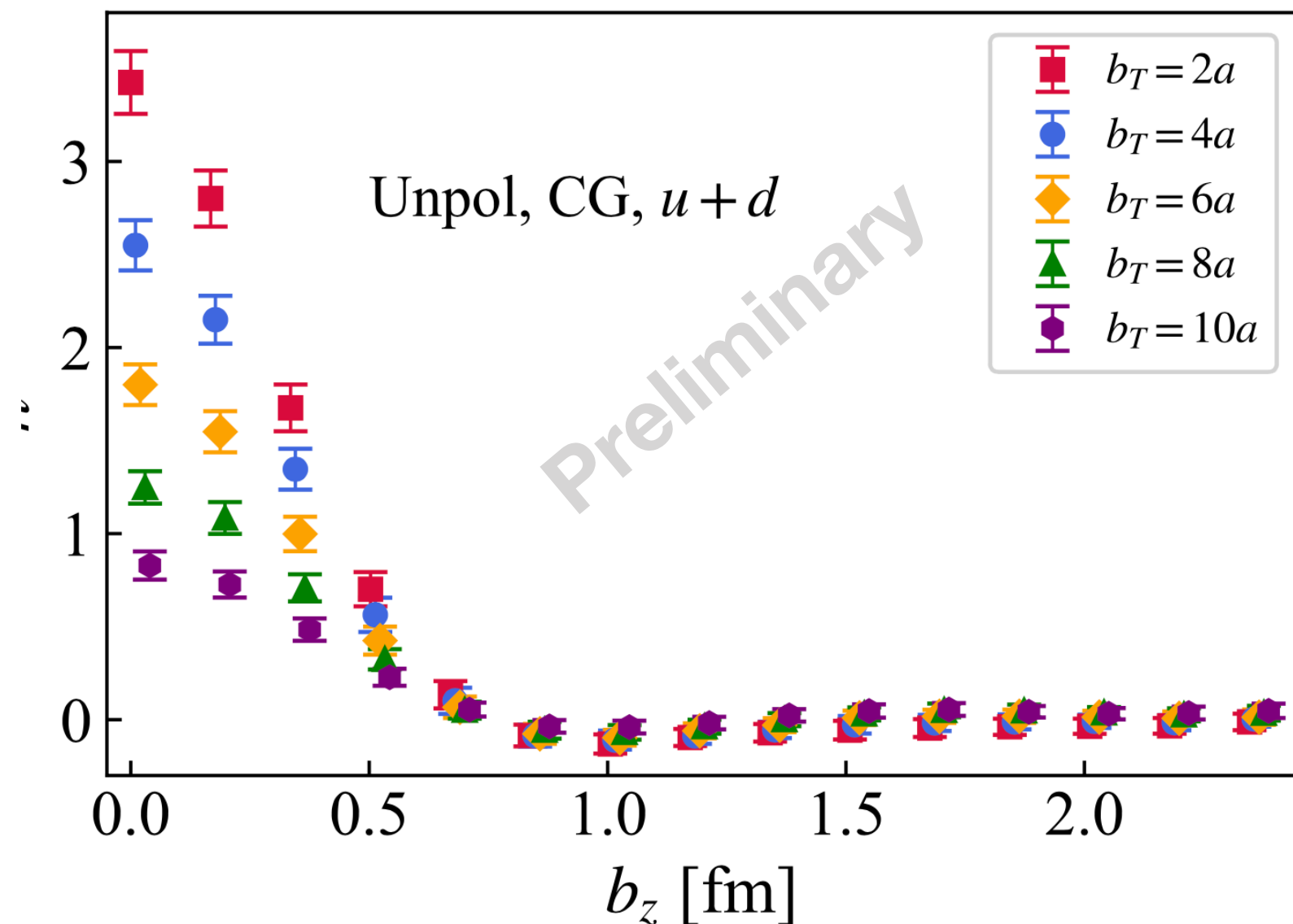
- Unpolarized TMDs:  $\Gamma = \gamma^t$ ,  $\psi = u - d$  and  $u + d$  (disconnected diagrams ignored)
- Helicity TMDs:  $\Gamma = \gamma^z \gamma^5$ ,  $\psi = u - d$

## Lattice setup:

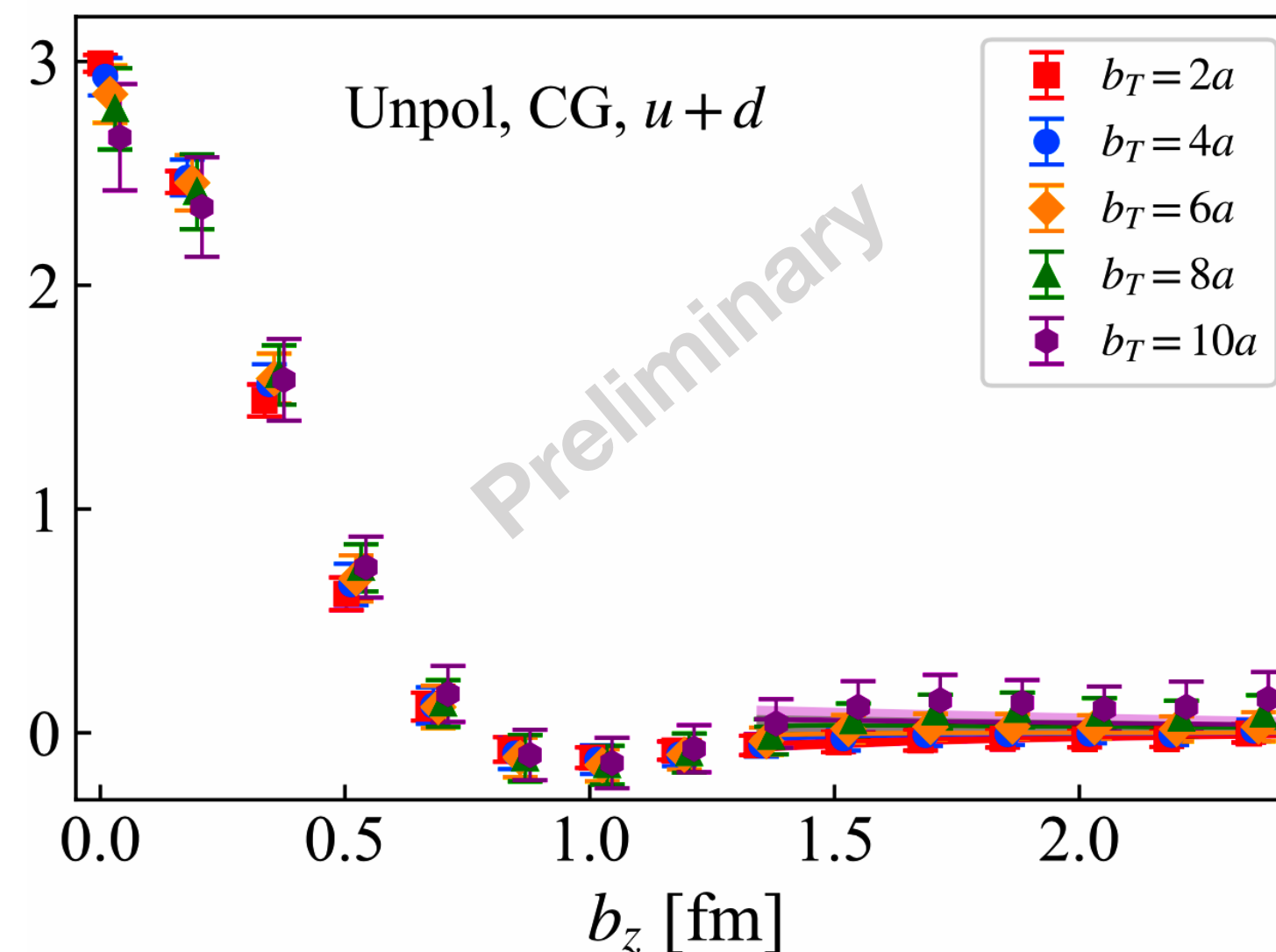
- 2+1 flavor Domain-wall (**chiral**) fermion discretization.
- **Physical quark masses**,  $64^3 \times 128$  lattice with spacing  $a = 0.084$  fm.
- Nucleon momentum up to  $P_z = 1.62$  GeV,  $b_T$  up to 1 fm.

# Quasi-TMDs from lattice

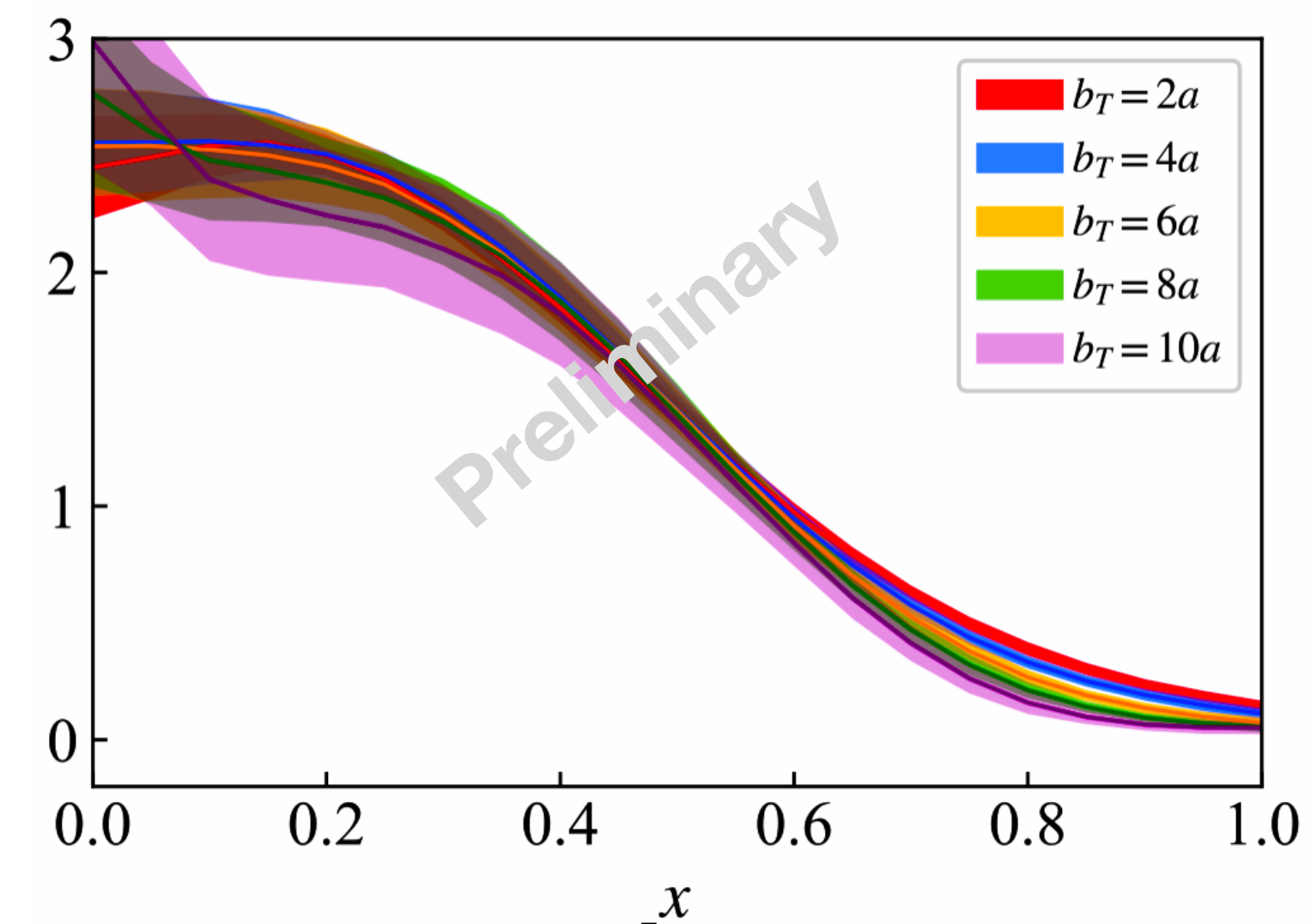
- Bare matrix elements



- Renormalized matrix elements



- Quasi-TMD  $\tilde{f}_1(x, b_T, P_z)$



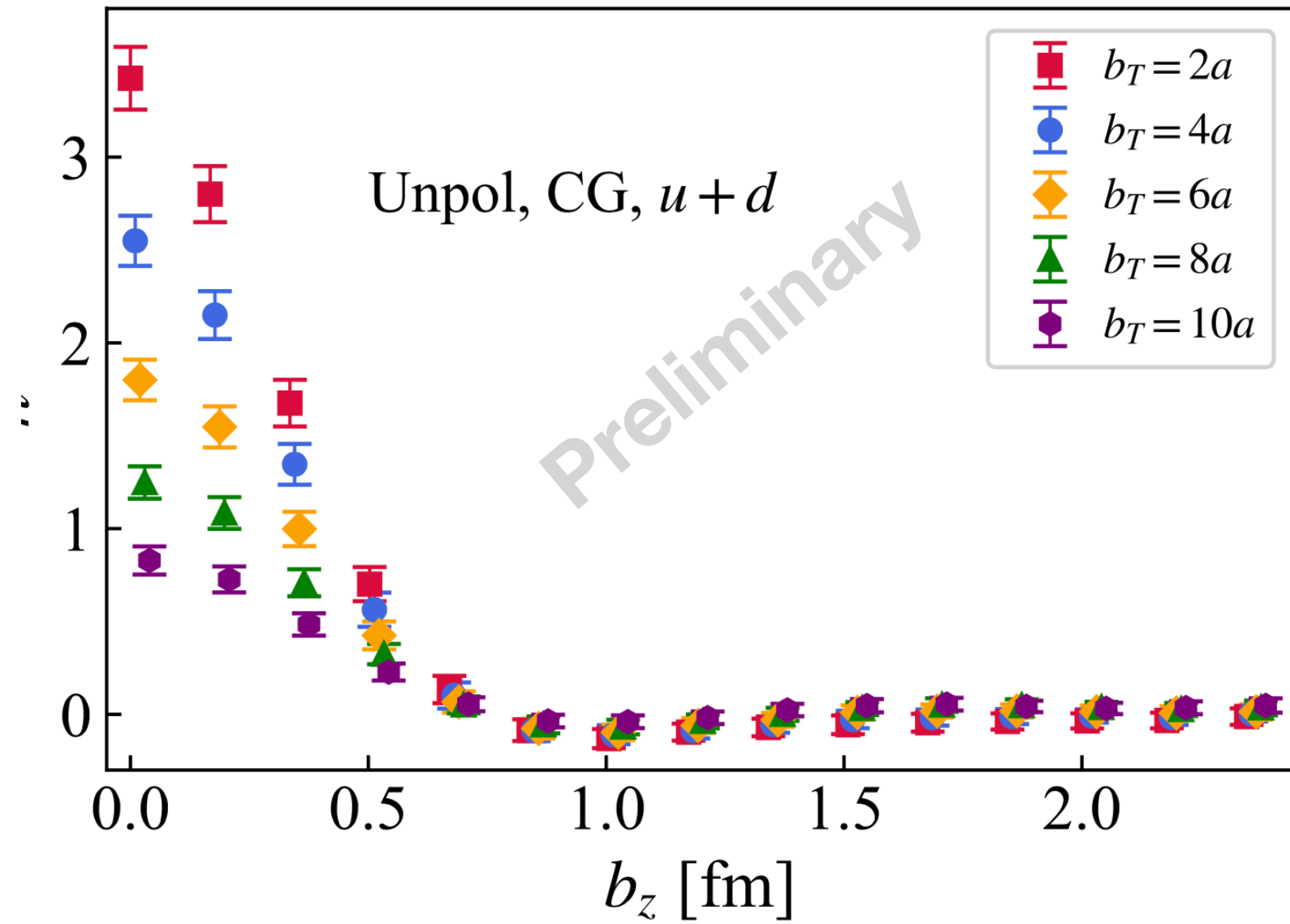
$$[\bar{\psi}(-\frac{\vec{b}}{2})\Gamma\psi(\frac{\vec{b}}{2})|_{\vec{\nabla}\cdot\vec{A}=0}]_B = Z_\psi(a)[\bar{\psi}(-\frac{\vec{b}}{2})\Gamma\psi(\frac{\vec{b}}{2})|_{\vec{\nabla}\cdot\vec{A}=0}]_R$$

$$\tilde{h}^R(b_T, b_z, P_z) = \frac{\tilde{h}^B(b_T, b_z, P_z, a)}{\tilde{h}^B(b_T, 0, 0, a)}$$

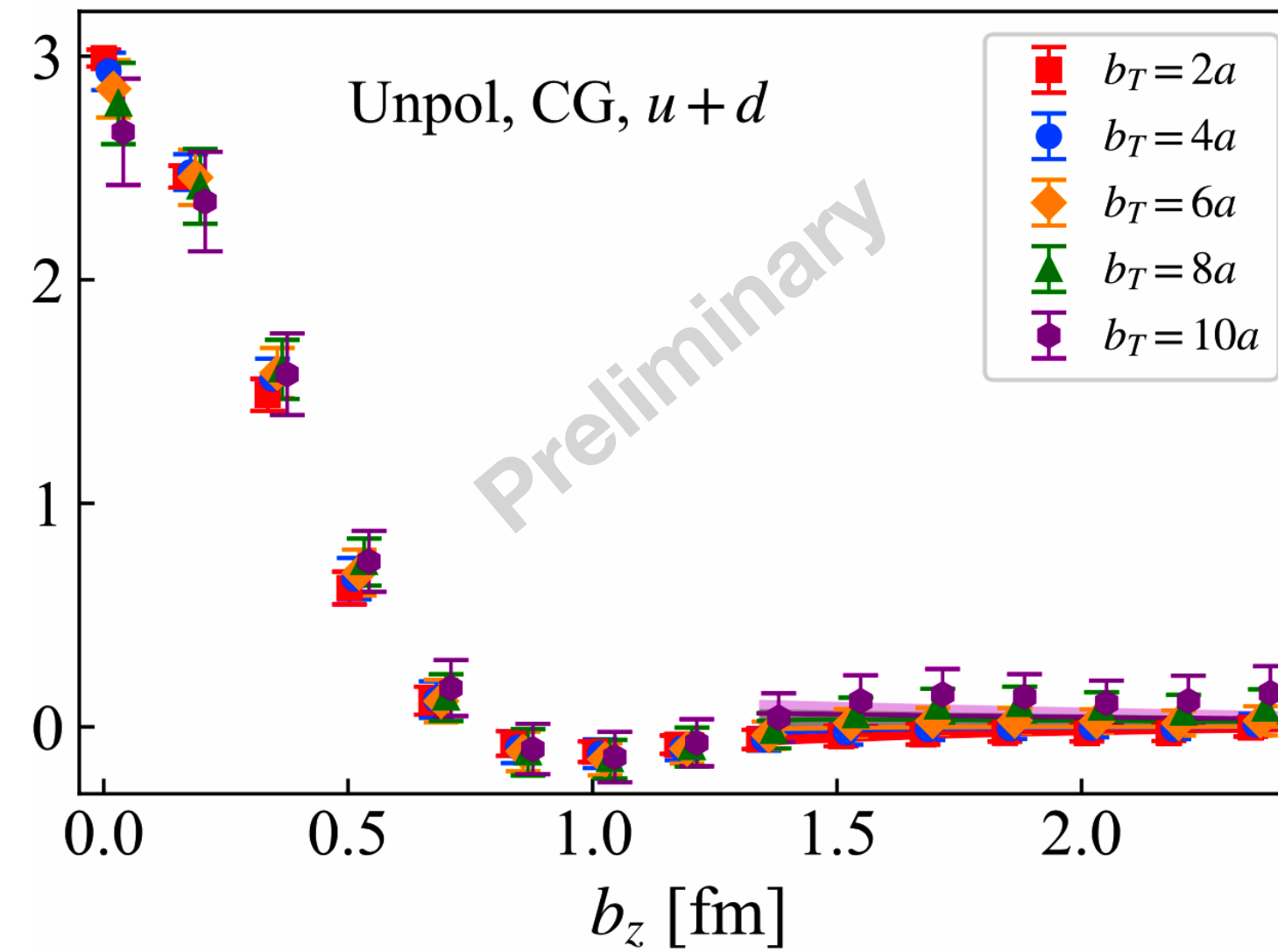
- CG quasi-TMDs: multiplicative renormalization with an overall constant, independent of  $P_z$ .
- Ratio scheme renormalization to cancel the  $Z_\psi(a)$ .

# Quasi-TMDs from lattice

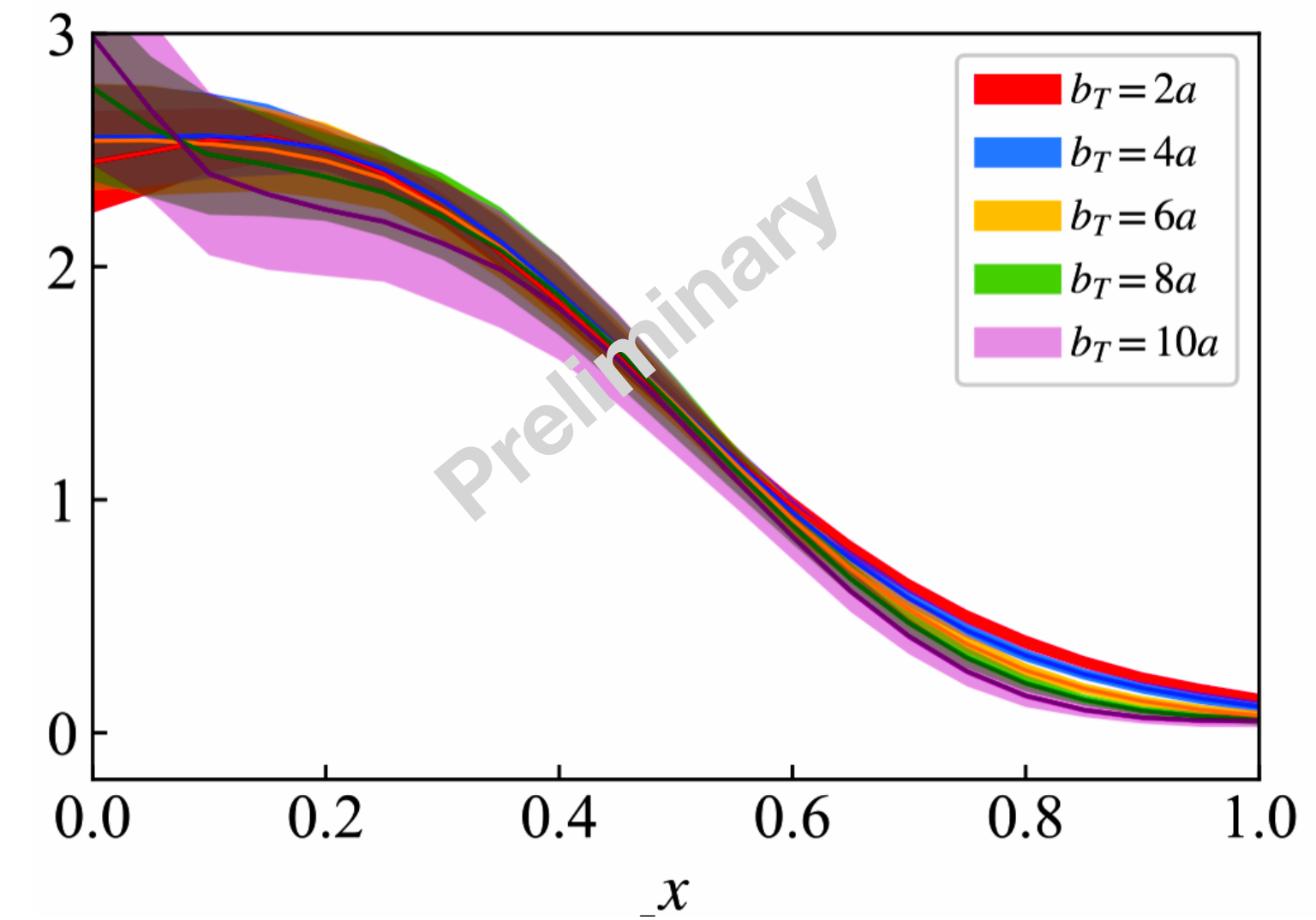
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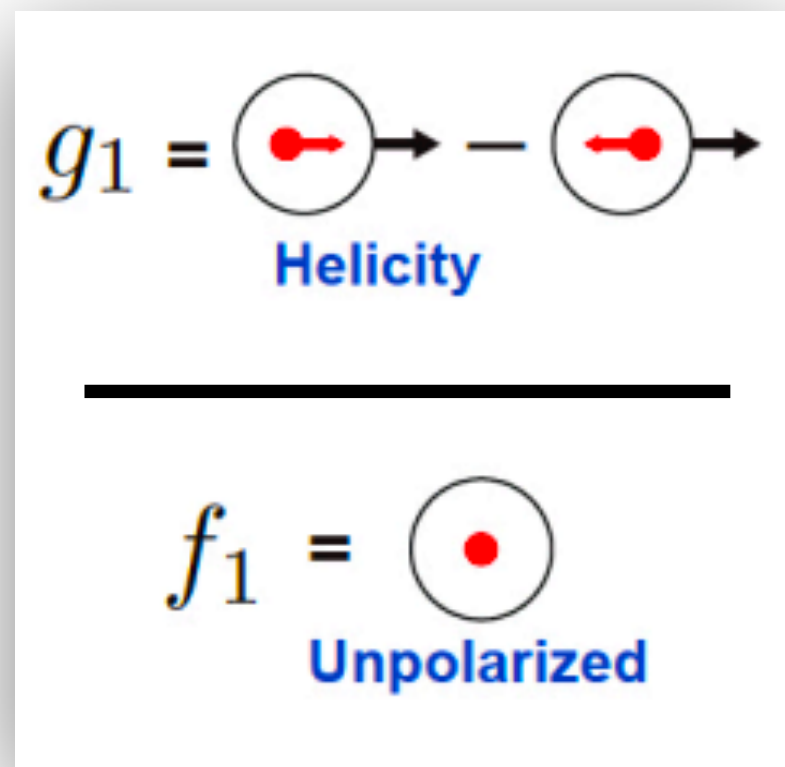
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$$b_z \xrightarrow{\text{F.T.}} x$$

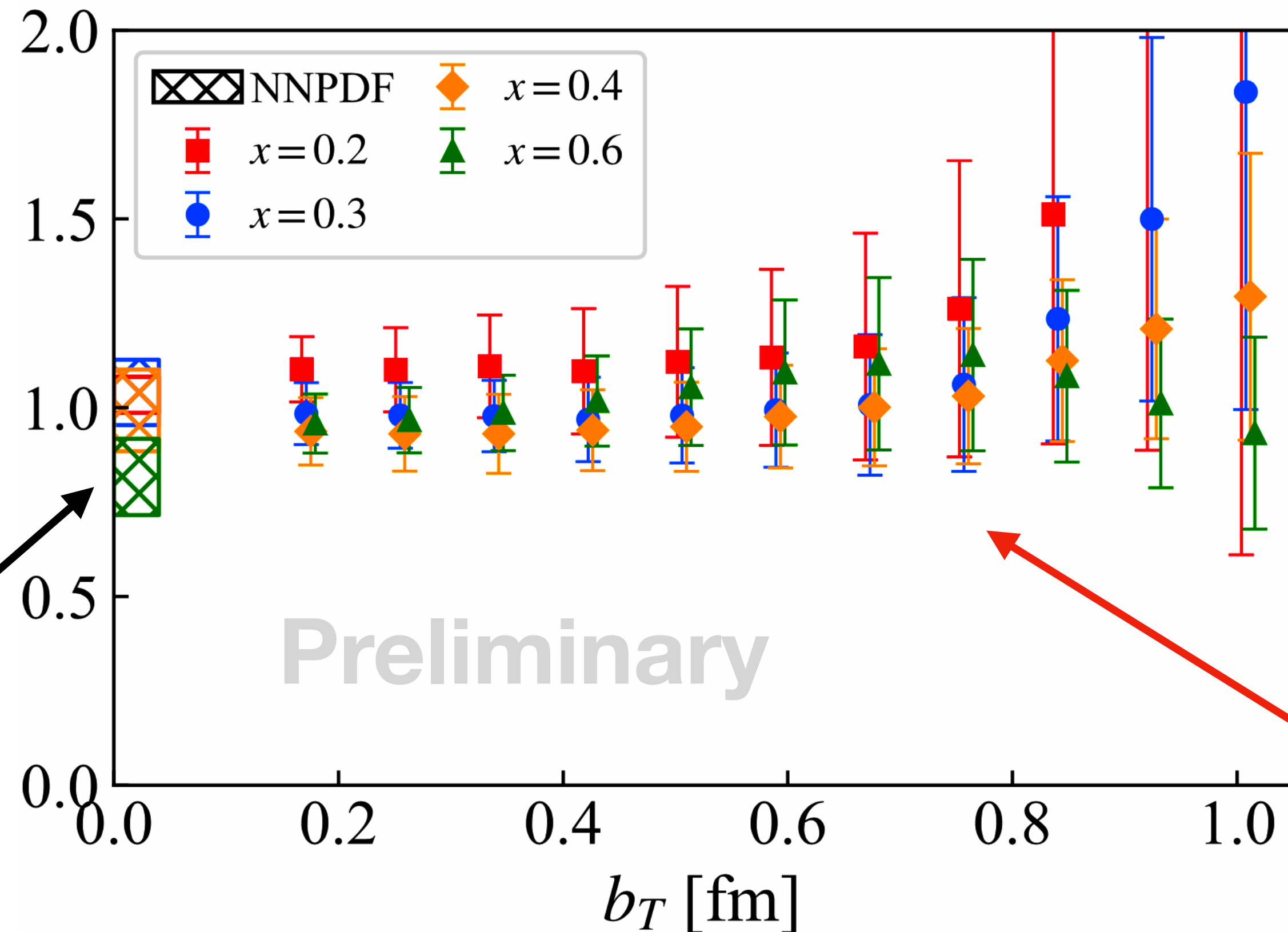
$$\tilde{h}^R(b_T, b_z, P_z) = \frac{\tilde{h}^B(b_T, b_z, P_z, a)}{\tilde{h}^B(b_T, 0, 0, a)}$$

# Ratios between $u - d$ heli. and unpol. TMDs

$$\frac{g_{1L}^{\Delta u - \Delta d}(x, b_T)}{f_1^{u-d}(x, b_T)} \frac{1}{g_A} = \frac{\tilde{g}_{1L}^{\Delta u - \Delta d}(x, b_T)}{\tilde{f}_1^{u-d}(x, b_T)} \frac{1}{g_A}$$



Ratio of collinear  
PDFs from NNPDF

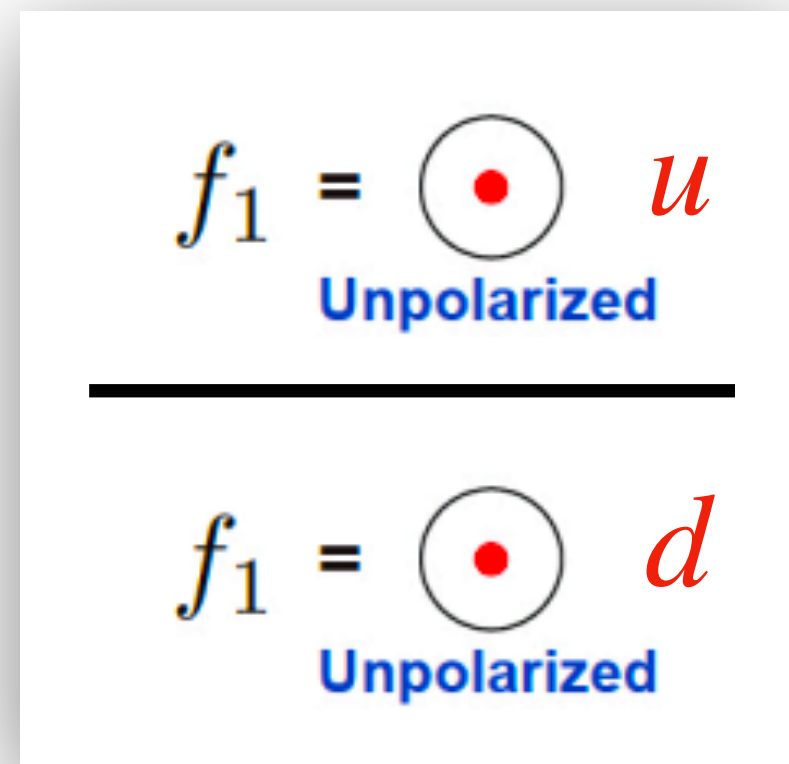


Our lattice  
results

- ▶ Our preliminary results indicate that the helicity/unpolarized TMD ratios show no significant dependence on finite  $b_T$ .
- ▶ The TMD ratios are close to the collinear PDF ratios.

# Ratios between valence $u$ - and $d$ -unpolarized TMDs

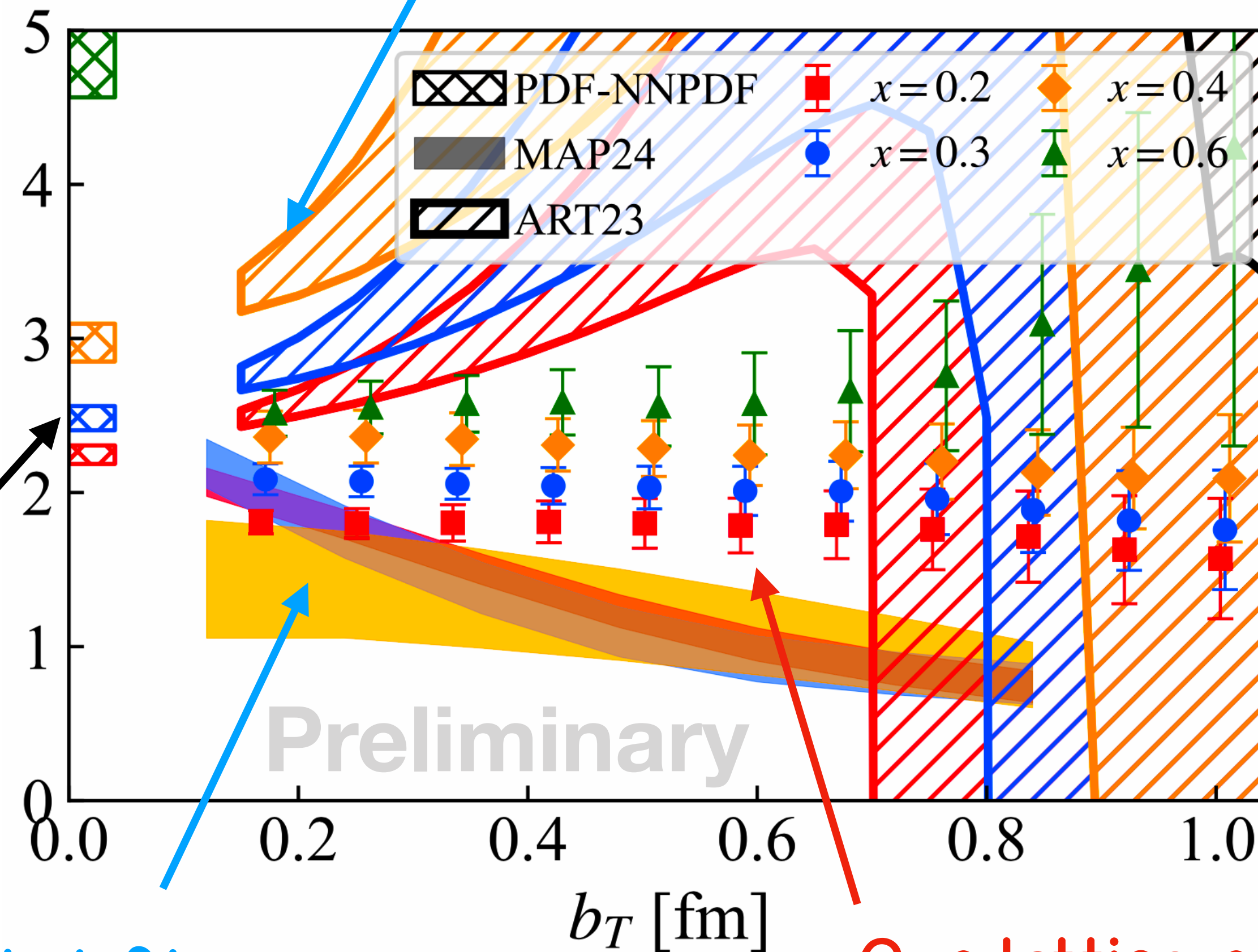
$$\frac{f_1^{u_v}(x, b_T)}{f_1^{d_v}(x, b_T)} = \frac{\tilde{f}_1^{u_v}(x, b_T)}{\tilde{f}_1^{d_v}(x, b_T)}$$



Ratio of collinear  
PDFs from NNPDF

Global fit from ART23

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Global fit

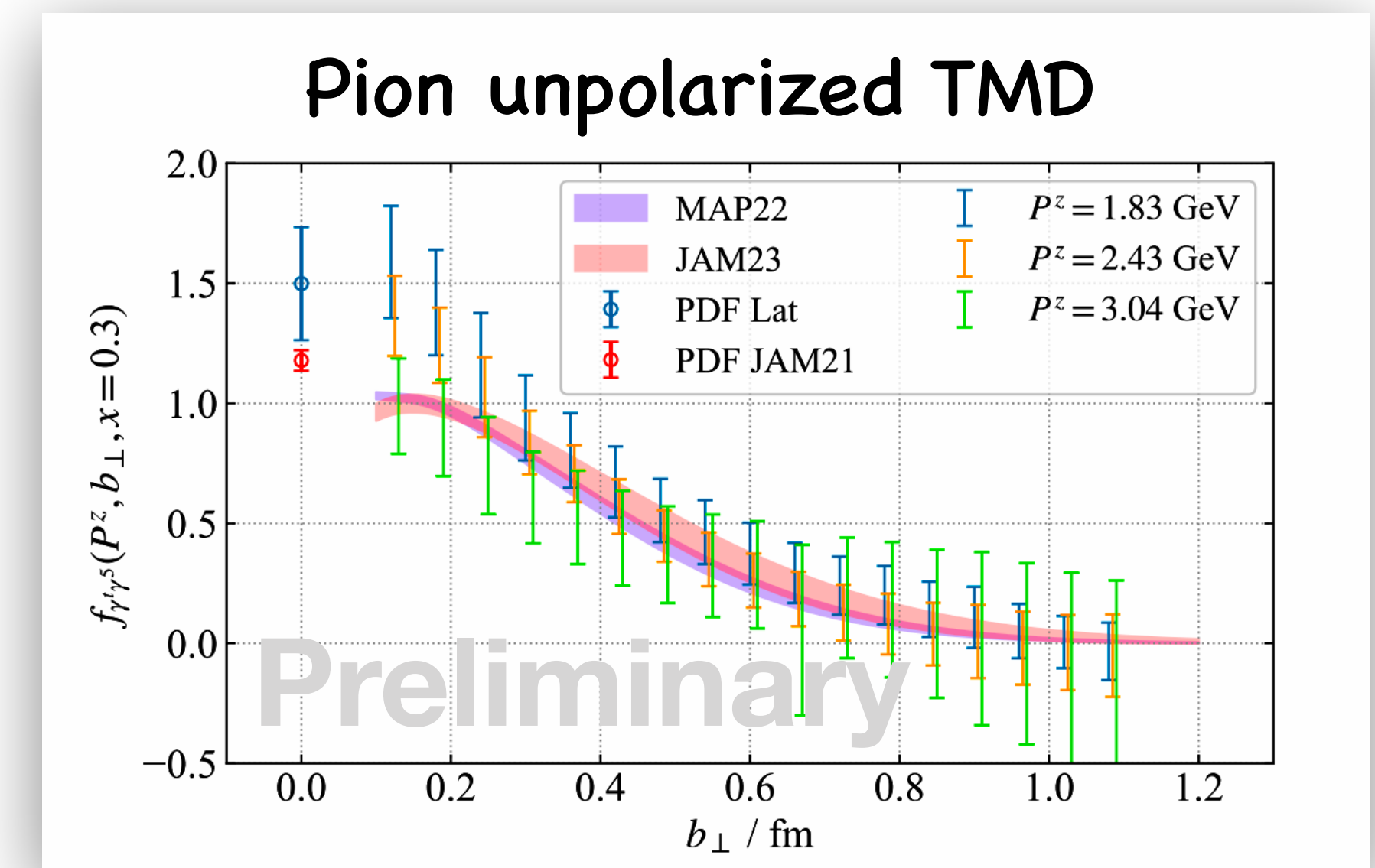
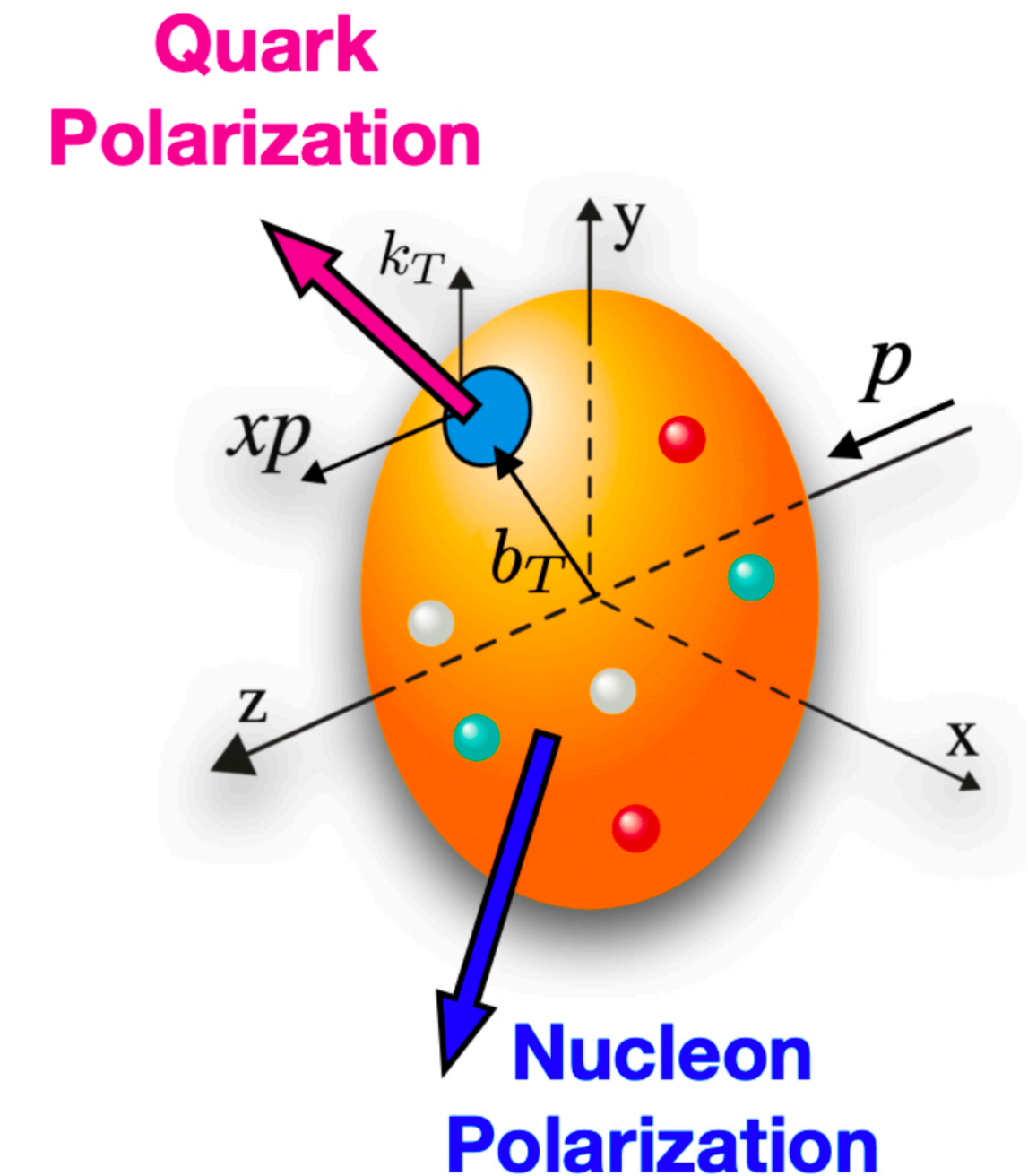
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Our lattice results

# Summary & outlook

- TMDs can be extracted from quasi-TMD correlators.
- We have extracted the CS kernels from the evolution of quasi-TMDs, achieving precision comparable to global analyses.
- We calculated the ratio of nucleon TMDs and observed a weak  $b_T$  dependence in the iso-vector helicity and unpolarized TMDs, as well as between the  $u$ - and  $d$ - quark unpolarized TMDs.
- When combined with the soft factor, the full TMDs can be determined.



Thanks for your attention!