

Physics Opportunities at an Electron-Ion Collider XI

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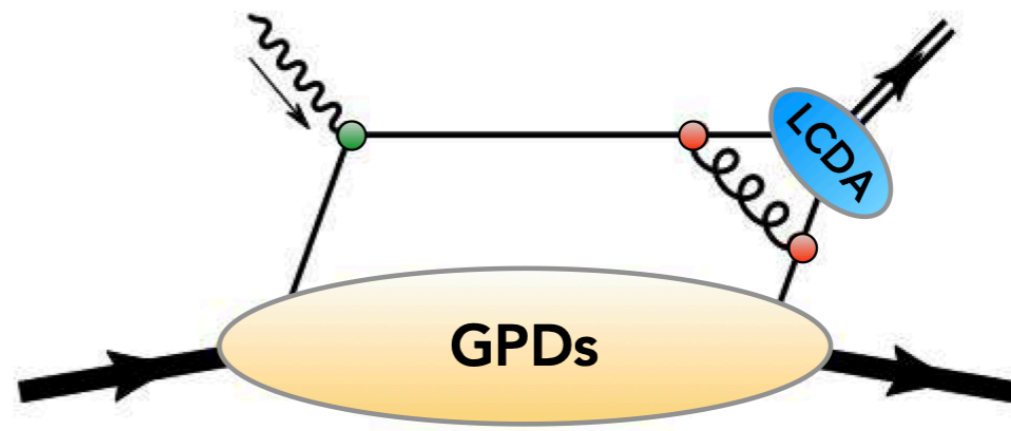
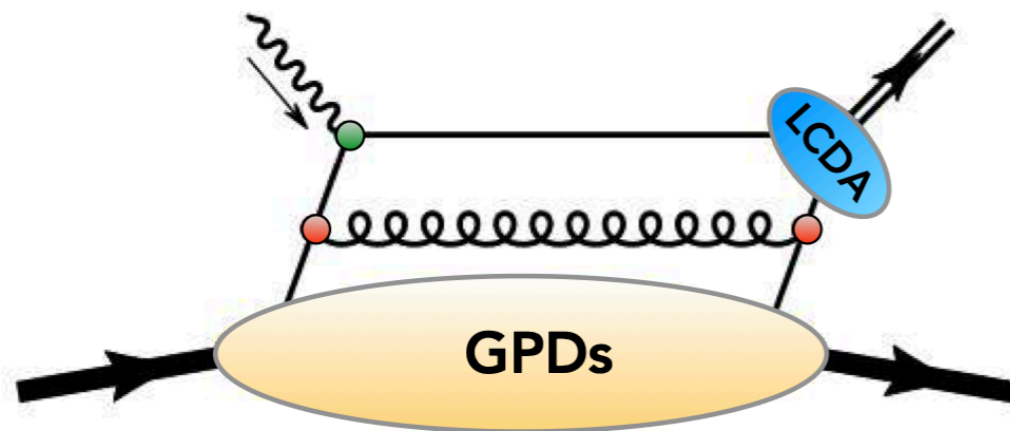
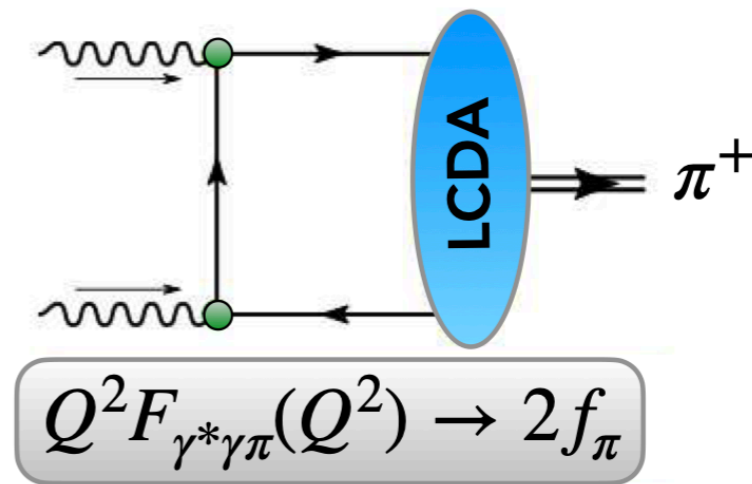
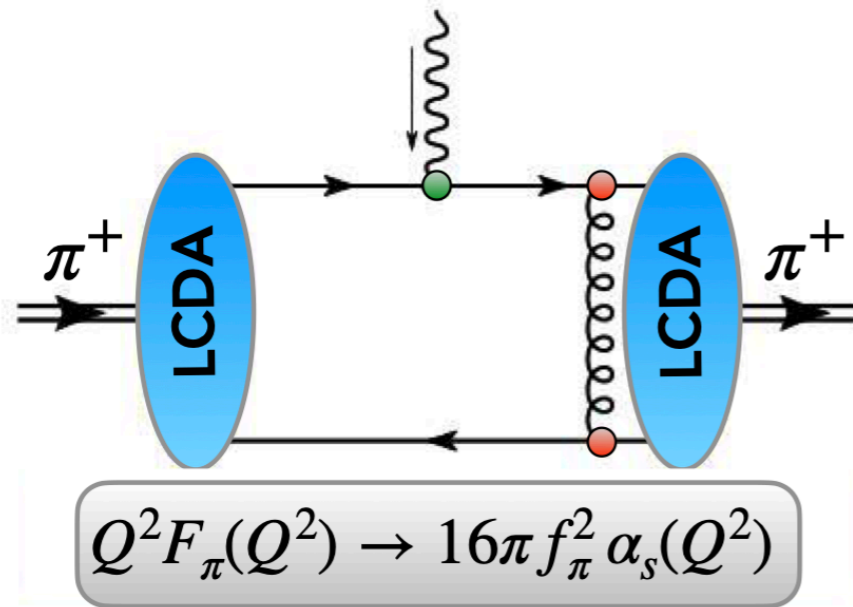
Mass dependence of meson distributions and their transverse motion

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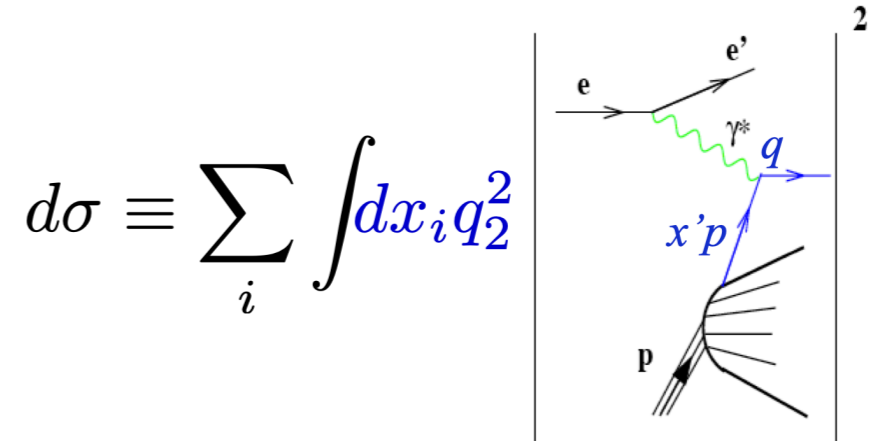


Hard exclusive scattering processes



DIS & Parton Distribution Functions

- Assumes fast moving hadron appears as a jet of partons moving in same direction and sharing its total momentum.
- DIS cross section is an incoherent sum of elastic scattering cross sections off individual partons.
- Parton model should work perfectly for $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$ where coupling constant vanishes.



$$d\sigma \equiv \sum_i \int dx_i q_i^2$$

$$d\sigma = \sum_i d\hat{\sigma}(\hat{s}, \hat{t}, \hat{u}) f_i(x) dx$$

Define parton momentum distribution: $f_i(x) \equiv \frac{dP_i}{dx}$ where $\sum_i \int_0^1 dx f_i(x) = 1$

This defines the probability to find a parton with **light-front momentum fraction** $x = \frac{k^+}{P^+}$ of the hadron. PDF related to structure functions:

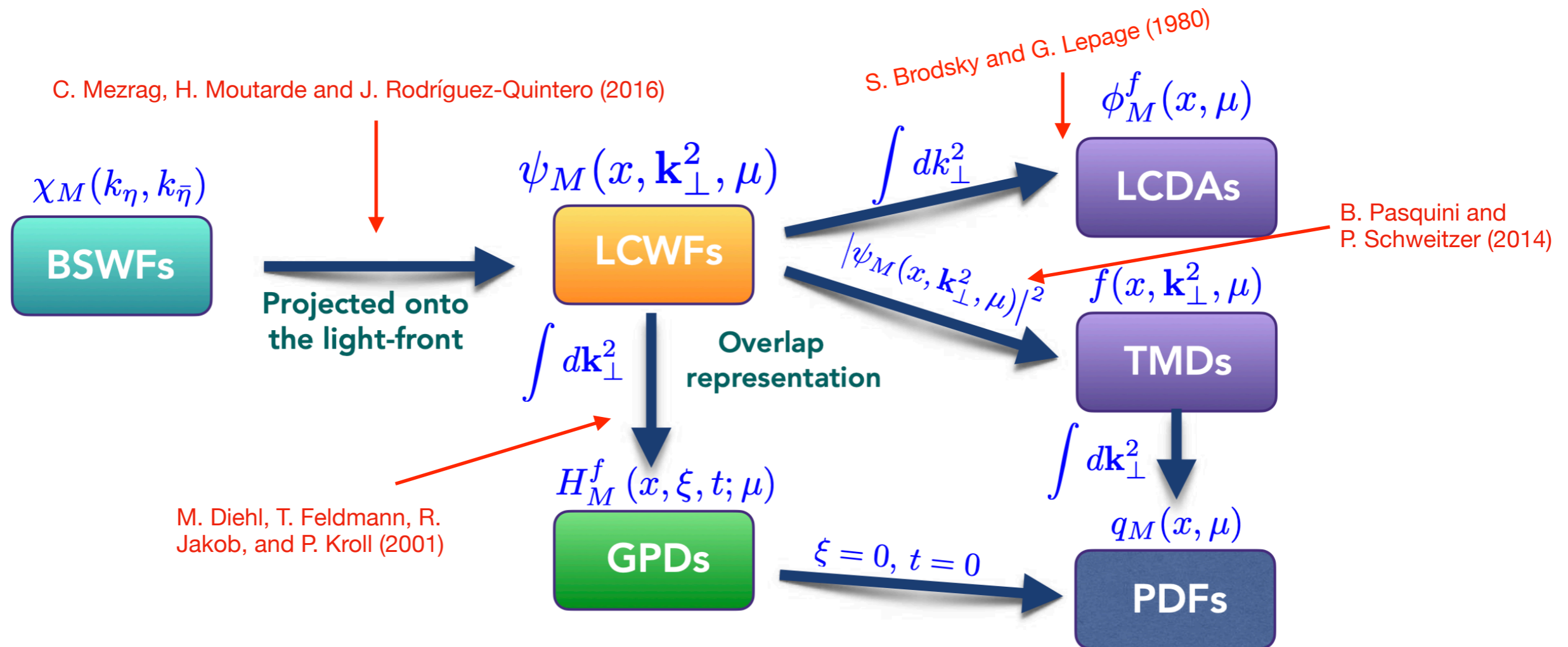
$$F_2(x) = \sum_i q_i^2 x f_i(x)$$

$$F_1(x) = \frac{1}{2x} F_2(x) \quad \text{Callan-Gross relation}$$

Can we obtain these
distribution functions from a
unified approach ?

Light-Front Wave Functions

With a particular projection of the Bethe-Salpeter wave functions we arrive the light-front wave functions, a more general object to describe probability amplitudes.



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$$|M\rangle_{l_z=0} = i \int \frac{d^2\mathbf{k}_T}{2(2\pi)^3} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x\bar{x}}} \psi_0(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) \frac{\delta_{ij}}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[b_{f\uparrow i}^\dagger(x, \mathbf{k}_T) d_{h\downarrow j}^\dagger(\bar{x}, \bar{\mathbf{k}}_T) - b_{f\downarrow i}^\dagger(x, \mathbf{k}_T) d_{h\uparrow j}^\dagger(\bar{x}, \bar{\mathbf{k}}_T) \right] |0\rangle$$

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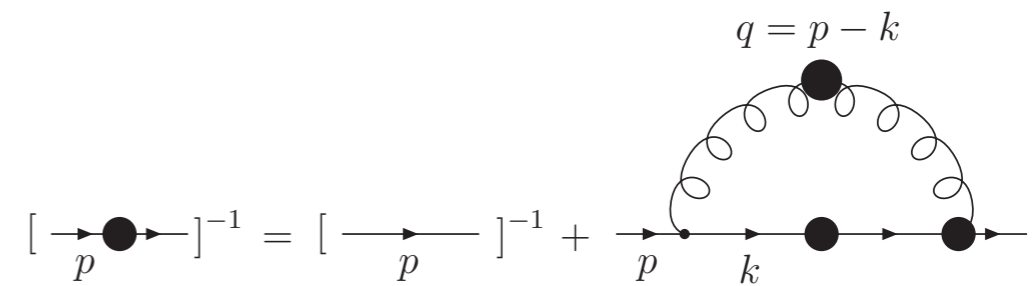
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$$(\square_x + m^2) G(x, y) = -\delta(x - y)$$

Green functions in
functional approaches to QCD

Quark-Gap Equation in QCD

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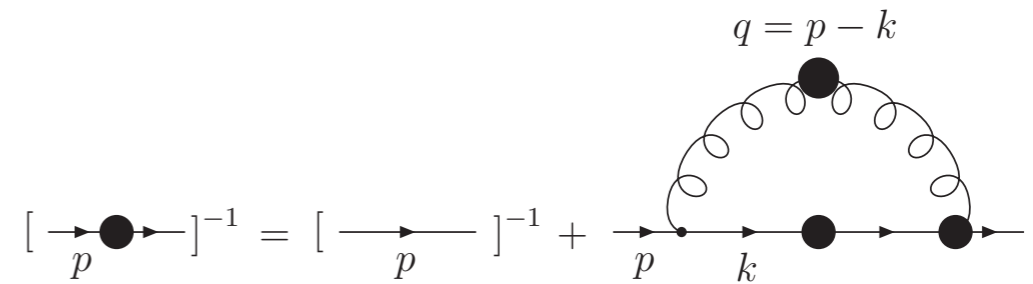
- $D_{\mu\nu}$: dressed-gluon propagator
 - $\Gamma_{\nu}^a(q, p)$: dressed quark-gluon vertex
 - Z_2 : quark wave function renormalization constant
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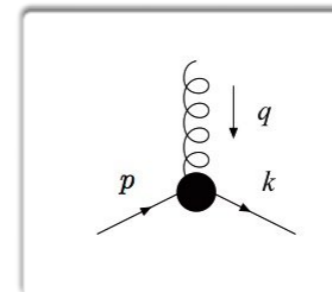
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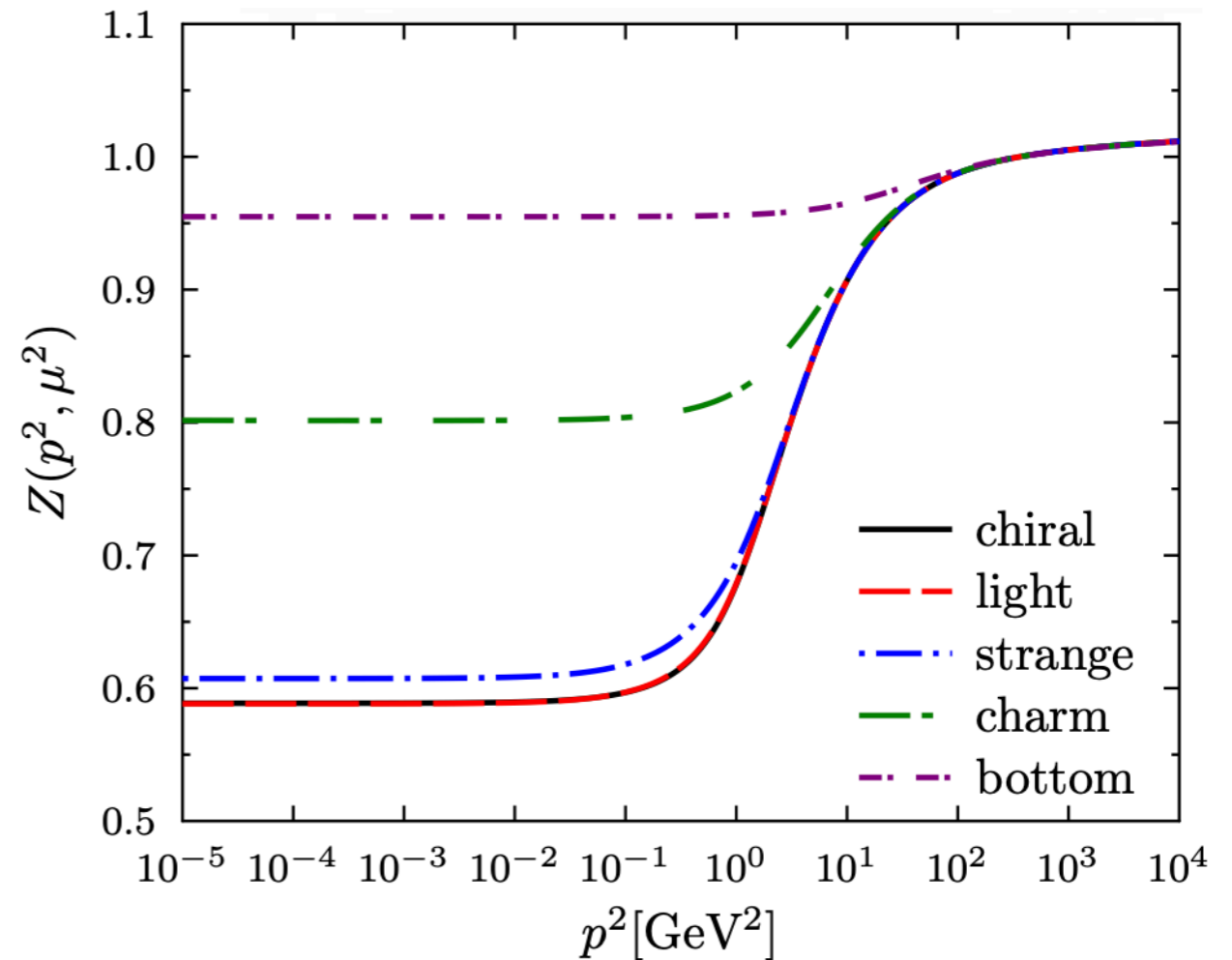
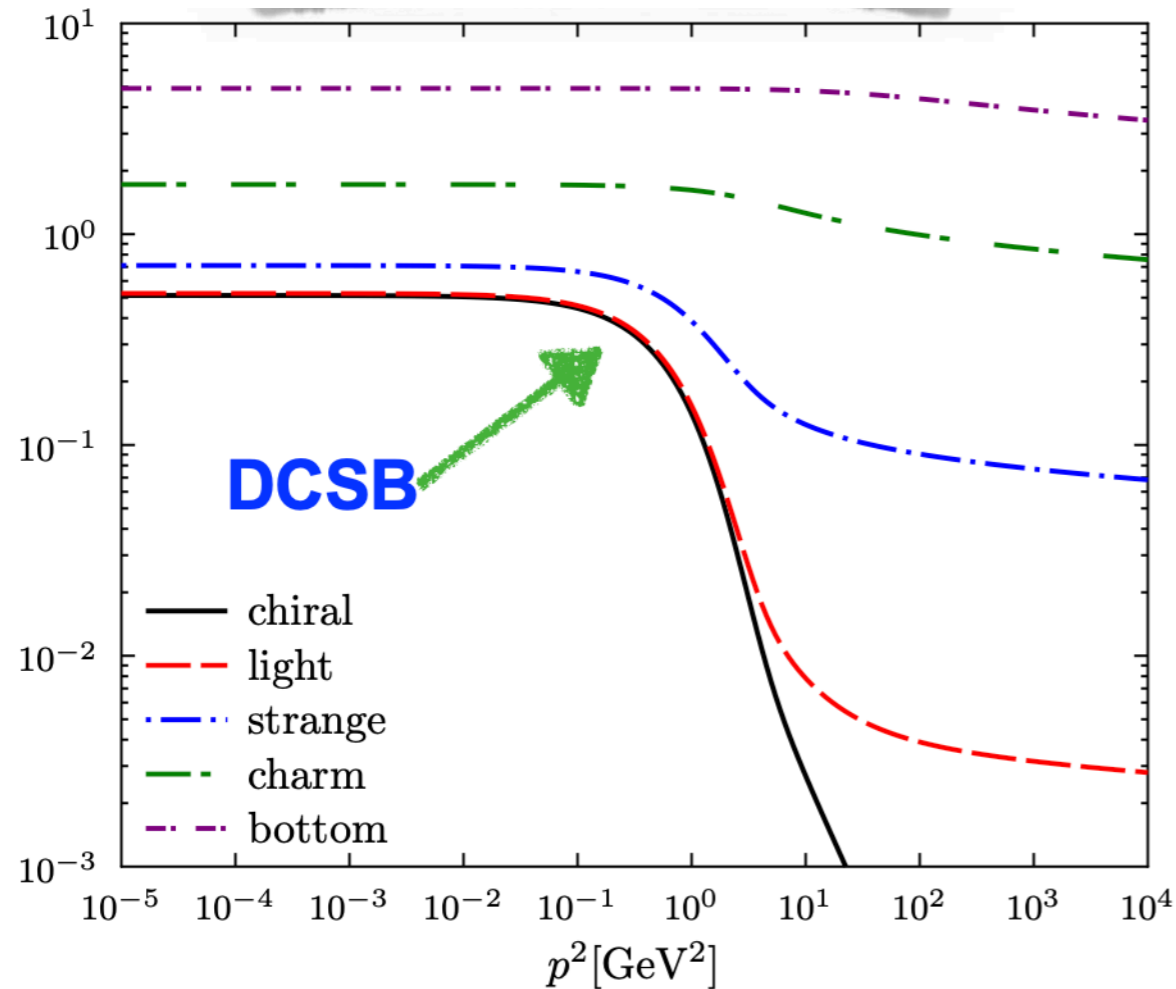
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DSE solutions – flavor dependence



$$S(p) = \frac{Z(p^2)}{i\gamma \cdot p + M(p^2)}$$

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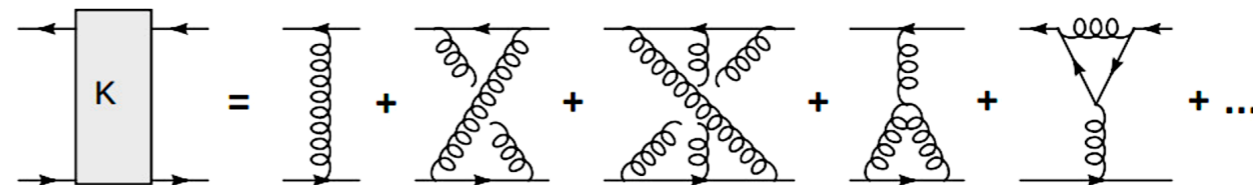
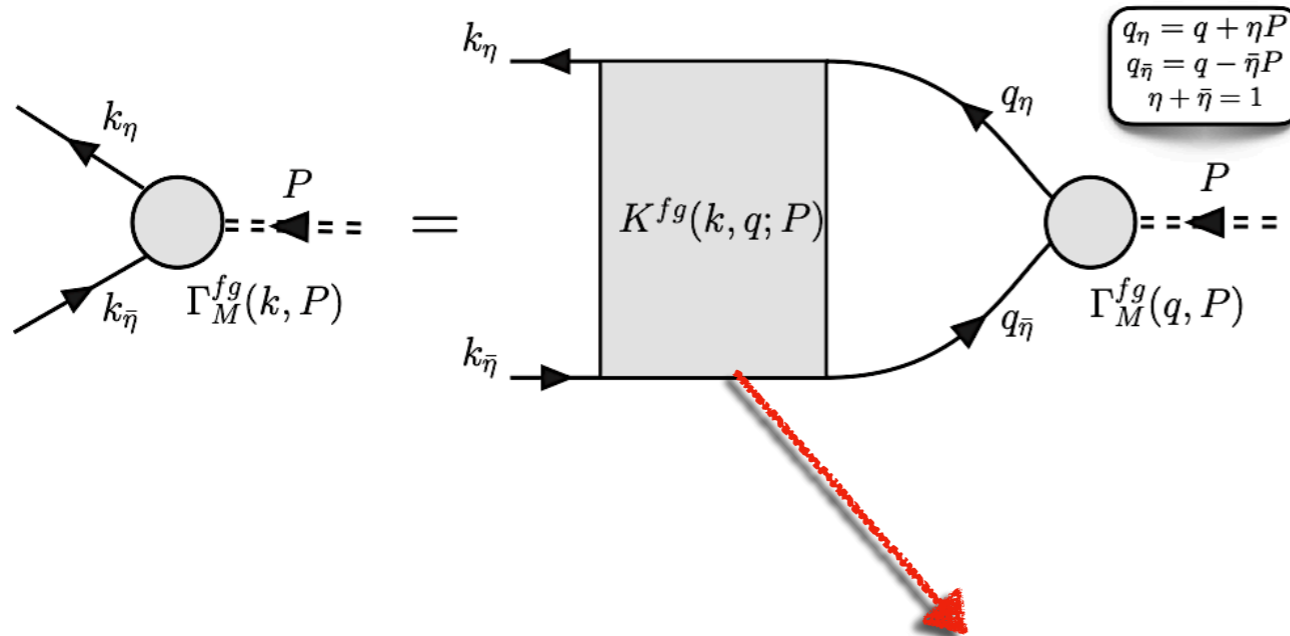
Bethe-Salpeter Equation for QCD Bound States

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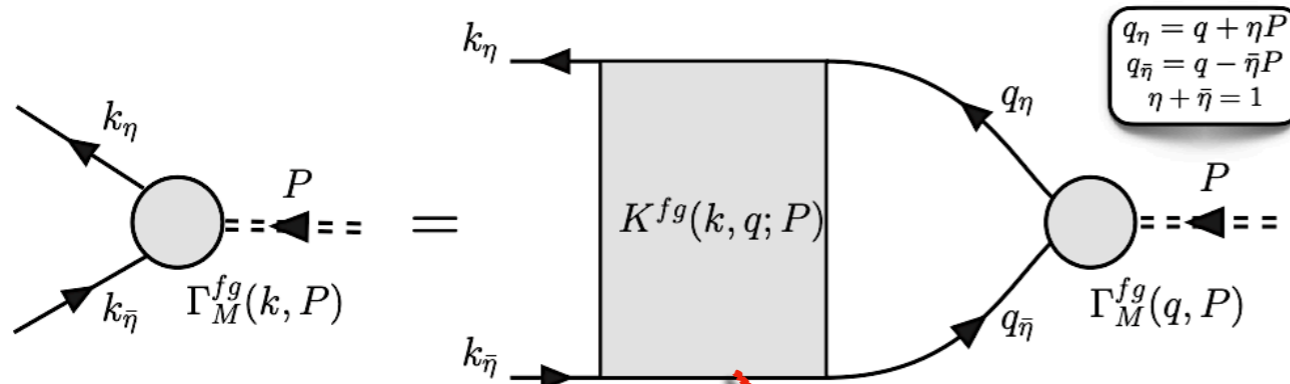
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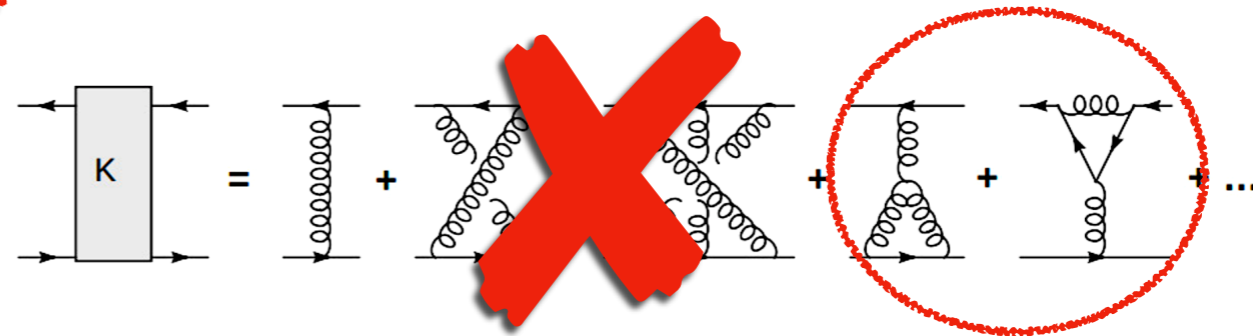
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Treated with kernel beyond RL introducing flavor dependence



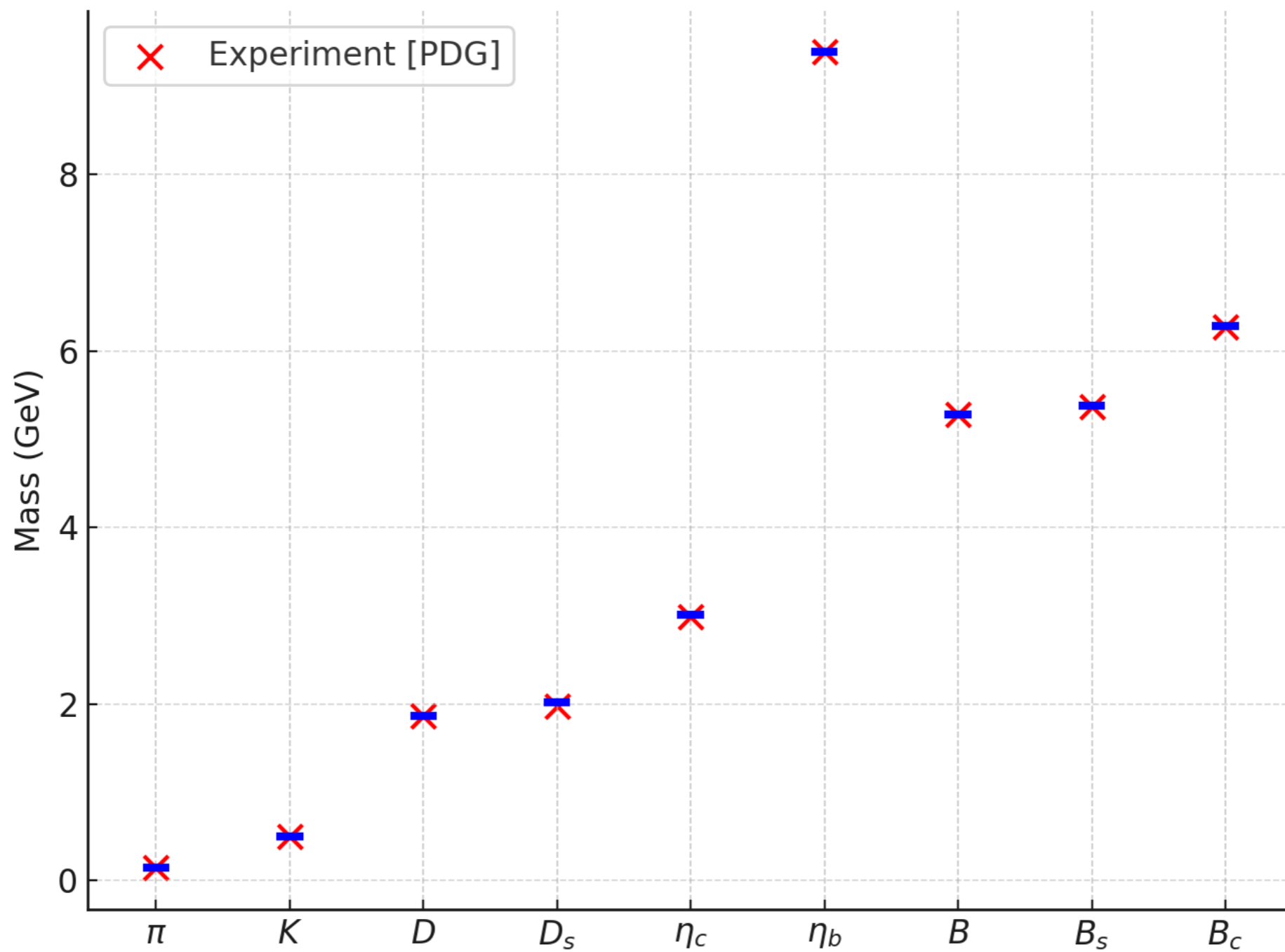
Bethe-Salpeter Amplitudes

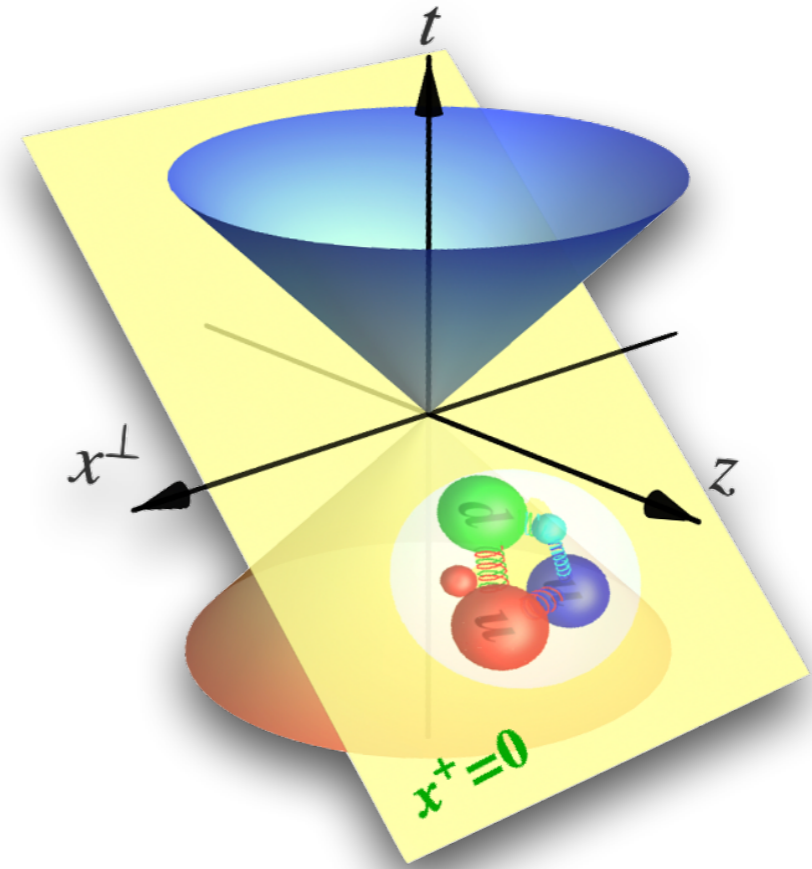
- The general form of $\Gamma_M(k; P)$ is given by

$$\Gamma(k; P) = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{T}^i(k, P) \mathcal{F}_i(k^2, z_k, P^2), \quad z_k = k \cdot P / |k| |P|,$$

- where $\mathcal{T}^i(k, P)$ are Dirac's covariants;
- $\mathcal{F}_i(k^2, z_k, P^2)$ are Lorentz invariant amplitudes;
- N denotes the number of covariants which are different for different meson's channel.
- For the case of pseudoscalar mesons we have $N = 4$ and for vector mesons one has $N = 8$

Pseudoscalar Meson Spectrum





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- With the **LCWF** one can readily derive two distributions:

- The leading-twist **TMD** [B. Pasquini and P. Schweitzer (2014)]

$$f_M(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2, \mu) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \left| \psi_M^0(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2, \mu) + \mathbf{k}_\perp^2 \psi_M^1(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2, \mu) \right|^2$$

- The **PDF**

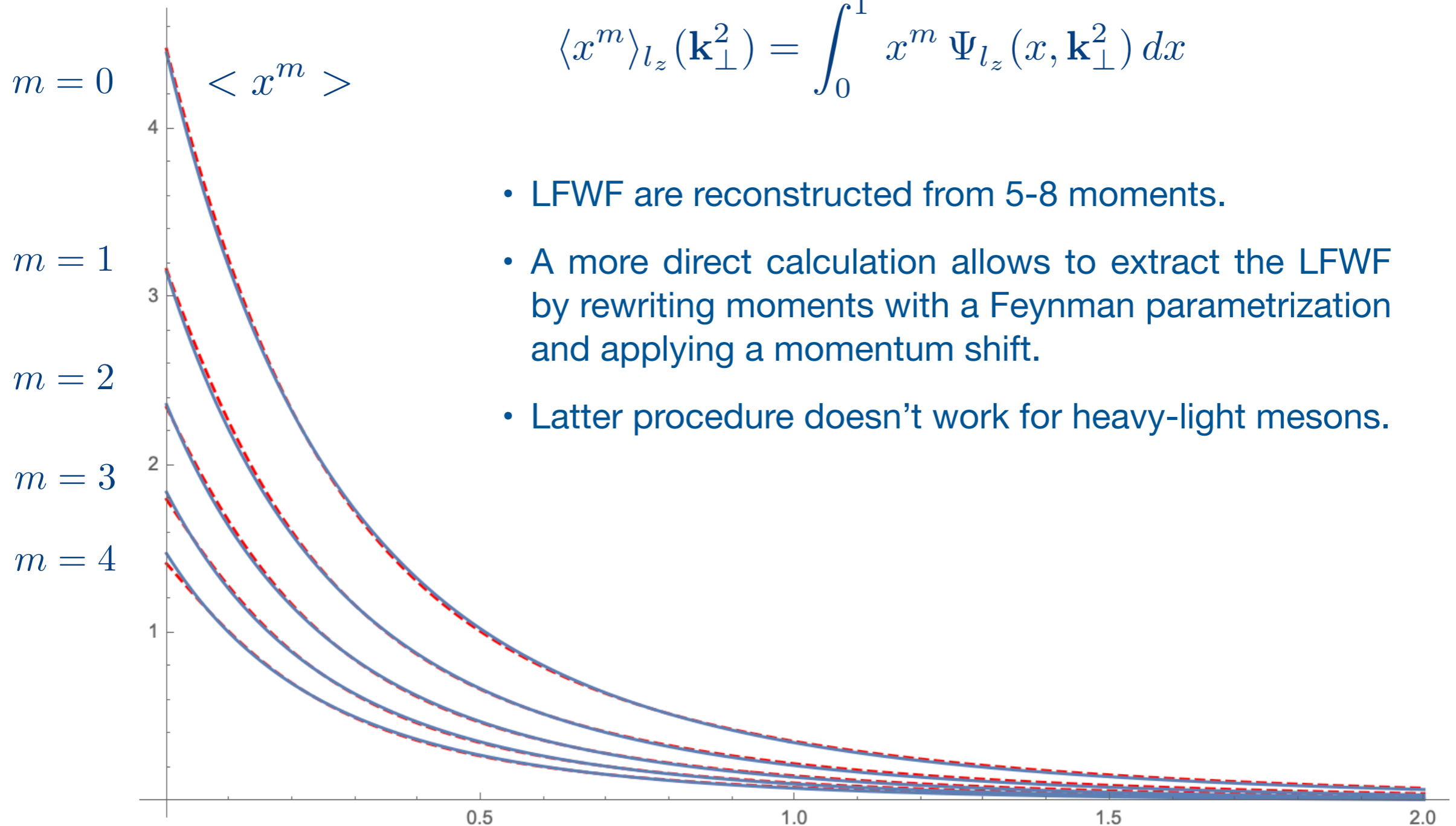
$$q_M(x, \mu) = \int d\mathbf{k}_\perp^2 f_M(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2, \mu)$$

Normalization: $\int_0^1 dx q_M(x, \mu) = 1.$

Light-Front Wave Functions

We calculate transverse momentum dependent moments:

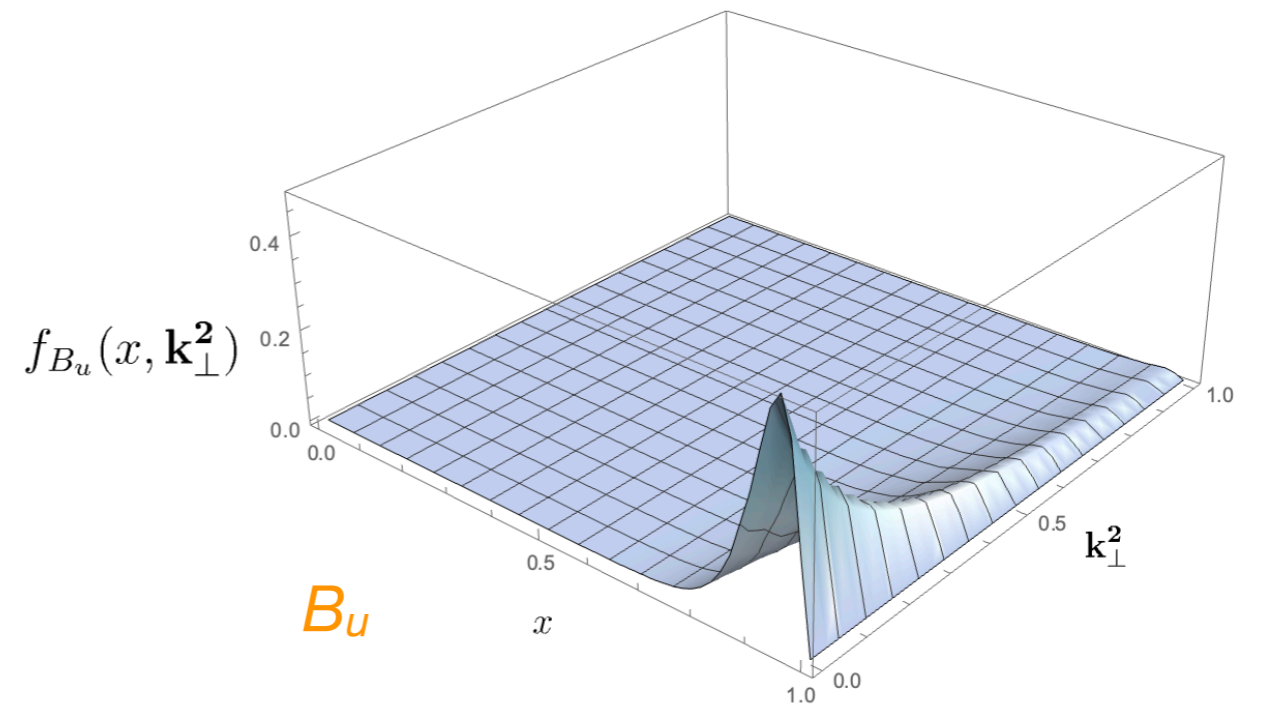
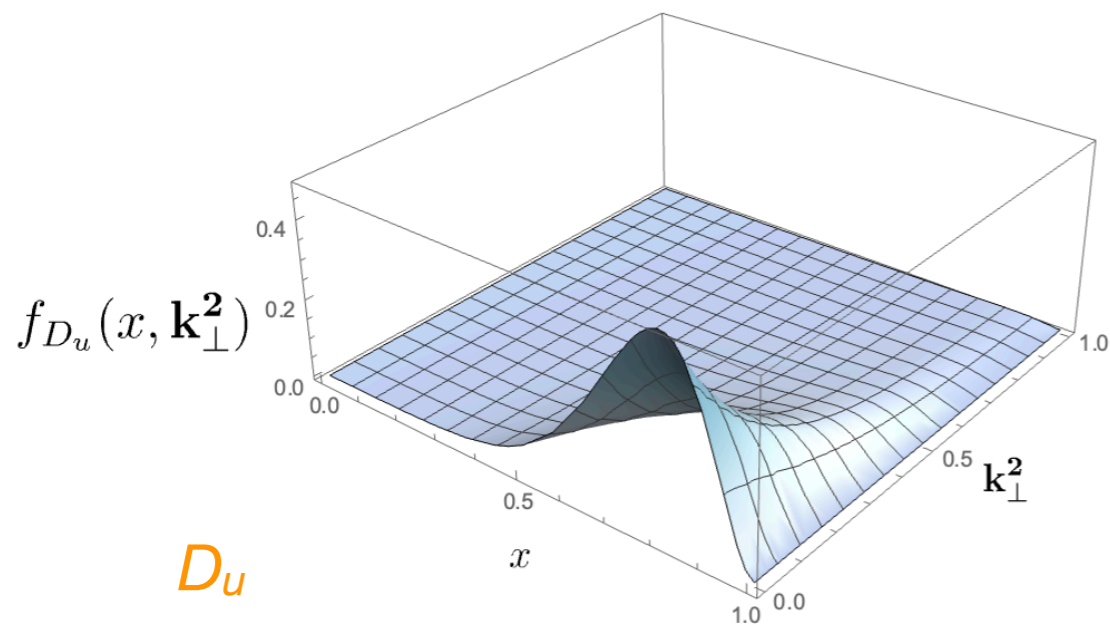
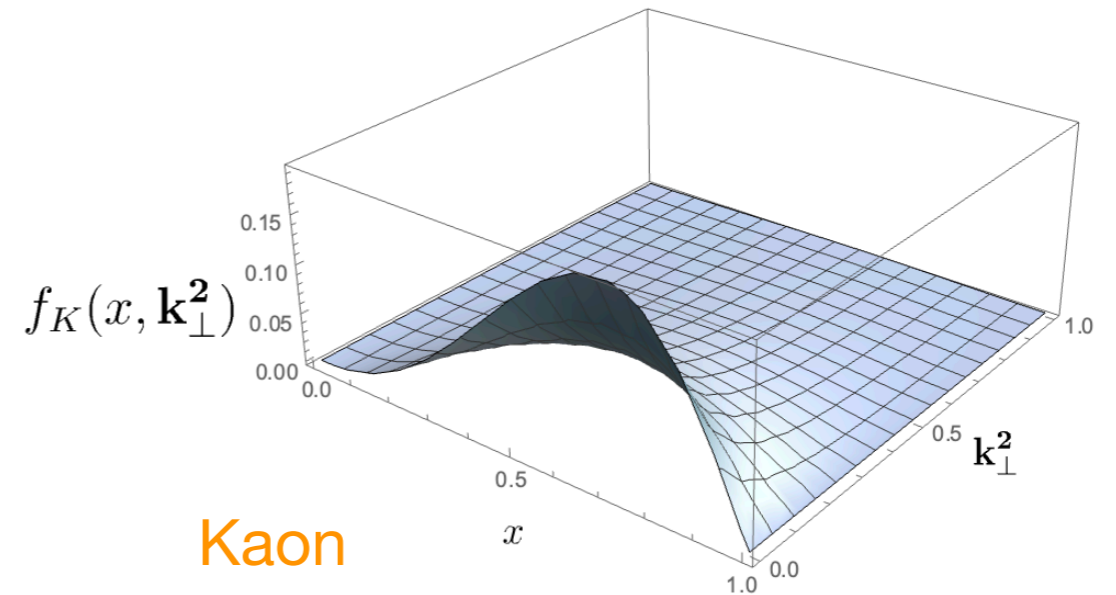
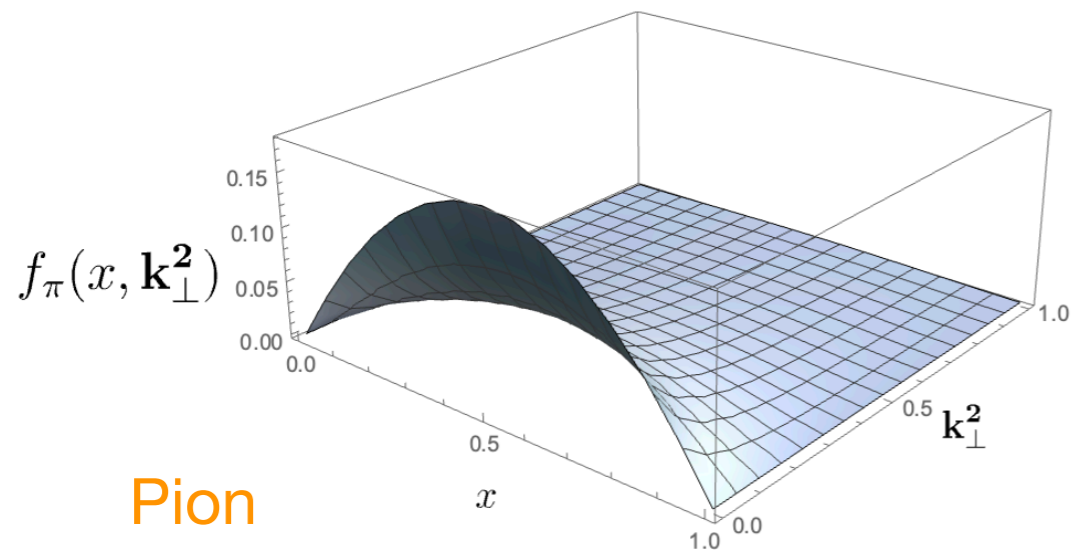
$$\langle x^m \rangle_{l_z}(\mathbf{k}_\perp^2) = \int_0^1 x^m \Psi_{l_z}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp^2) dx$$



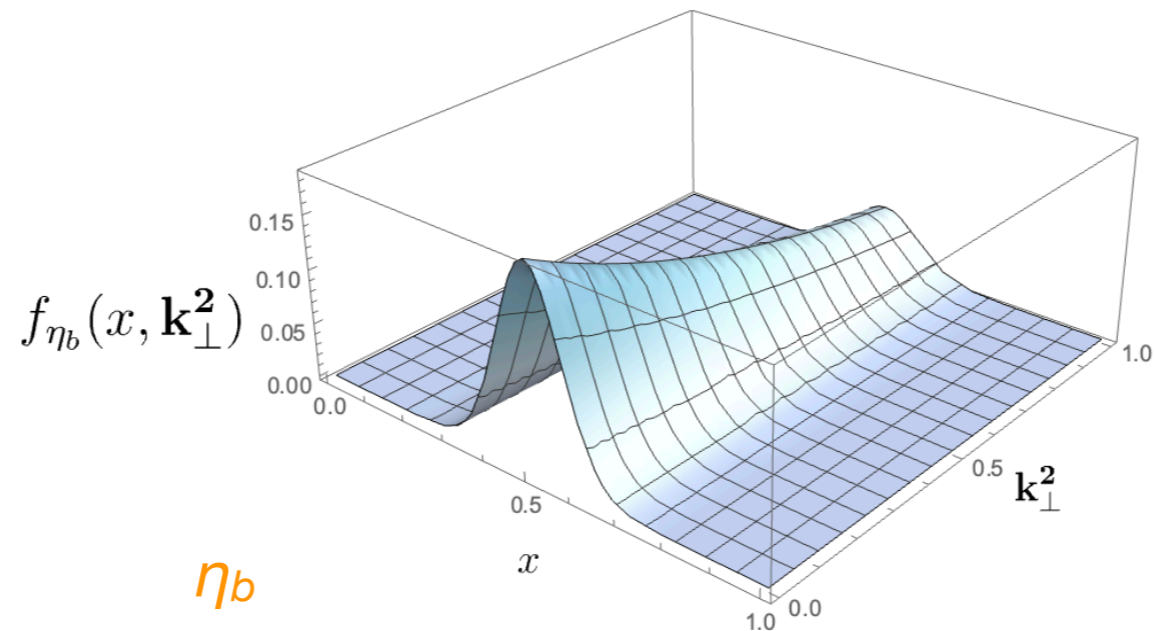
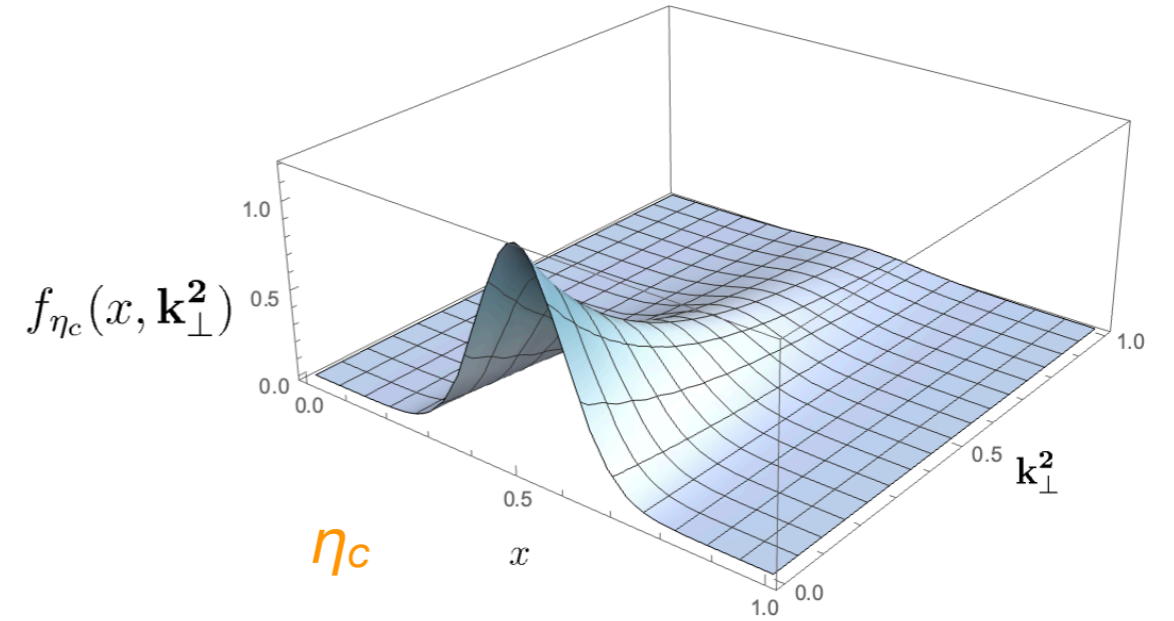
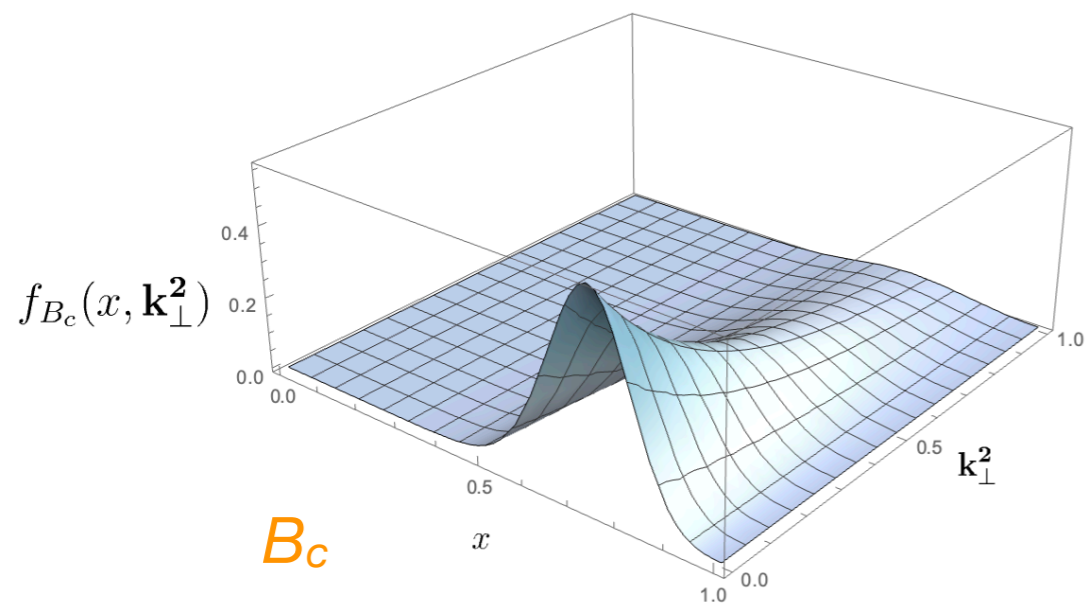
- LFWF are reconstructed from 5-8 moments.
- A more direct calculation allows to extract the LFWF by rewriting moments with a Feynman parametrization and applying a momentum shift.
- Latter procedure doesn't work for heavy-light mesons.

k_\perp^2

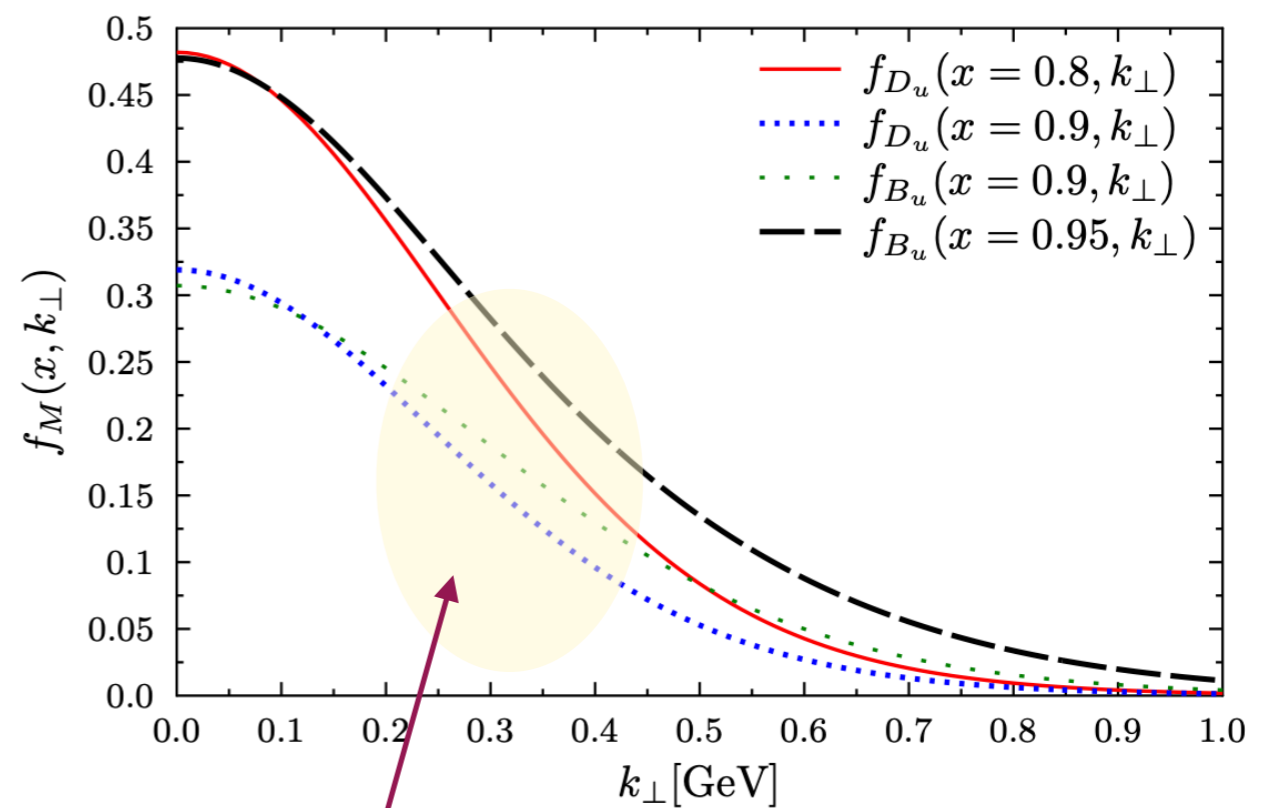
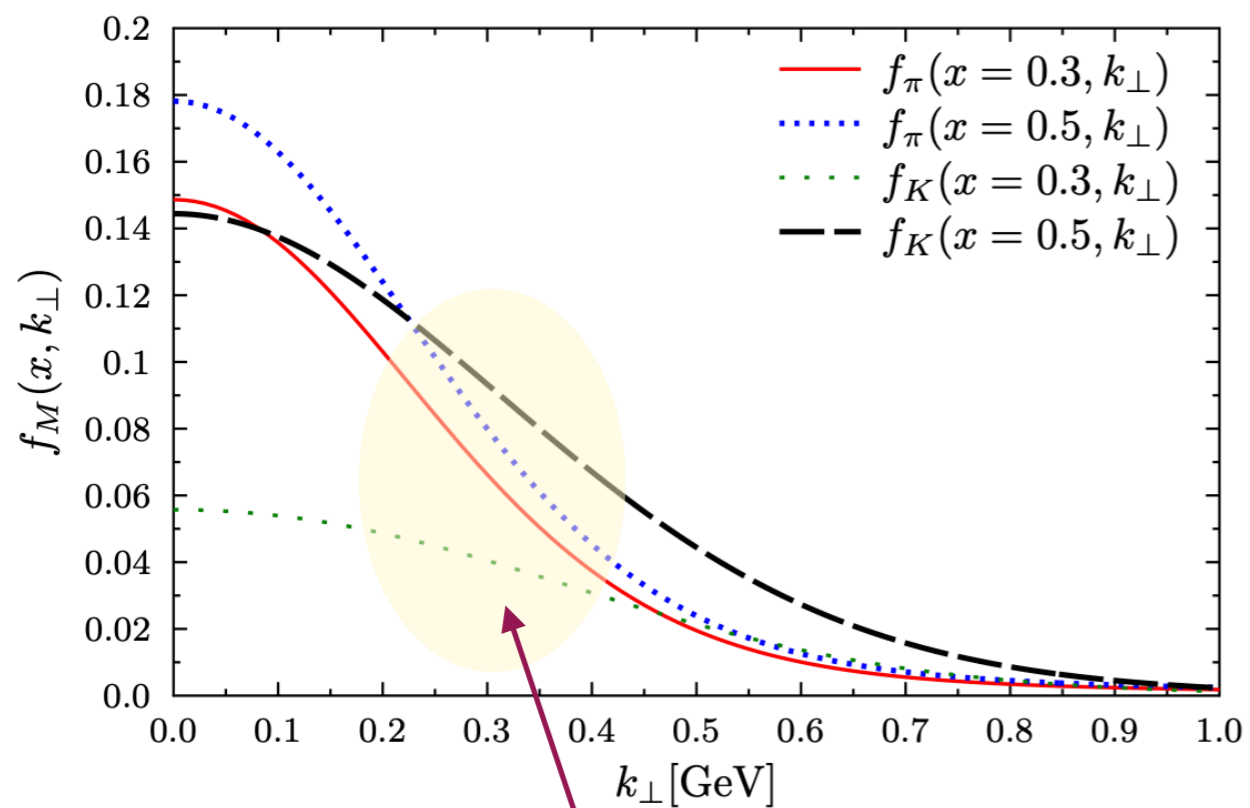
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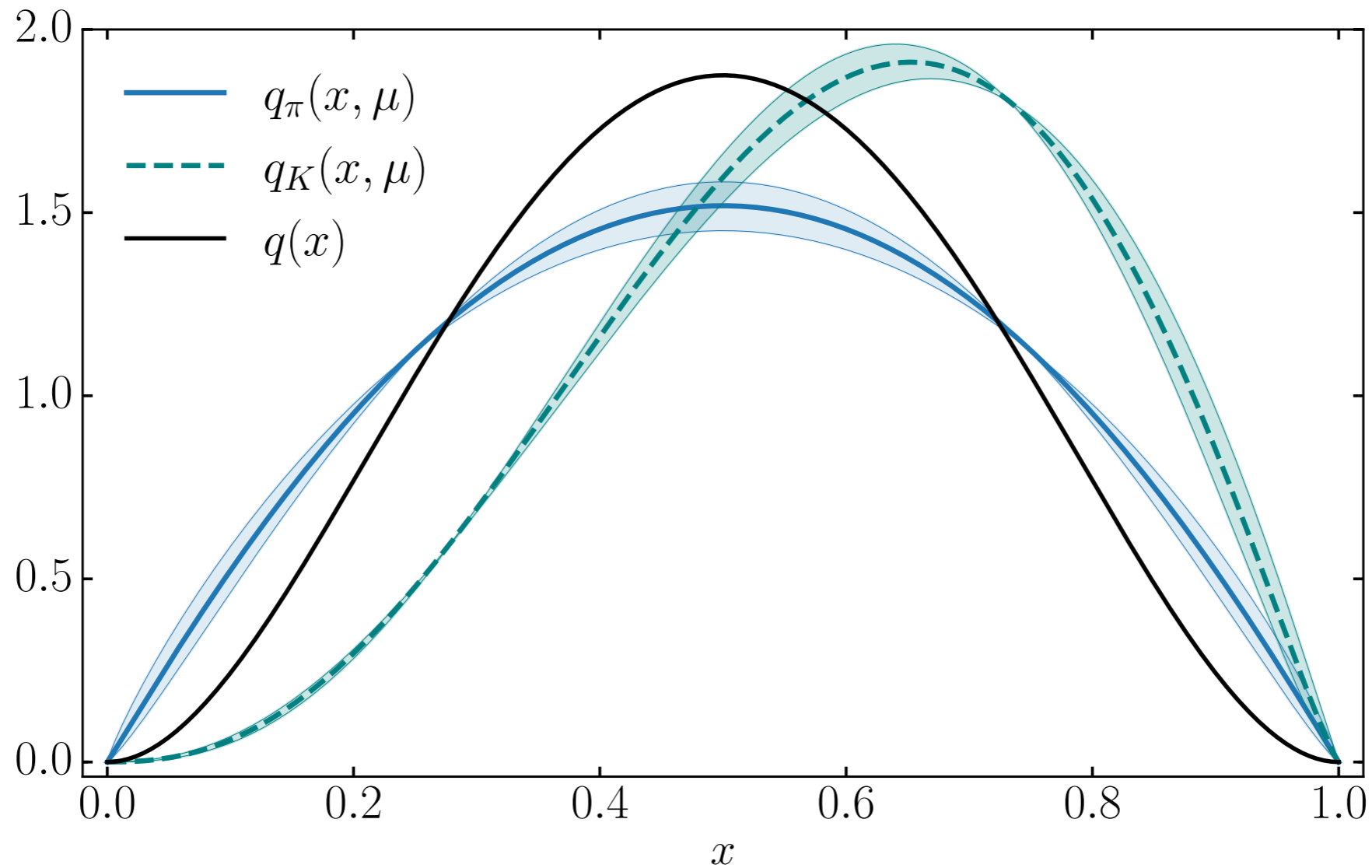


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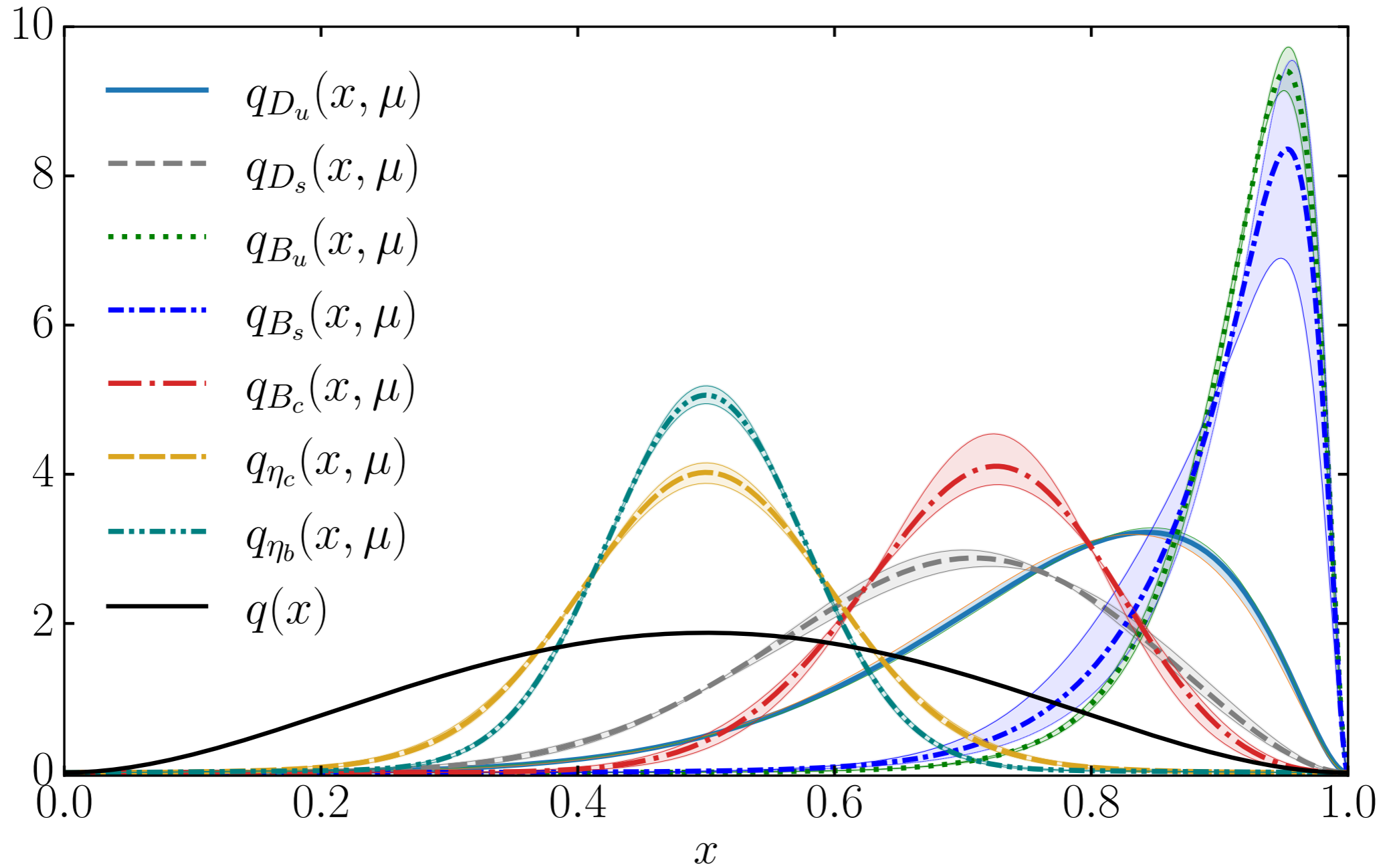
An inflection point from a concave to a convex function generally occurs at about $k_\perp \approx 0.3$ GeV

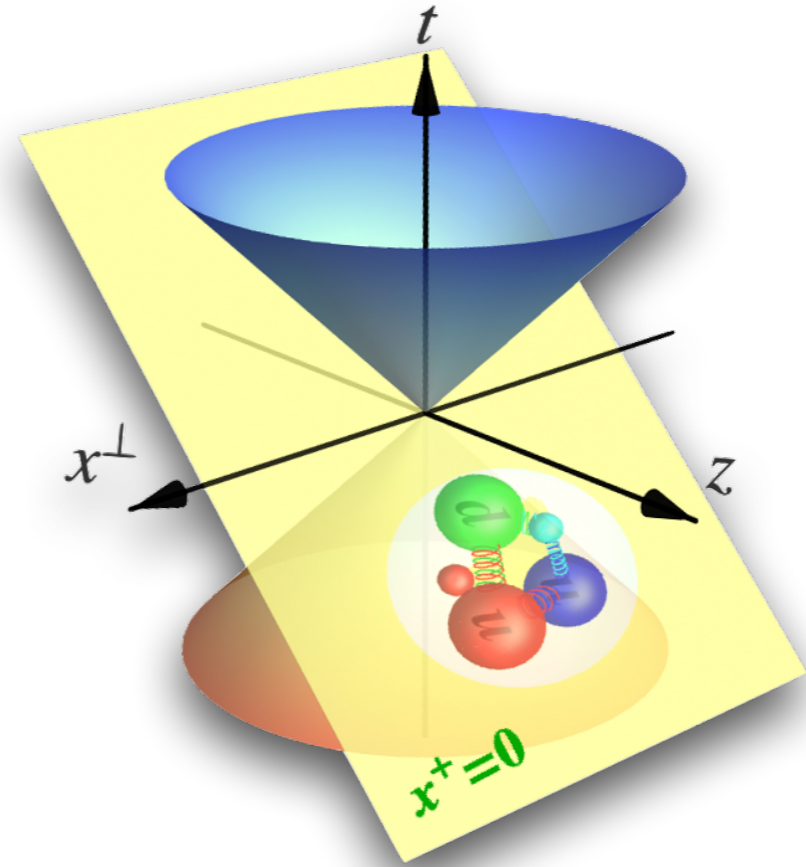
Parton Distribution Functions



The PDFs can be parametrized by:
$$q(x; \mu_0) = 30[x(1-x)]^2 \left[1 + \sum_{j=1}^{j_m} a_j C_j^{5/2} (2x-1) \right]$$

Parton Distribution Functions





Vector Meson Distribution Amplitudes

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- Vector mesons are described by **two** distribution amplitudes $\phi_V^{\parallel}(x; \mu)$ and $\phi_V^{\perp}(x; \mu)$
- Twist-2 distribution amplitudes are obtained with the projections:

$$(n \cdot P) f_V \phi_V^{\parallel}(x; \mu) = \frac{m_V N_c \mathcal{Z}_2}{\sqrt{2}} \text{Tr}_D \int^{\Lambda} \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \delta(n \cdot k_{\eta} - x n \cdot P) \gamma \cdot n n_{\nu} \chi_{V\nu}^{fg}(k; P),$$

$$f_V^{\perp} \phi_V^{\perp}(x; \mu) = -\frac{N_c \mathcal{Z}_T}{2\sqrt{2}} \text{Tr}_D \int^{\Lambda} \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \delta(n \cdot k_{\eta} - x n \cdot P) n_{\mu} \sigma_{\mu\rho} \mathcal{O}_{\rho\nu}^{\perp} \chi_{V\nu}^{fg}(k; P),$$

with

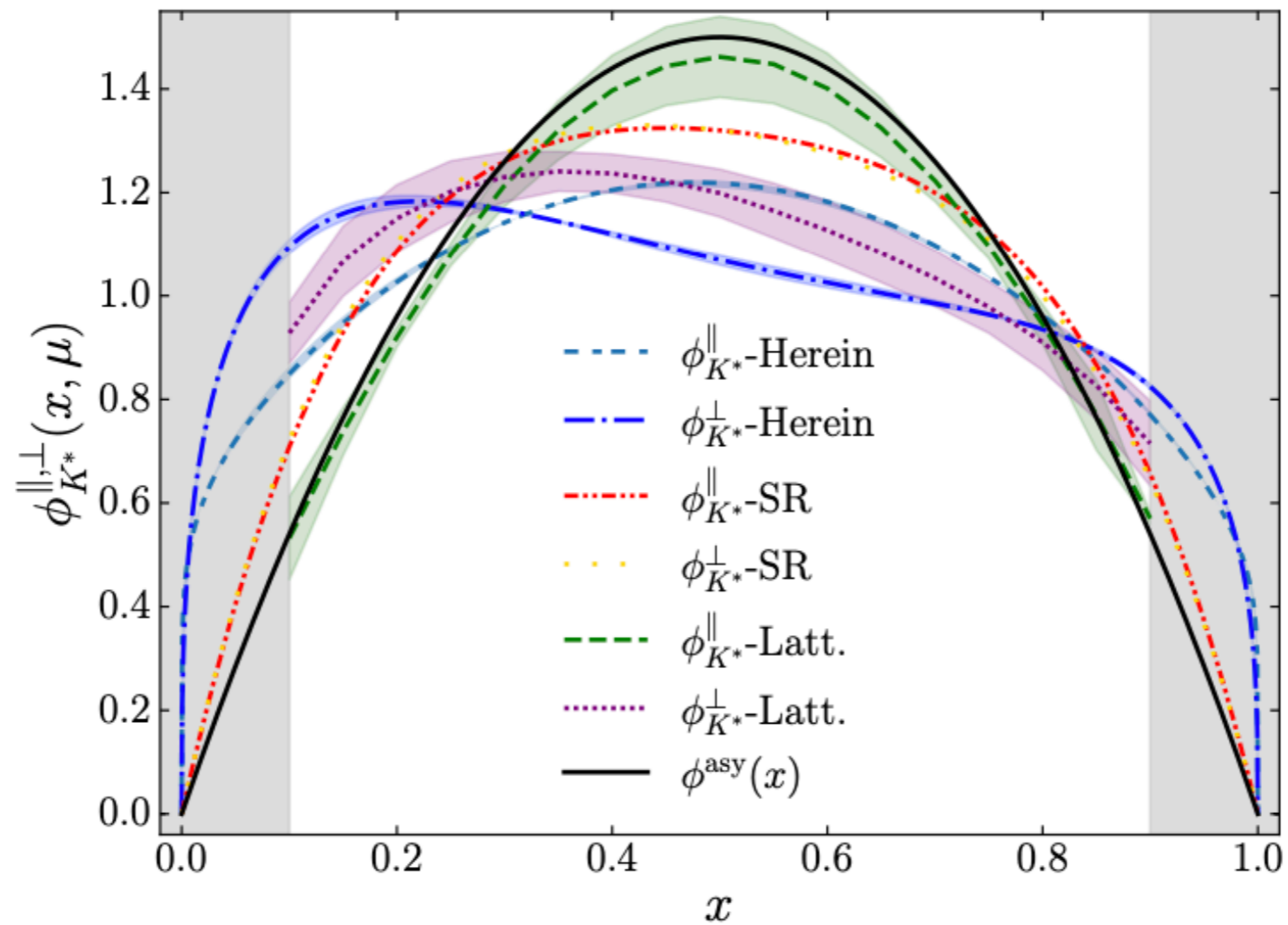
$$\chi_{V\nu}^{fg}(k; P) = S_f(k_{\eta}) \Gamma_{V\nu}^{fg}(k; P) S_g(k_{\bar{\eta}}), \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{O}_{\rho\nu}^{\perp} = \delta_{\rho\nu} + n_{\rho} \bar{n}_{\nu} + \bar{n}_{\rho} n_{\nu},$$

$$n^2 = 0; \quad P^2 = -m_V^2 \quad \text{and} \quad n \cdot P = -m_V; \quad \bar{n} \text{ is a conjugate light-like four-vector, } \bar{n}^2 = 0,$$

$$n \cdot \bar{n} = -1, \quad \bar{n} \cdot P = -m_V/2$$

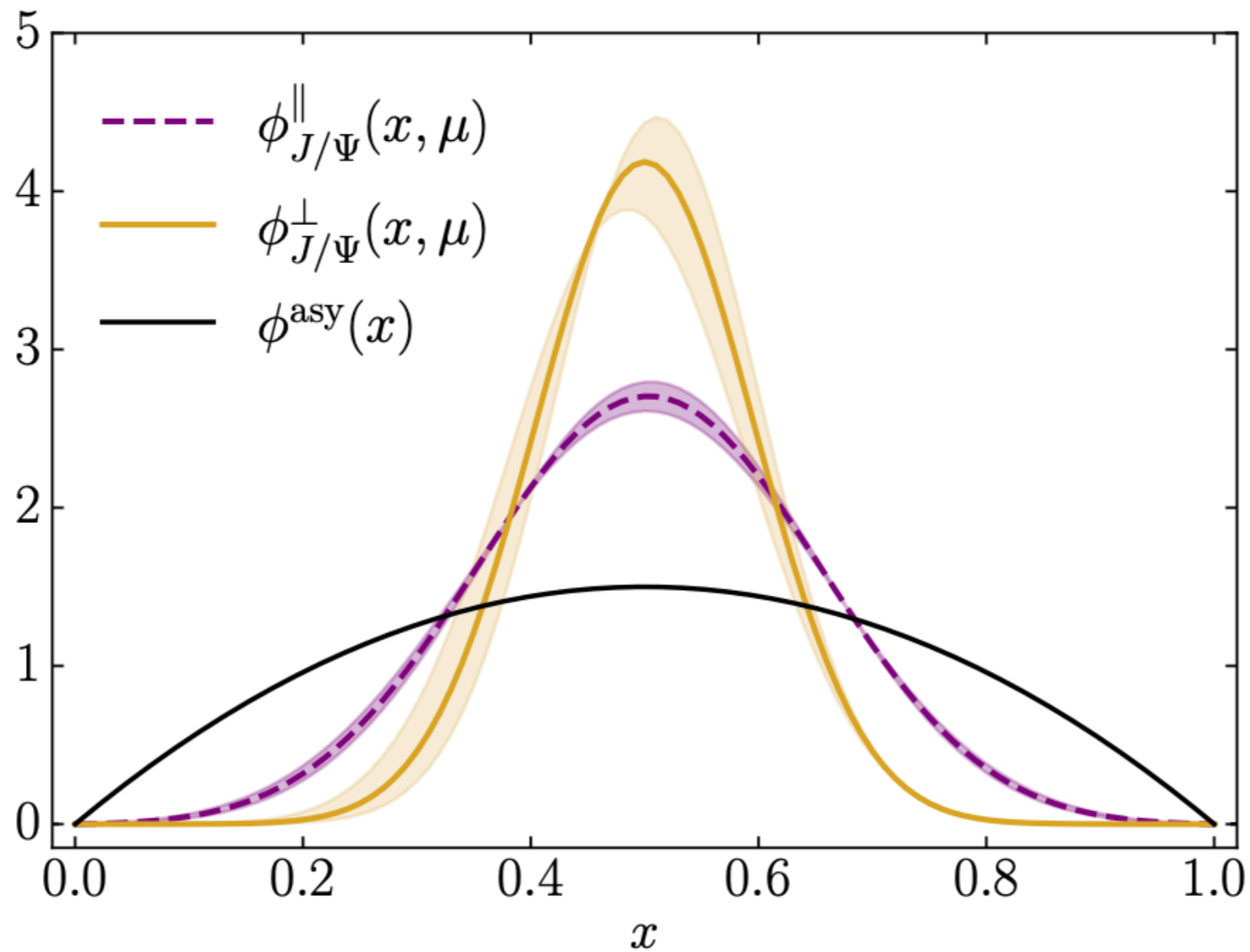
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K^* meson longitudinal and transverse LCDA



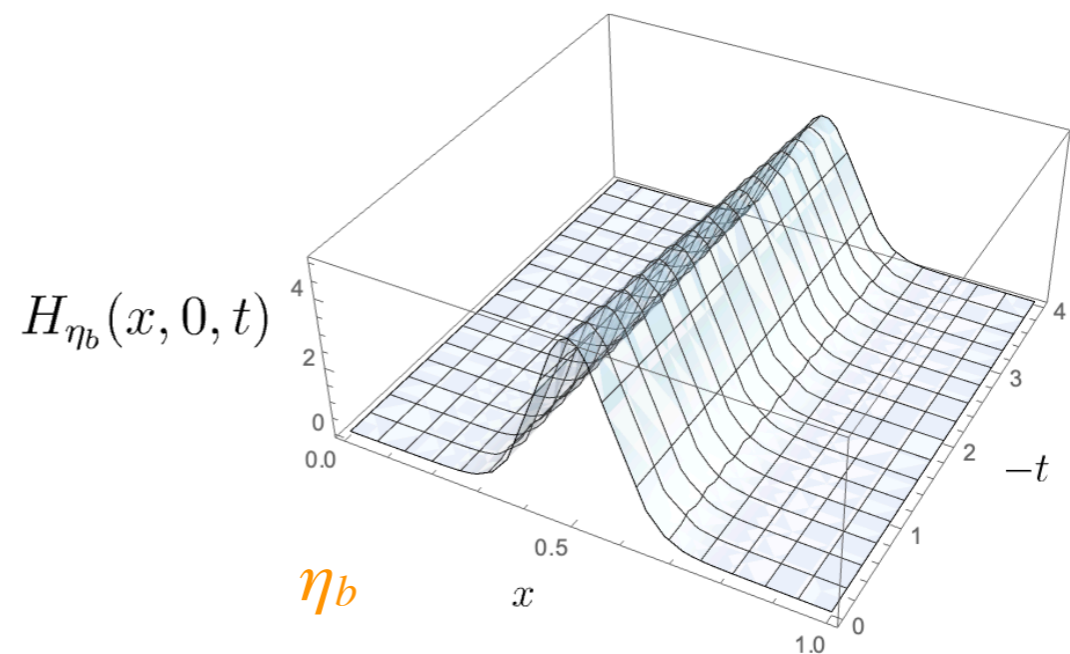
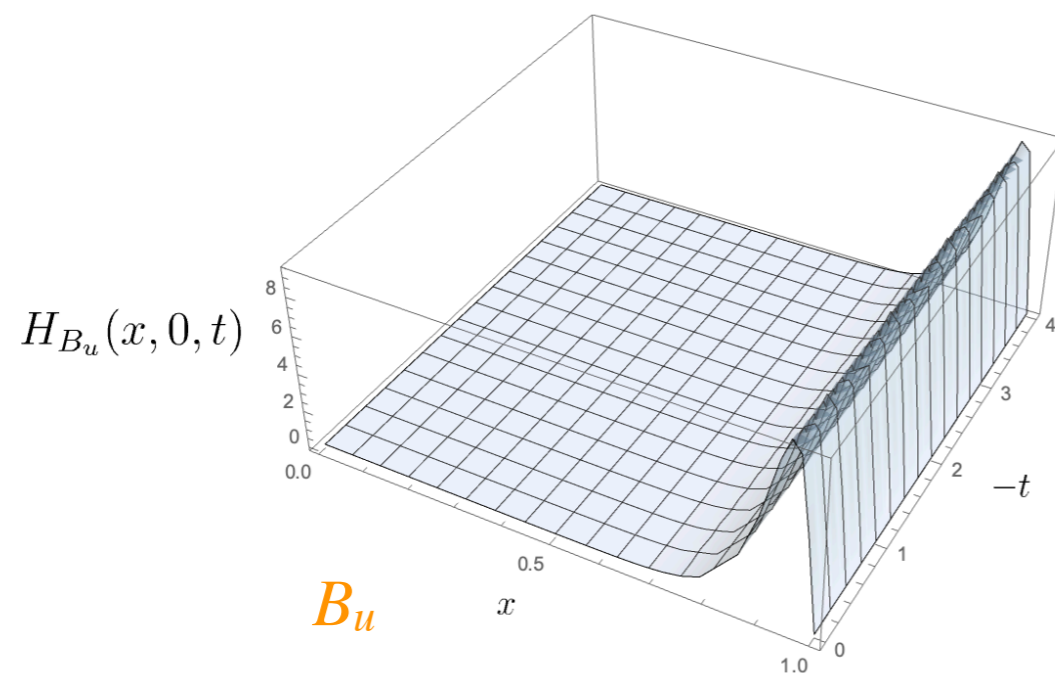
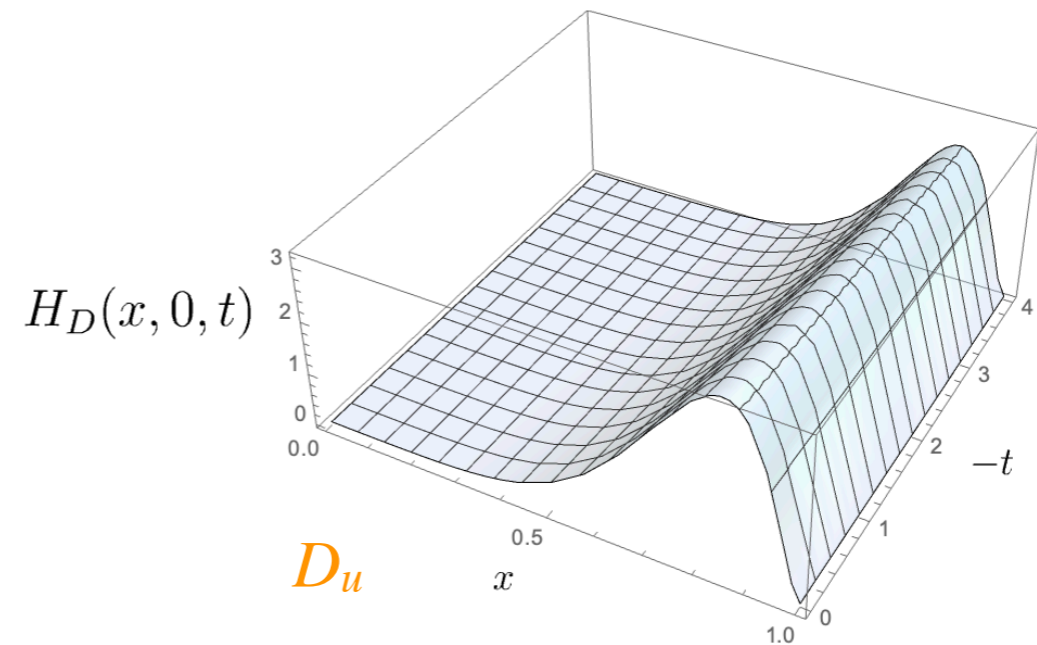
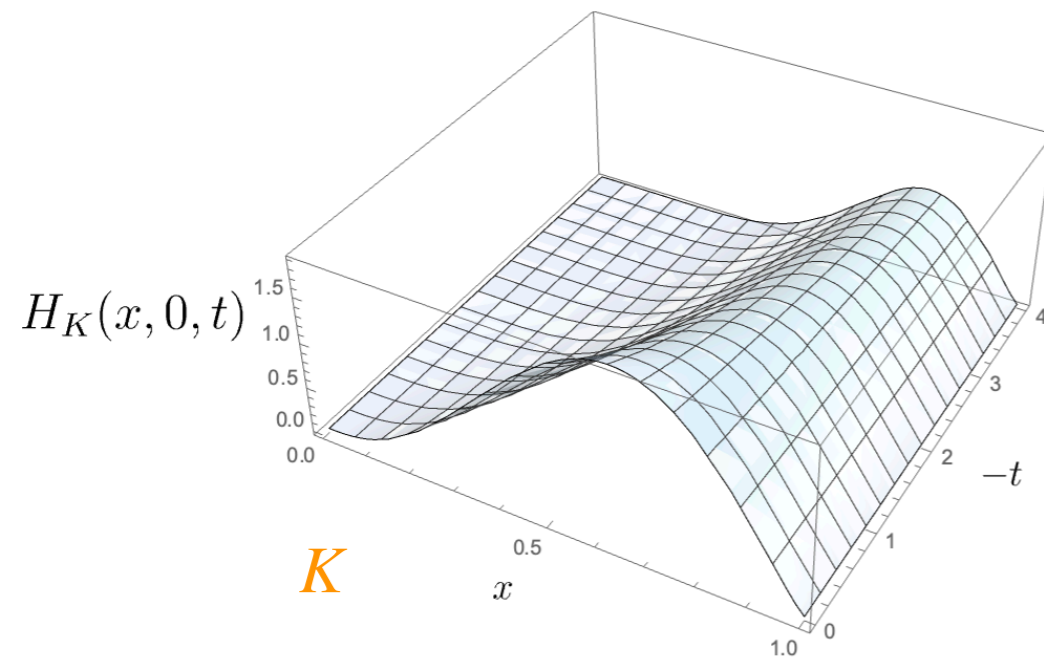
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Generalized Parton Distributions ($\xi=0$)

Obtained from overlap representation in DGLAP region (fulfills polynomiality and positivity).





Future Prospects

- Explore more the case of vector-mesons.
- Improve truncation schemes of gap and bound-state equations.
- Similar approach was also applied to the nucleons.
- Towards a fully interacting 3-quark Faddeev amplitude and from there to TMDs, GPDs ...?

Back-up slides

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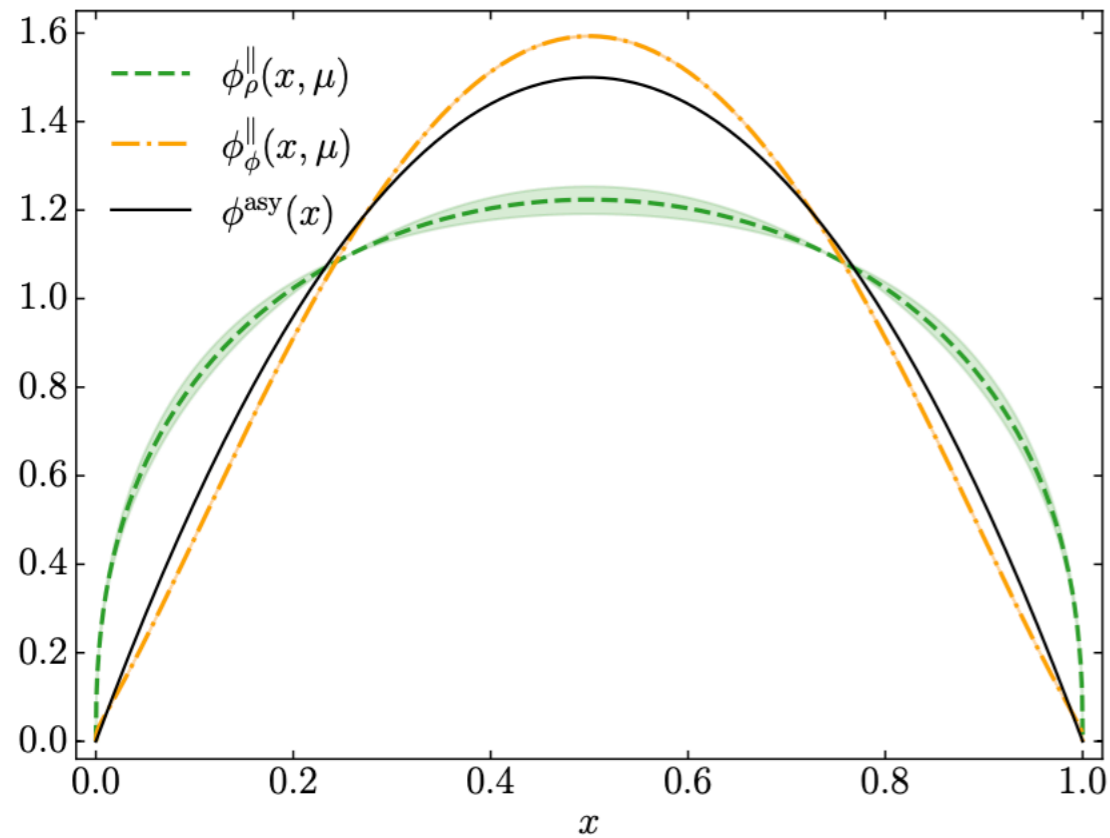
	M_P	M_P^{exp}	ϵ_{M_P} [%]	f_P	$f_P^{\text{exp/lQCD}}$	ϵ_{f_P} [%]
$\pi(u\bar{d})$	0.140	0.138	1.45	$0.094^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$	0.092(1)	2.17
$K(u\bar{s})$	0.494	0.494	0	$0.110^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$	0.110(2)	0
$D(c\bar{d})$	$1.867^{+0.008}_{-0.004}$	1.864	0.11	$0.144^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$	0.150 (0.5)	4.00
$D_s(c\bar{s})$	$2.015^{+0.021}_{-0.018}$	1.968	2.39	$0.179^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$	0.177(0.4)	1.13
$\eta_c(c\bar{c})$	$3.012^{+0.003}_{-0.039}$	2.984	0.94	$0.270^{+0.002}_{-0.005}$	0.279(17)	3.23
$\eta_b(b\bar{b})$	$9.392^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$	9.398	0.06	$0.491^{+0.009}_{-0.009}$	0.472(4)	4.03
$B(u\bar{b})$	$5.277^{+0.008}_{-0.005}$	5.279	0.04	$0.132^{+0.004}_{-0.002}$	0.134(1)	4.35
$B_s(s\bar{b})$	$5.383^{+0.037}_{-0.039}$	5.367	0.30	$0.128^{+0.002}_{-0.003}$	0.162(1)	20.5
$B_c(c\bar{b})$	$6.282^{+0.020}_{-0.024}$	6.274	0.13	$0.280^{+0.005}_{-0.002}$	0.302(2)	10.17

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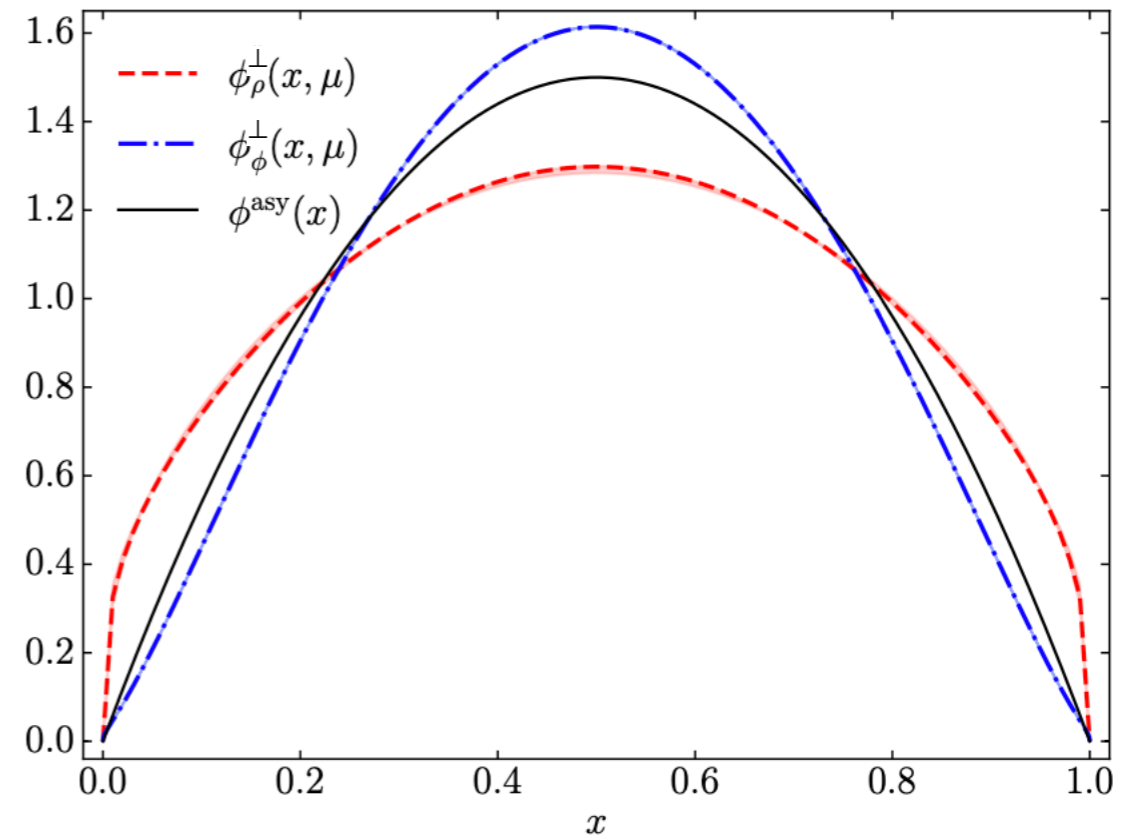
	M_V	M_V^{exp}	ϵ_{M_V} [%]	f_V	$f_V^{\text{exp/IQCD}}$	ϵ_{f_V} [%]
$\rho(u\bar{u})$	0.730	0.775	5.81	0.145	0.153(1)	5.23
$\phi(s\bar{s})$	1.070	1.019	5.20	0.187	0.168(1)	11.31
$K^*(u\bar{s})$	0.942	0.896	5.13	0.177	0.159(1)	11.32
$D^*(c\bar{d})$	2.021	2.009	0.60	0.165	0.158(6)	4.43
$D_s^*(c\bar{s})$	2.169	2.112	2.70	0.205	0.190(5)	7.90
$J/\psi(c\bar{c})$	3.124	3.097	0.87	0.277	0.294(5)	5.78
$\Upsilon(b\bar{b})$	9.411	9.460	0.52	0.594	0.505(4)	17.62

Vector Meson LCDA

ρ and ϕ mesons: longitudinal LCDA



ρ and ϕ mesons: transverse LCDA

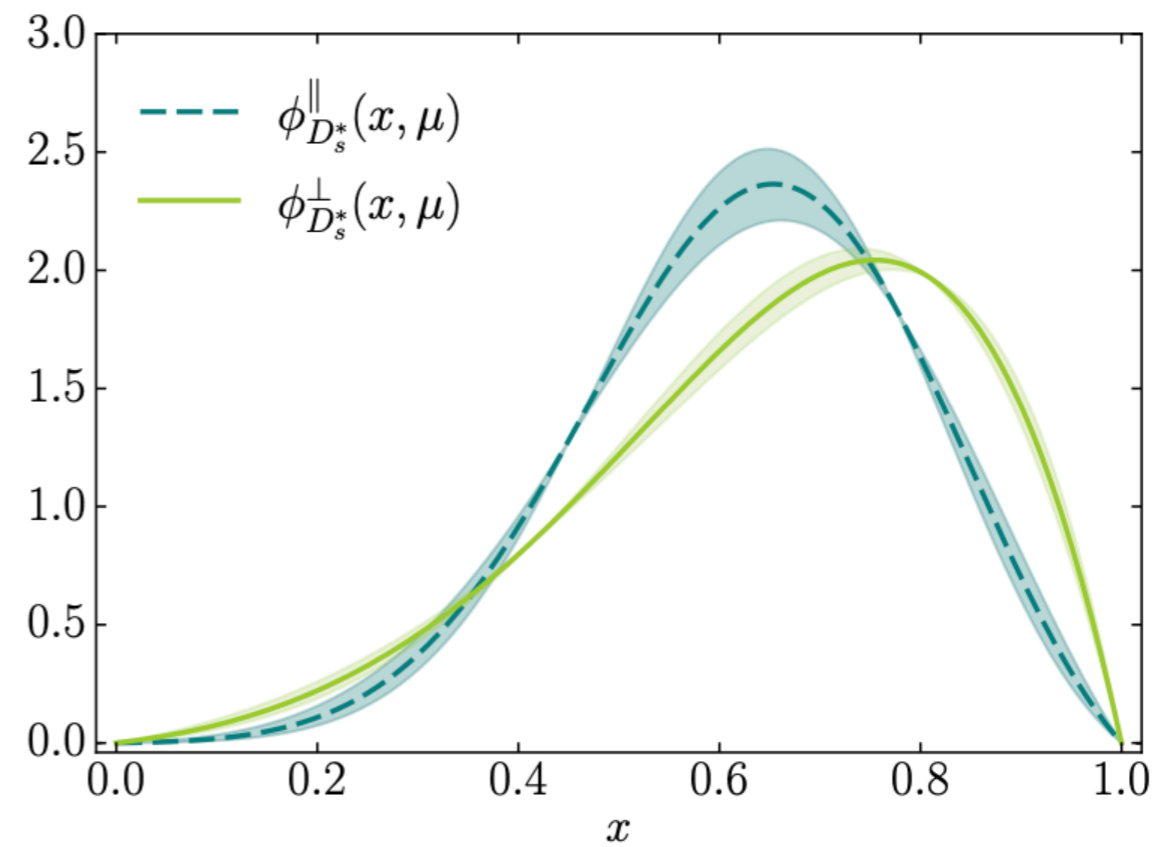
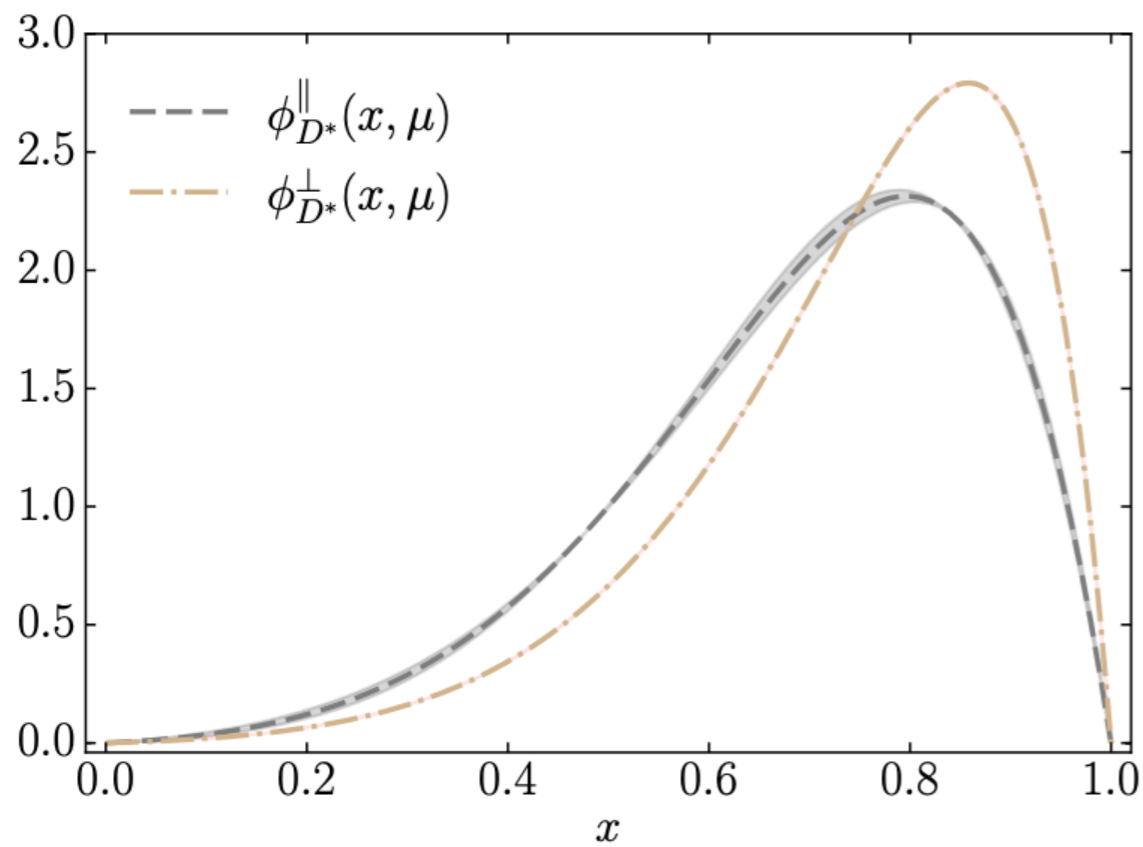


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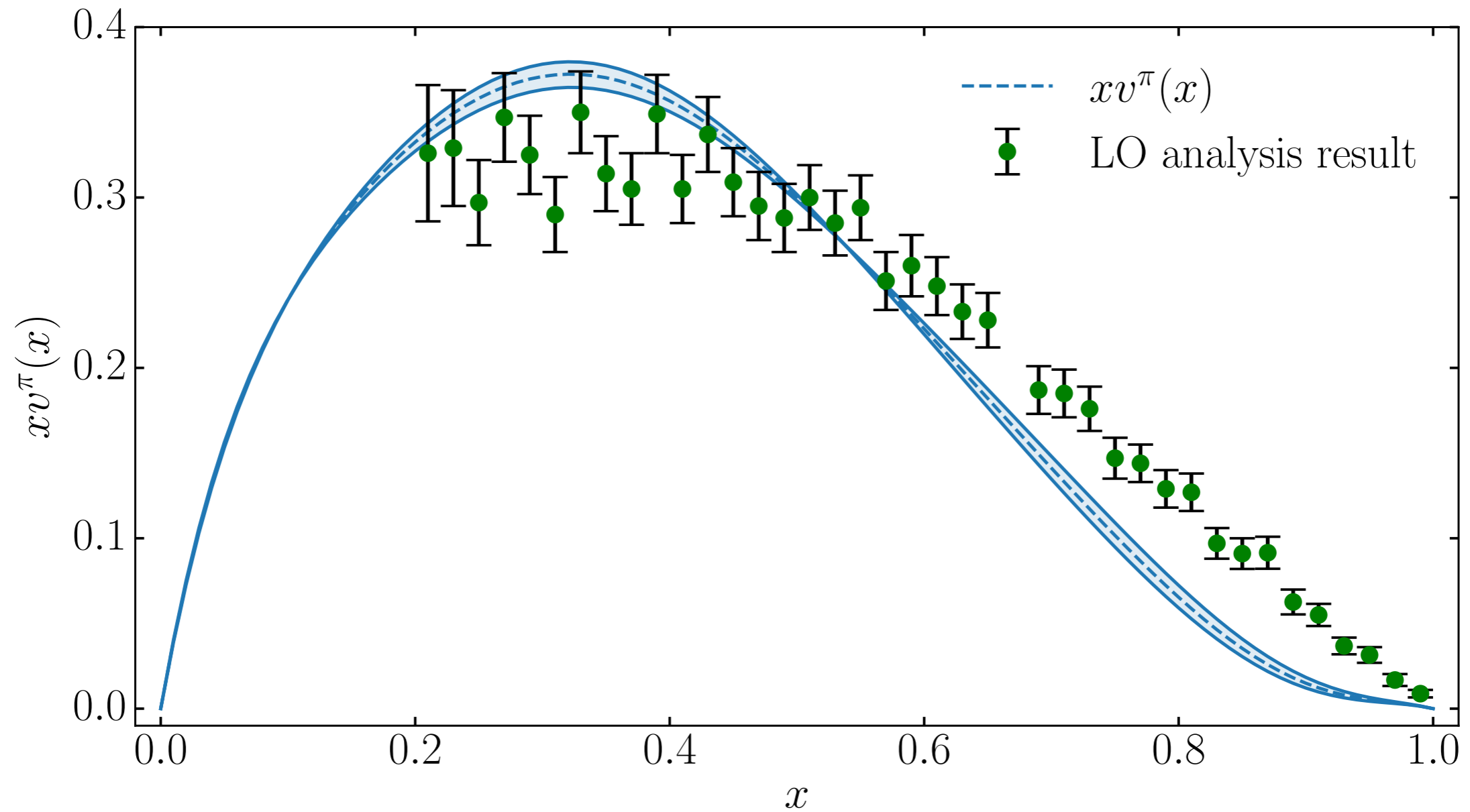
We find: $\phi_\rho^\parallel(x, \mu) \approx \phi_\phi^\perp(x, \mu)$

Light-Cone Distribution Amplitudes

D^* and D_s^* mesons longitudinal and transverse LCDA



PDF DGLAP evolution to 2 GeV



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