

models for nonperturbative hadron structure on (*and off*) the light front

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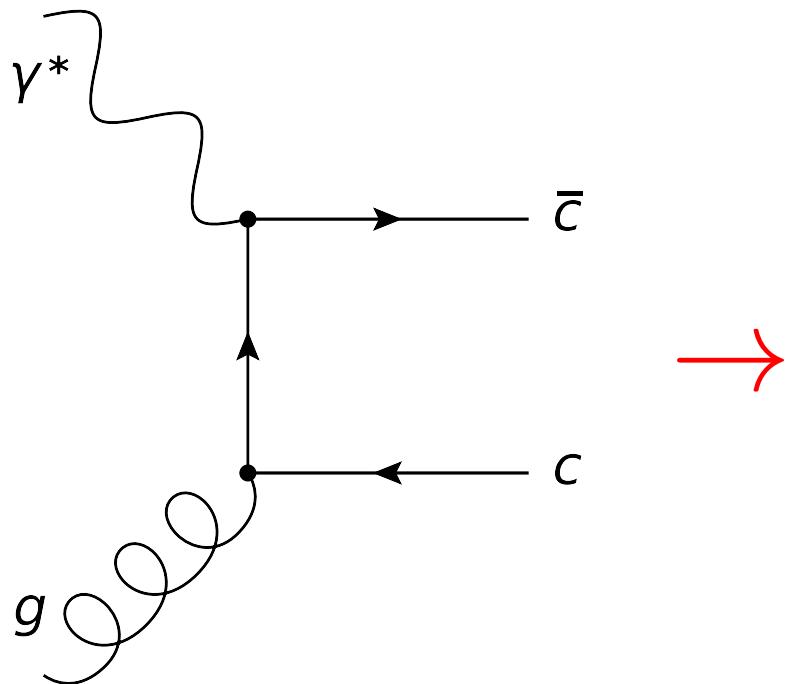
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motivation and direction

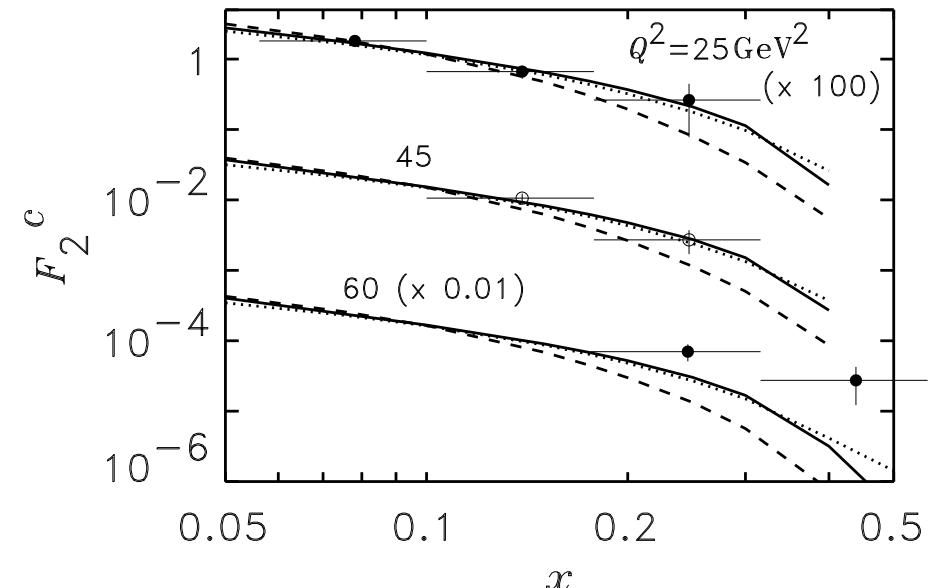
- a thorough, quantitative grasp of the nucleon sea (here, broadly defined to include various non-valence contributions) is vital to tomography
- recent calculations in several flavor sectors highlight the usefulness of light-front dynamics
 - charm in the proton wave function; ‘Intrinsic charm’ and the nucleon’s HQ sigma term
(crucial to BSM searches – e.g., WIMP direct detection)
 - strange in DIS and elastic form factors
- in a somewhat different area, light-front constituent quark models can guide lattice calculations
 - the valence **quasi-PDF** of the **pion** may be relatively cleanly measured on the lattice

charm in *perturbative* QCD (pQCD)

- $c(x, Q^2 \leq m_c^2) = \bar{c}(x, Q^2 \leq m_c^2) = 0$



F. M. Steffens, W. Melnitchouk and A. W. Thomas,
Eur. Phys. J. C 11, 673 (1999) [hep-ph/9903441].



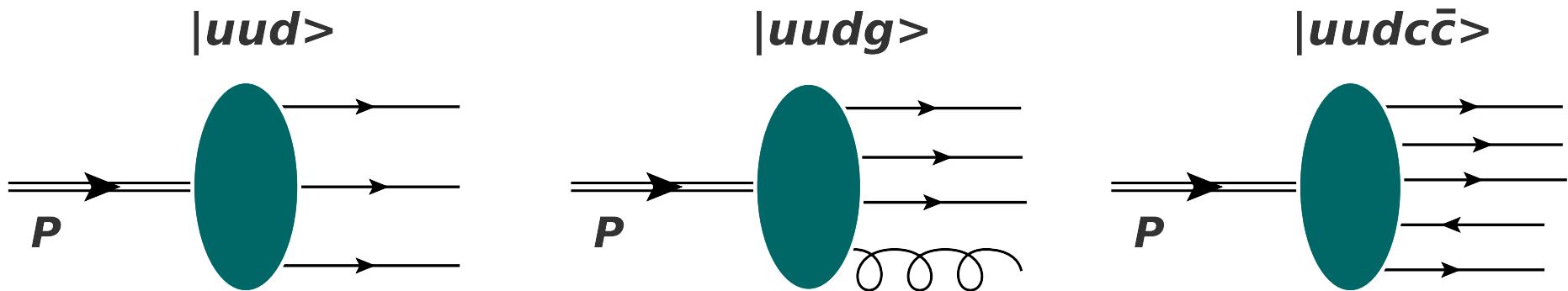
- *intermediate* Q^2 :

$$F_{2, \text{ PGF}}^c(x, Q^2) = \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{9\pi} \int_x^{z'} \frac{dz}{z} C^{\text{PGF}}(z, Q^2, m_c^2) \cdot xg\left(\frac{x}{z}, \mu^2\right)$$

- *high* Q^2 :

massless **DGLAP** (i.e., *variable flavor-number schemes*)

simplest *nonperturbative* model calculations



→ original models possessed *scalar* vertices...

- Brodsky et al. (1980):

$$P(p \rightarrow uudc\bar{c}) \sim \left[M^2 - \sum_{i=1}^5 \frac{k_{\perp i}^2 + m_i^2}{x_i} \right]^{-2}$$

→ produces *intrinsic* PDF, $c^{\text{IC}}(x) = \bar{c}^{\text{IC}}(x)$

- Blümlein (2015):

$$\tau_{life} = \frac{1}{\sum_i E_i - E} = \frac{2P}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^5 \frac{k_{\perp i}^2 + m_i^2}{x_i} - M^2 \right)} \Big|_{\sum_j x_j = 1} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \tau_{int} = \frac{1}{q_0}$$

→ comparison constrains $x - Q^2$ space over which IC is observable

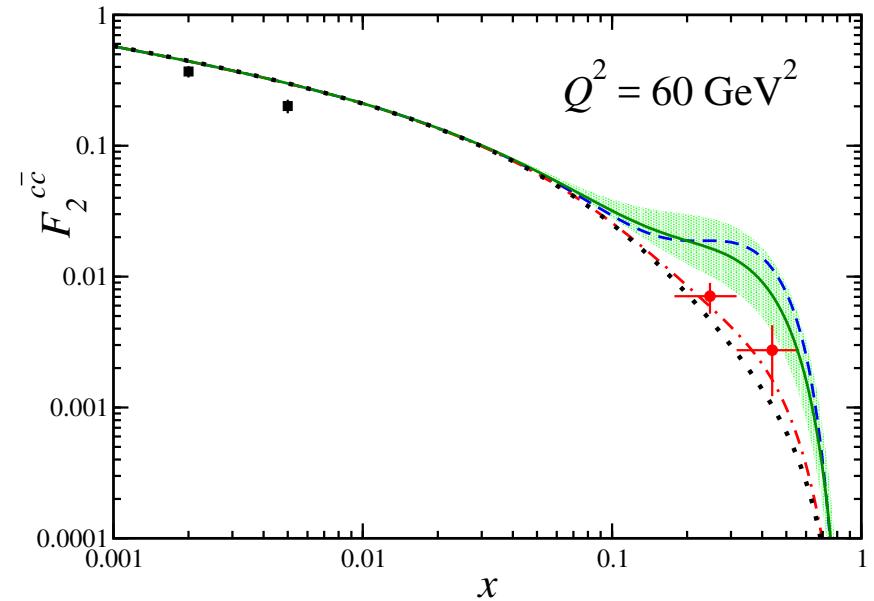
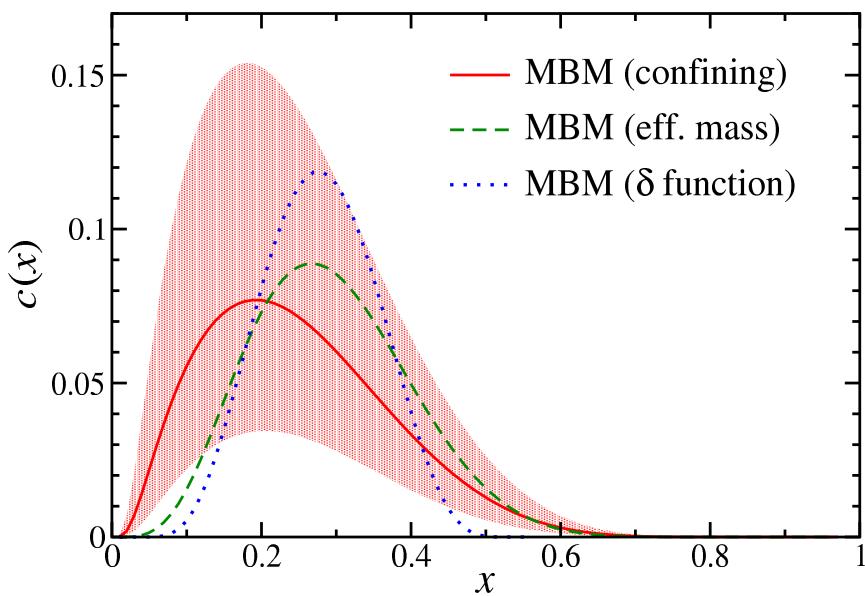
charm in the nucleon

- tune **universal** cutoff $\Lambda = \hat{\Lambda}$ to fit **ISR** $pp \rightarrow \Lambda_c X$ collider data

multiplicities, momentum sum:

$$\langle n \rangle_{MB}^{(\text{charm})} = 2.40\% {}^{+2.47}_{-1.36};$$

$$P_c := \langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} = 1.34\% {}^{+1.35}_{-0.75}$$



$$F_2^{c\bar{c}}(x, Q^2) = \frac{4x}{9} [c(x, Q^2) + \bar{c}(x, Q^2)]$$

→ evolve to **EMC** scale, $Q^2 = 60 \text{ GeV}^2$

low- x H1/ZEUS data check *massless DGLAP* evolution

systematics of global QCD analysis

extract/constrain quark densities:

$$F_{qh}^{\gamma}(x, Q^2) = \sum_f \int_0^1 \frac{d\xi}{\xi} C_i^{\gamma f} \left(\frac{x}{\xi}, \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}, \frac{\mu_F^2}{\mu^2}, \alpha_S(\mu^2) \right) \cdot \phi_{f/h}(\xi, \mu_F^2, \mu^2)$$

- $C_i^{\gamma f}$: pQCD Wilson coefficients
- $\phi_{f/h}(\xi, \mu_F^2, \mu^2)$: *universal* parton distributions

$$(\dots \text{here, } \mu_F^2 = 4m_c^2 + Q^2)$$

⇒ exploit properties of QCD to constrain models:

$$\sum_q \int_0^1 dx \ x \cdot \{f_{q+\bar{q}}(x, Q^2) + f_g(x, Q^2)\} \equiv 1 \quad (\text{mom. conserv.})$$

- DGLAP: **couples** Q^2 evolution of $f_q(x, Q^2)$, $f_g(x, Q^2)$

constraints from **global** fits...

P. Jimenez-Delgado, **TJH**, J. T. Londergan and W. Melnitchouk; PRL 114, no. 8, 082002 (2015).

26 sets:

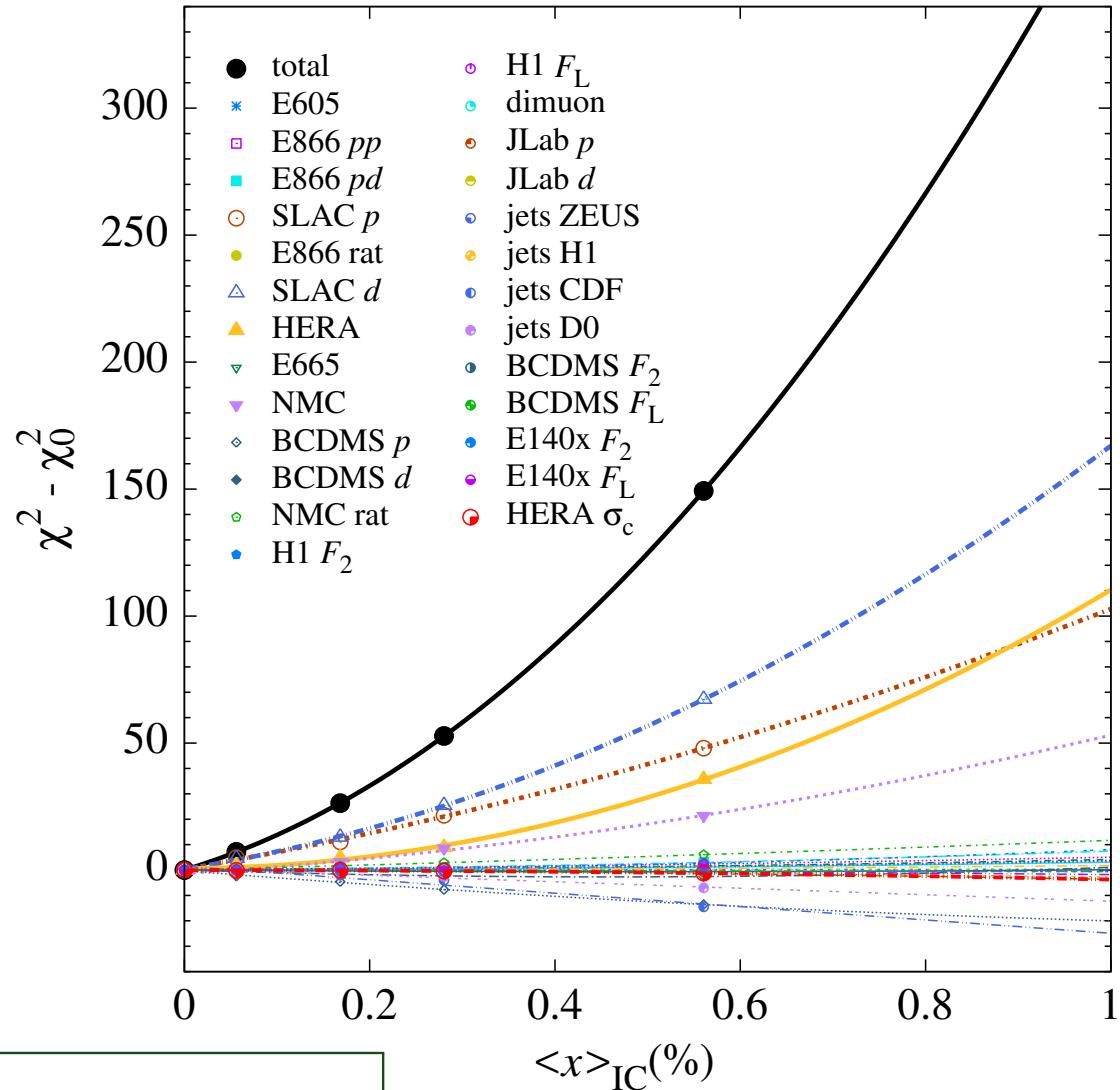
$$N_{dat} = 4296$$

$$Q^2 \geq 1 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$W^2 \geq 3.5 \text{ GeV}^2$$

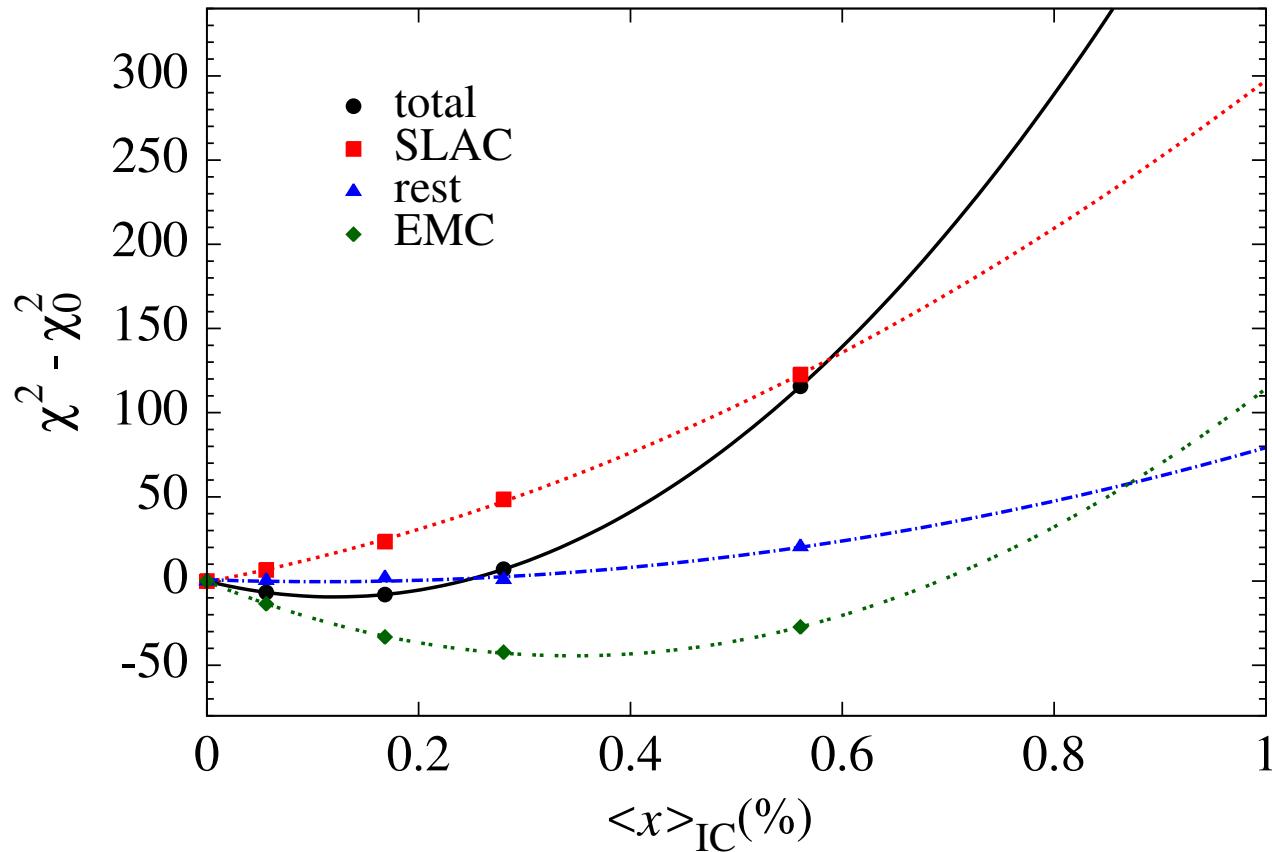


** HTs, TMCs,
smearing...



- constrain: $\langle x \rangle_{IC} = \int_0^1 dx x \cdot [c + \bar{c}](x)$... ‘total IC momentum’

...and constrained by EMC



EMC alone: $\langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} = 0.3 - 0.4\%$

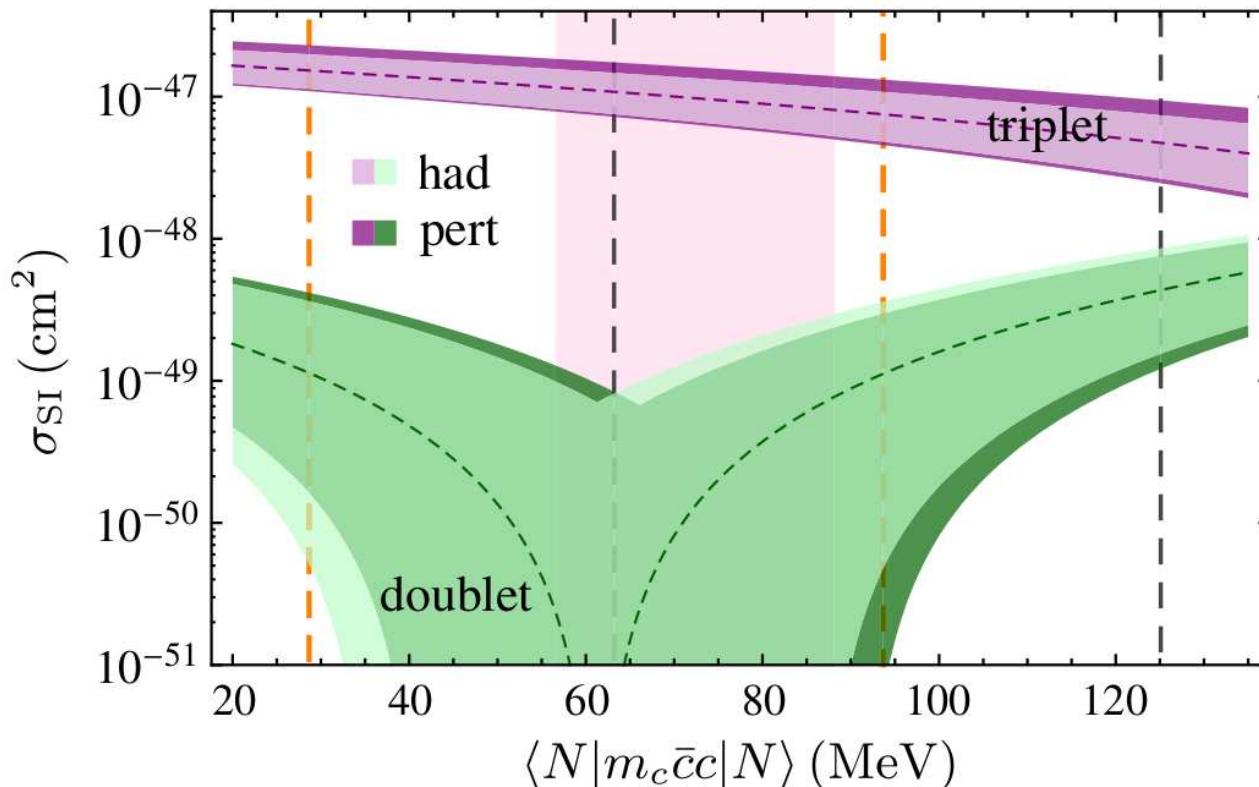
+ **SLAC/‘REST’**: $\langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} = 0.13 \pm 0.04\%$

...but $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$ poorly fit — $\chi^2 \sim 4.3$ per datum!

in progress: charm **sigma term** and DM?

- heavy-particle EFT: after integrating away WIMP scale,
 $\sigma_c = m_c \langle p | \bar{c}c | p \rangle$ dominant DM cross section contribution

Hill and Solon, Phys. Rev. Lett. **112**, 211602 (2014).



- what might $F_2^{c\bar{c}}(x, Q^2 = m_c^2)$ imply for σ_c ??

... need models for *both* the charm PDF and $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$

- ◆ **light-front wave functions (LFWFs)** are one such approach
- ◆ they deliver a **frame-independent** description of hadronic bound state structure

- the light front represents physics *tangent* to the light cone:

$$x^\mu = (x^0, \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow (x^+, x_\perp, x^-)$$

$$x^\pm = x^0 \pm x^3, \quad x_\perp = (x^r); \quad r = \{1, 2\}$$

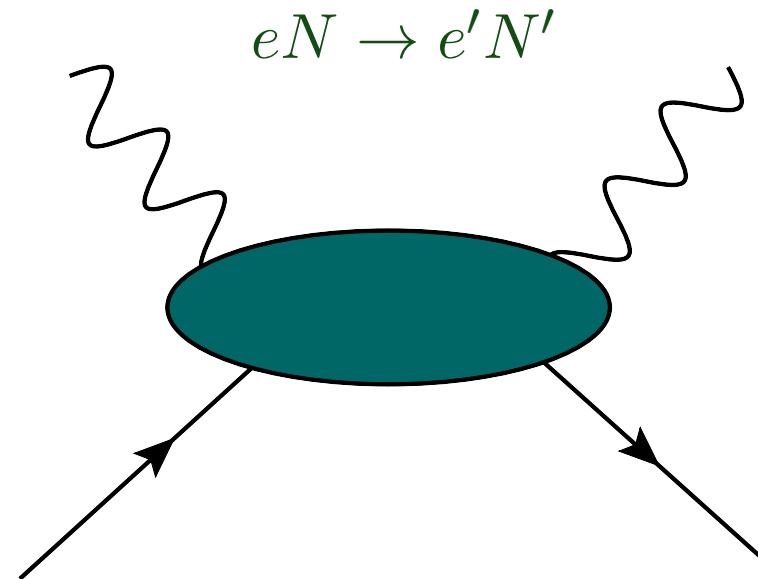
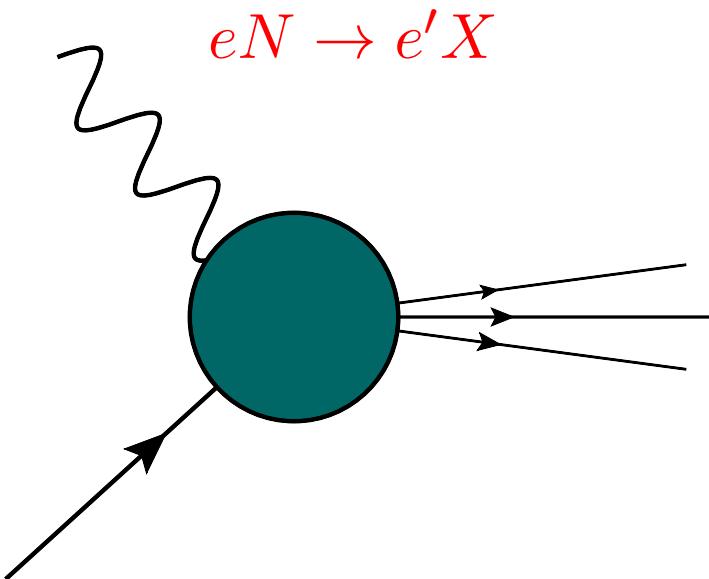
- ◆ with them, many matrix elements (GPDs, TMDs) are calculable via the same **universal** objects:

$$c(x) \sim \langle \bar{c} \gamma^+ c \rangle \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \sigma_{c\bar{c}} = m_c \langle p | \bar{c} c | p \rangle$$

- ◆ in fact, have already developed this technology for **nucleon strangeness!**

DIS and elastic strangeness

- predict inelastic and elastic observables?
 → requires knowledge of quark-level proton **wave function**



$$xS^+ = \int_0^1 dx \ x[s(x) + \bar{s}(x)]$$

$$xS^- = \int_0^1 dx \ x[s(x) - \bar{s}(x)]$$

$$F_1(Q^2) \sim \langle P', \uparrow | J_{EM}^+ | P, \uparrow \rangle$$

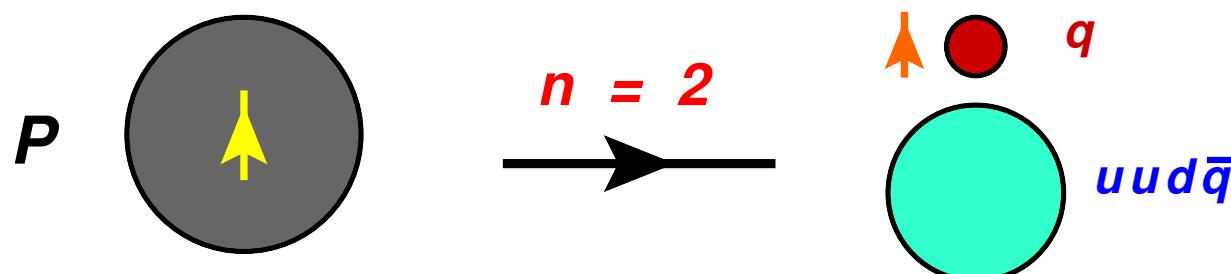
$$F_2(Q^2) \sim \langle P', \downarrow | J_{EM}^+ | P, \uparrow \rangle$$

$$J_{EM}^\mu = \gamma^\mu F_1(Q^2) + i \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2M} F_2(Q^2)$$

hadronic **light-front** wave functions (**LFWFs**)

- S. J. Brodsky, D. S. Hwang, B. Q. Ma and I. Schmidt; Nucl. Phys. B 593, 311 (2001).

$$|\Psi_P^\lambda(P^+, \mathbf{P}_\perp)\rangle = \sum_n \int \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{dx_i d^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}}{\sqrt{x_i}(16\pi^3)} 16\pi^3 \delta \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \\ \times \delta^{(2)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{k}_{\perp i} \right) \psi_n^\lambda(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n; k_i^+, x_i \mathbf{P}_\perp + \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$



$$|\Psi_P^\lambda(P^+, \mathbf{P}_\perp)\rangle = \frac{1}{16\pi^3} \sum_{q=s,\bar{s}} \int \frac{dx d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}} \psi_{q\lambda_q}^\lambda(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) \\ \times |q; xP^+, x\mathbf{P}_\perp + \mathbf{k}_\perp\rangle$$

→ **3D helicity WF** $\psi_{q\lambda_q}^\lambda(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$; **light-front fraction**: $x = k^+/P^+$

electromagnetic form factors

- the quark q contribution from any 5-quark state is then:

$$F_1^q(Q^2) = e_q \int \frac{dxd^2\mathbf{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \sum_{\lambda_q} \psi_{q\lambda_q}^{*\lambda=+1}(x, \mathbf{k}'_\perp) \psi_{q\lambda_q}^{\lambda=+1}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$$

$$F_2^q(Q^2) = e_q \frac{2M}{[q^1 + iq^2]} \int \frac{dxd^2\mathbf{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \sum_{\lambda_q} \psi_{q\lambda_q}^{*\lambda=-1}(x, \mathbf{k}'_\perp) \psi_{q\lambda_q}^{\lambda=+1}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$$

- for strangeness, $q \rightarrow s$; total strange: $s + \bar{s}$

$$F_{1,2}^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2) = F_{1,2}^s(Q^2) + F_{1,2}^{\bar{s}}(Q^2) \implies$$

Sachs form :

$$G_E^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2) = F_1^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2) - \frac{Q^2}{4M^2} F_2^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2)$$

$$G_M^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2) = F_1^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2) + F_2^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2)$$

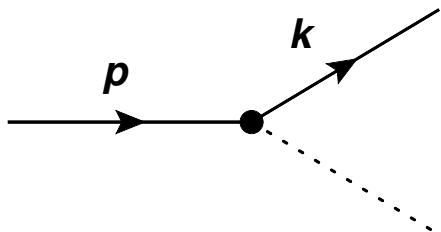
$$\boxed{\mu_s = G_M^{s\bar{s}}(Q^2 = 0)}$$

$$\boxed{\rho_s^D = \left. \frac{dG_E^{s\bar{s}}}{d\tau} \right|_{\tau=0}}$$

where $\tau = Q^2 / 4M^2$

strangeness wave functions

- require a **proton** → **quark** + **scalar tetraquark** LFWF:



I. C. Cloët and G. A. Miller; Phys. Rev. C 86, 015208 (2012).

$$\psi_{\lambda_s}^{\lambda}(k, p) = \bar{u}_s^{\lambda_s}(k) \phi(M_0^2) u_N^{\lambda}(p)$$

$\phi(M_0^2)$: scalar function → quark-spectator interaction
 $(M_0^2 = \text{quark-tetraquark invariant mass}^2!)$

e.g., $\psi_{s\lambda_s=+1}^{\lambda=+1}(x, \mathbf{k}_{\perp}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x}} \left(\frac{m_s}{x} + M \right) \phi_s$

gaussian : $\phi_s = \frac{\sqrt{N_s}}{\Lambda_s^2} \exp \left\{ -M_0^2(x, \mathbf{k}_{\perp}, \mathbf{q}_{\perp}) / 2\Lambda_s^2 \right\}$

$$F_1^s(Q^2) = \frac{e_s N_s}{16\pi^2 \Lambda_s^4} \int \frac{dx dk_{\perp}^2}{x^2(1-x)} \left(k_{\perp}^2 + (m_s + xM)^2 - \frac{1}{4}(1-x)^2 Q^2 \right) \\ \times \exp(-s_s/\Lambda_s^2) \quad s_s = (M_0^2 + M_0'^2)/2 \quad \text{sim. for } F_2^s(Q^2)!$$

$s\bar{s}$ distribution functions

- s quark distribution \equiv **x -unintegrated** $F_1^s(Q^2 = 0)$ form factor (up to $e_s!$):

$$s(x) = \int \frac{d^2 \mathbf{k}_\perp}{16\pi^3} \sum_{\lambda_s} \psi_{s\lambda_s}^{*\lambda=+1}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) \psi_{s\lambda_s}^{\lambda=+1}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$$

→ again inserting **helicity wave functions** $\psi_{q\lambda_q}^{\lambda=+1}(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp)$ ($Q^2 = 0 \implies \mathbf{k}'_\perp = \mathbf{k}_\perp$):

$$s(x) = \frac{N_s}{16\pi^2 \Lambda_s^4} \int \frac{dk_\perp^2}{x^2(1-x)} \left(k_\perp^2 + (m_s + xM)^2 \right) \exp(-s_s/\Lambda_s^2)$$

$$s_s = \frac{1}{x(1-x)} \left[k_\perp^2 + (1-x)m_s^2 + xm_{S_p}^2 + \frac{1}{4}(1-x)^2 Q^2 \right]$$

→ total of **eight** model parameters!

(N_s , Λ_s , m_s , and m_{S_p} ... **AND** anti-strange)

limits from DIS measurements

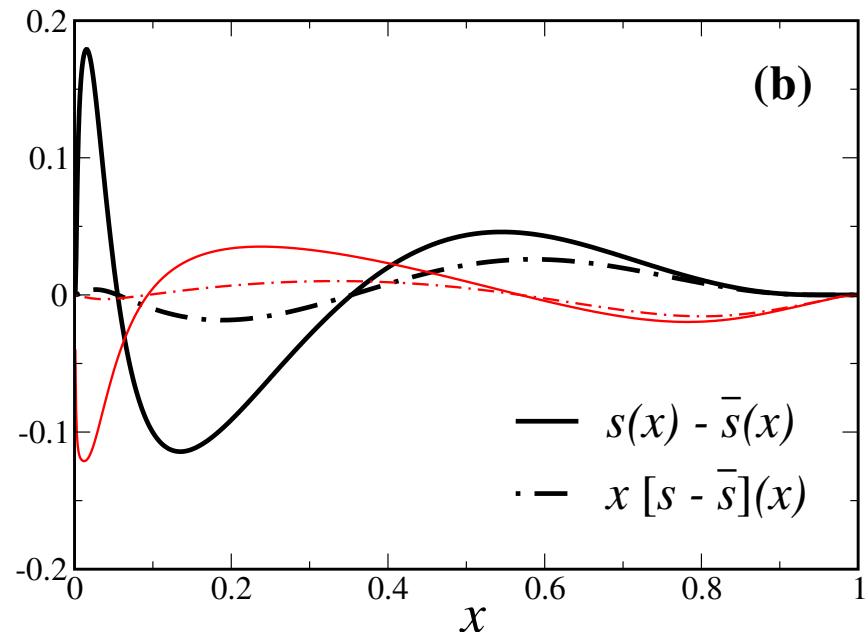
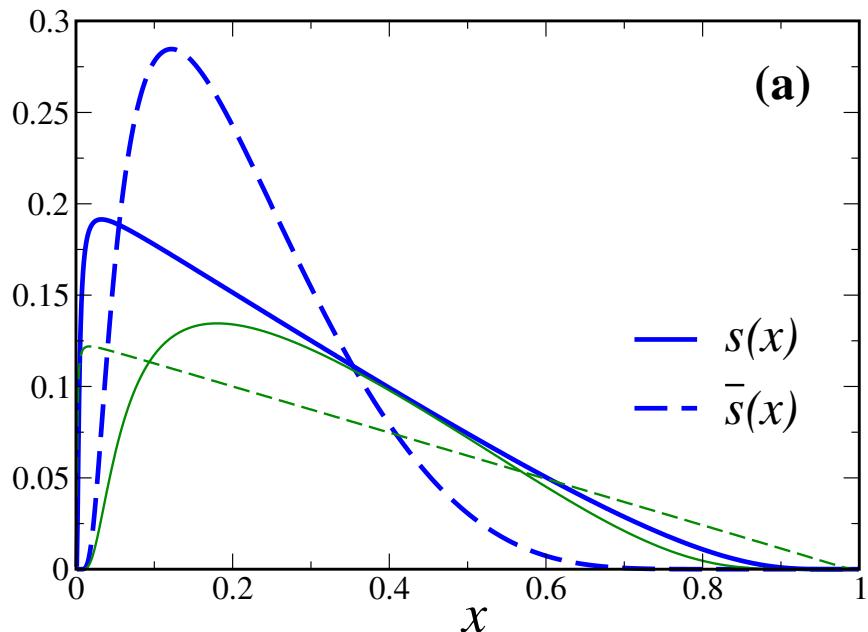
- DIS measurements have placed limits on the PDF-level total strange momentum xS^+ and asymmetry xS^-

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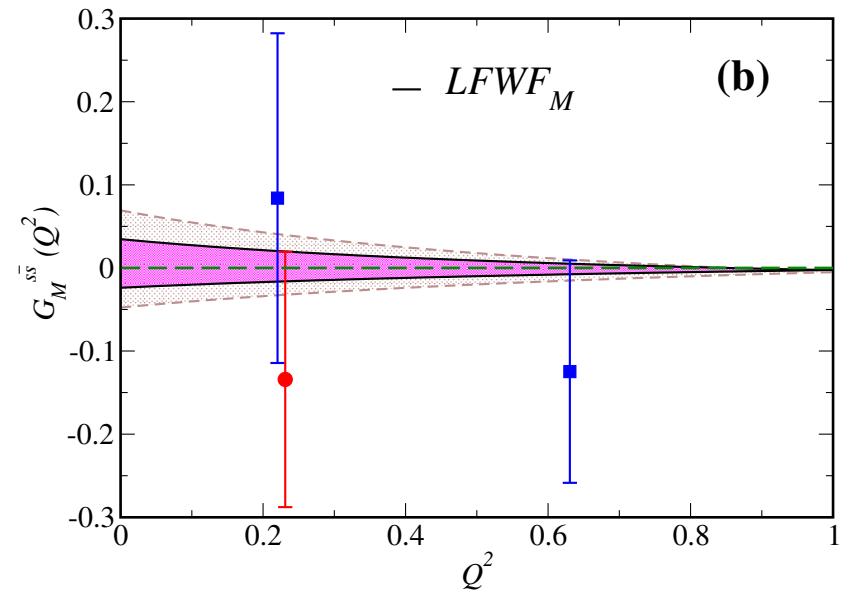
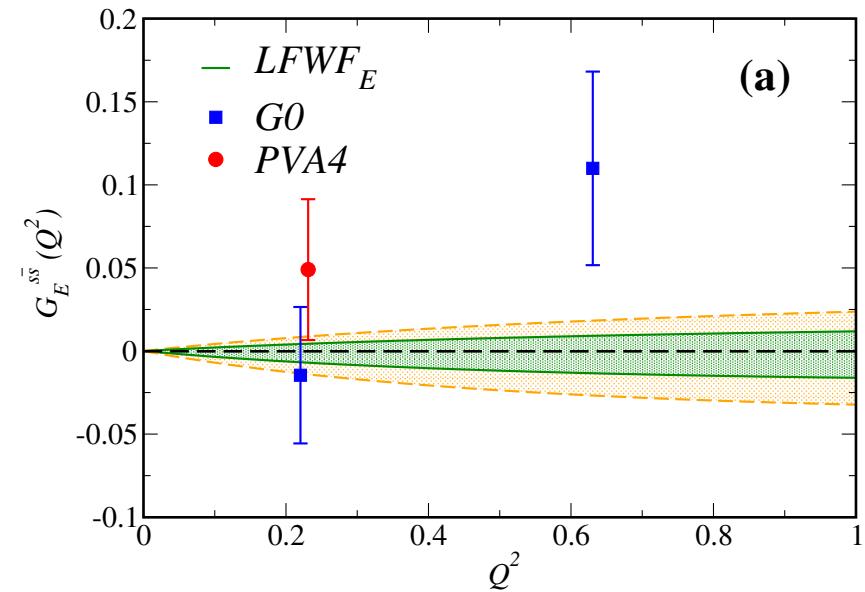
$$0.018 \leq xS^+ \leq 0.040$$

$$-0.001 \leq xS^- \leq 0.005$$

- **SCAN** the available parameter space subject to the DIS limits;
SEARCH for extremal values of μ_s , ρ_s^D

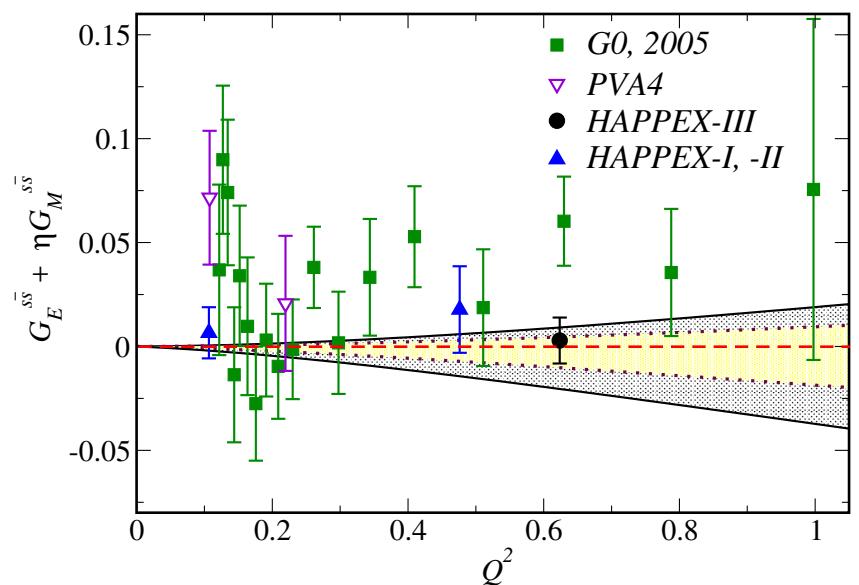


constraints on elastic form factors



- **DIS-driven limits** to elastic FFs are significantly **more stringent** than current experimental precision

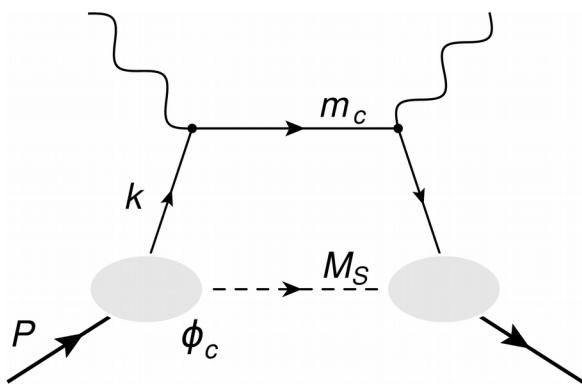
$$\eta(Q^2) \sim 0.94 Q^2 \rightarrow$$



we build an analogous model for charm... first the PDF

- use a similar scalar spectator picture; details generalize:

$$|\Psi_P^\lambda(P^+, \mathbf{P}_\perp)\rangle = \frac{1}{16\pi^3} \sum_{q=c,\bar{c}} \int \frac{dxd^2\mathbf{k}_\perp}{\sqrt{x(1-x)}} \times \psi_{q\lambda_q}^\lambda(x, \mathbf{k}_\perp) |q; xP^+, x\mathbf{P}_\perp + \mathbf{k}_\perp\rangle$$



$$F_2^{c\bar{c}}(x, Q^2 = m_c^2) = \frac{4x}{9} (c(x) + \bar{c}(x))$$

$$c(x) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int \frac{dk_\perp^2}{x^2(1-x)} \left[\frac{k_\perp^2 + (m_c + xM)^2}{(M^2 - s_{cS})^2} \right] |\phi_c(x, k_\perp^2)|^2$$

use a power-law ($\gamma=3$) covariant vertex function, $\phi_c(x, k_\perp^2) = \sqrt{g_c} \left(\frac{\Lambda_c^2}{t_c - \Lambda_c^2} \right)^\gamma$

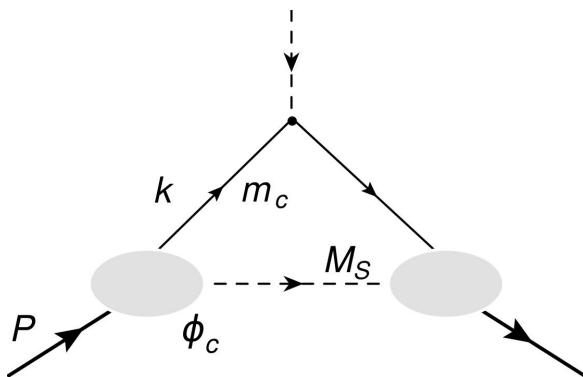
$$\begin{cases} s_{cS}(x, k_\perp^2) = \frac{1}{x(1-x)} \left(k_\perp^2 + (1-x)m_c^2 + xM_S^2 \right) & \text{invariant mass} \\ t_c(x, k_\perp^2) = \frac{1}{1-x} \left(-k_\perp^2 + x[(1-x)M^2 - M_S^2] \right) & \text{covariant } k^2 \end{cases}$$

then, a covariant formalism gives the **sigma term**:

- IF the LFWFs can be constrained with information from the DIS sector, we may evaluate $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$

$$\sigma_c = \frac{ig_c}{2M} \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \bar{u}(p) \left(\frac{1}{k - m_c + i\epsilon} \right) [m_c \mathcal{I}_4] \left(\frac{1}{k - m_c + i\epsilon} \right) u(p)$$

$$\times \left(\frac{1}{[p - k]^2 - M_S^2 + i\epsilon} \right) \left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{k^2 - \Lambda_c^2 + i\epsilon} \right)^{2\gamma}$$



$$\sigma_{c\bar{c}} = \sigma_c + \sigma_{\bar{c}c}$$

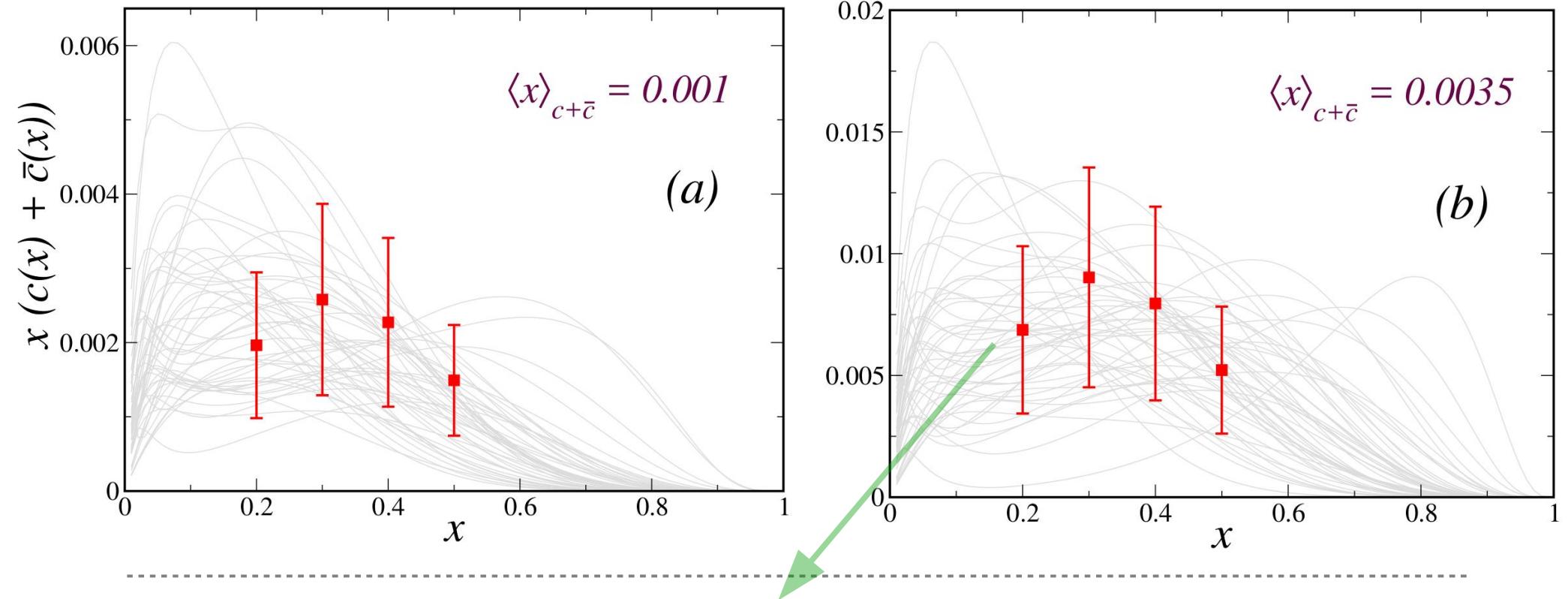
...we determine probability distribution functions (p.d.f.s) for this quantity

- this formalism is required because the LFWFs contain noncovariant parts:

$$i \frac{\sum_\lambda u_\lambda(k) \bar{u}_\lambda(k)}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} = \frac{i}{k - m + i\epsilon} - i \frac{\gamma^+}{2k^+}$$

- it remains to determine the (free) parameters of the light-front model,

$$(g_c, m_c, \Lambda_c, \Lambda_{\bar{c}}, M_S, M_{\bar{S}})$$



- we constrain the model with hypothetical **pseudo-data** (taken from the ‘confining’ MBM) of a given $\langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} \pm 50\%$

→ (input data normalizations are inspired by the just-described global analysis)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} = 0.001 & [\text{upper limit tolerated by the full fit/dataset}] \\ \langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} = 0.0035 & [\text{central value preferred by EMC data alone}] \end{array} \right.$$

- rather than traditional χ^2 minimization, the model space is instead explored using **Bayesian methods**

model simulations with markov chain monte carlo (MCMC)

- specifically, use a **Delayed-Rejection Adaptive Metropolis** (DRAM) algorithm

Haario et al., Stat. Comput. (2006) 16: 339–354.



construct a Markov chain consisting of $n_{\text{sim}} \approx 10^5 - 10^6$ simulations, sampling the **joint posterior distribution**

$$p(\vec{\theta} | x) \sim p(x | \vec{\theta}) p(\vec{\theta})$$

x	: input data
$\vec{\theta}$: parameters

likelihood function $p(x | \vec{\theta}) = \exp(-\chi^2/2)$

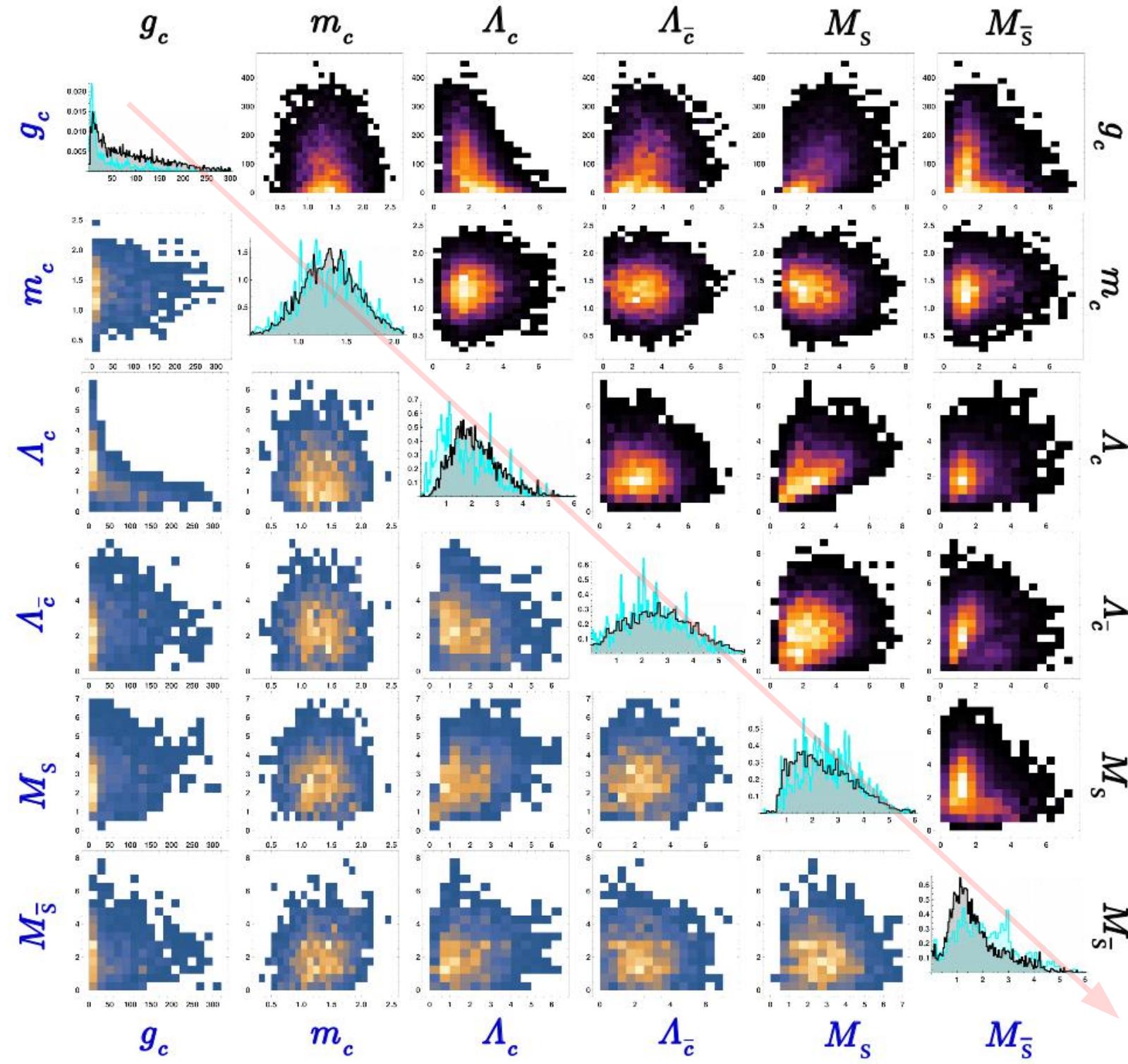
$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_i^{\text{data}}} \right)^2 | F_2^{c\bar{c}}(x_i, \vec{\theta}) - F_2^{c\bar{c}, \text{data}}(x_i) |^2$$

- asymptotically, the MCMC chain fully explores the joint posterior distribution

✓ From this, we extract **probability distribution functions (p.d.f.s)** for the model parameters and derived quantities, **including** σ_{cc}

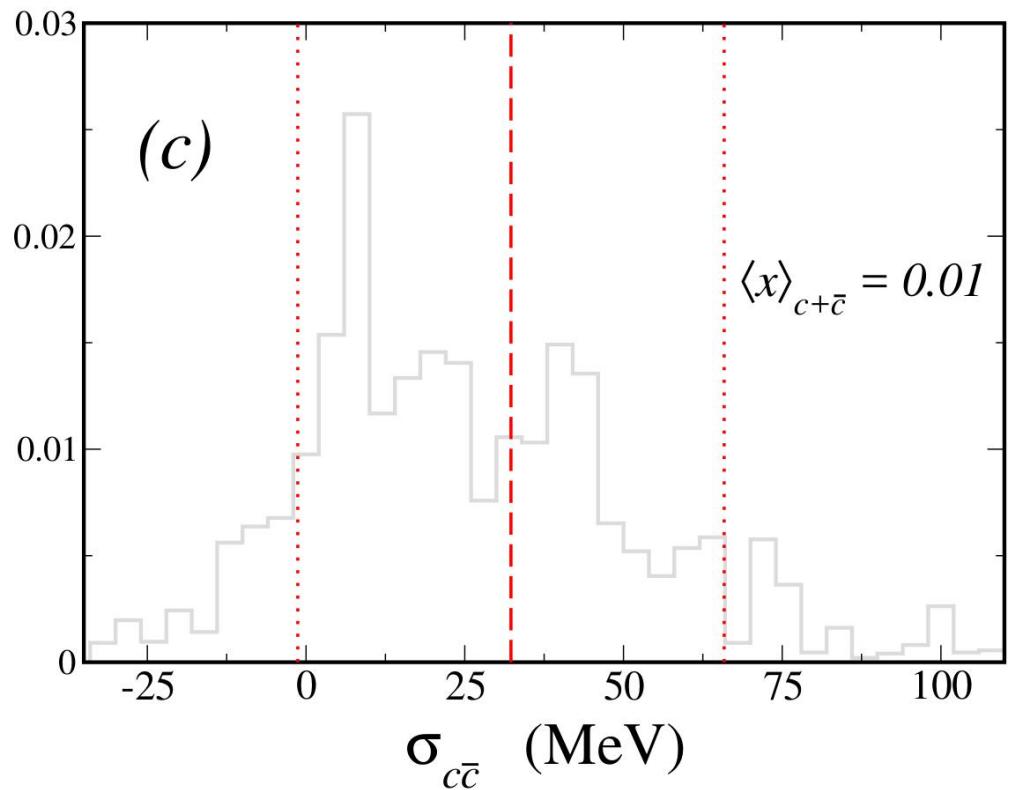
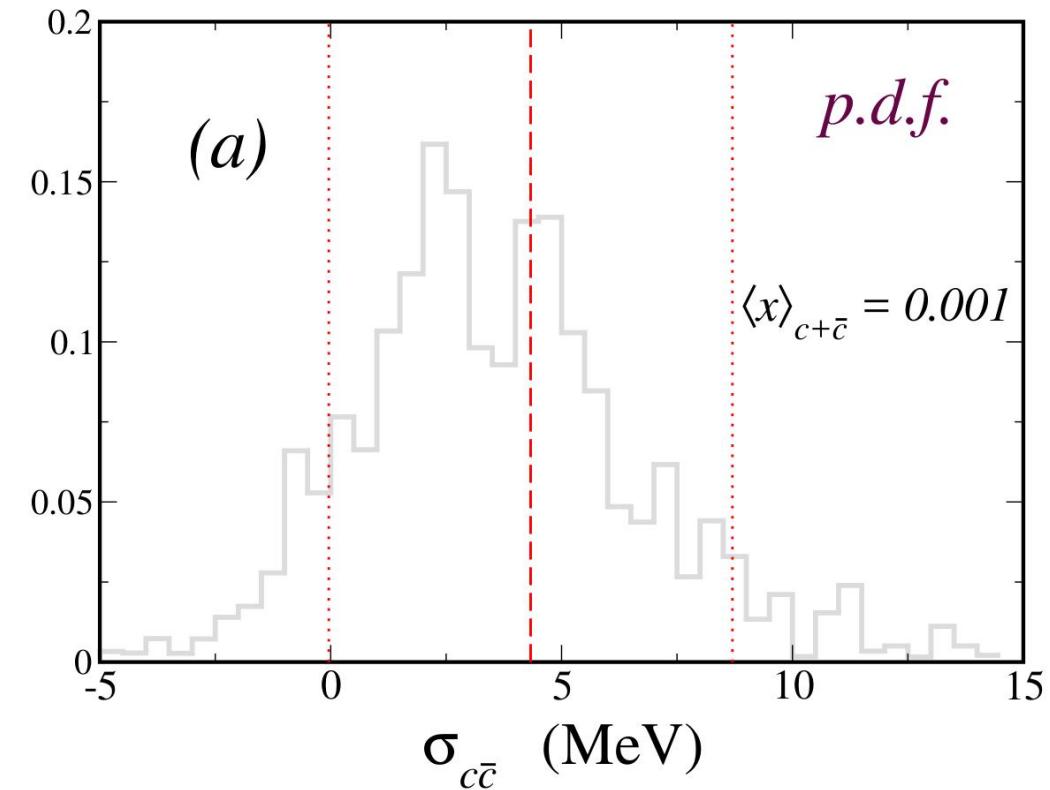
MCMC Joint posterior distribution

$\gamma = 1$ interaction



p.d.f.s

$\gamma = 3$ interaction



$$\sigma_{c\bar{c}} = 4.3 \pm 4.4 \text{ MeV} \quad (\gamma = 3 \text{ interaction}) \quad \sigma_{c\bar{c}} = 32.3 \pm 33.6 \text{ MeV}$$

- we find better concordance cf. existing **lattice determinations**, for somewhat larger IC magnitudes; also, close correlation with the DIS sector –

$$\sigma_{c\bar{c}} = 94 (31) \text{ MeV} \quad (\chi\text{QCD})^1$$

$$= 67 (34) \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{MILC})^2$$

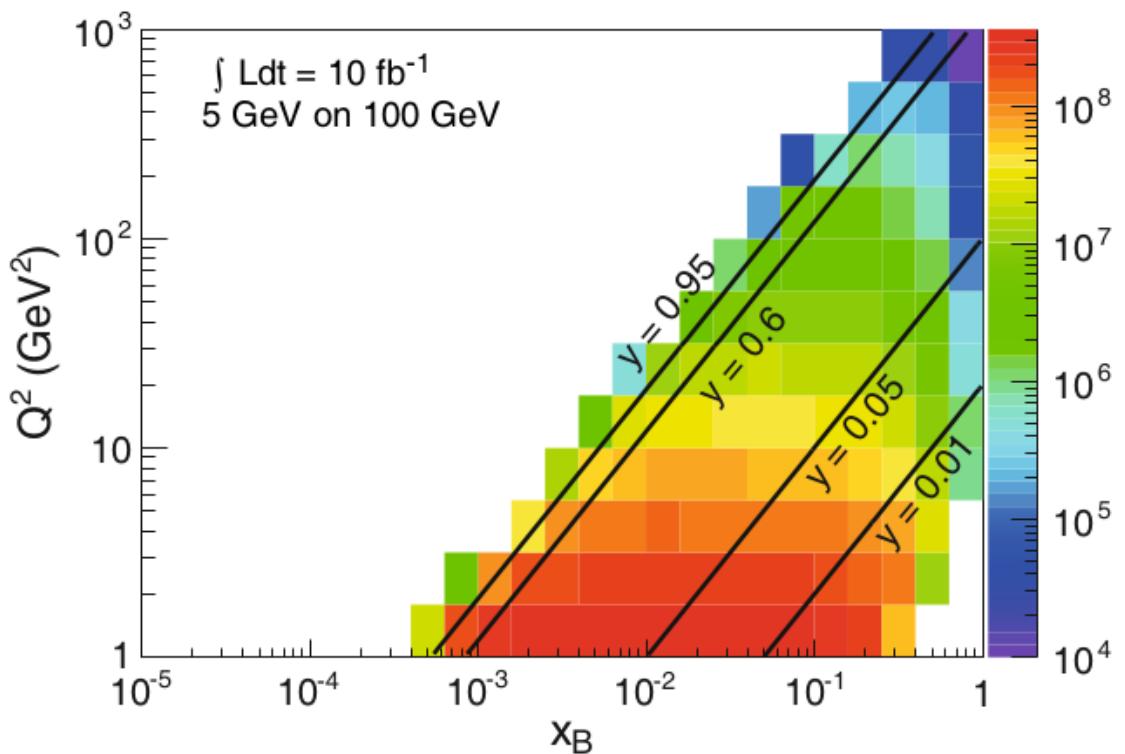
$$\sigma_{c\bar{c}} = 79 (21) \binom{12}{8} \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{AR})^3$$

$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$ pQCD is similar...

¹Gong et al., Phys. Rev. D88, 014503 (2013).

²Freeman and Toussaint, Phys. Rev. D88, 054503 (2013).

³Abdel-Rehim et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 252001 (2016).

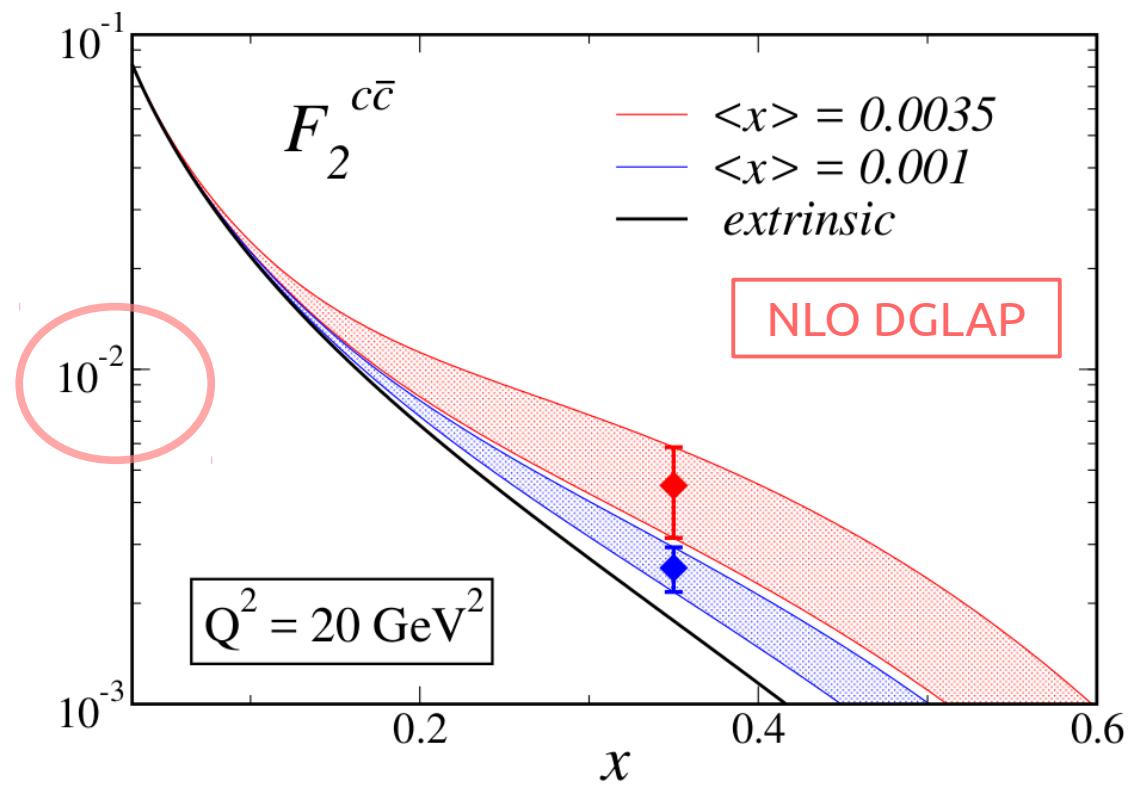


EIC Whitepaper, Eur. Phys. J. A (2016) 52: 268

- e.g., MEIC-like scenario:
 $\sqrt{s} = 45 \text{ GeV}$
- a definitive measurement would simply **reprise the EMC observation of $F_{2c\bar{c}}$**



- still, considerable precision will be needed to be sensitive at the necessary level



a future, unified description of the proton wave function may have the potential to provide the charm PDF and sigma term within a more comprehensive tomography

epilogue: LaMET and the pion structure function

- knowledge of the pion structure function is crucial to unraveling the nucleon's light quark sea (e.g., $\bar{d} - \bar{u}$); LaMET techniques may open this quantity to Lattice QCD

TJH, arXiv: 1708.05463 [hep-ph].

$$q(x, \mu^2) = \int \frac{d\xi^-}{4\pi} e^{-i\xi^- k^+} \langle p | \bar{\psi}(\xi^-) \gamma^+ \mathcal{U}(\xi^-, 0) \psi(0) | p \rangle$$

...while matrix elements for lightlike correlations are not accessible on a Euclidean Lattice, **quasi-PDFs** are:

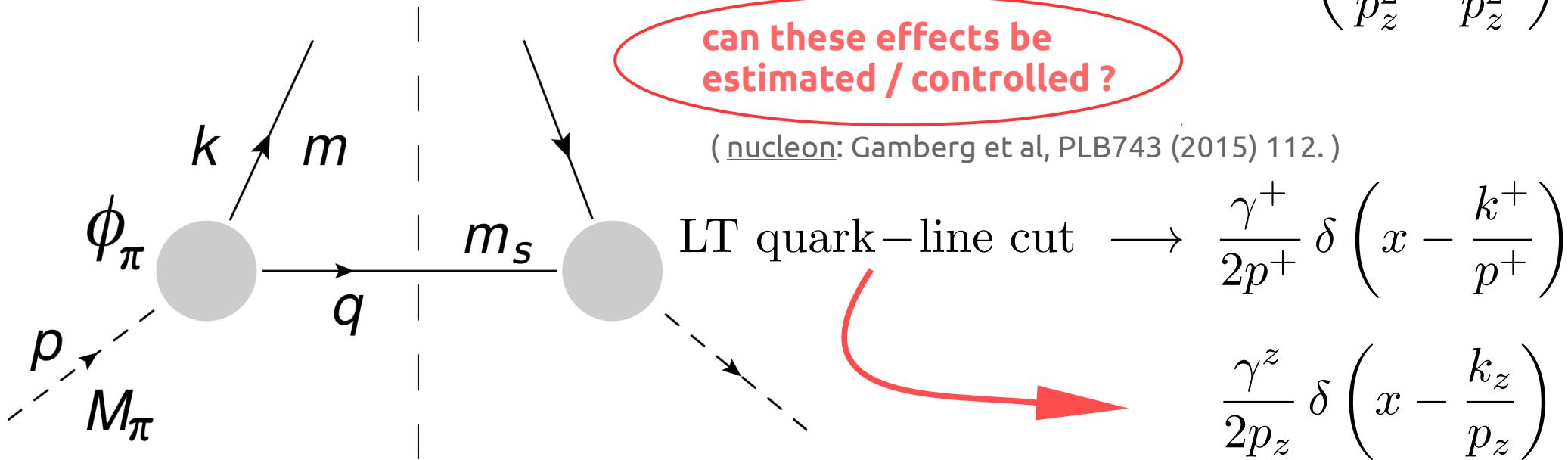
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$$\tilde{q}(x, \mu^2, p_z) = \int \frac{d\xi_z}{4\pi} e^{-i\xi_z k_z} \langle p | \bar{\psi}(\xi_z) \gamma^z \mathcal{U}(\xi_z, 0) \psi(0) | p \rangle$$

these differ from the exact PDFs by power-suppressed corrections of order $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{p_z^2}, \frac{M^2}{p_z^2}\right)$

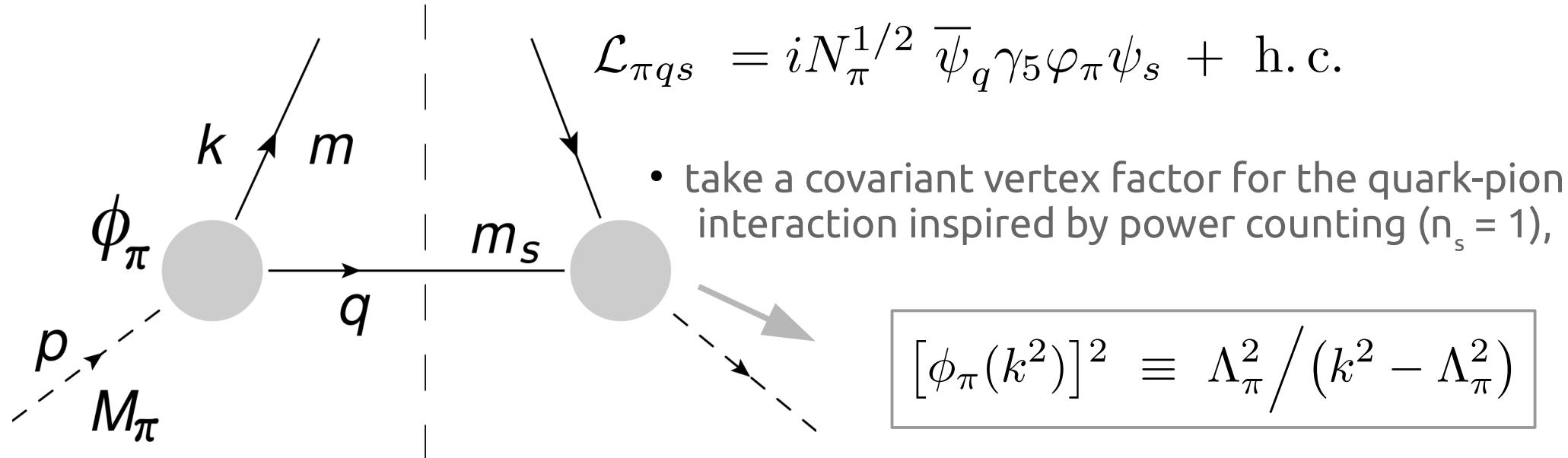
can these effects be
estimated / controlled ?

(nucleon: Gamberg et al, PLB743 (2015) 112.)



the “exact” pion light-front PDF via a constituent quark model

- first evaluate the LF pion valence PDF using a minimal model that couples the pion to its constituent quarks



$$q_\pi^{\text{LF}}(x) = \frac{N_\pi}{2(2\pi)^4} \int dk^+ dk^- d^2 k_\perp \left(\frac{1}{2p^+} \right) \delta \left(x - \frac{k^+}{p^+} \right) \\ \times \text{tr} \left(\gamma_5 (k + m) \gamma^+ (k + m) \gamma_5 (-q + m_s) \right) 2\pi \delta(q^2 - m_s^2) \left[\frac{\phi_\pi(k^2)}{(k^2 - m^2)} \right]^2$$

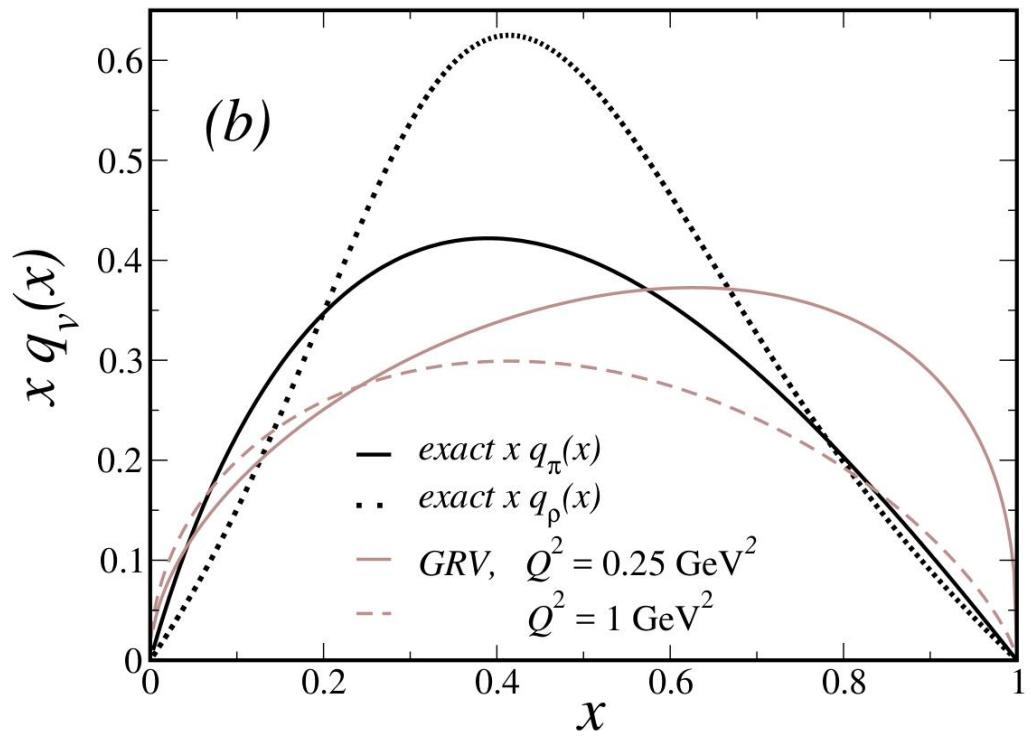
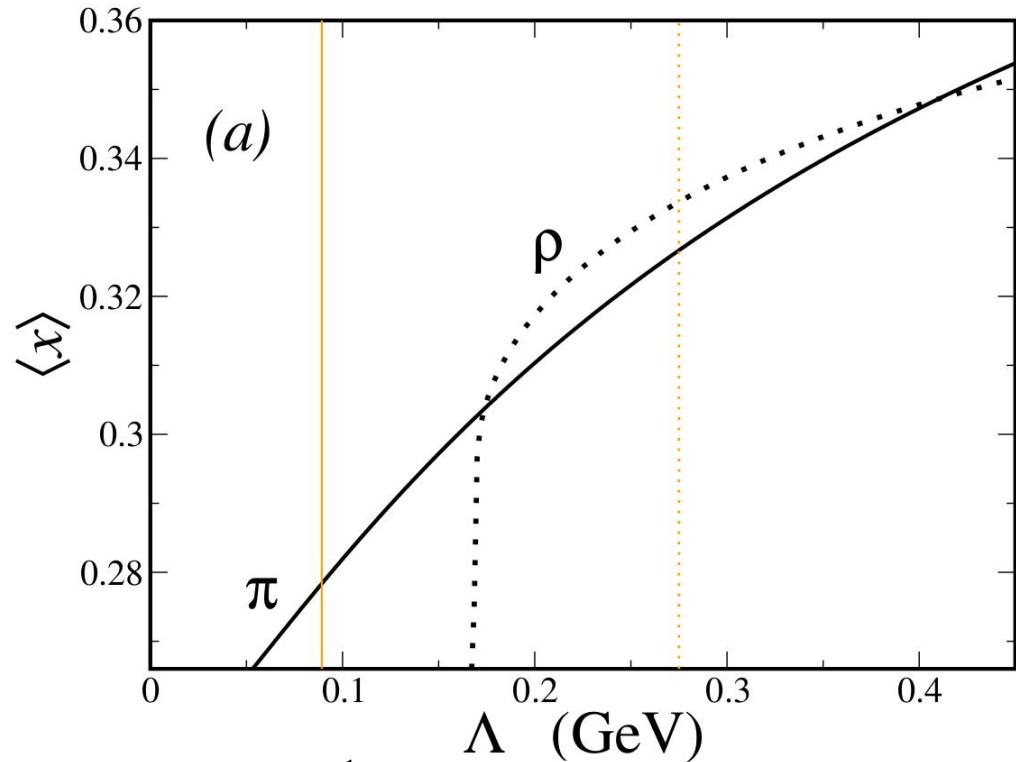
$$q = p - k$$

$$q_\pi^{\text{LF}}(x) = \frac{N_\pi}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{dk_\perp^2}{x^2(1-x)} \left\{ k_\perp^2 + (xm_s + (1-x)m)^2 \right\} \left[\frac{\phi_\pi(\textcolor{red}{t}_\pi)}{(M_\pi^2 - \hat{s})} \right]^2$$

determining the pion SF model parameters

- for the pion, masses can be fixed to physical or constituent values:

$$M_\pi = 0.139 \text{ GeV}, \ m = M/3 \approx 0.33 \text{ GeV}$$



$$\langle x \rangle_\pi = \int_0^1 dx x q_\pi^{\text{LF}}(x) = 0.279(83)^* \quad \rightarrow \quad \Lambda_\pi = 0.0892 \text{ GeV}$$

*LQCD 1st moment calculation: Best et al., PRD56, 2743 (1997).

- the overall strength is set by a **normalization condition**
such that the model is then completely determined

$$N_\pi = 1 / \int dx q_\pi^{\text{LF}}(x)$$

the corresponding pion quasi-PDF may then be found:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{q}_\pi(x, p_z) &= \frac{N_\pi}{(2\pi)^4} \int dk^0 dk_z d^2 k_\perp \left(\frac{1}{2p_z} \right) \delta \left(x - \frac{k_z}{p_z} \right) \\ &\times \text{tr} \left(\gamma_5 (\not{k} + m) \not{\gamma^z} (\not{k} + m) \gamma_5 (-\not{q} + m_s) \right) 2\pi \delta(q^2 - m_s^2) \left[\frac{\phi_\pi(k^2)}{(k^2 - m^2)} \right]^2\end{aligned}$$

- now, integrating delta functions introduces explicit dependence on p_z —

$$\delta(q^2 - m_s^2) = \frac{1}{2(p^0 - k^0)} \delta \left(p^0 - k^0 - \sqrt{m_s^2 + k_\perp^2 + (1-x)^2 p_z^2} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\tilde{q}_\pi(x, p_z)} &= \frac{N_\pi}{4\pi^2} \int \frac{dk_\perp^2}{2(1-x)\mu_s} \left\{ 2x \left(mm_s + (\tilde{q} \cdot \tilde{k}_\pi) \right) + (m^2 - \tilde{k}_\pi^2)(1-x) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \left[\frac{\phi_\pi(\tilde{k}_\pi^2)}{(M_\pi^2 + m_s^2 - m^2 + 2(1-x)(1-\mu_\pi \mu_s)} \right]^2\end{aligned}$$

↑

$\mu_\pi \equiv \sqrt{1 + \frac{M_\pi^2}{p_z^2}}$

$\mu_s \equiv \sqrt{1 + \frac{m_s^2 + k_\perp^2}{(1-x)^2 p_z^2}}$

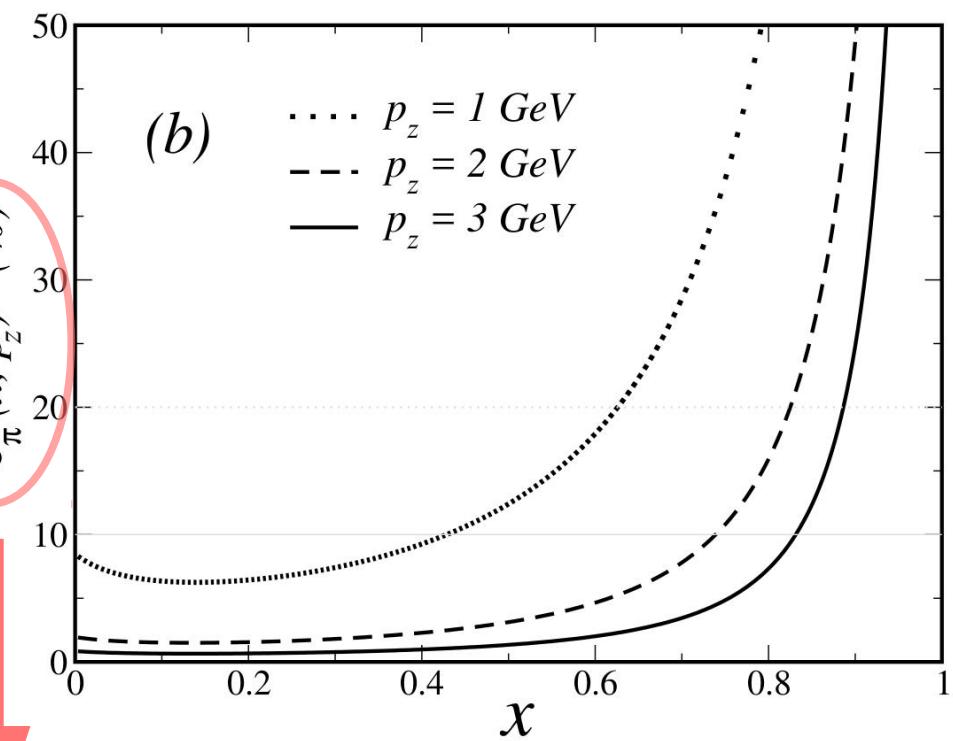
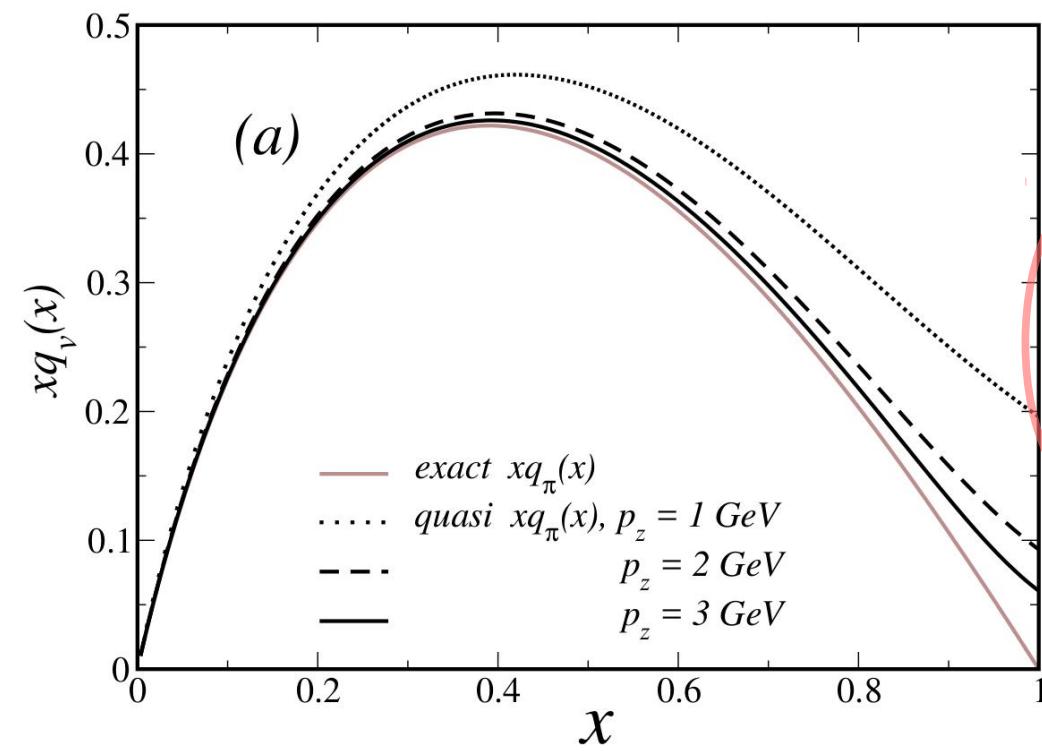
(the main result for the pion quasi-PDF)

$$\tilde{k}_\pi^2 = M_\pi^2 + m_s^2 + 2(1-x)(1-\mu_\pi \mu_s)p_z^2$$

→ compare π quasi-/PDFs for several p_z

- we observe the expected behavior: at infinite boost, meson quasi-PDFs match onto the exact result,

$$\lim_{p_z \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{q}_M(x, p_z) = q_M^{\text{LF}}(x)$$



- away from this limit, we compute the LaMET deviations from the LF PDF:

$$\delta_M(x, p_z) \equiv \frac{\tilde{q}_M(x, p_z)}{q_M^{\text{LF}}(x)} - 1$$

→ even at fairly modest p_z these corrections can be $\lesssim 10\%$!

conclusions

- understanding the nucleon's non-valence structure remains a challenge for the field, but **light-front methods** can help
 - can construct interpolating models that access the flavor structure of the **proton wave function**
 - we thereby quantify the relationship between **strangeness** in the nucleon's **elastic form factors** and **structure function**
(searches for strange in $G_{E,M}(Q^2)$ have some distance to go)
 - this can be extended to charm!
- we have established a close connection between $F_{2,\text{IC}}^{c\bar{c}}$ and $\sigma_{c\bar{c}}$
 - **to exploit this connection, more experimental information is required, but diverse channels are/will be available (e.g., at EIC)**
- LaMET techniques hold promise for computing the valence **quasi-distributions** of the pion, $\tilde{q}_\pi(x)$
 - invaluable for studies of light sea flavor asymmetries!

- THANKS -



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meson-baryon *models* (MBMs)

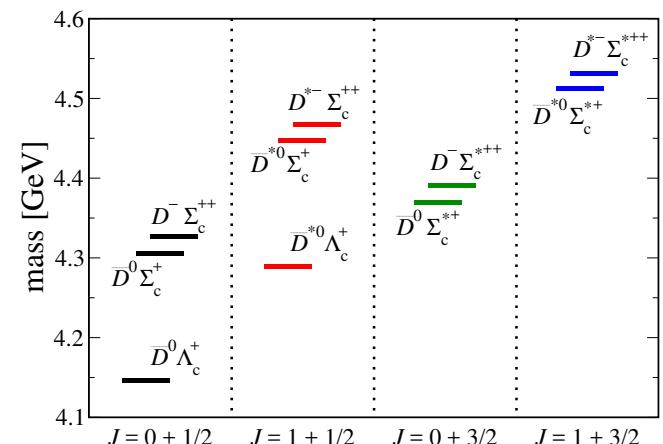
- we implement a framework which *conserves spin/parity*
- **nonperturbative mechanisms** are needed to break
 $c(x, Q^2 \leq m_c^2) = \bar{c}(x, Q^2 \leq m_c^2) = 0!$

We build an **EFT** which connects IC to properties of the hadronic spectrum: [TJH, J. T. Londergan and W. Melnitchouk, Phys. Rev. D89, 074008 (2014).]

- $|N\rangle = \sqrt{Z_2} |N\rangle_0 + \sum_{M,B} \int dy \, \mathbf{f}_{MB}(y) |M(y); B(1-y)\rangle$
 $y = k^+/P^+$: *k* meson, *P* nucleon

$$c(x) = \sum_{B,M} \left[\int_x^1 \frac{d\bar{y}}{\bar{y}} f_{BM}(\bar{y}) c_B \left(\frac{x}{\bar{y}} \right) \right]$$

- a similar *convolution* procedure may be used for $\bar{c}(x) \dots$



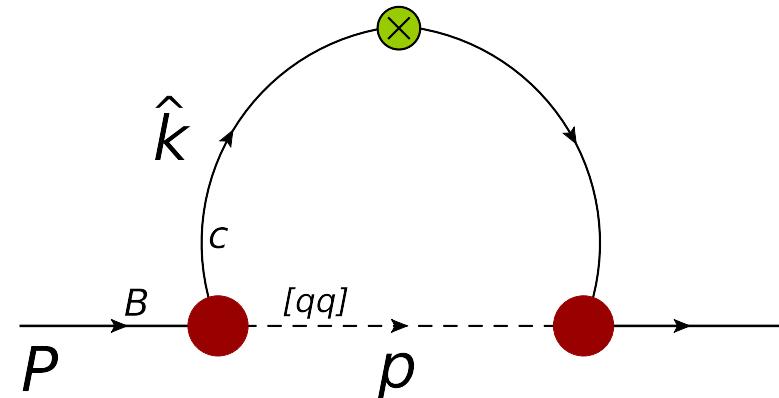
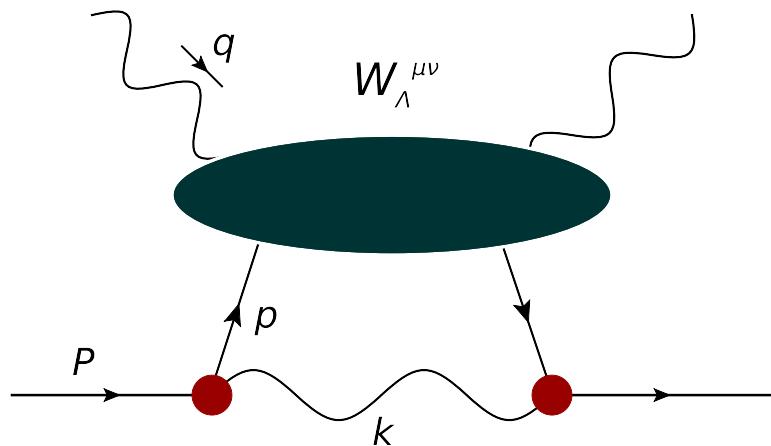
amplitudes from hadronic EFT

- e.g., for the **dominant** contribution to $c(x)$, i.e., $\boxed{\Lambda_c D^*}$:

$$c(x) = \int_x^1 \frac{d\bar{y}}{\bar{y}} f_{\Lambda D^*}(\bar{y}) \cdot c_\Lambda\left(\frac{x}{\bar{y}}\right) :$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{D^*\Lambda N} = g \bar{\psi}_N \gamma_\mu \psi_\Lambda \theta_{D^*}^\mu + \frac{f}{4M} \bar{\psi}_N \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi_\Lambda F_{D^*}^{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{c[qq]\Lambda} = g \bar{\psi}_\Lambda \psi_c \phi_{[qq]} + \text{h.c.} \quad \underline{\text{quark model} \rightarrow \text{had. } g, f}$$

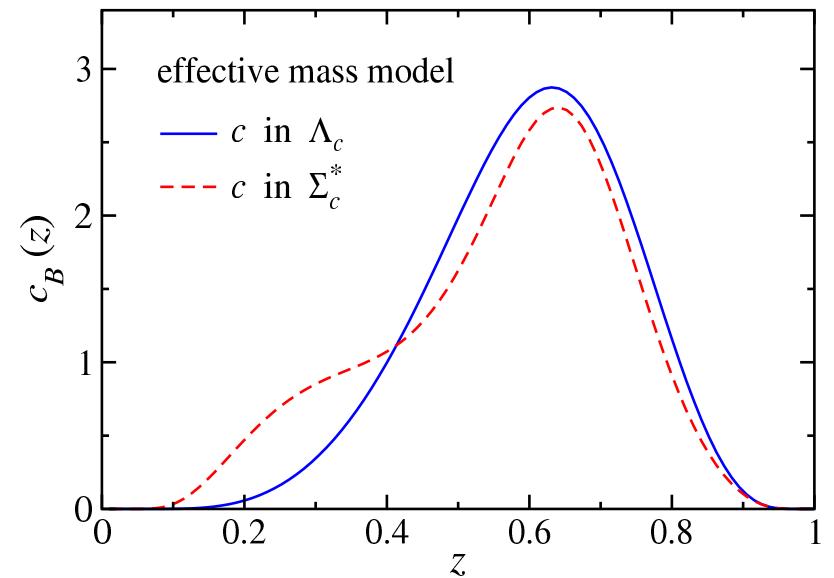
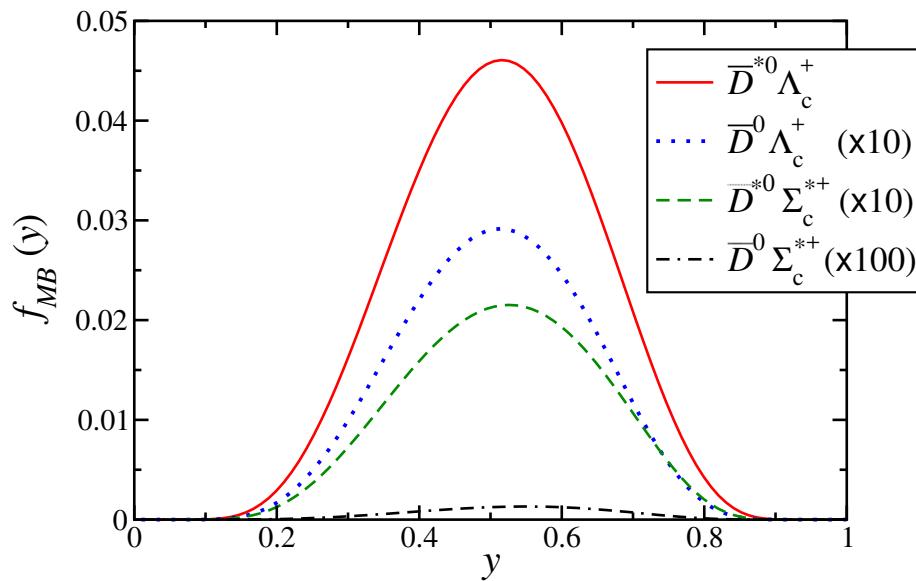


→ evaluate forward-moving **TOPT** diagrams

hadron/parton distributions

$$f_{BD^*}(\bar{y}) = T_B \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int dk_\perp^2 \frac{|\mathcal{F}(s_{BM})|^2}{(s_{BM}-M^2)^2} \frac{1}{\bar{y}(1-\bar{y})} \\ \times \left[g^2 G_v(\bar{y}, k_\perp^2) + \frac{gf}{M} G_{vt}(\bar{y}, k_\perp^2) + \frac{f^2}{M^2} G_t(\bar{y}, k_\perp^2) \right]$$

$$c_B(z) = N_B \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int d\hat{k}_\perp^2 \frac{1}{z^2(1-z)} \frac{|\mathcal{F}(\hat{s})|^2}{(\hat{s}-M_B^2)^2} \left[\hat{k}_\perp^2 + (m_c + zM_B)^2 \right]$$

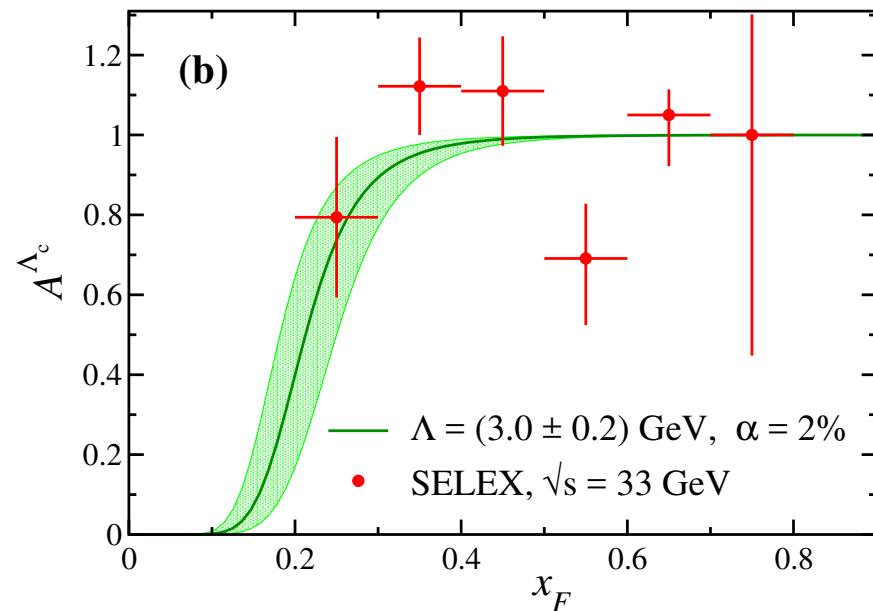
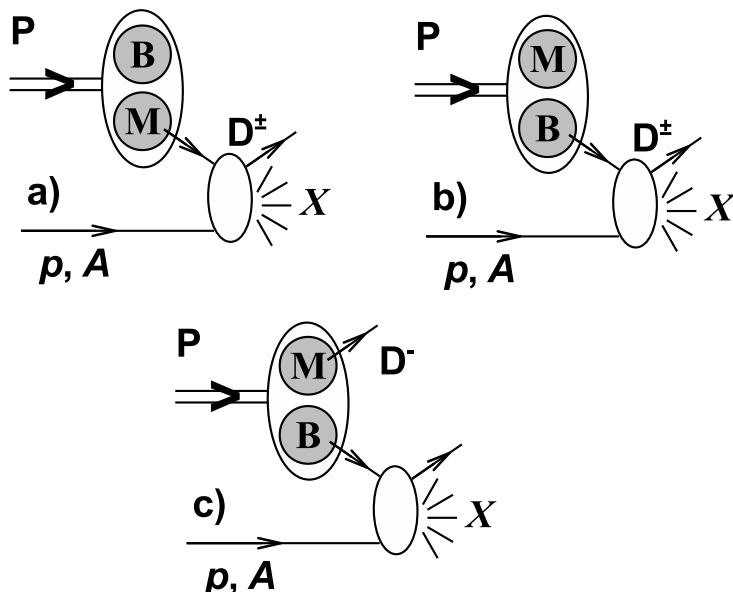


→ **model dependence** mainly from $\mathcal{F}(s)$,

$$s(\bar{y}, k_\perp^2) = (M_\Lambda^2 + k_\perp^2)/\bar{y} + (m_D^2 + k_\perp^2)/(1 - \bar{y})$$

production asymmetries?

$$A^{\Lambda_c}(x_F) = \frac{\sigma^{\Lambda_c}(x_F) - \sigma^{\bar{\Lambda}_c}(x_F)}{\sigma^{\Lambda_c}(x_F) + \sigma^{\bar{\Lambda}_c}(x_F)} \quad (\sigma^{\Lambda_c}(x_F) \equiv d\sigma^{\Lambda_c}/dx_F)$$



$$\frac{d\sigma^{\Lambda_c}}{dx_F} = \frac{d\sigma_{(\text{val})}^{\Lambda_c}}{dx_F} + \frac{d\sigma_{(\text{sea})}^{\Lambda_c}}{dx_F}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{(\text{val})}^{\Lambda_c}}{dx_F} \approx \sigma_0 \sum_M f_{\Lambda_c M}(x_F)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{(\text{sea})}^{\Lambda_c}}{dx_F} \equiv \frac{d\sigma^{\bar{\Lambda}_c}}{dx_F} \approx \bar{\sigma}_0 (1 - x_F)^{\bar{n}}$$

$$\rightarrow A_{\Lambda_c}(x_F) = \frac{\sum_M f_{\Lambda_c M}(x_F)}{\sum_M f_{\Lambda_c M}(x_F) + 2\alpha(1-x_F)^{\bar{n}}} \quad (\alpha = \bar{\sigma}_0/\sigma_0, \bar{n} = 6.8)$$

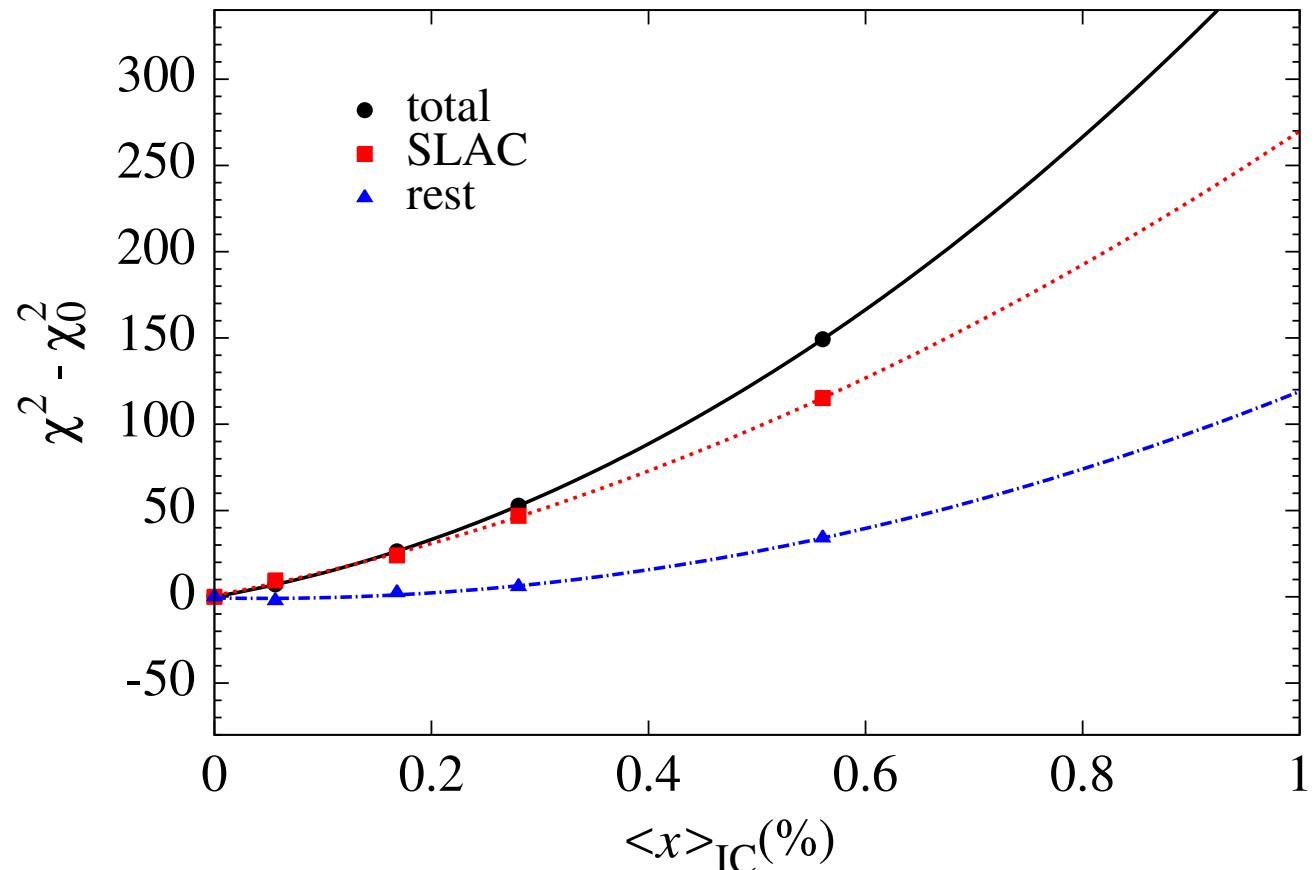
...without **EMC** $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$...

SLAC *ep, ed* data!

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle \sim 15 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$0.06 \leq x \leq 0.9$$

$$(\chi^2/N_{dat} \sim 1.25)$$



'SLAC + REST' $\implies \langle x \rangle_{IC} < 0.1\%$; at 5σ !

'REST' only $\implies \langle x \rangle_{IC} < 0.1\%$; at 1σ

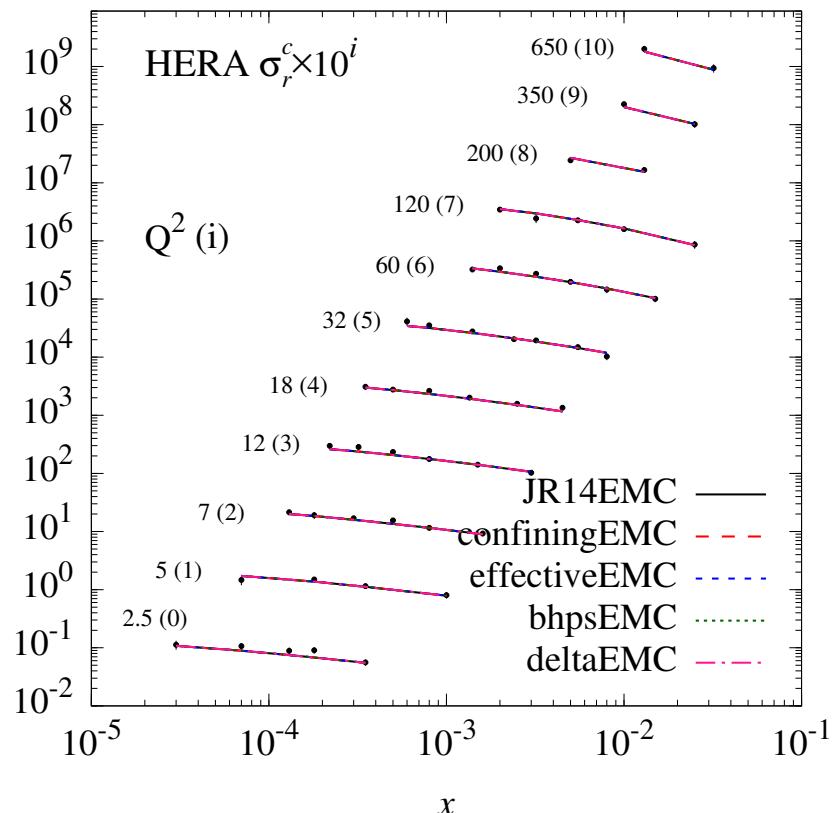
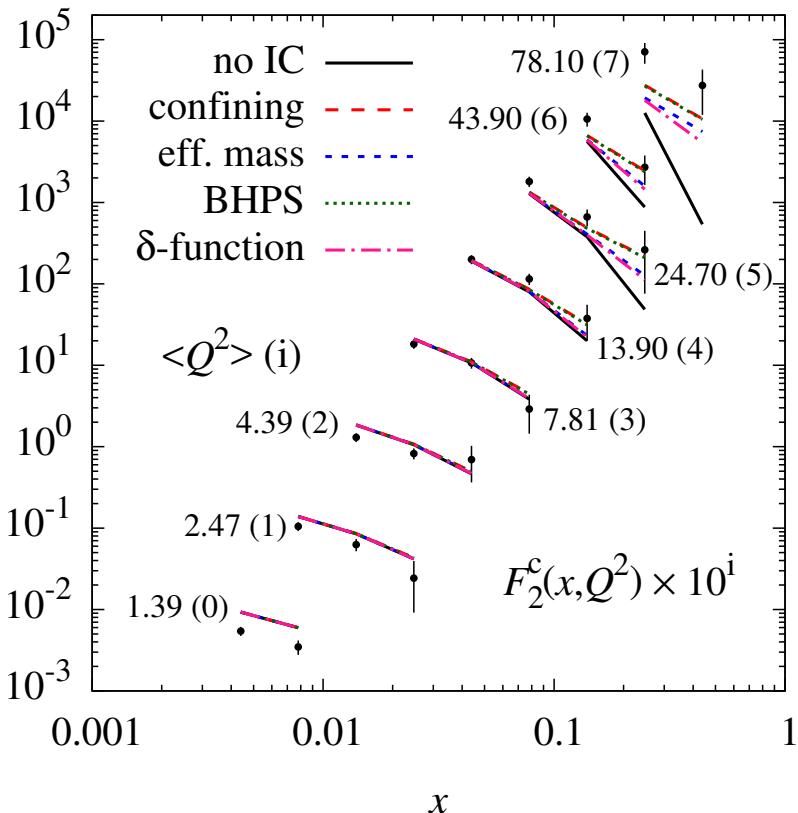
cf., $\langle x \rangle_{IC} \sim 2 - 3\%$

e.g., [S. Dulat et al., Phys. Rev. D 89, 073004 (2014).]

N.B.: different tolerances: $\Delta\chi^2 = 1$ vs. $\Delta\chi^2_{CT} = 100$

data comparisons:

...full fits, constrained by EMC $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$ measurements:



- EMC: low- x /low- Q^2 tension with HERA σ_r^c
- $\frac{\tau_{life}}{\tau_{int}} = 5 \rightarrow$ for $Q^2 = 170 \text{ GeV}^2$, EMC sensitive to IC at $x \lesssim 0.01$
→ more $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$ data are needed!

new/ongoing global analyses

- **NNPDF3:** not anchored to specific parametrizations/models

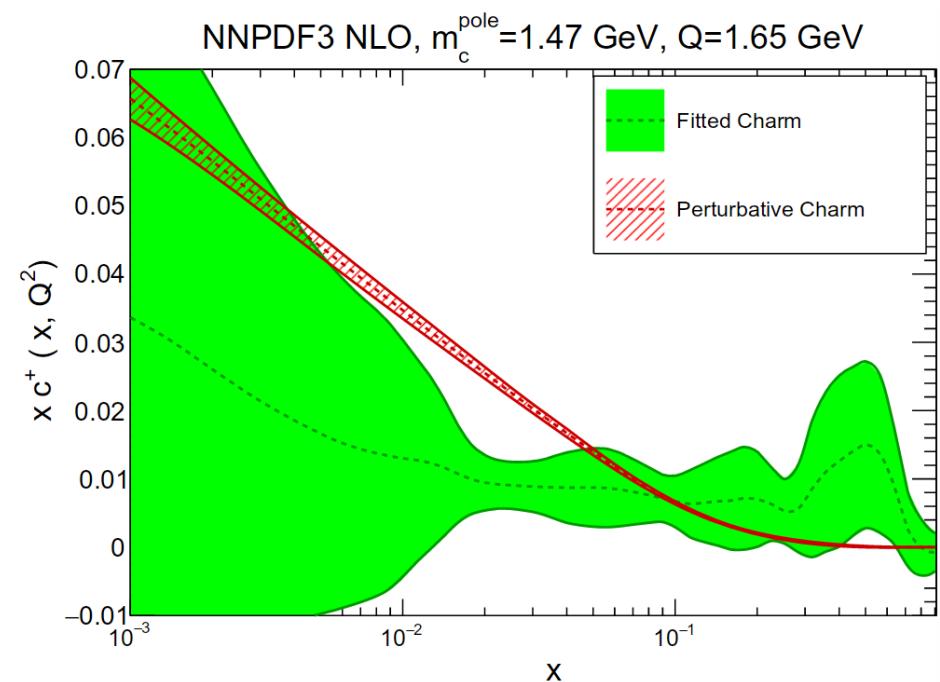
see: Ball *et al.* Eur. Phys. J. **C76** (2016) no.11, 647

- *included* EMC:

$\langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} = 0.7 \pm 0.3\%$ at $Q \sim 1.5$ GeV

→ drove a **very hard** $c(x) = \bar{c}(x)$ distribution

- peaked at $x \sim 0.5$
- AND, required a **negative** IC component to describe EMC $F_2^{c\bar{c}}$!



- complementary analyses for possible intrinsic **bottom**

see: Lyonnet *et al.* JHEP07 (2015) 141.

→ would be negligible based on the analysis presented here...

future experimental prospects?

- jet hadroproduction: $pp \rightarrow (Zc) + X$ at **LHCb**

e.g., Boettcher, **Ilten**, Williams, PRD93, 074008 (2016).

- a “direct” measure in the forward region, $2 < \eta < 5$
 . . . sensitive to $c(x)$, $x \sim 1$ for *one* colliding proton
- can discriminate $\langle x \rangle_{\text{IC}} \gtrsim 0.3\%$ (“valencelike”), 1% (“sealike”)

- prompt atmospheric neutrinos?

see: **Laha** & Brodsky, 1607.08240 (2016).

→ IceCube ν spectra may constrain IC normalization

- possible impact upon **hidden charm pentaquark**, P_c^+ ?

e.g., Schmidt & Siddikov, PRD93, 094005 (2016).

- AFTER@LHC? . . . fixed-target pp at $\sqrt{s} = 115$ GeV

Brodsky *et al.* Adv. High Energy Phys. **2015**, 231547 (2015). **[Signori]**