

$LF(3+1)$

AdS_5

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

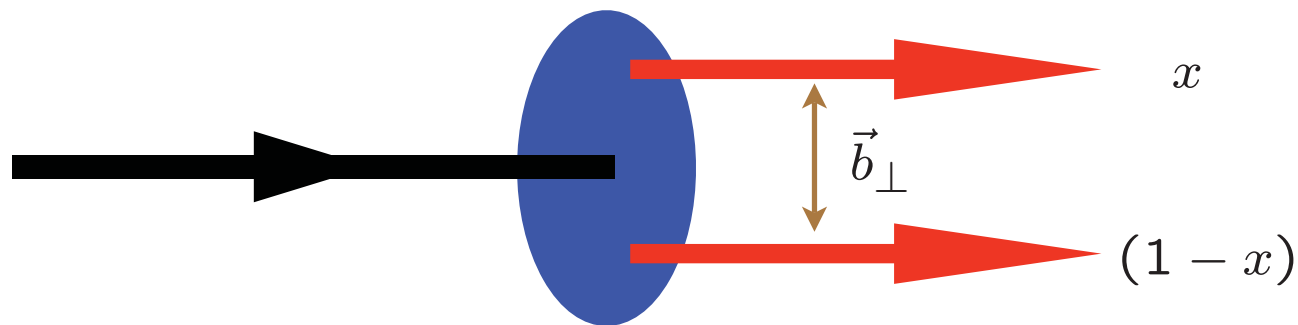


$$\phi(z)$$

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



$$z$$



$$\psi(x, \vec{b}_\perp) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \phi(\zeta)$$

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

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

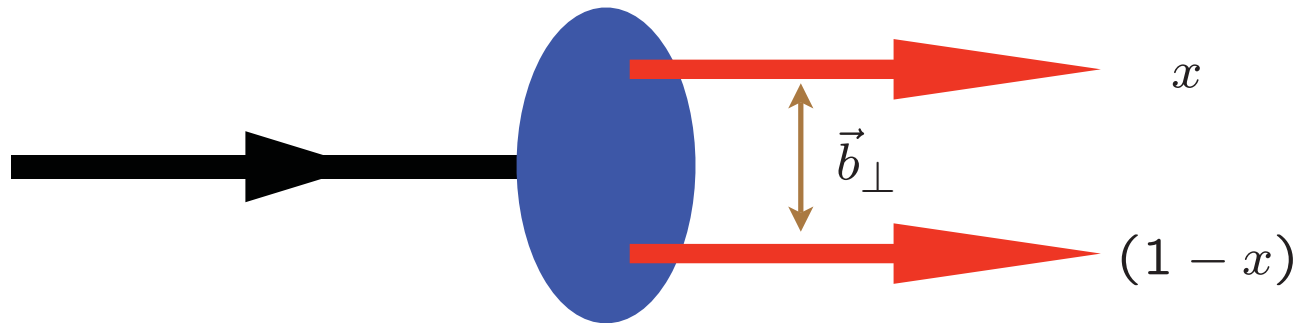
Relativistic LF radial equation

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:

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

Induced by
conformal metric

Holographic Light-Front Representation (Hard Wall Model)

- We can represent the EOM in AdS space in light-front Lorentz invariant Hamiltonian form in physical 3+1 space-time at fixed LC time $\tau = t + z/c$

$$H_{LF}|\phi\rangle = \mathcal{M}^2|\phi\rangle.$$

- Write the AdS metric in terms of light front coordinates $x^\pm = x^0 \pm x^3$

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (dx^+ dx^- - d\mathbf{x}_\perp^2 - dz^2).$$

- The AdS metric ds^2 is invariant if $\mathbf{x}_\perp^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 \mathbf{x}_\perp^2$ and $z \rightarrow \lambda z$ at equal light-front time τ .

Small z related to small transverse dimensions !

- We can identify the light-front variable ζ in 3+1 space with the fifth dimension z of AdS space, $\zeta = z$.
The LF variable ζ represents the invariant transverse separation between pointlike constituents.

Example: Evaluation of QCD Matrix Elements

- Pion decay constant f_π defined by the matrix element of EW current J_W^+ :

$$\langle 0 | \bar{\psi}_u \gamma^+ \frac{1}{2} (1 - \gamma_5) \psi_d | \pi^- \rangle = i \frac{P^+ f_\pi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

with

$$|\pi^- \rangle = |d\bar{u} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_C}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{c=1}^{N_C} \left(b_{c d \downarrow}^\dagger d_{c u \uparrow}^\dagger - b_{c d \uparrow}^\dagger d_{c u \downarrow}^\dagger \right) |0 \rangle.$$

- Find light-front expression (Lepage and Brodsky '80):

$$f_\pi = 2\sqrt{N_C} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^2 \vec{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi_{\bar{q}q/\pi}(x, k_\perp).$$

- Using relation between AdS modes and QCD LFWF in the $\zeta \rightarrow 0$ limit

$$f_\pi = \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} R^{3/2} \lim_{\zeta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Phi(\zeta)}{\zeta^2}.$$

- Holographic result ($\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.22$ GeV and $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV from pion FF data): Exp: $f_\pi = 92.4$ MeV

$$f_\pi^{HW} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8J_1(\beta_{0,k})} \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 91.7 \text{ MeV}, \quad f_\pi^{SW} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} \kappa = 81.2 \text{ MeV},$$

N-parton case

- Define effective single particle transverse density by (Soper, Phys. Rev. D **15**, 1141 (1977))

$$F(q^2) = \int_0^1 dx \int d^2\vec{\eta}_\perp e^{i\vec{\eta}_\perp \cdot \vec{q}_\perp} \tilde{\rho}(x, \vec{\eta}_\perp)$$

- From DYW expression for the FF in transverse position space:

$$\tilde{\rho}(x, \vec{\eta}_\perp) = \sum_n \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \int dx_j d^2\vec{b}_{\perp j} \delta(1 - x - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j) \delta^{(2)}(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j} - \vec{\eta}_\perp) |\psi_n(x_j, \vec{b}_{\perp j})|^2$$

- Compare with the the form factor in AdS space for arbitrary Q :

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{3A(z)} \Phi_{P'}(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_P(z)$$

- Holographic variable z is expressed in terms of the average transverse separation distance of the spectator constituents $\vec{\eta} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} x_j \vec{b}_{\perp j}$

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

Current Propagation in the SW Model

- Propagation of external current inside AdS space described by the AdS wave equation

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - z (1 + 2\kappa^2 z^2) \partial_z - Q^2 z^2 \right] J_\kappa(Q, z) = 0.$$

- Solution: bulk-to-boundary propagator

$$J_\kappa(Q, z) = \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) U\left(\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}, 0, \kappa^2 z^2\right),$$

where $U(a, b, c)$ is the confluent hypergeometric function

$$\Gamma(a)U(a, b, z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-zt} t^{a-1} (1+t)^{b-a-1} dt.$$

- Form factor in presence of the dilaton background $\varphi = \kappa^2 z^2$

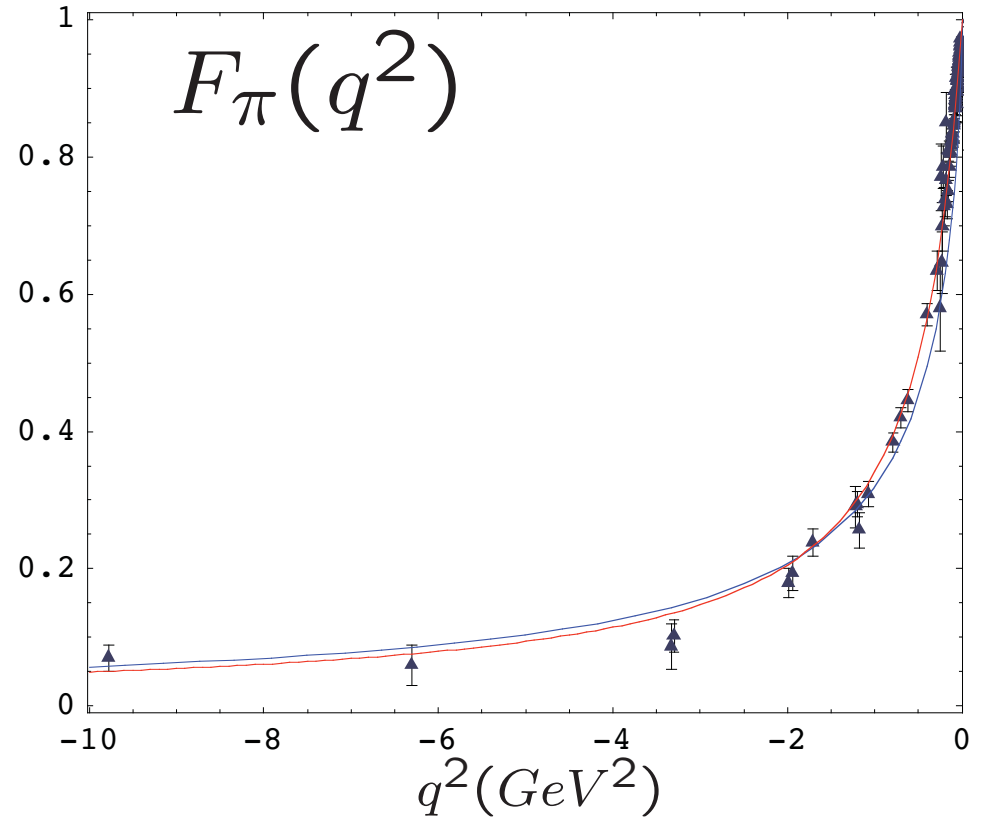
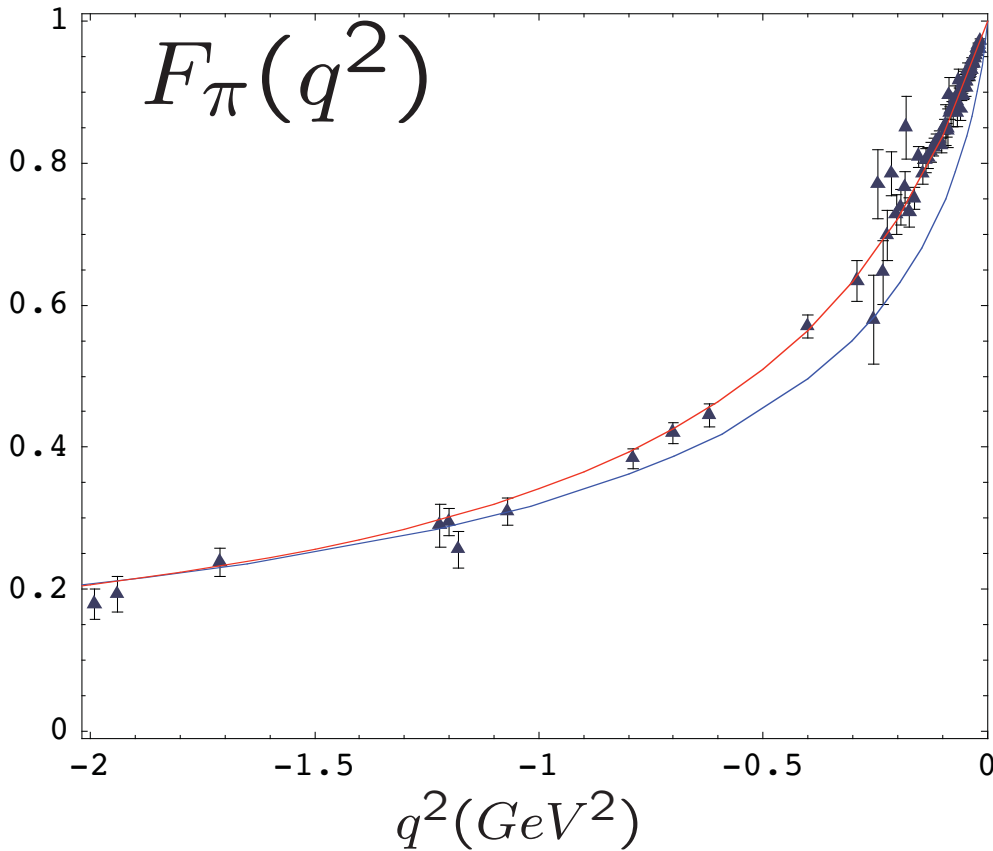
$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} \Phi(z) J_\kappa(Q, z) \Phi(z).$$

- For large $Q^2 \gg 4\kappa^2$

$$J_\kappa(Q, z) \rightarrow zQK_1(zQ) = J(Q, z),$$

the external current decouples from the dilaton field.

Spacelike pion form factor from AdS/CFT



Data Compilation from Baldini, Kloe and Volmer

- Harmonic Oscillator Confinement
- Truncated Space Confinement

One parameter - set by pion decay constant

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See also: Radyushkin

Space and Time-Like Pion Form Factor

- Hadronic string modes $\Phi_\pi(z) \rightarrow z^2$ as $z \rightarrow 0$ (twist $\tau = 2$)

$$\Phi_\pi^{HW}(z) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\Lambda_{QCD}}{R^{3/2}J_1(\beta_{0,1})} z^2 J_0(z\beta_{0,1}\Lambda_{QCD}),$$

$$\Phi_\pi^{SW}(z) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\kappa}{R^{3/2}} z^2.$$

- F_π has analytical solution in the SW model $F_\pi(Q^2) = \frac{4\kappa^2}{4\kappa^2 + Q^2}$.

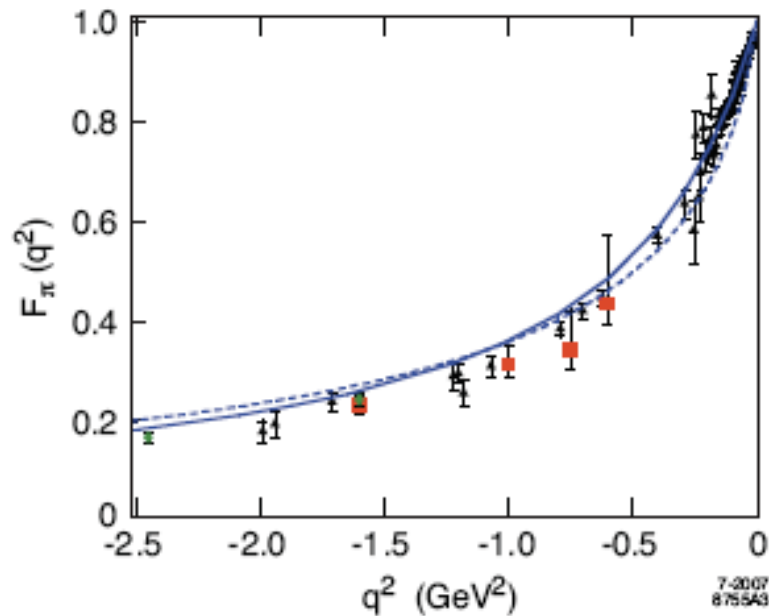


Fig: $F_\pi(q^2)$ for $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV and $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.22$ GeV. Continuous line: SW, dashed line: HW.

- Scaling behavior for large Q^2 : $Q^2 F_\pi(Q^2) \rightarrow \text{constant}$ Pion $\tau = 2$

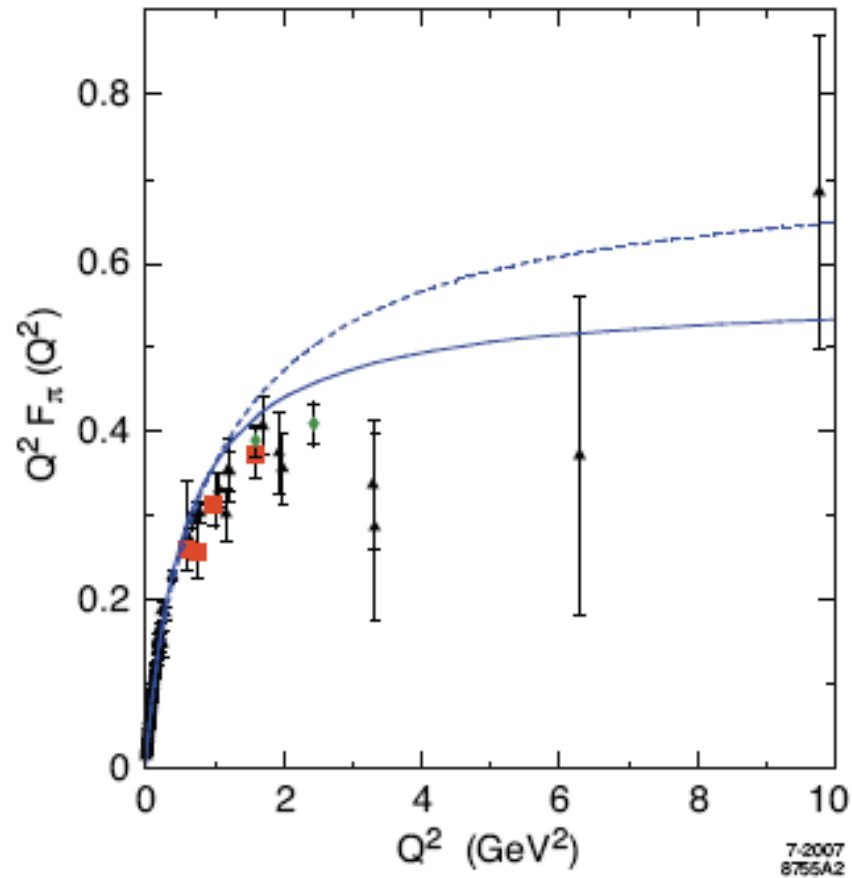
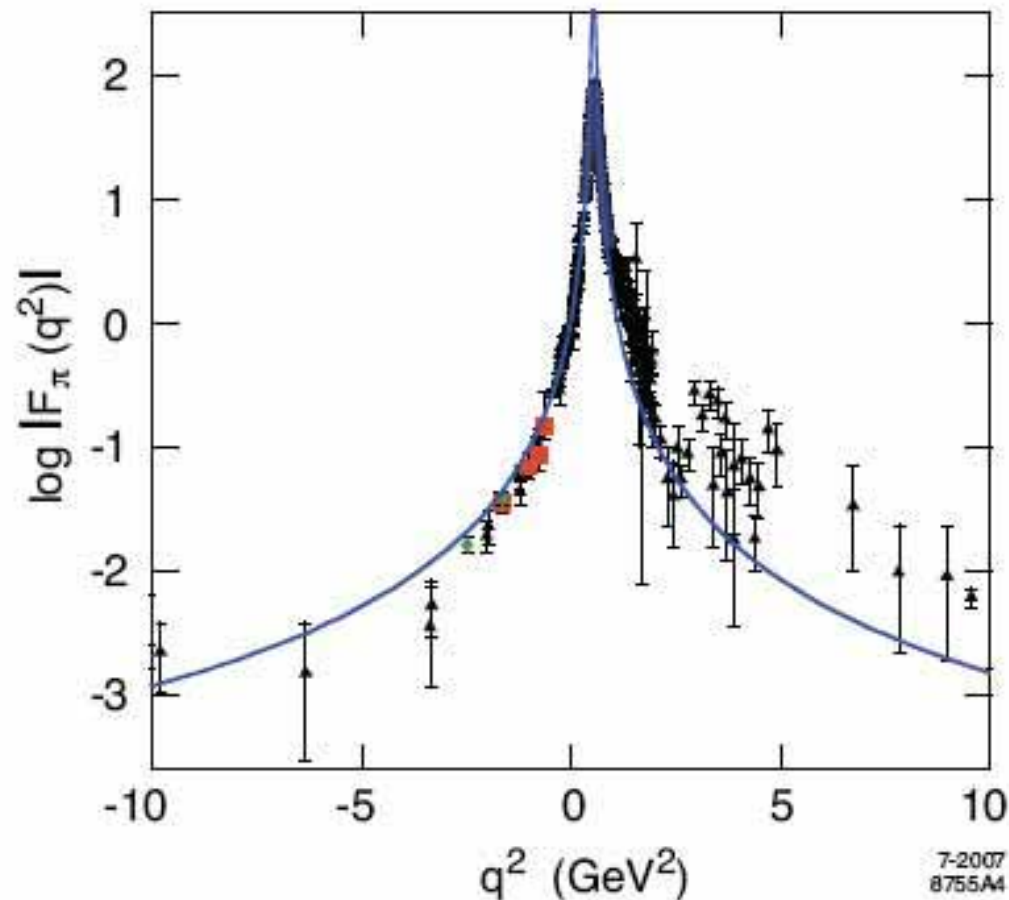


Fig: Continuous line: SW model for $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV. Dashed line: HW model for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.22$ GeV.

- Analytical continuation to time-like region $q^2 \rightarrow -q^2$ ($M_\rho = 4\kappa^2 = 750$ MeV)
- Strongly coupled semiclassical gauge/gravity limit hadrons have zero widths (stable).



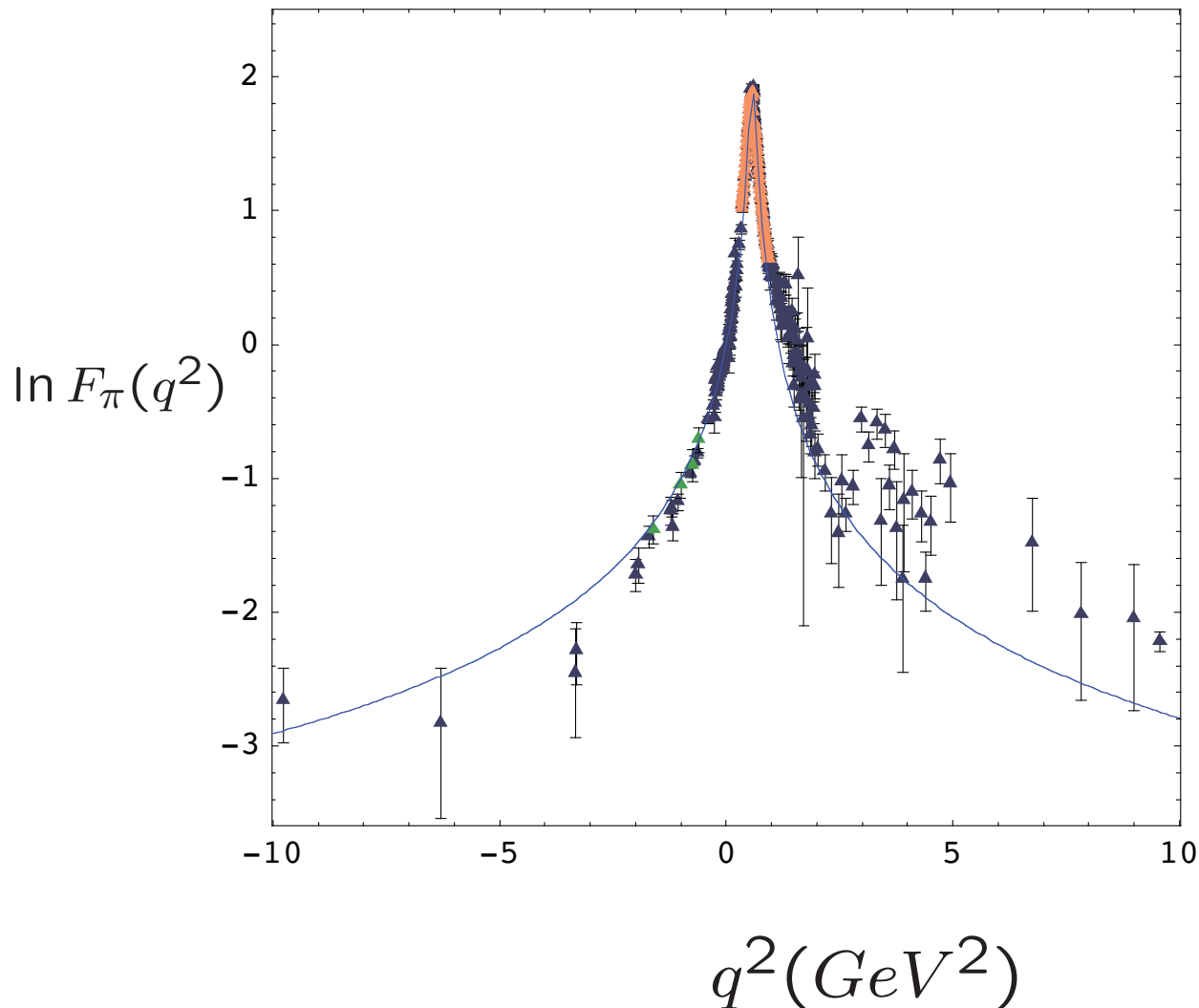
Space and time-like pion form factor for $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV in the SW model.

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

Spacelike and Timelike Pion form factor from AdS/CFT

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$$F_\pi(q^2)$$



*Harmonic Oscillator
Confinement*

$$\kappa = 0.38 \text{ GeV}$$

**Analytic continue
to timelike
momenta and
introduce width**

$$q^2 \rightarrow q^2 + i\epsilon \rightarrow q^2 + iM\Gamma$$

**Fit to height,
predict width**

$$\Gamma_\rho = 111 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_\rho^{exp} = 150.3 \pm 1.6 \text{ MeV}$$

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Analytical Form of Hadronic Form Factor for Arbitrary Twist

- Form factor for a string mode with scaling dimension τ , Φ_τ in the SW model

$$F(Q^2) = \Gamma(\tau) \frac{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\tau + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}.$$

- For $\tau = N$, $\Gamma(N + z) = (N - 1 + z)(N - 2 + z) \dots (1 + z)\Gamma(1 + z)$.
- Form factor expressed as $N - 1$ product of poles

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}}, \quad N = 2,$$

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{2}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)\left(2 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}, \quad N = 3,$$

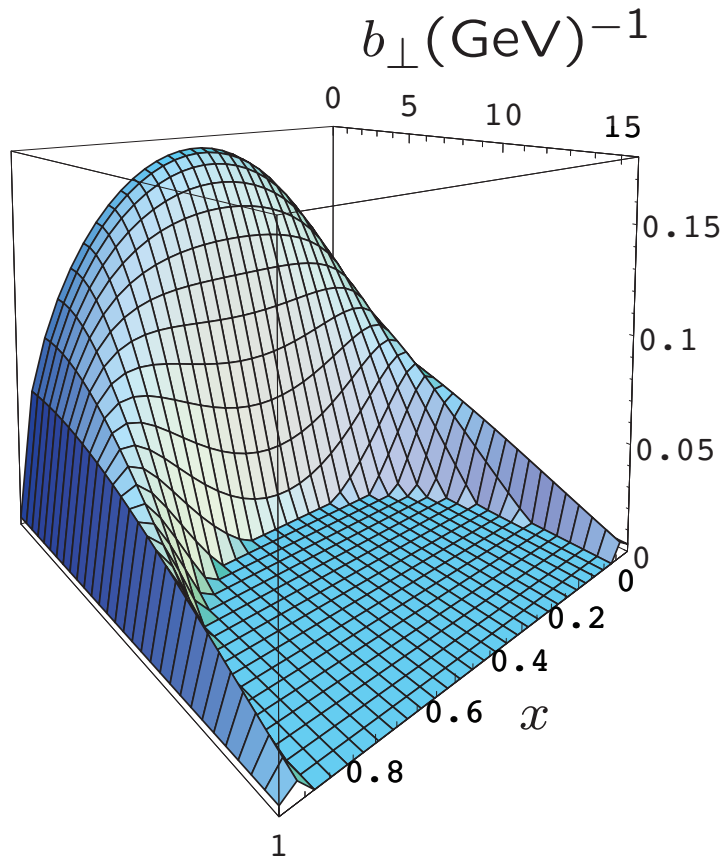
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$$F(Q^2) = \frac{(N - 1)!}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)\left(2 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) \dots \left(N - 1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right)}, \quad N.$$

- For large Q^2 :

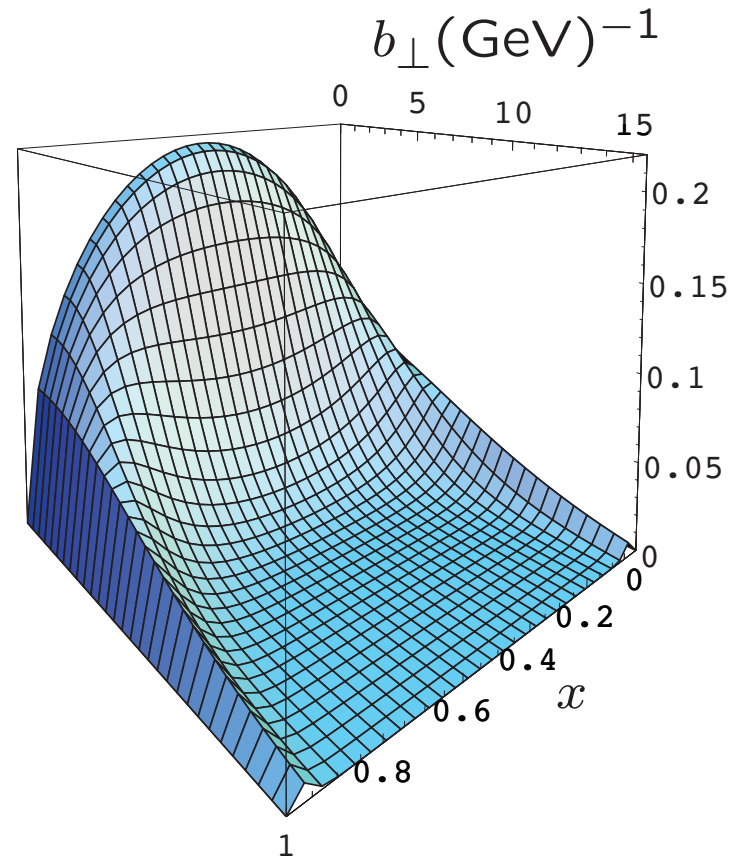
$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow (N - 1)! \left[\frac{4\kappa^2}{Q^2} \right]^{(N-1)}.$$

AdS/CFT Predictions for Meson LFWF $\psi(x, b_\perp)$



$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.32 \text{ GeV}$$

Truncated Space



$$\kappa = 0.76 \text{ GeV.}$$

Harmonic Oscillator

Example: Pion LFWF

- Two parton LFWF bound state:

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

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

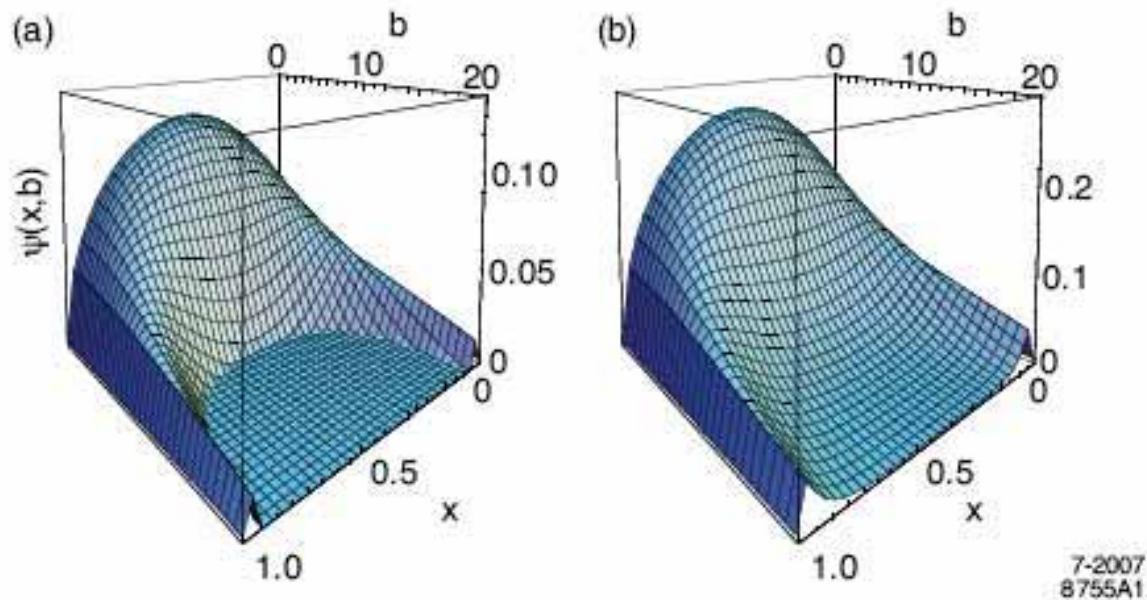


Fig: Ground state pion LFWF in impact space. (a) HW model $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 0.32$ GeV, (b) SW model $\kappa = 0.375$ GeV.

Prediction from AdS/CFT: Meson LFWF

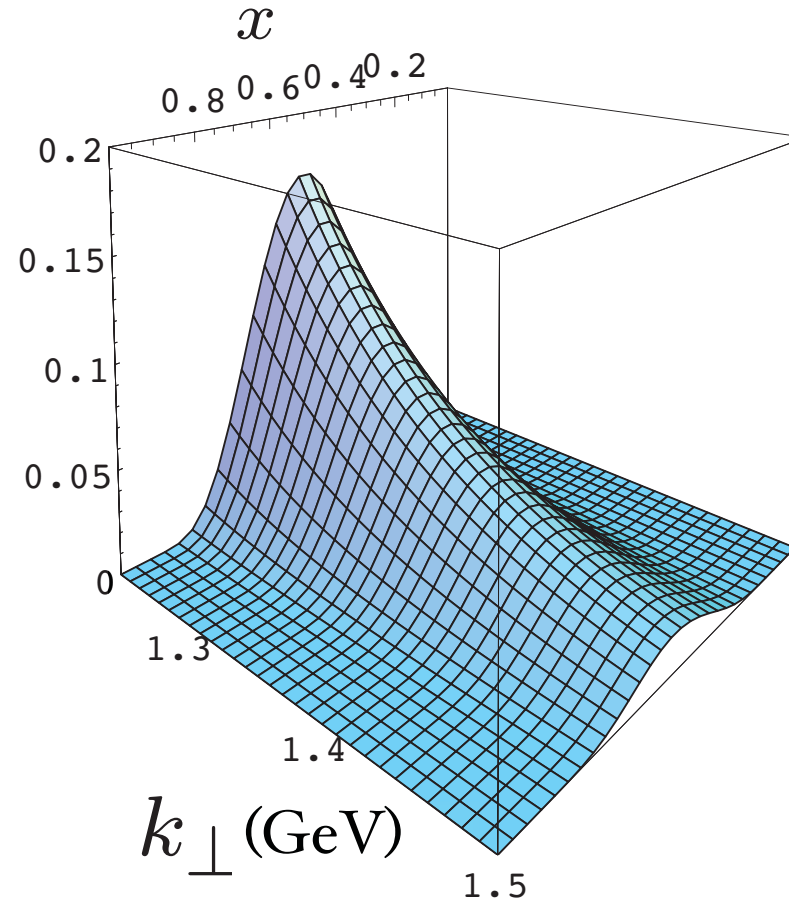
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**“Soft Wall”
model**

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

massless quarks

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

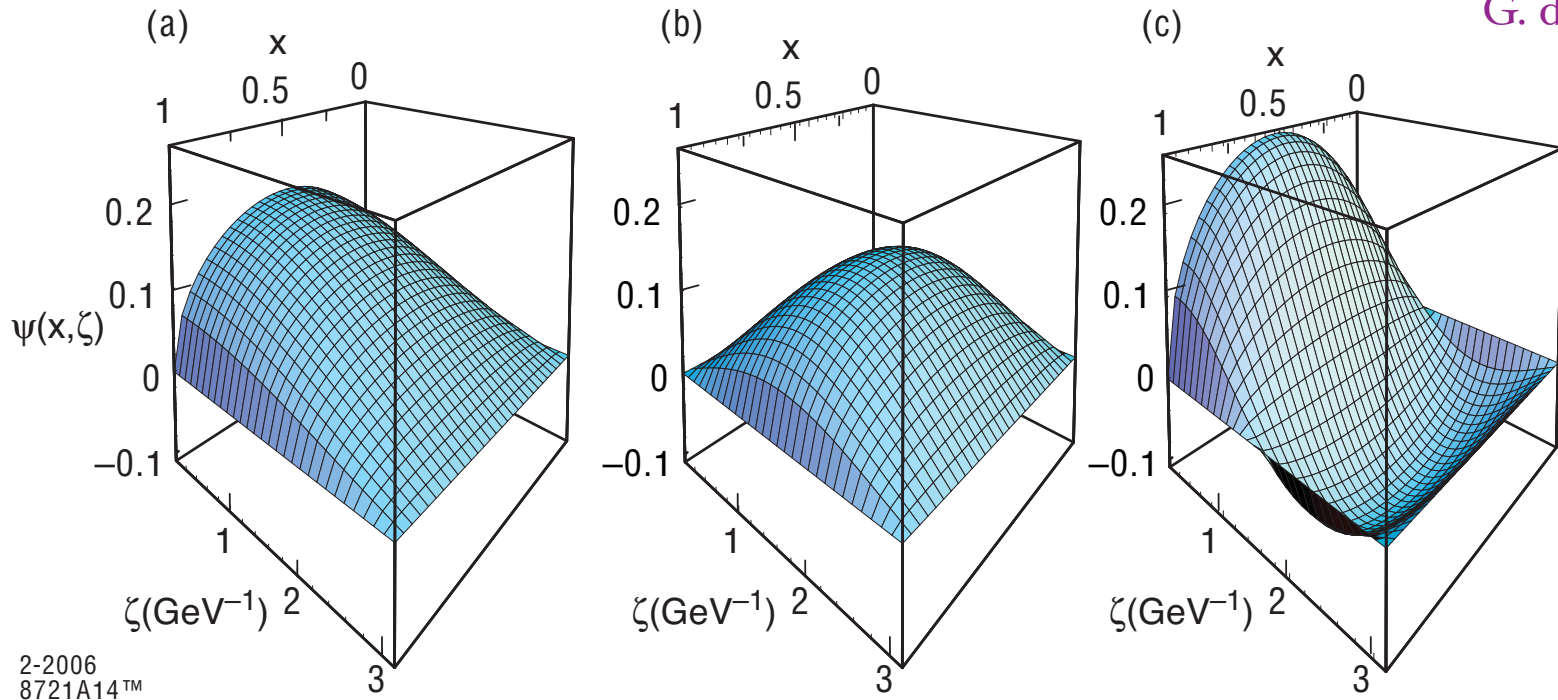


$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

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

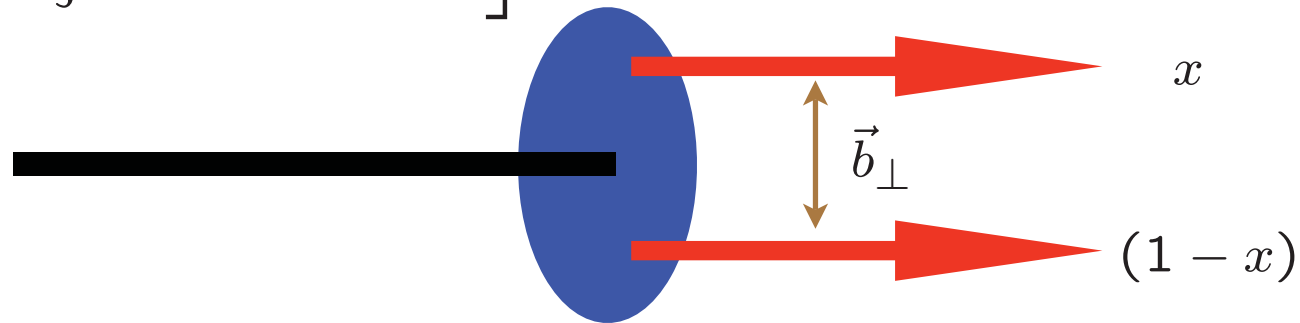
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Two-parton holographic LFWF in impact space $\tilde{\psi}(x, \zeta)$ for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.32$ GeV: (a) ground state $L = 0, k = 1$; (b) first orbital excited state $L = 1, k = 1$; (c) first radial excited state $L = 0, k = 2$. The variable ζ is the holographic variable $z = \zeta = |b_{\perp}| \sqrt{x(1-x)}$.

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



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

Holographic Variable

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

LF Kinetic Energy in momentum space

Conjecture for mesons with massive quarks

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

Introduction of Heavy Quark Masses

- Introduction of light quark masses in AdS/QCD involve complex dynamics, as the evolution from current to constituent quark masses should be included.
- Assume the momentum space LFWF is a function of the invariant (off-energy shell)

$$\mathcal{M}^2 - \mathcal{E} = \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{k}_{\perp i}^2 + m_i^2) / x_i.$$

- Soft-Wall LFWF ansatz for bound state with massive constituents:

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

- Fourier transform to impact space

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

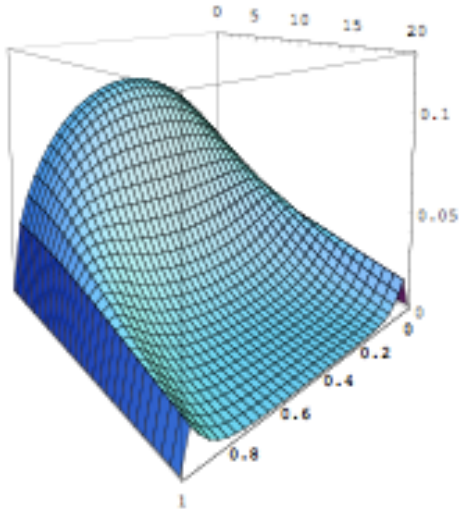
$$z \rightarrow \zeta \xrightarrow{m_i} \chi$$

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

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

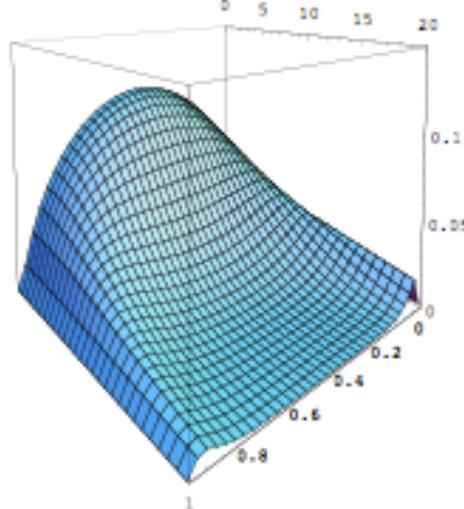
$$m_u = 2 \text{ MeV}$$

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



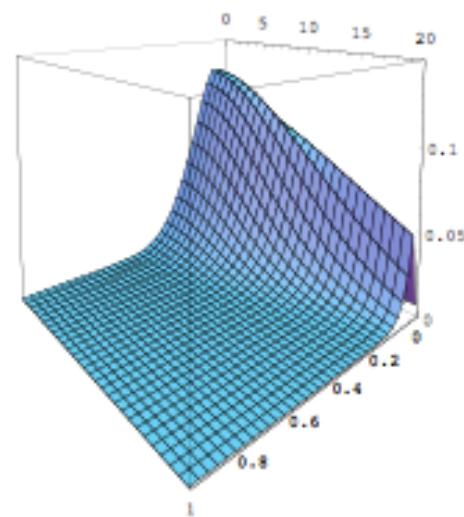
$$|K^+ \rangle = |u\bar{s} \rangle$$

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

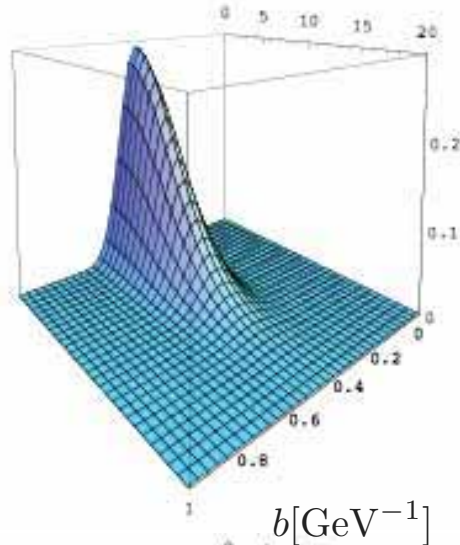


$$|D^+ \rangle = |c\bar{d} \rangle$$

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

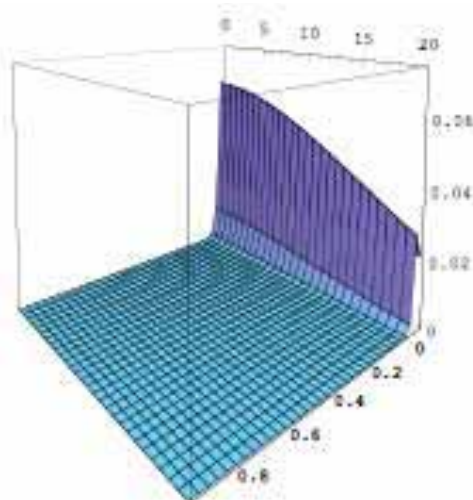


$$|\eta_c \rangle = |c\bar{c} \rangle$$



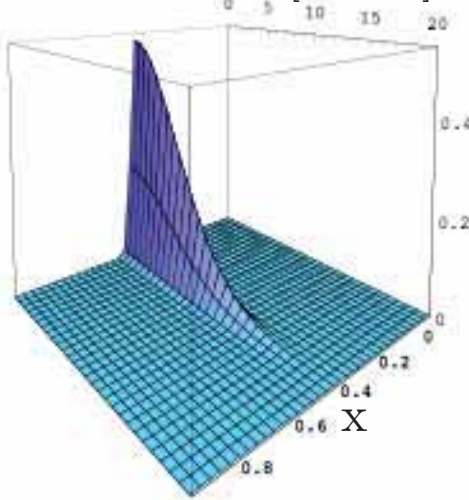
$$|B^+ \rangle = |u\bar{b} \rangle$$

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



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

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



Perturbative CFT vs Non-Perturbative AdS Results

- Heavy quark potential: $g_s N_C \rightarrow \sqrt{g_s N_C}$ Maldacena (1998), Rey and Yee (1998).
- Distribution amplitude $\phi_M(x, Q) \sim \int^{Q^2} d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp \psi_{\bar{q}q/M}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$.
- Second Moment of the Distribution ($\xi = 1 - 2x$)

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

$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle = 1/5 \quad \phi_{\text{PQCD}} \sim x(1-x),$$

$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle = 1/4 \quad \phi_{\text{AdS/QCD}} \sim \sqrt{x(1-x)}.$$

- Sachrajda lattice result: $\langle \xi^2 \rangle = 0.28 \pm 0.02$

Baryon Spectrum

- Baryon: twist-three, dimension $\frac{9}{2} + L$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\frac{9}{2}+L} = \psi D_{\{\ell_1 \dots D_{\ell_q} \psi D_{\ell_{q+1}} \dots D_{\ell_m}\}} \psi, \quad L = \sum_{i=1}^m \ell_i.$$

Wave Equation: $\boxed{[z^2 \partial_z^2 - 3z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - \mathcal{L}_{\pm}^2 + 4] f_{\pm}(z) = 0}$

with $\mathcal{L}_+ = L + 1$, $\mathcal{L}_- = L + 2$, and solution

$$\Psi(x, z) = C e^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 \left[J_{1+L}(z\mathcal{M}) u_+(P) + J_{2+L}(z\mathcal{M}) u_-(P) \right].$$

- 4- d mass spectrum $\Psi(x, z_0)^{\pm} = 0 \implies$ parallel Regge trajectories for baryons !

$$\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k}^+ = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k}^- = \beta_{\alpha+1,k} \Lambda_{QCD}.$$

- Ratio of eigenvalues determined by the ratio of zeros of Bessel functions !

Prediction from
AdS/QCD

Only one
parameter!

Entire light
quark baryon
spectrum

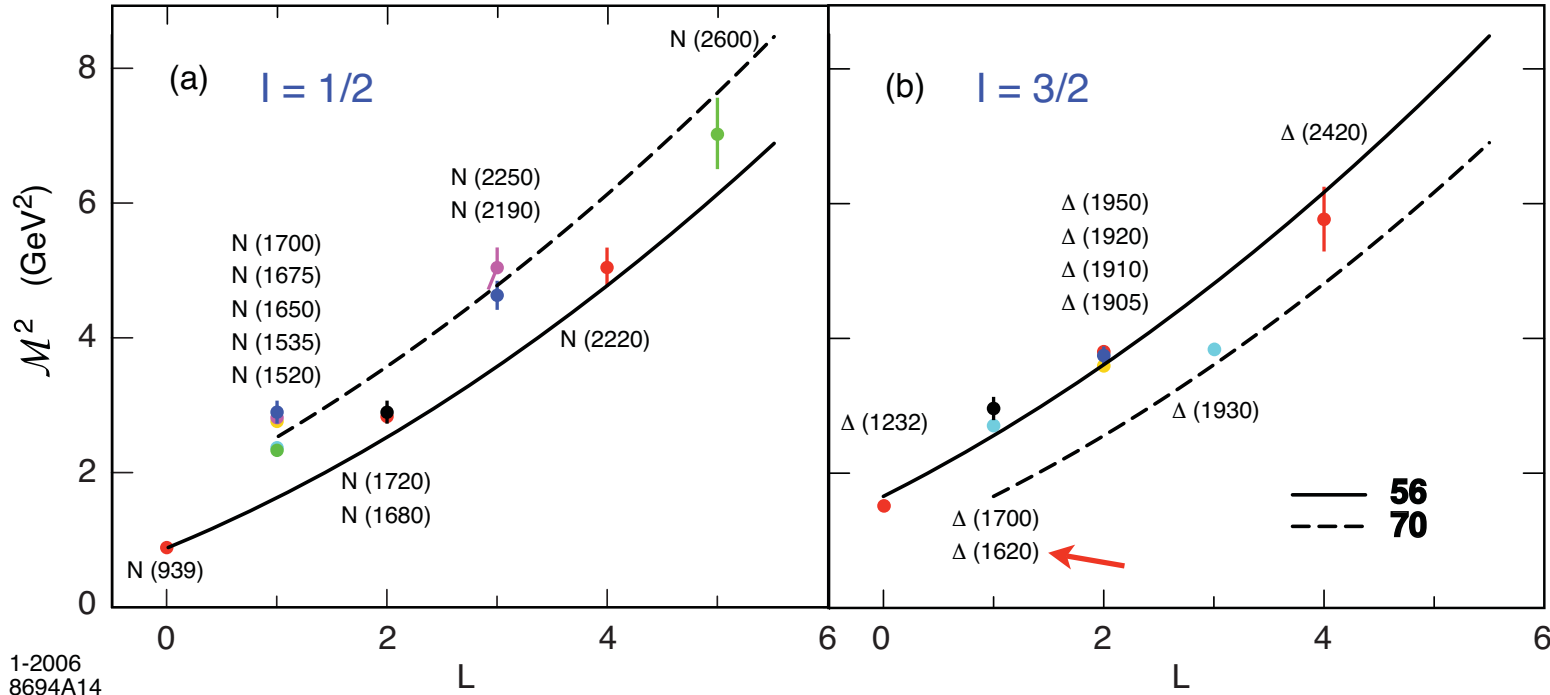


Fig: Predictions for the light baryon orbital spectrum for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.25$ GeV. The 56 trajectory corresponds to L even $P = +$ states, and the 70 to L odd $P = -$ states.

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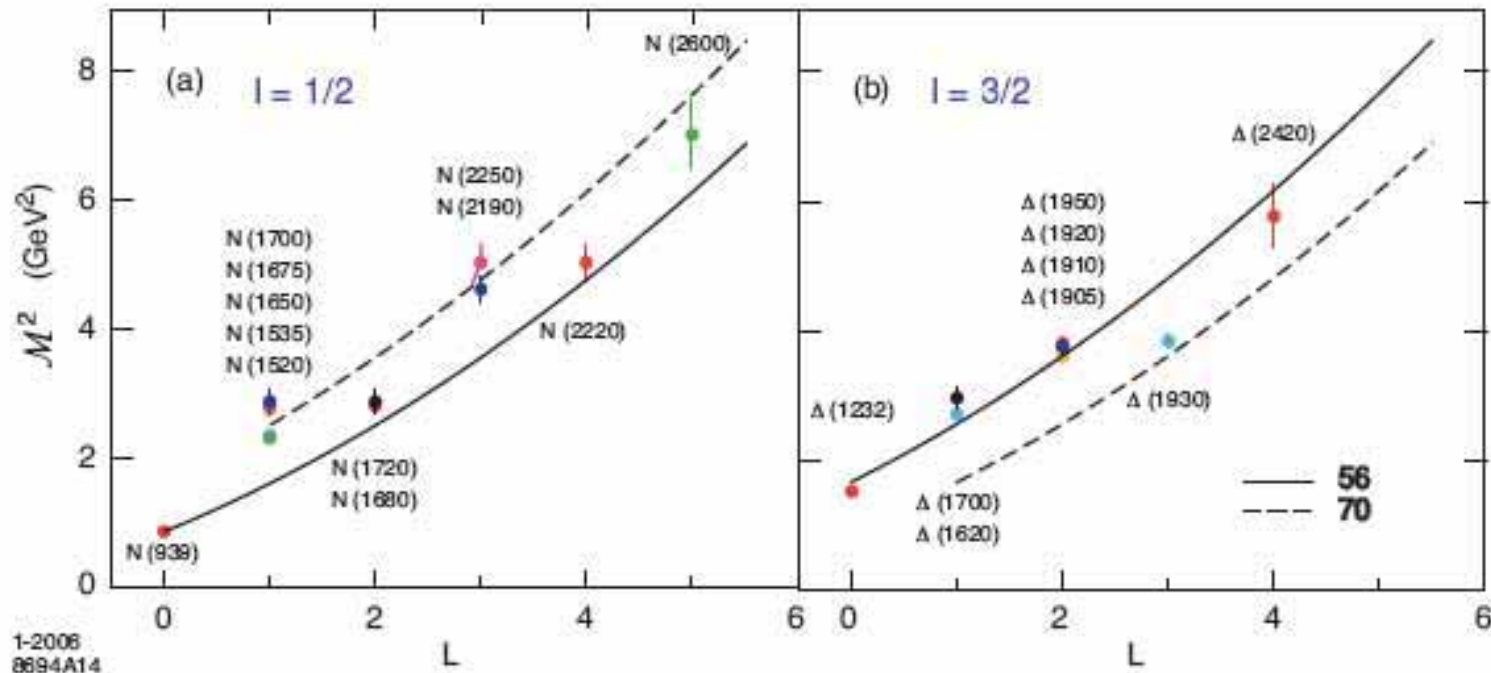


Fig: Light baryon orbital spectrum for $\Lambda_{QCD} = 0.25$ GeV in the HW model. The 56 trajectory corresponds to L even $P = +$ states, and the 70 to L odd $P = -$ states.

- New analysis: $\Delta(1930)$ as a $L = 1, N = 1, J = \frac{3}{2}$ state I. Horn *et. al.* arXiv: 0711.1138

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

Baryons

Linear Holographic Confinement

- Compare with usual Dirac equation in AdS space ($x^\ell = (x^\mu, z)$)

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

in presence of a linear confining potential $V(z) = \kappa^2 z$.

- Upon substitution $\Psi(x, z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} z^2 \psi(z)$, $z \rightarrow \zeta$ we find

$$\alpha \Pi(\zeta) \psi(\zeta) = \mathcal{M} \psi(\zeta)$$

with

$$\Pi_\nu(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 - \kappa^2 \zeta \gamma_5 \right), \quad \mu R = \nu + \frac{1}{2},$$

our previous result.

- Soft-wall model for baryons corresponds to a linear confining potential in the LF transverse variable ζ !

Baryons

Non-Conformal Extension of Algebraic Structure (Soft Wall Model)

- We write the Dirac equation

$$(\alpha\Pi(\zeta) - \mathcal{M})\psi(\zeta) = 0,$$

in terms of the matrix-valued operator Π_ν

$$\Pi_\nu(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 - \kappa^2 \zeta \gamma_5 \right),$$

- Commutation relations for fermionic generators

$$\left[\Pi_\nu(\zeta), \Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta) \right] = \left(\frac{2\nu + 1}{\zeta^2} - 2\kappa^2 \right) \gamma_5.$$

- Solutions to the Dirac equation

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_+(\zeta) &\sim z^{\frac{1}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^\nu(\kappa^2 \zeta^2), \\ \psi_-(\zeta) &\sim z^{\frac{3}{2}+\nu} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^{\nu+1}(\kappa^2 \zeta^2). \end{aligned}$$

- Eigenvalues

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n + \nu + 1).$$

Baryons

- Baryon: twist-dimension $3 + L$ ($\nu = L + 1$)

$$\mathcal{O}_{3+L} = \psi D_{\{\ell_1 \dots D_{\ell_q} \psi D_{\ell_{q+1}} \dots D_{\ell_m}\}} \psi, \quad L = \sum_{i=1}^m \ell_i.$$

- Define the zero point energy (identical as in the meson case) $\mathcal{M}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}^2 - 4\kappa^2$:

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2(n + L + 1).$$

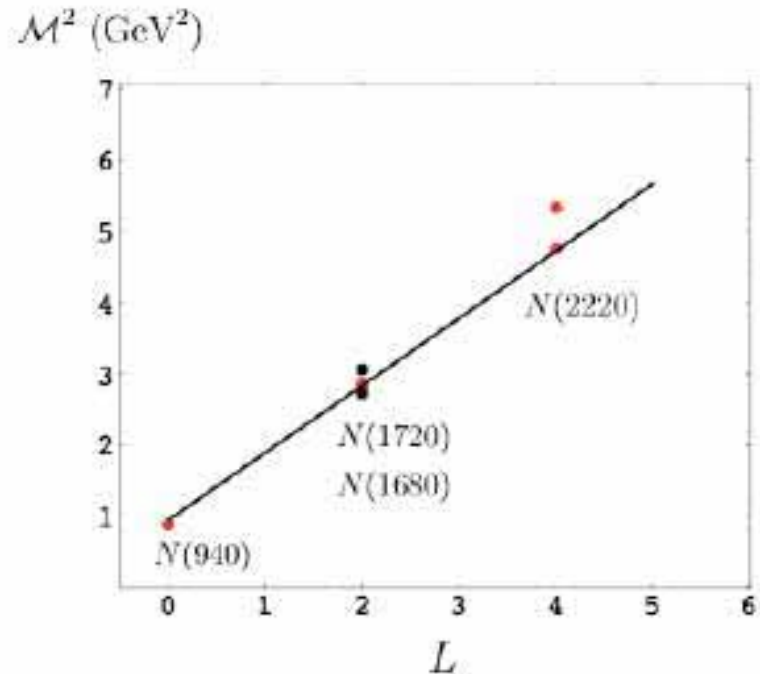


Fig: Proton Regge Trajectory $\kappa = 0.49$ GeV

- Note: in the Weyl representation ($i\alpha = \gamma_5\beta$)

$$i\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_5 = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix}.$$

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- Solution to Dirac eigenvalue equation with UV matching boundary conditions

$$\psi(\zeta) = C\sqrt{\zeta} [J_{L+1}(\zeta\mathcal{M})u_+ + J_{L+2}(\zeta\mathcal{M})u_-].$$

Baryonic modes propagating in AdS space have two components: orbital L and $L + 1$.

- Hadronic mass spectrum determined from IR boundary conditions

$$\psi_{\pm}(\zeta = 1/\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) = 0,$$

given by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu,k}^+ = \beta_{\nu,k}\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\nu,k}^- = \beta_{\nu+1,k}\Lambda_{\text{QCD}},$$

with a scale independent mass ratio.

Holographic Light-Front Integrable Form and Spectrum

- In the conformal limit fermionic spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ modes $\psi(z)$ and spin- $\frac{3}{2}$ modes $\psi_\mu(z)$ are solutions of the Dirac light-front equation

$$H_{LF}|\psi\rangle = \mathcal{M}|\psi\rangle,$$

with

$$H_{LF} = \alpha \Pi.$$

The operator

$$\Pi_\nu(\zeta) = -i \left(\frac{d}{d\zeta} - \frac{\nu + \frac{1}{2}}{\zeta} \gamma_5 \right),$$

and its adjoint $\Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta)$ satisfy the commutation relations

$$\left[\Pi_\nu(\zeta), \Pi_\nu^\dagger(\zeta) \right] = \frac{2\nu + 1}{\zeta^2} \gamma_5.$$

- Supersymmetric QM between bosonic and fermionic modes in AdS?

Nucleon Form Factors

- Consider the spin non-flip form factors in the infinite wall approximation

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

$$F_-(Q^2) = g_- R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) |\psi_-(z)|^2,$$

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 $\psi_+(z)$ and $\psi_-(z)$ correspond to nucleons with $J^z = +1/2$ and $-1/2$.
- For $SU(6)$ spin-flavor symmetry

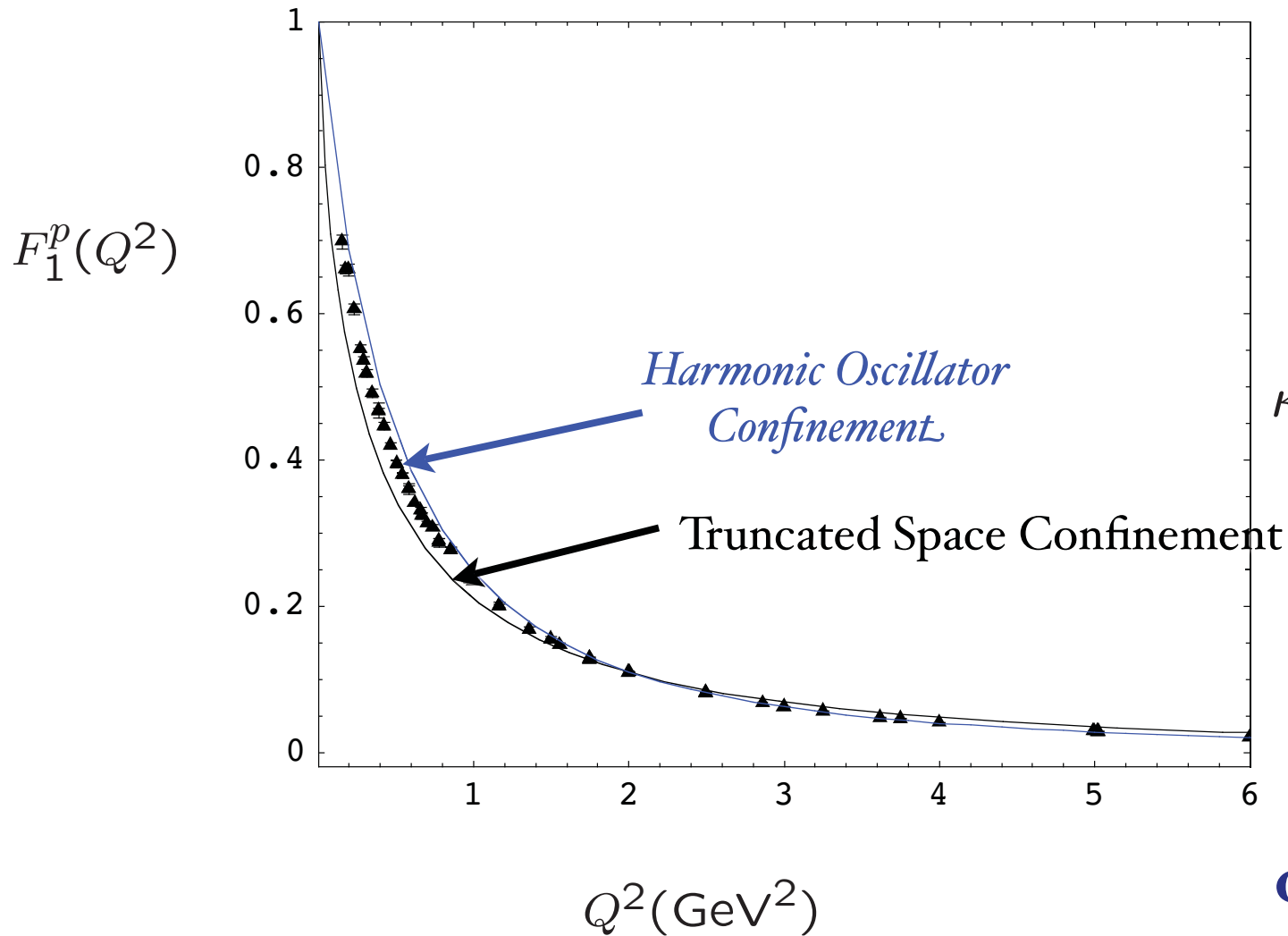
$$F_1^p(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} J(Q, z) |\psi_+(z)|^2,$$

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

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

- Large Q power scaling: $F_1(Q^2) \rightarrow [1/Q^2]^2$.

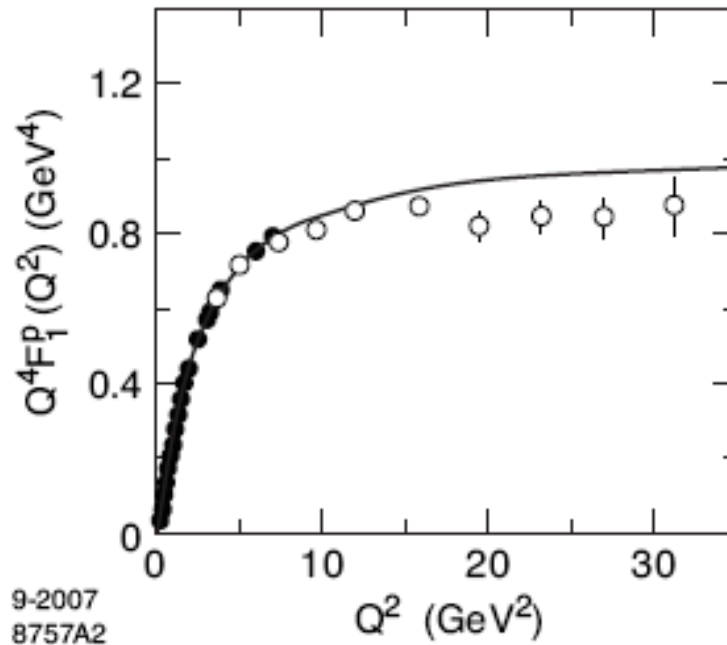
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Preliminary

**Current modified
by metric**

$$F_1(Q^2)_{I \rightarrow F} = \int \frac{dz}{z^3} \Phi_F^\dagger(z) J(Q, z) \Phi_I^\dagger(z)$$

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

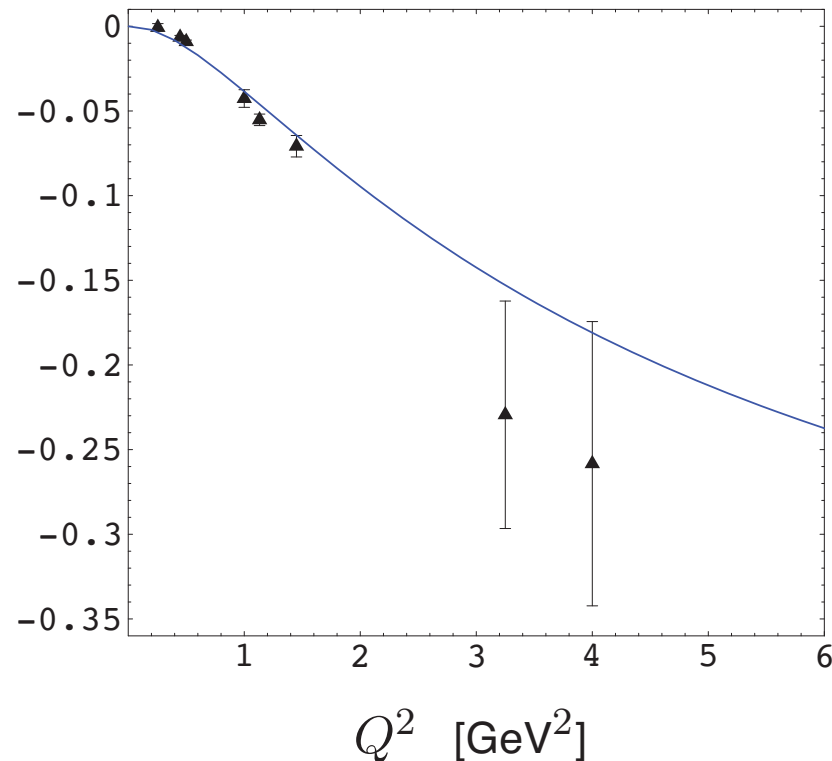


SW model predictions for $\kappa = 0.424$ GeV. Data analysis from: M. Diehl *et al.* Eur. Phys. J. C **39**, 1 (2005).

Dirac Neutron Form Factor (Valence Approximation)

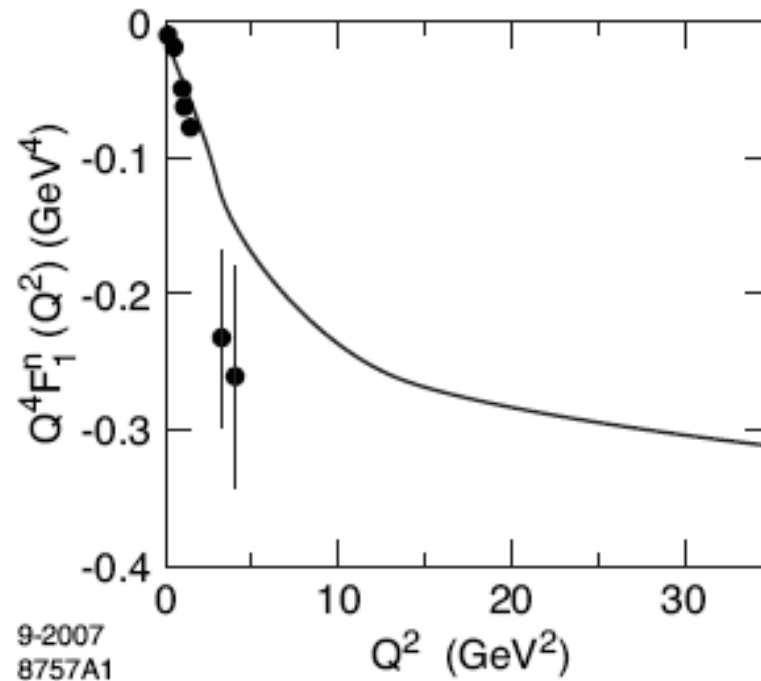
Truncated Space Confinement

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



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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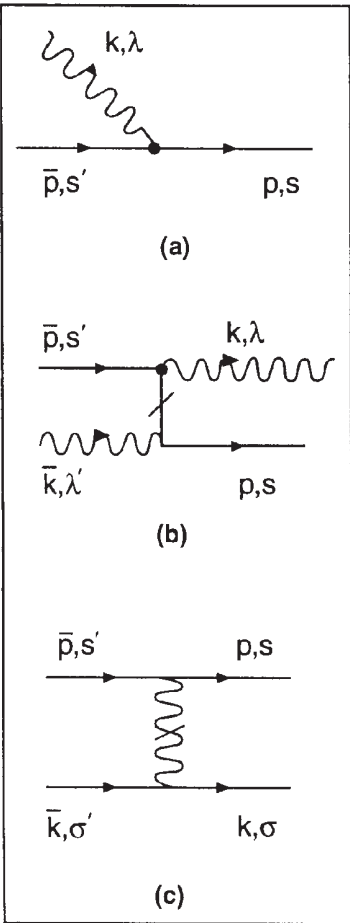
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Excitation Spectrum of Baryons

- Hard wall holographic model: $\mathcal{M}_n(L) \sim L + 2n$
- Soft wall holographic model: $\mathcal{M}_n^2(L) \sim L + n$
- Quark models (shell structure of excitations): $\mathcal{M}_n^2(L) \sim L + 2n$
- Observed same multiplicity of states for mesons and baryons!
- Natural feature of AdS/QCD and the quantized Nambu String Baker and Steinke (2002).
See: E. Klempt (2007)

Light-Front QCD Heisenberg Equation

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



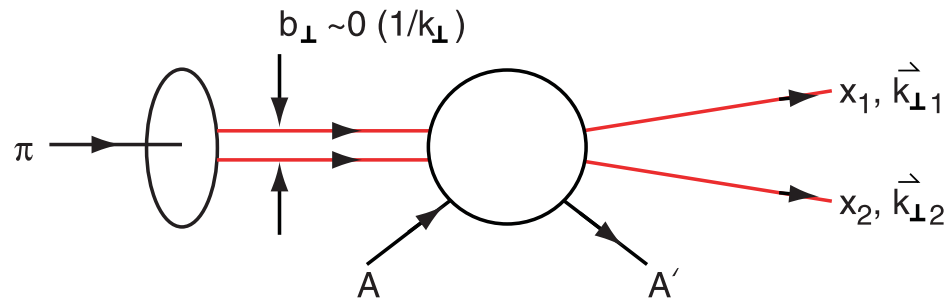
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Use AdS/QCD basis functions

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

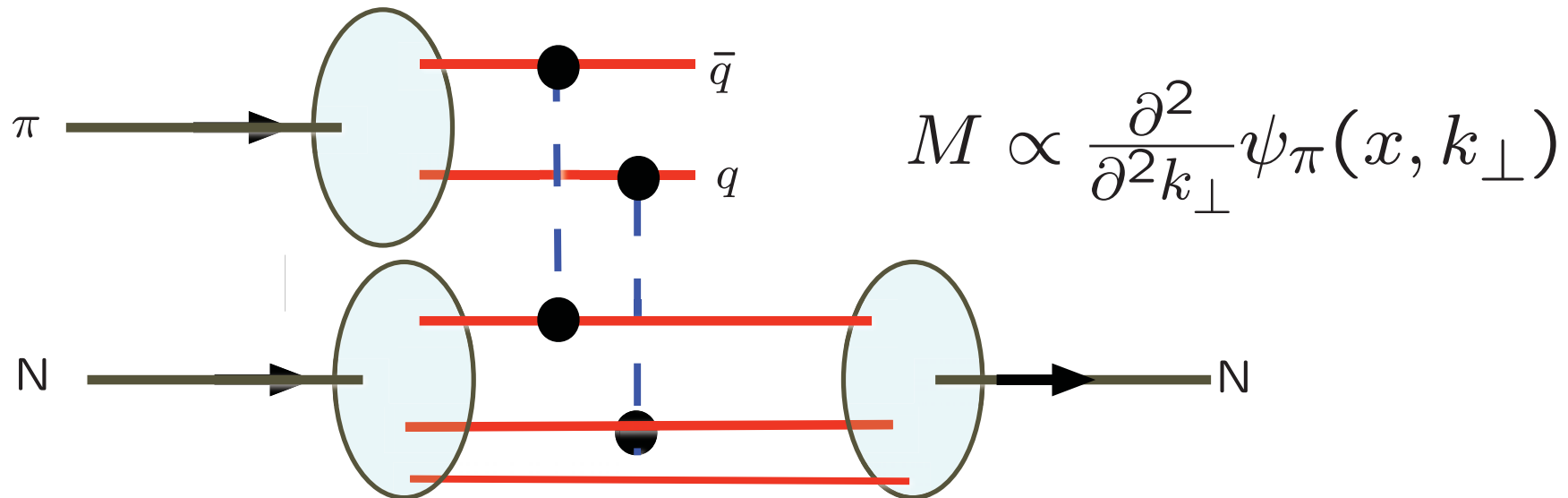
- Good initial approximant
- Better than plane wave basis Pauli, Hornbostel, Hiller,
McCartor, sjb
- DLCQ discretization -- highly successful 1+1
- Use independent HO LFWFs, remove CM motion Vary, Harinandrath, Maris, sjb
- Similar to Shell Model calculations

E791 FNAL Diffractive DiJet



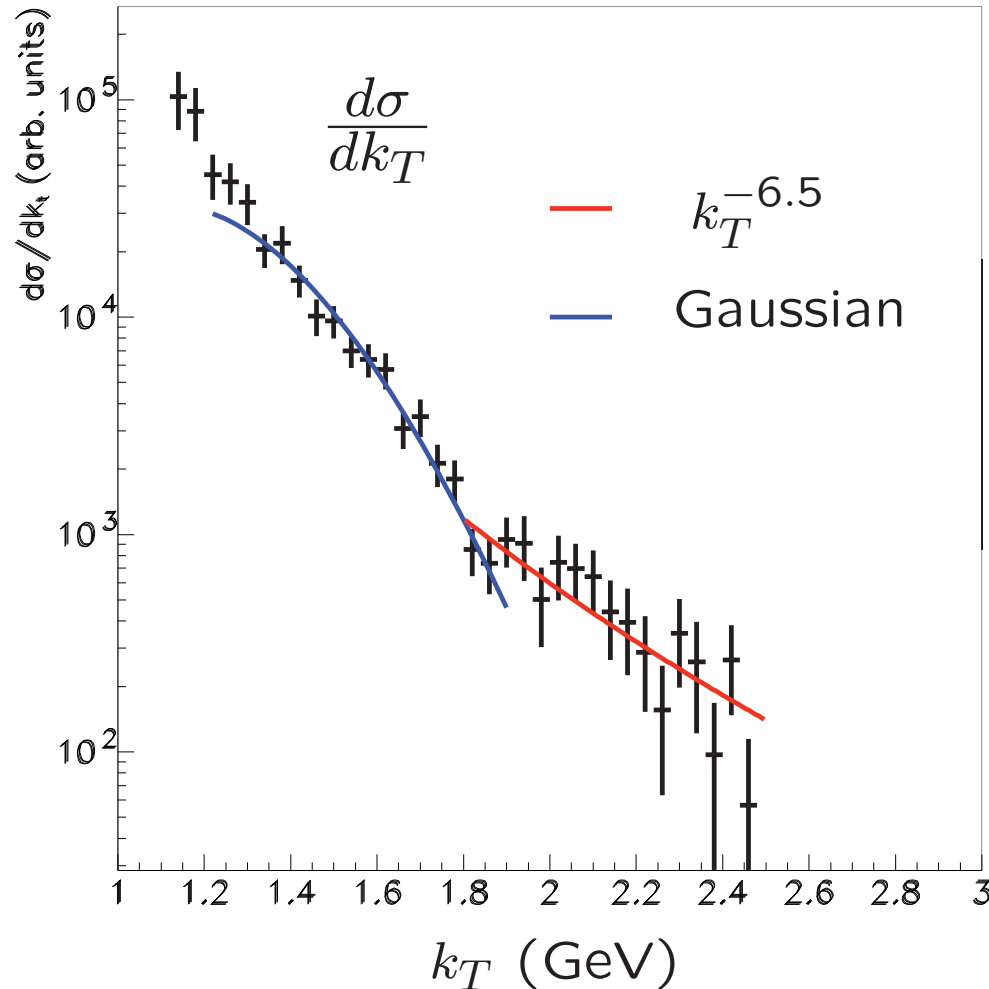
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Two-gluon exchange measures the second derivative of the pion light-front wavefunction



$$M \propto \frac{\partial^2}{\partial^2 k_{\perp}} \psi_{\pi}(x, k_{\perp})$$

E791 Diffractive Di-Jet transverse momentum distribution



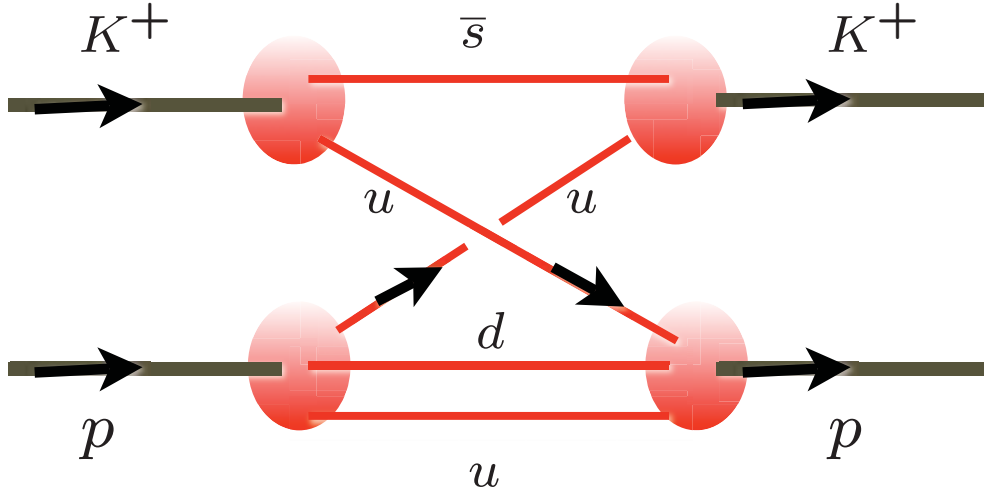
Two Components

High Transverse momentum dependence $k_T^{-6.5}$ consistent with PQCD, ERBL Evolution

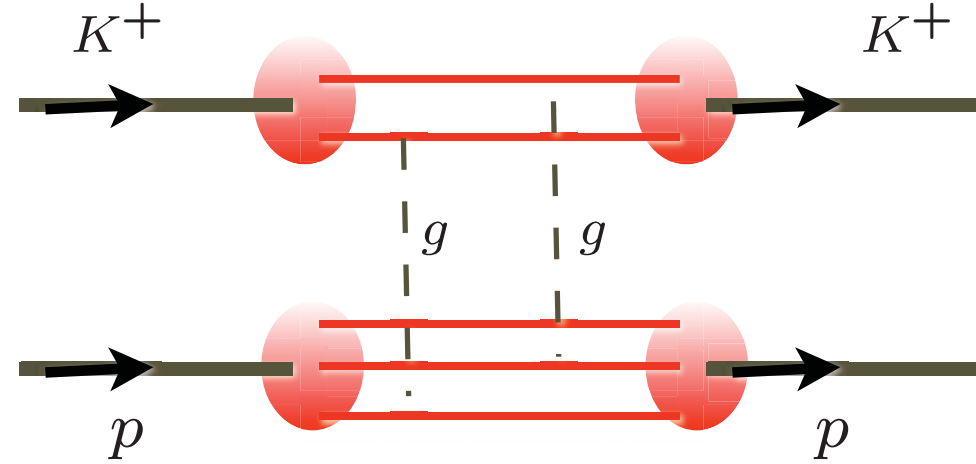
Gaussian component similar to AdS/CFT HO LFWF

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)*



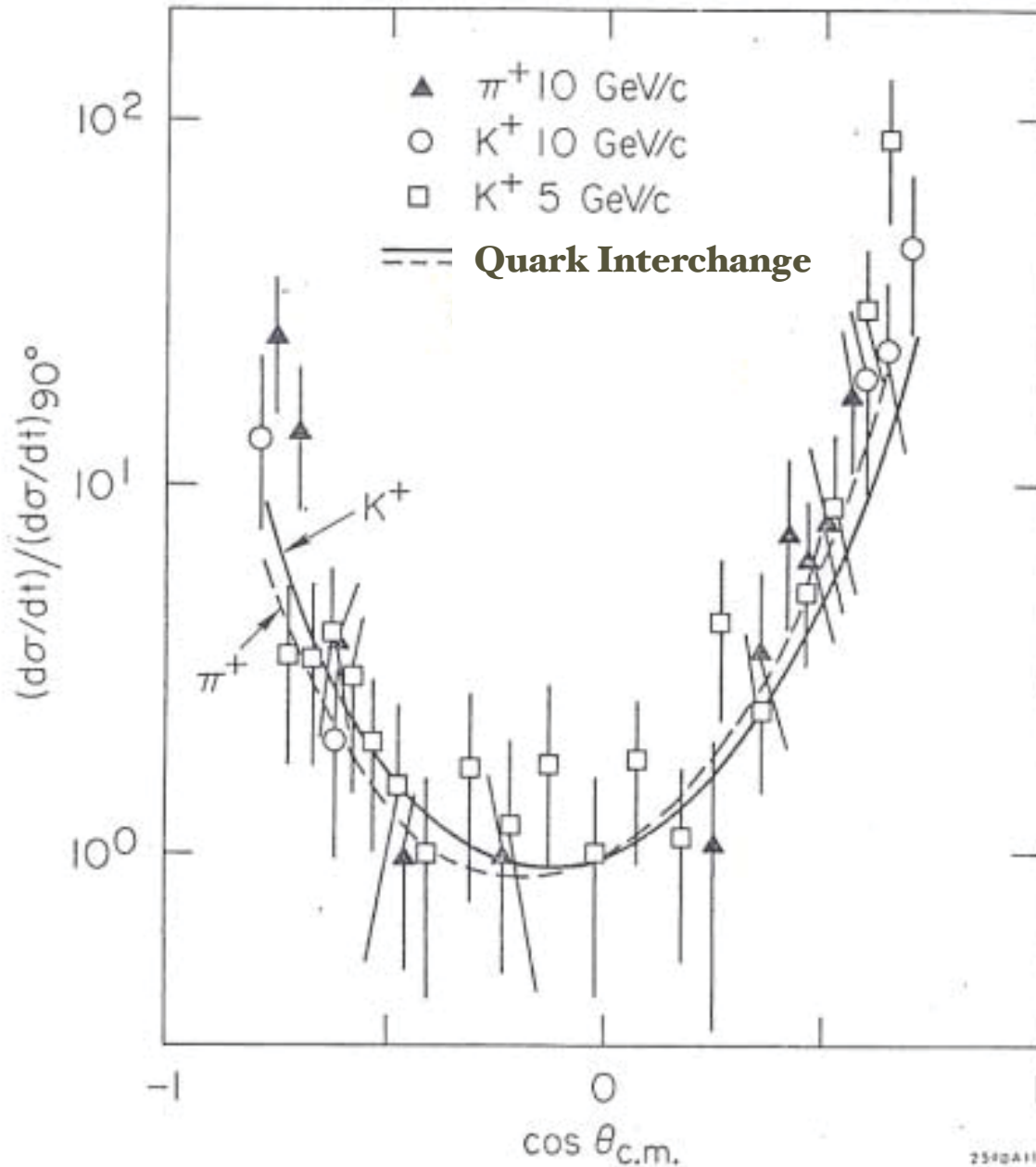
*Gluon Exchange
(Van der Waal -- Landshoff)*

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

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

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

*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:

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

Why is quark-interchange dominant over gluon exchange?

Example: $M(K^+p \rightarrow K^+p) \propto \frac{1}{ut^2}$

Exchange of common u quark

$$M_{QIM} = \int d^2k_{\perp} dx \psi_C^{\dagger} \psi_D^{\dagger} \Delta \psi_A \psi_B$$

Holographic model (Classical level):

Hadrons enter 5th dimension of AdS_5

Quarks travel freely within cavity as long as separation $z < z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$

LFWFs obey conformal symmetry producing quark counting rules.

Comparison of Exclusive Reactions at Large t

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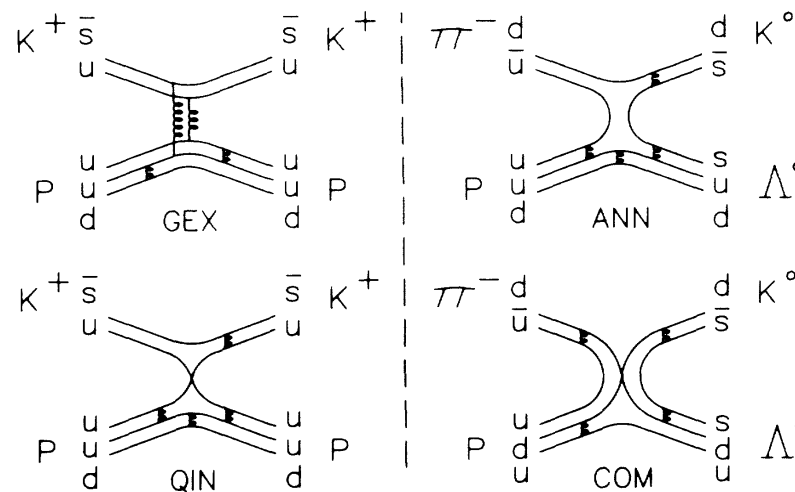
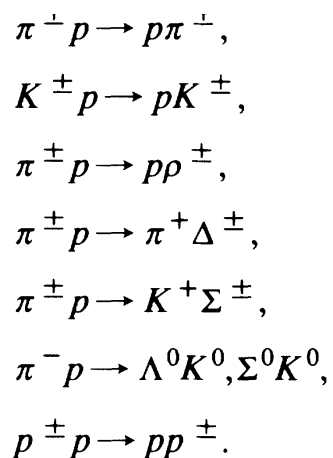
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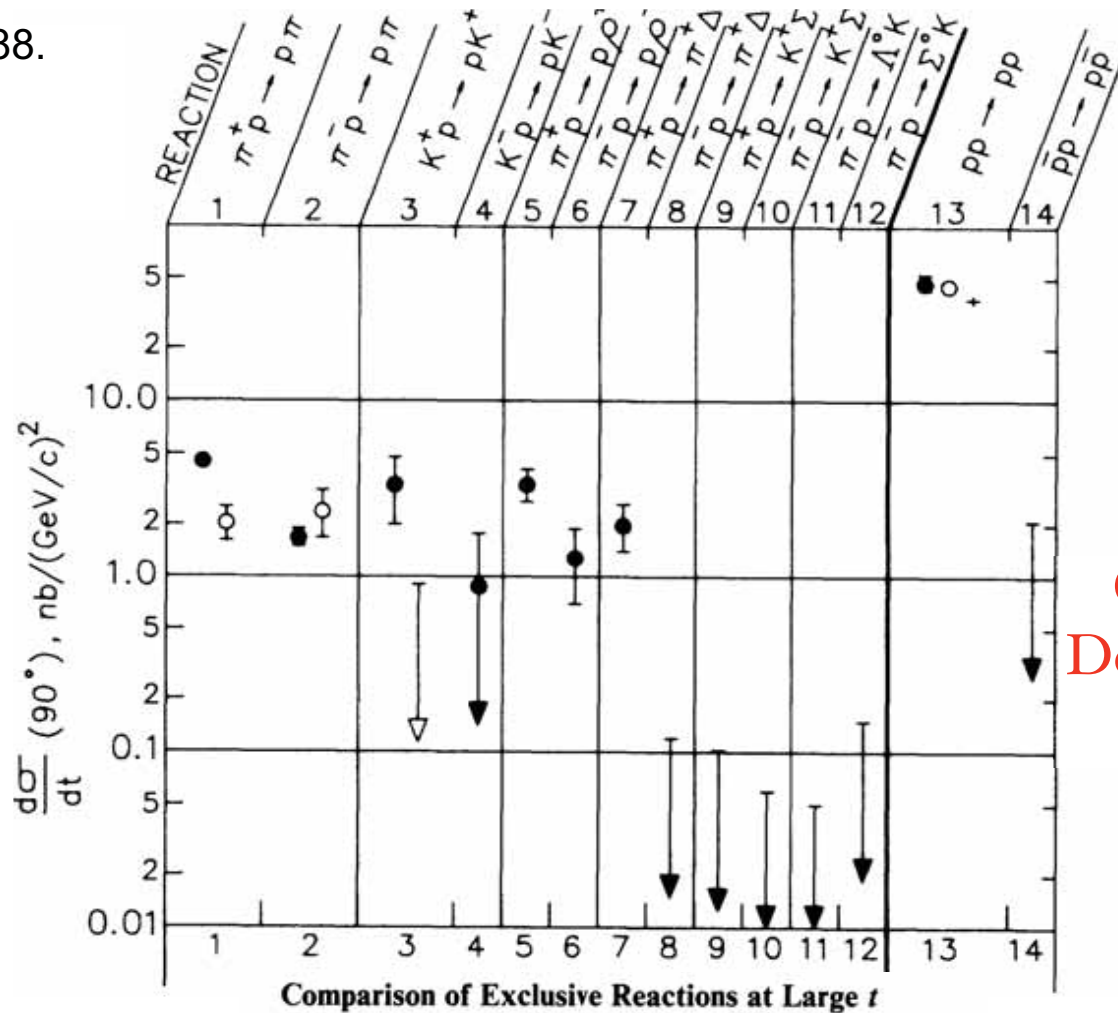
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Cross sections or upper limits are reported for twelve meson-baryon and two baryon-baryon reactions for an incident momentum of 9.9 GeV/c, near 90° c.m.: $\pi^\pm p \rightarrow p\pi^\pm, p\rho^\pm, \pi^+\Delta^\pm, K^+\Sigma^\pm, (\Lambda^0/\Sigma^0)K^0, K^\pm p \rightarrow pK^\pm; p^\pm p \rightarrow pp^\pm$. 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.





Quark Interchange:
 Dominant Dynamics at
 large t, u

Relative Rates Correct

The cross section and upper limits (90% confidence level) measured by this experiment are indicated by the filled circles and arrowheads. Values from this experiment and from previous measurements represent an average over the angular region of $-0.05 < \cos\theta_{c.m.} < 0.10$. The other measurements were obtained from the following references: $\pi^+ p$ and $K^+ p$ elastic, Ref. 5; $\pi^- p \rightarrow p \pi^-$, Ref. 6; $pp \rightarrow pp$, Ref. 7; Allaby, open circle; Akerlof, cross. Values for the cross sections [(Reaction), cross section in $\text{nb}/(\text{GeV}/c)^2$] are as follows: (1), 4.6 ± 0.3 ; (2), 1.7 ± 0.2 ; (3), 3.4 ± 1.4 ; (4), 0.9 ± 0.7 ; (5), 3.4 ± 0.7 ; (6), 1.3 ± 0.6 ; (7), 2.0 ± 0.6 ; (8), < 0.12 ; (9), < 0.1 ; (10), < 0.06 ; (11), < 0.05 ; (12), < 0.15 ; (13), 48 ± 5 ; (14), < 2.1 .

Holographic Connection between LF and AdS/CFT

- Predictions for hadronic spectra, light-front wavefunctions, interactions
- Use AdS/CFT as basis for diagonalizing the LF Hamiltonian
- Deduce meson and baryon wavefunctions, distribution amplitude, structure function from holographic constraint
- Extension to massive quarks
- Implementation of Chiral Symmetry Breaking

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.

Advantages of LF QCD

- Lorentz Invariant
- No fermion doubling
- Minkowski space
- Complete set of eigensolutions, bound state and continuum spectroscopy
- LFWFs, observables, simple spin properties
- Physical gauge: ghost free
- Zero modes instead of VEVS
- QED₍₃₊₁₎, QCD₍₁₊₁₎