



Highlights of meson structure from continuum analyses

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QCD: Basic Facts

- QCD is characterized by two emergent phenomena: confinement and dynamical generation of mass (DGM).
- Quarks and gluons not *isolated* in nature.
- → Formation of colorless bound states: "<u>Hadrons</u>"
- 1-fm scale size of hadrons?



 Emergence of hadron masses (EHM) from QCD dynamics





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Can we trace them down to fundamental d.o.f?

 $\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} &= \sum_{j=u,d,s,\dots} \bar{q}_j [\gamma_\mu D_\mu + m_j] q_j + \frac{1}{4} G^a_{\mu\nu} G^a_{\mu\nu}, \\ D_\mu &= \partial_\mu + ig \frac{1}{2} \lambda^a A^a_\mu, \\ G^a_{\mu\nu} &= \partial_\mu A^a_\nu + \partial_\nu A^a_\mu - \underline{g f^{abc}} A^b_\mu A^c_\nu, \end{aligned}$

 Emergence of hadron masses (EHM) from QCD dynamics



Gluon and quark running masses

Confinement and the EHM are tightly connected with QCD's running coupling.



Modern picture of QCD coupling. 'Effective Charge' Combined continuum + QCD lattice analysis

 ζ_H : Fully **dressed valence** quarks express all hadron's properties

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The Effective Charge connects Lattice QCD and continuum mass functions.

Same charge we shall use for DGLAP evolution.

... which defines $\,\zeta_{H}\,$

k / GeV

Why pions and Kaons?

Pions and Kaons emerge as QCD's (pseudo)-Goldstone bosons.



- Their study is crucial to understand the EHM and the hadron structure.
 - Dominated by QCD dynamics

Simultaneously explains the mass of the proton and the *masslessness* of the pion

 Interplay between Higgs and strong mass generating mechanisms.

What to expect from experiments?

... Form Factors, Parton Distribution Functions, Generalized Parton Distributions?

Era of meson targets



10³⁰

5

10

50

centre of mass energy

100

Denisov:2018unj, Aguilar:2019teb, Chen:2020ijn, Brodsky:2020vco, Arrington:2021biu

What to expect from continuum studies?

Form Factors, Parton Distribution Functions, Generalized Parton Distributions, etc. ... we can go far beyond the mass spectrum!

Dyson-Schwinger Equations

- Equations of motion of a quantum field theory
- Relate Green functions with higher-order Green functions
 - Infinite tower of coupled equations.
 - Systematic truncation required
- No assumptions on the coupling for their derivation.
 - Capture both perturbative and non-perturbative facets of QCD
- Not limited to a certain domain of current quark masses
- Maintain a traceable connection to QCD.

C.D. Robert and a A.G. Williams, Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 33 (1994) 477-575



Eichmann:2009zx

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Confluence between modern Continuum and Lattice QCD predictions!

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Chang:2021utv





This talk's central topic

DSEs are a **valuable tool** for **QCD** and **hadron** physics: ۶



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Cui:2020tdf





The light-front wave function approach

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Bethe-Salpeter wave function

• Yields a variety of distributions.

"One ring to rule them all"

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The inputs: Solutions from quark DSE and meson BSE.

The alternative inputs: Construct BSWF from realistic DSE predictions.

LFWF: Nakanishi model

A Nakanishi-like representation for the BSWF:

$$n_{K}\chi_{K}(k_{-}^{K}, P_{K}) = \mathcal{M}(k, P) \int_{-1}^{1} dw \,\rho_{K}(w) \mathcal{D}(k, P)$$
(Kaon as example)
$$1 \qquad 2 \qquad 3$$

1: Matrix structure (leading BSA):

$$\mathcal{M}(k; P_K) = -\gamma_5 [\gamma \cdot P_K M_u + \gamma \cdot k(M_u - M_s) + \sigma_{\mu\nu} k_\mu P_{K\nu}],$$

Equivalent to considering the **leading** Bethe-Salpeter amplitude:

$$\Gamma_{\rm M}(q;P) = i\gamma_5 E_{\rm M}(q;P)$$

(from a total of <u>4</u>)

(others can be **incorporated** systematically)

S-S Xu et al., PRD 97 (2018) no.9, 094014.

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2: Spectral weight: Tightly connected with the meson properties.

3: Denominators:
$$\mathcal{D}(k; P_K) = \Delta(k^2, M_u^2) \Delta((k - P_K)^2, M_s^2) \hat{\Delta}(k_{\omega-1}^2, \Lambda_K^2)$$
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where: $\Delta(s,t) = [s+t]^{-1}, \ \Delta(s,t) = t\Delta(s,t)$.

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Recall the expression for the LFWF:

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Algebraic manipulations yield:

+ Uniqueness of Mellin moments

$$\Rightarrow \psi^q_{\mathrm{M}}(x,k_{\perp}) \sim \int dw \ \rho_{\mathrm{M}}(w) \cdots$$

Compactness of this result is a merit of the AM.

> Thus, $\rho_M(w)$ determines the profiles of, e.g. PDA and PDF: (it also works the other way around)

$$f_{\rm M}\phi^q_{\rm M}(x;\zeta_H) = \int \frac{d^2k_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi^q_{\rm M}(x,k_\perp;\zeta_H)$$

$$q_{\mathrm{M}}(x;\zeta_{H}) = \int \frac{d^{2}k_{\perp}}{16\pi^{3}} |\psi_{\mathrm{M}}^{q}(x,k_{\perp};\zeta_{H})|^{2}$$

Chiral limit / Factorized model

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 \geq

"Factorized model"

$$[\phi_{\mathrm{M}}^{q}(x;\zeta_{H})]^{2} \sim q_{\mathrm{M}}(x;\zeta_{H})$$

Sensible assumption as long as:

$$\implies m_{\rm M}^2 \approx 0$$
(meson mass)

(h-antiquark, q-quark masses)

 ζ_H

 $M_{\bar{h}}^2 - M_q^2 \approx 0$

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No need to determine the spectral weight !

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Systematically improvable !

(account for other BSAs, x-k correlations, for example)

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$$\psi_{\mathrm{M}}^{q}(x,k_{\perp}^{2};\zeta_{H}) = \left[q^{\mathrm{M}}(x;\zeta_{H})\right]^{1/2} \left[4\sqrt{3}\pi \frac{M_{q}^{3}}{\left(k_{\perp}^{2}+M_{q}^{2}\right)^{2}}\right] \longrightarrow \frac{M_{q} \sim r_{\mathrm{M}}^{-1}}{\left(k_{\perp}^{2}+M_{q}^{2}\right)^{2}}$$

$$\textbf{``Chiral M1''} \qquad (\Rightarrow r_{\pi} = 0.66 \text{ fm})$$

We can also consider a "Gaussian model":

$$\psi_{\rm M}^q(x,k_{\perp}^2;\zeta_H) = [q^{\rm M}(x;\zeta_H)]^{1/2} \left(\frac{32\pi^2 r_{\rm M^2}}{\chi_{\rm M}^2(\zeta_H)}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left[-\frac{r_{\rm M}^2 k_{\perp}^2}{2\chi_{\rm M}^2(\zeta_H)}\right]$$

$$\chi_{\mathsf{P}}^{2}(\zeta_{\mathcal{H}}) = \langle x^{2} \rangle_{\bar{h}}^{\zeta_{\mathcal{H}}} + \frac{1}{2}(1 - d_{\mathsf{P}}) \langle x^{2} \rangle_{u}^{\zeta_{\mathcal{H}}}$$
Asymmetry factor $\sim M_{\bar{h}}^{2} - M_{u}^{2}$
(*h*-antiquark, *q*-quark masses)

• One parameter to determine both models:

→ Either
$$M_q$$
 or $r_{
m M}$

(charge radius)



- Unless specified otherwise, Nakanishi model results will be shown.
- By construction, **PDA** and **PDF** are the **same** in any presented model.
- In general, Chiral M1 ≈ Nakanishi (for pion)

LFWFs and PDAs

 $f_{\rm M}\phi^q_{\rm M}(x;\zeta_H) = \int \frac{d^2k_\perp}{16\pi^3} \psi^q_{\rm M}(x,k_\perp;\zeta_H)$



LFWFs and GPDs

- **LFWFs GPDs**
- In the overlap representation, the valence-quark GPD reads as:



Valid in the DGLAP region

 ζ_H

- Positivity fulfilled
- Can be **extended** to the **ERBL** region $|x| \leq \xi$

Chouika:2017rzs

Analytic in our factorized models.

LFWFs and PDFs





REGARDING EVOLUTION...



Idea. Use QCD's effective charge to define an all orders evolution.



k / GeV

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DGLAP evolution: Massless case



J. Rodriguez-Quintero's talk

- Closed algebraic relations between momentum fractions
- Recovery of sum rule and asymptotic limits
- Clear connection with the hadron scale.
- Therefore, the scale is unambiguously defined (not tuned)



Evolved distributions: GPDs

 $\zeta = 5.2 \; {\rm GeV}$



Evolved PDFs







Valence at 2 GeV

	$\langle x \rangle_u^{\pi}$	$\langle x^2 \rangle_u^{\pi}$	$\langle x^3 \rangle_u^{\pi}$
IQCD [53]	0.21(1)	0.16(3)	
IQCD [54]	0.254(03)	0.094(12)	0.057(04)
Ref. [102]	0.24	0.098	0.049
Refs. [39, 40]	0.24(2)	0.098(10)	0.049(07)
Herein	0.24(2)	0.094(13)	0.047(08)



- In agreement with:
 - ASV analysis Aicher: 2010cb
 - Lattice CS
 - DSEs

Cui:2020tdf

Sufian: 2020vzb

Sufian: 2019bol

• Valence at 5.2 GeV

Gluon in pion: Chang:2021utv
 Lattice MSU Fan:2021bcr

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<\mathbf{x}>_{\pi}^{\mathrm{val}} = 0.41(4)
<\mathbf{x}>_{K}^{\mathrm{val}} = 0.43(4)
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Electromagnetic form factor is obtained from the t-dependence of the 0-th moment:

$$F^{q}_{M}(-t = \Delta^{2}) = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \ H^{q}_{M}(x,\xi,t)$$

Can safely take **ξ = 0** "Polinomiality"

$$F_M(\Delta^2) = e_u F_M^u(\Delta^2) + e_{\bar{f}} F_M^{\bar{f}}(\Delta^2)$$
Weighed by electric charges

Isospin symmetry

$$\implies F_{\pi^+}(-t) = F_{\pi^+}^u(-t)$$







Pion EFF

Pion Gravitational FFs



Gravitational form factors are obtained from the t-dependence of the 1-st moment:



Kaon EFF



Electromagnetic form factor: charged and neutral kaon



Charge and mass distributions

$$\rho_{\rm P}(b) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty d\Delta \,\Delta J_0(\Delta \, b) F_{\rm P}(\Delta^2)$$

 $F_{\rm P}^E(\Delta^2) \to \rho_{\rm P}^E(b)$

 $\theta_2^{\mathrm{P}}(\Delta^2) \to \rho_{\mathrm{P}}^M(b)$

Intuitively, we expect the meson to be localized at a finite space.

Charge effect span over a larger domain than mass effects.
 More massive hadron

 More compressed





Pressure distributions



On the Radii: Factorized Models

On the Radii



$$H^{u}_{\mathbf{P}}(x,\xi,t;\zeta_{H}) = \theta(x_{-}) \left[u^{\mathbf{P}}(x_{-};\zeta_{H}) u^{\mathbf{P}}(x_{+};\zeta_{H}) \right]^{1/2} \Phi_{\mathbf{P}}(z;\zeta_{H})$$

In the <u>factorized</u> models:

 $\frac{\partial^{n}}{\partial^{n} z} \Phi^{u}_{\mathsf{P}}(z; \zeta_{\mathcal{H}}) \Big|_{z=0} = \frac{1}{\langle x^{2n} \rangle_{\bar{h}}^{\zeta_{\mathcal{H}}}} \left. \frac{d^{n} F^{u}_{\mathsf{P}}(\Delta^{2})}{d(\Delta^{2})^{n}} \right|_{\Delta^{2}=0}$ PDF moments Derivatives of EFF

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Asymmetry term = 0 for pion

GPD can be built from:

- Distribution amplitude / Distribution function
- Derivatives of the electromagnetic form factor

Reminder:

$$[\phi^q_{\mathrm{M}}(x;\zeta_H)]^2 \sim q_{\mathrm{M}}(x;\zeta_H)$$

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In the <u>Chiral M1</u> model:

$$\frac{r_{\rm P}^2}{6\langle x^2\rangle_{\zeta_H}} = \frac{3}{5M_q^2}$$

Clear connection:

- Constituent mass M
- Charge radius
- PDF moment

(at hadron scale)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \Phi_{\mathsf{P}}^{u}(z;\zeta_{\mathcal{H}})\Big|_{z=0} = -\frac{\partial}{4\chi_{\mathsf{P}}^{2}(\zeta_{\mathcal{H}})},$$

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 r^2

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Sensible values

$$\begin{array}{l} M_u = 0.31 \; \mathrm{GeV} \\ \Leftrightarrow r_\pi = 0.66 \; \mathrm{fm} \end{array}$$

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• Therefore, the mass radius:

$$r_{\mathsf{P}_{u}}^{\theta_{2}^{2}} = \frac{3r_{\mathsf{P}}^{2}}{2\chi_{\mathsf{P}}^{2}} \langle x^{2}(1-x) \rangle_{\mathsf{P}_{\bar{h}}},$$

$$r_{\mathsf{P}_{\bar{h}}}^{\theta_{2}^{2}} = \frac{3r_{\mathsf{P}}^{2}}{2\chi_{\mathsf{P}}^{2}} (1-d_{\mathsf{P}}) \langle x^{2}(1-x) \rangle_{\mathsf{P}_{u}}$$

$$\left(\frac{r_{\pi}^{\theta_2}}{r_{\pi}^E}\right)^2 = \frac{\langle x^2(1-x)\rangle_{\zeta_H}^q}{\langle x^2\rangle_{\zeta_H}^q} \approx \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2$$

Determined from PDF moments!



Likelihood of finding a valence-quark with momentum fraction x, at position b.

Evolved IPS-GPD: Pion Case



Evolved IPS-GPD: Kaon Case



Summary and Highlights



Summary

> Focusing on the **pion** and **Kaon**, we discussed a variety of **parton distributions**:



Highlights

- **OCD's EHM** produce **broad** π -K distributions. ≻
- **Interplay** between **QCD** and **Higgs** mass generation: ۶
 - Slightly skewed Kaon distributions.
- > The ordering of radii:

$$r_{\pi}^{\theta_1} > r_{\pi}^E > r_{\pi}^{\theta_2}$$

$$r_K^j pprox 0.85 \ r_\pi^j$$

 $H^{\mu}_{\kappa}(x,0,t;\zeta_{H})$



- Gluon and sea revealed through evolution.
 - → **Definition** of ζ_H
- 'All orders' scheme

Valence Picture

- OCD effective charge.
- Mass, gluon/sea, pressure, charge **distributions** addressed through LFWFs and GPDs ... in anticipation to experiments in modern facilities

